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## HALIBUT CATCH WELL ABOVE LAST YEAR

## BRITISH CONSERVATIVE PARTY HAS CONSTRUCTIVE POLICY FOR COUNTRY

### Imperial Unity is Part of Conservative Policy in Great Britain Today

With Large Majority New Government Will be in Position to Give Effect to its Constructive Program

LONDON, Oct. 31.—That there will be great changes of policy following the election of the Conservatives under Stanley Baldwin and the decisive defeat of both the Labor and Liberal parties is a foregone conclusion. While the Russian treaty and the withdrawal of the Campbell prosecution were very prominently mentioned in the campaign which has just closed, the Conservatives also had a constructive policy which will now be a guide in their future administrative and legislative actions. With a very large majority behind them, so large as to be ponderous if not dangerous, they are in a position to carry through their program without fear of being tripped up. As the House of Lords is also largely Conservative there is nothing to stop them.

### CONSERVATIVES ARE INCREASING

The encouragement of mutual trade within the Empire is one of the features of their program. The Government will proceed with the view that it is better to find money within the Empire than to make loans to such countries as Russia, as was proposed by the Macdonald cabinet, building the likely trend of the new Government, one of their members said:

The Conservative party is determined to safeguard the employment and standard of living by applying the principle of the safeguarding of industries act, where grave unemployment is caused in an efficient industry, by reason of unfair competition arising from the disorganized currency or exchange, or from low-priced labor and excessive hours of work.

### Consult with Dominions

The Conservative foreign policy calls for the closest consultation with the Dominions, and we shall support and strengthen the League of Nations on practical lines subject always to the overriding consideration that there shall be no commitments involving issues of peace and war, without the concurrence of the Dominions.

As regards imperial defence, while in favor of any practical proposals for the general limitation of armaments, we shall scrutinize carefully the commitments and implications of the League of Nations scheme. We shall examine afresh the position in which the defenses of the empire have been put by the Labor administration.

The Conservatives have a constructive agricultural and housing policy, and stand for progressive educational development.

We shall appoint a royal commission to examine every phase of the food situation, investigating the causes of the present rise in food prices and endeavor to devise some method of lessening the cost of transferring food products from the field to thearder.

### FREIGHT TRAIN RAN INTO YARD ENGINE KILLING A FIREMAN

KAMLOOPS, Oct. 31.—When the C.P.R. freight train collided with a yard engine the fireman of the latter, John Swanson, was fatally injured, dying five hours later.

### CONTRACT FOR EXCAVATION

Angelo Antonelli to do Work Preparatory to Erection I.O.D.E. Building

Municipal Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, has awarded the contract for the excavation for the proposed building at the corner of McBride Street and Fifth Avenue to Angelo Antonelli and work will commence immediately. The size and details of the building to be erected have not yet been decided upon.

### ANOTHER VICTIM OF EXPLOSION ON TRAIN DIES AT GRAND FORKS

Vancouver Newsagent is Ninth to Lose Life From Kettle Valley Tragedy

GRAND FORKS, Oct. 31.—H. K. Fawcett, of Vancouver, a newsagent, died yesterday at the hospital here, being the ninth victim of the Kettle Valley train explosion at Farron.

### BRITISH FARM BOYS ARRIVE ON PRAIRIES

Have Entered Agricultural Training School at Vermillion; Others to Follow

EDMONTON, Oct. 31.—Forty-eight British farm boys arrived at Vermillion and have been entered in the Government farm school. This is the first contingent of lads under a new system of immigration in co-operation with the Overseas Settlement Board in England, under whose auspices the lads are collected. More are expected to be brought to Canada during the winter.

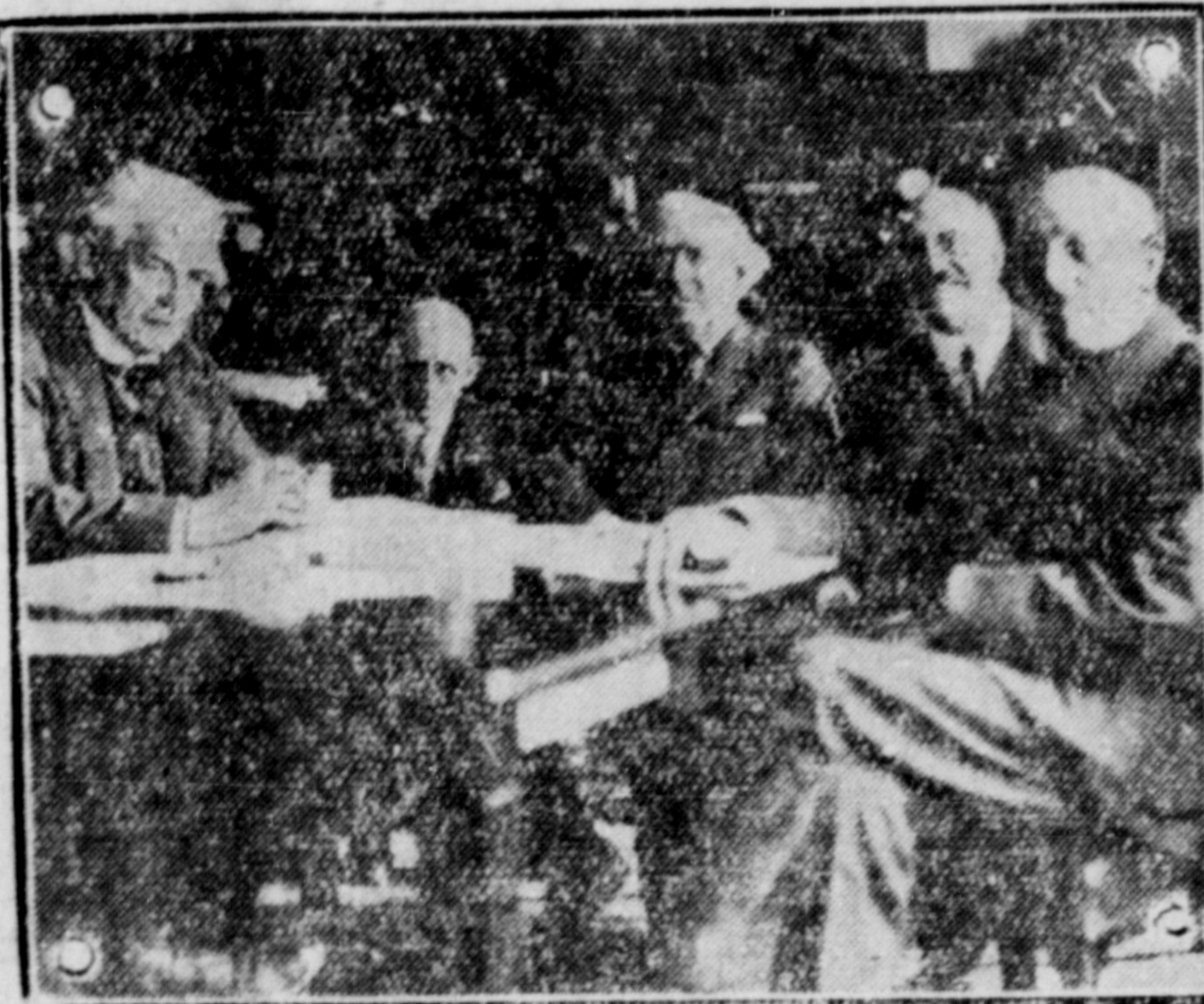
### Skipper of Azores Tells of Narrow Escape of Himself and Mate from Burning Halibut Boat

The explosion which on Tuesday night resulted in the demolition of the local halibut boat Azores at Reef Island near Thurston Harbor, Moresby Island, occurred so suddenly that Capt. Charles Edwards, her owner and skipper, and his mate, Joe Buchan, hardly were able to realize what had happened said Capt. Edwards this morning in telling of the accident. After a backfire of the engine, the boat soon became ablaze and, when the flames reached the gas tank, the craft went up in smoke and flame and disappeared. This all happened within a space of three minutes but Capt. Edwards and Mr. Buchan, warned through the first explosion, were able to get away in the dory although they lost everything that was aboard the boat. The Azores was of the five-men halibut schooner type and was partly covered by insurance.

The accident occurred about 10.30 Tuesday night at Reef Island where the Azores was laying in awaiting an opportunity to start across Hecate Straits en route home. Capt. Edwards had been packing salmon for the Imperial Trading Co. to the Lockport Cannery.

After the loss of the boat, Capt. Edwards and Mr. Buchan rowed in the dory the distance of ten miles to Thurston Harbor. There they spent the night boarding the tug Lorne Wednesday morning and arriving here this morning. The Lorne visited the scene of the explosion but not a trace was to be found of the lost boat.

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Leaders of the party that suffered most in the British election. Among them are Lloyd George, H. H. Asquith, Sir Alfred Mond and Dr. MacNamara

### Proposal to Ship Bulkley Valley Cattle to Japan if Proper Arrangements Made

Arrangements have just about been completed by Charles Kelley, who came to the city recently from Smithers to enter the meat business, to make a shipment of live Bulkley Valley cattle from here to Japan early in December. "Advice is being awaited from the Canadian trade commissioner in Tokio regarding market conditions and there are certain details to be settled in the interior. Mr. Kelley expects to know definitely early next week. The plan is to bring the Canadian Government Merchant Marine steamer Canadian Miller here about December 3 to load a maximum of sixty head or minimum of fifty.

It is believed that the shipment of cattle from the Bulkley Valley to Japan can be made a profitable proposition and, if the initial shipment proves a success, there should be great expansion of the business possibly meaning the calling of steamers here regularly to take the cattle across the Pacific. Local market conditions of late have been somewhat discouraging to the stock raisers in the interior.

This country is favorably situated for the shipment of live cattle to the Orient. Cattle from Australia and South America have to cross the equator and many of them die. Cattle shipped from Alberta have gained on the trip through the more northerly latitudes.

### TERRIFIC STORM ON SOUTH COAST

Radio reports received last night indicated that there was a terrific storm yesterday in Puget Sound and south of there. The steamer Trinidad, last reported at 130 W.L. and 43 N.L., was reported missing. A fishing vessel sank in Puget Sound.

### DR. TOLMIE WOULD RAISE DUTY ON ALL MANUFACTURED GOODS

VANCOUVER, Oct. 31.—In an address here Hon. Simon Fraser Tolmie, organizer for the Conservative party, made a plea for higher duties on manufactured goods coming to this country from United States and other countries. He objected to the lowering of those by Liberals. He urged that they be increased in order to protect Canadian industries against competition.

### Halibut Catch Higher Than Last Year by Two and Half Million Lbs.

The total halibut arrivals at this port for the ten months ending today reach the figure of 26,839,800 pounds as compared with 24,251,300 pounds for the first ten months of 1923. It is hardly likely now that the total catch for 1924 will come up to the total for 1923 which was 29,196,700 pounds but, in spite of the fact that the close season commencing on November 15 gives only ten-and-a-half months to count as compared with the full 12 months in 1923, it may not be very far behind. Heavy arrivals on the days around the closing date are anticipated.

### CLOSE SEASON FOR HALIBUT

Further Information in Regard to Enforcement of Provisions of Treaty

John Debbavn, manager of the Royal Fish Co. of this city has received an answer to a letter written to the deputy minister of fisheries in regard to the close season on halibut. It says in part:

"On reference to the Act you will observe that it is specifically restricted to prohibiting fishing during the close season or the disposal of fish caught during such time. It does not, however, prohibit the sale during the close season of fish legally caught during the open season. This is equally true of the United States Act.

There, however, must be no doubt that any fish brought into port or disposed of during the close season had been legally taken during the open season, and the customs and fishery officers who will be authorized to enforce the provisions of the Act will be required to obtain evidence of an entirely satisfactory nature that the fish were so caught before their sale during the close season will be permitted.

### NEW SCHEDULE FOR STEAMERS

One Boat Weekly of C.G.M.M. for Winter Season

Effective from Vancouver on Monday, November 17, the C.N.R. coast steamship winter schedule between here and Vancouver will come into operation. The large steamer will again serve Anyox and Stewart as well.

The schedule will be as follows:

Leave Vancouver Monday, 11 p.m. (calling at Powell River, Ocean Falls and Swanson Bay).  
Arrive Prince Rupert Wednesday, 3 p.m.  
Leave Prince Rupert Wednesday, 11 p.m.  
Arrive Stewart Thursday, 7 a.m.  
Leave Stewart Thursday noon.  
Arrive Anyox, Thursday, 6.30 p.m.  
Leave Anyox Thursday, 11 p.m.  
Arrive Prince Rupert Friday, 6 a.m.  
Leave Prince Rupert Friday, 9 a.m.  
Arrive Vancouver Sunday, 7 a.m. (after calling at Swanson Bay, Ocean Falls and Powell River).

Effective November 15, from Prince Rupert the steamer Prince John will operate between Prince Rupert and Vancouver via the Queen Charlotte Islands on the following fortnightly schedule.

Leave Prince Rupert Saturday, 8 p.m.  
Arrive Vancouver Thursday a.m.  
Leave Vancouver Saturday (November 22), 4 p.m.  
Arrive Prince Rupert Thursday a.m.

### BIRTH

A daughter was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on October 31 to Mr. and Mrs. Gaefana Ciccone.

### STORM WARNING

The Digby Island wireless station reports that southeast storm warnings from Alaska to California are being displayed along the coast.

### October Catch

During the month of October closing today 101 American halibut boats landed 2,046,600 pounds for an average of 25,200 pounds to the trip. Seventy-eight Canadian boats landed 583,400 pounds, the average being 7,500 pounds to the trip. The total for the month is 2,629,400 pounds as compared with 1,844,100 pounds in October, last year.

### LORNE BRINGS LARGE RAFTS

Has Three Million Feet of Logs at Captain's Cove for Delivery to Swanson Bay and Powell River

The Hecate Straits Towing Co.'s tug Lorne, Capt. Lewis, arrived in port at 9 o'clock this morning bringing home Capt. Edwards and Joe Buchan of the fishing boat Azores which blew up near Thurston Harbor on Tuesday night.

The Lorne brought across the Straits a raft of one million feet of logs from the Whalen logging camp at Thurston Harbor. It was left at Captain's Cove while the Lorne came on here. There are also two other similar rafts at Captain's Cove which the Lorne will pick up today. Two are for the Whalen mill and will be dropped at Swanson Bay. The third is from the Kelly logging camp at Lockport. It will be taken to Powell River. When the Lorne arrives at Vancouver she will be tied up for overhaul.

Officers of the Lorne reported that the Whalen logging camp at Thurston Harbor was closing down but the Kelly camps are still continuing.

### MINER KILLED BY HIGH VOLTAGE WIRE

NANAIMO, Oct. 31.—George William Hock, 49 years of age, a miner at the Lentzville mine, 12 miles from here, was killed instantly when coming off shift yesterday his head coming in contact with a high voltage wire.

### HANG FOR MURDER OF WIFE AT NOTCH HILL NEAR KAMLOOPS

KAMLOOPS, Oct. 31.—W. J. Payette, charged with the murder of his wife at Notch Hill on October 12 was found guilty at the assize court presided over by Mr. Justice W. A. Macdonald, and was sentenced to hang on January 15.