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MANY NEW FISHING BOATS BEING BUILT

STORM GENERAL ALONG COAST AND INTERIOR BUT LITTLE DAMAGE RESULTS

STORM GENERAL ALONG COAST

Umatilla Lightship Broke Adrift
at Cape Flattery—Practi-
cally no Damage Done
Here

That the storm of yesterday afternoon and last evening was by no means local is indicated by news received by the Digby Island wireless station that the Umatilla lightship Cape Flattery, which guides trans-Pacific shipping into the Straits of Juan de Fuca, broke adrift yesterday. It was understood that the lightship was able, under her own steam, to get into shelter and is probably in her position again. The storm was general along the coast but, as far as is known, it did not penetrate into the interior. Here, between 11 yesterday morning and 11 at night, there were gusts that reached a velocity of 60 miles an hour. S. C. Jackson, Dominion meteorologist, reports, "The only damage in the city, as far as could be ascertained this morning, was the picking up of 16 feet of plank sidewalk on First Avenue near the Besner Apartments during the night. It was dropped into the centre of the street."

FIVE CHILDREN FIRE VICTIMS

Woman and Family Burned to
Death in Shack: Two Die
in Hotel Fire

COCHRANE, Ont., Jan. 20.—Six lives were lost when the cabin of N. Bodour, a home-steader, was destroyed by fire. The victims were Mrs. Bodour and her five little children. In another fire the Canada hotel, a boarding house and pool room, was totally destroyed. The hotel guests Edward Haycourt and Ernest Freschette were burned to death.

BELLINGHAM NEARLY IN TROUBLE DURING STORM LAST NIGHT

After leaving the Royal Fish Co. dock, where she discharged three carloads of frozen fish for transshipment east, at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, motorship Bellingham, Capt. Len Williams, had engine trouble in the harbor and was blown almost on to Wolfe Island by the howling southeast gale. Fortunately, however, the vessel obtained anchorage close to the island and resumed her voyage about 10 o'clock last night. The light-house tender Newington, Capt. Ormiston, and the power boat Pachena, Capt. Swanson, put out from their moorings to offer assistance but Capt. Williams found it unnecessary. The Bellingham is bound from here to Seattle, having cargo for that point from Ketchikan.

GREAT INCREASE IN TEA CONSUMPTION

The consumption of tea, it is estimated, increased in 1924 thirty-nine million pounds. The price, as a result, rose to \$1 per pound, but even then, tea is the cheapest beverage in the world—aside from water.

EDSON ARGUES AGAINST BRULE

Says Railway Over Proposed
Route Would be Through
Unproductive Country

Edson Board of Trade is out with a strong argument against the suggested Brule route to the Peace River and it has a pet route of its own to propose. The same argument used by the Edson people would apply to the more westerly route only with greater force. The statement issued by the Edson Board follows:

In discussing the location of the proposed railway for giving a western outlet to the Peace River district, it does not seem to have been sufficiently considered that the supply of free land in the west suitable for settlement and near to railway accommodation, is now very restricted. The railways proposed through either of the passes in the Rockies or by way of Brule, do not open up land which is settled or will be attractive to settlers.

Through Passes
A line through one of the passes must be anticipated sooner or later, but it will be costly and difficult to construct. The line to Brule, which was supposed to be capable of serving (continued on page six)

GUESSING BRIGADE IS BUSY AT OTTAWA

Not Likely that an Election Will
be Held Within the Year
Officials Say

OTTAWA, June 20.—The political guessing brigade is busy making a new guess every day as to when the Government will make an appeal to the country. Finding that the suggestion that an election in June was not likely to be true they have now set the late autumn as the possible time for the vote to be taken.

In spite of these reports, which are usually sent out by those opposed to the Government, there is no present intention of the Government to go to the country within the next year. Unless some important change takes place during the coming session, another session will be held before an election takes place.

NEW OFFICERS OF PYTHIAN KNIGHTS

Fred Garton Heads Lodge for
Forthcoming Six Months—
Installations Last Night

Skeena Lodge No. 45, Knights of Pythias, installed officers last night for the first six months of 1925 as follows:
Chancellor Commander, Fred Garton.
Vice-Chancellor, E. Hudson.
Prelate, H. M. Blake.
Master of Work, Jack Bulger.
Keeper of Records and Seals, F. W. Wesch.
Master of Finance, Sid Hamblin.
Master of Exchequer, G. W. Johnston.

Master at Arms—W. W. Wood.
Inner Guard, P. J. Ryan.
Outer Guard, F. W. Harl.
The installing officer was H. M. Blake, district deputy grand chancellor and the ceremonies took place in the Boston Hall. Refreshments were served.



Epping Forest is "thinned" once every seven years to allow room for the oaks to grow unimpeded. The thinning is now taking place and scenes reminiscent of the Canadian woods are daily enacted within fifteen miles of London.

Number of New Fishing Boats Being Built in the South for Opening of Season Next Month

The opening of the halibut season on February 16 will see a number of new vessels engaged in the industry and during spring others will enter the business. Seattle yards are busily engaged building for the fishermen. The result will be that more fish than ever will be caught as long the banks stand the drain. Telling of some of the new boats and also of the winter quarters of some of those already in the business, the January number of the Pacific Fisherman says:

Except for a few boats out after scrap fish, the vessels of the Pacific halibut fleet are tied up for the closed season at the various ports along the coast, where there is exceptional activity in the way of overhauling and putting the boats in first class shape for the new season. Most of the vessels are wintering at various points on Puget Sound, including Salmon Bay, Lake Union and yards along the Lake Washington Canal, Poulsbo, Gig Harbor, Tacoma, etc., although there are a good many at British Columbia and Alaska ports. Many of the yards are also busy on new boats, some of which will be ready to go out at the start of the season, while others will not be completed until late in the spring. Probably the largest number of boats at any one point are moored around the Fishing Vessel Owners Marine Ways, Seattle, where all available space is crowded to capacity.

At this point the 86-ft. schooner Paragon, owned by H. Nesland, E. Erickson and Capt. P. Jacobson was recently launched. She has an 18-ft beam and 9½-ft. depth of hold, and is powered with a 165 h.p. Diesel engine. Her winches were manufactured by the Fishing Vessel Owners Marine Ways. The Paragon will be a replica of the Foremost with the exception that her planking will be one-fourth inch thicker throughout and that her bulwarks will be of solid construction. Bunks and lockers for a crew of 12 men are located in the fore-cabin, while the ship's galley with quarters for the cook and engineer are located aft. She will be ready for her trial trip about the last of January.

The Havana, owned by Fred J. Sorenson, recently launched by Sagstad & Moberg, Seattle, is being fitted up for her trial trip about the middle of January. She is 72½-ft. long, with a 19-ft. beam and depth of 8½ ft. and is powered with a 110 h.p. Washington Estep diesel engine. A 67-ft. long-line halibut (continued on page 5)

FEW HERRING YET IN THESE WATERS

Fredella Out Scouting For
Schools But None Large
Enough Yet Found

Reports indicate that a few small schools of herring have arrived in nearby waters but not in any quantities large enough to make it profitable to fish for them. The cold storage herring boat Fredella is out in charge of Capt. Skog scouting for the fish and it is probable that very soon some word will be received of larger schools which will be caught for halibut bait.

BILL HART'S WIFE WINS LEGAL SUIT

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 20.—Winnifred Westover Hart today won a victory over her former husband, Bill Hart, obtaining the legal right to return to screen work until she obtains a divorce.

PASSED AWAY LAST EVENING

Death Occurs Peacefully of Mrs.
C. L. Youngman, Prominent
I.O.D.E. Worker

After a lingering illness of two years from which there was no hope of recovery, Mrs. Charles L. Youngman passed peacefully away at 7 o'clock last evening at her home on Graham Avenue, Westview.

The late Mrs. Youngman was born in Newcastle, Ontario, and passed her thirty-ninth birthday last September. She was the daughter of the late C. B. Lockhart and Mrs. Lockhart. Her mother, who resides in Portland, Oregon, arrived in the city several months ago and was present at the end. Besides her husband, deceased is also survived by two daughters, Audrey in Portland and Vera, here. A sister, Mrs. E. S. Coates, formerly Miss Vera Lockhart of this city, resides in Portland.

Having resided in Prince Rupert since 1909, the late Mrs. Youngman took an active part in the work of the Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire. She was a member of Adair Carrs Chapter and was largely instrumental in the valuable work now being done by the chapter in connection with the care of the soldiers' plots in Fairview Cemetery. For two years she was regent of Adair Carrs Chapter having been compelled, through ill-health, to relinquish those duties last year. Her passing will be a matter of deep regret to a wide circle of friends and the deepest sympathy is being expressed for the sorrowing family.

Funeral services will take place at 2:30 on Thursday afternoon from the Presbyterian Church Hall to Fairview Cemetery, Rev. Dr. H. R. Grant officiating. Hayner Bros. have charge of arrangements.

MILITARY TRAINING

Classes Being Conducted For
Members of Local Regiment
by Instructors From
Victoria

Classes in infantry instruction and in signalling are now being held in the city for members of the North B.C. Regiment by Sergeant Major A. Youngman and Signalling Instructor Sergeant A. L. Russell of the Princess Patricia Canadian Light Infantry, Work Point Barracks, Victoria. The classes will take about six weeks time.

Sergeant Major Youngman has in his classes: For officers' commissions, Provisional Lieutenant Norris W. Pringle, Provisional Lieutenant Sidney Baggett-Jones and Provisional Lieutenant Alex. Rix. For sergeant's rank, Company Quarter Master Sergeant R. E. Hudson, Acting Sergeant Albert Palmer and Acting Sergeant G. A. Cadwallader.

In Sergeant Russell's signalling class are Lieut. Jack Barnsley, Pte. G. V. Wilkinson, Pte. Peter Black Jr., Pte. George Bell, Sergeant A. J. Squires, Pte. G. L. Warner, Pte. A. Smith and Pte. W. Burgess.

Sergeant Russell is also giving signalling instruction to 23 cadets from the Prince Rupert High School.

AIRPLANES FOR GOLD DIGGINGS

Proposal to Operate Two from
Wrangell to Dease Lake
this Spring

PLANS ARE BEING LAID
Alaskan Now in Sattle Arrang-
ing for Purchase of Machines
for Service

SEATTLE, Jan. 20.—A. O. Sahlinger, an Alaskan, is here negotiating with the Boeing Aircraft Company for two planes which he proposes to operate between Alaska and the new gold diggings in the Dease Lake country of British Columbia. He is also making arrangements with the customs departments of the United States and Canada so that his operations across the boundary may not be hindered by international complications.

Hydro-Airplanes
The present plan is to operate two one-ton hydro-airplanes capable of accommodating 12 passengers. They will make their headquarters in Wrangell, clearing at the customs house at Boundary on the Stikine River. Dease Lake would be the other terminus.

The new service will begin this spring and will cater to the gold seekers who are said to be all ready to rush into Eagle (continued on page six)

FINE AND JAIL LAW OFFICER

Prohibition Agent Has to Pay
Thousand Dollars and Serve
20 Days

FAIRBANKS, Jan. 20.—D. W. Flannigan, prohibition agent for the federal government, has to pay \$1,000 and go to jail for 20 days for assaulting Peter Kendall in an alleged illegal raid on the latter's home here. Flannigan is well known in southeastern Alaska where he was connected with the U.S. Marshall's office at various points.

CARDENA DELAYED BY WEATHER AND LATE FROM NORTH

Union steamer Cardena, Capt. A. E. Dickson, is delayed by stress of weather in the north and will not be in from Anyox, Alice Arm and Stewart until six o'clock this evening. The vessel will sail at 6:30 for Vancouver and waypoints. Among these booked to sail on her for Vancouver are: W. R. McAfee, A. E. Johnston, G. A. Petrie, Andrew Gray and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Taylor and family.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHINESE THEATRICALS

Louis Wing and Lee Sam, representing the Pyn Min Society today met the executive committee of the hospital consisting of E. H. Mortimer, Jas. H. Thompson, and Pres. D. C. McRae. Arrangements were made for the society to put on a show at the Empress Theatre February 6, the proceeds to be for the benefit of the hospital. The novelty of a Chinese show will insure a full house it is thought.