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SAILORS RESCUED FROM JAPANESE SHIP

SECESSION MOVEMENT IS STARTED IN NOVA SCOTIA AMONG BUSINESSMEN

Starving Sailors Were Rescued from Steamer Helplessly Disabled

TOKIO, Feb. 19.—Steamer Java, bound from Yokohama to San Francisco, wirelessed today that she had encountered 850 miles northeast of Yokohama the steamer Taishan Maru which had been floating helpless for a month following a storm which disabled her.

Thirteen starving sailors aboard the vessel were rescued. Nineteen others took to the boats on February 8 and are believed to have perished.

MAY ABANDON SUPPLY TRAIN

Supplies to Point Barrow May Have to go Forward by Airplane Route

FORTY MILES IN WEEK

NENANA, Feb. 19—Fears were expressed here that two snow motors travelling down the Tanana River will break through the ice if they continue journeying on the stream.

The motors had travelled only 40 miles since leaving Nenana a week ago.

It is believed here that Captain Wilkins on reaching Seward next week will order the supply party to abandon its enterprise and return to Nenana. If the supplies are not taken in by the motors they will be carried to Point Barrow by airplane.

GRAIN OUTWARD FROM VANCOUVER

The following grain has been shipped from Vancouver during the past week:

Yomie Maru for Shanghai, 255,233 bushels.

Alabama Maru for Yokohama, 83,333 bushels, for Kobe 16,667 bushels.

Ryugin Maru for Yokohama 189,553 bushels, for Kobe 87,467 bushels.

Canadian Importer for London with option of Antwerp 208,575 bushels.

Alabama for Bordeaux with option of Antwerp 115,733 bushels

Grootendyk for Liverpool, 111,999 bushels.

Imperion for Avonmouth 272,833 bushels.

Cornish City to Colon for orders 263,117 bushels.

WAREHOUSE IS BROKEN INTO

Goods Removed from Stewart & Mobley's Wednesday Night and Attempt Made to Open Safe

Between Wednesday evening and Thursday morning, the wholesale warehouse of Stewart & Mobley on the waterfront was entered and it is known that five boxes of cigars were taken. It is believed that cigarettes and groceries might also have been removed. In addition an attempt was made to open the office safe but without success although the knobs of the hinges were removed. Entry was made through the front door of the warehouse.

VANCOUVER GRAIN BUSINESS LARGE

VANCOUVER, Feb. 19.—A total of 4,881,122 bushels of wheat was stored in Vancouver elevators at midnight on February 17.

During the past 24 hours 863,022 bushels have been loaded into ships for export.

LARGE QUANTITY OF FUR IS CONFISCATED

Walter Julian Fined $10 Here This Morning for Trapping on Game Reserve

Walter Julian of the Stikine River appeared before Stipendiary Magistrate H. F. McLeod in the provincial police court this morning and was fined $10 for trapping on a game reserve in addition to which penalty about $100 worth of furs which were in his possession were confiscated. Accused, who was passing through here on his way south when summoned, was brought before the court as a result of the activities of Provincial Constable Van Dyk who recently visited the Stikine district on game patrol duties.

ATTEMPT TO BREAK FROM SHANGHAI JAIL

Five Killed and Eleven Wounded in French Part of Chinese City

SHANGHAI, Feb. 19. — Police prevented the jail breaking this morning of nearly a thousand Chinese from the French municipal jail. They opened fire, killing five and wounding eleven.

WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY ABOLITION PROPOSED

VANCOUVER, Feb. 19. — The abrogation of a Wednesday half-holiday and the keeping open of the stores each week day but with shorter hours was the principle advocated at a meeting of the retail merchants' bureau of the board of trade yesterday.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked.
Wheat	1.58	
C. P. R.	157.00	
B.C. Silver	1.75	
Consolidated	246.00	
Daly Alaska	.06	
Dunwell		2.10
Gladstone	.37	
Marmot	.07	
Premier	2.30	2.50
Porter Idaho	.11	.14
Silver Crest	.12	.13

WHEN JOHN DUNPHY GOES ABROAD on a pleasure trip he takes his wife and the children (left to right): Joseph, one year old; James, 11; Richard, 9; Tom, 7; Alice, 5; Helen, 4; John, 3; Edward, 2; and Mary, three months. The Dunphys live in Chicago. They are shown on their departure from New York.

STORY FOUND COOK'S TRAVEL

Volume by Henry Zimmerman Who Accompanied Explorer is at Victoria

VICTORIA, Feb. 19—The missing story written by Zimmerman about the travels of Captain James Cook in the south seas was located some time ago in Switzerland. It has been brought here by Cecil French of Victoria who has just arrived and who will present it to the provincial museum.

The book, which was published in 1783 was written by Henry Zimmerman, who accompanied Cook on his famous travels in the course of which Cook was the first British seaman to land on Vancouver Island.

The existence of the book had been doubted for many years by students of northwest history.

SWASTIKA LOST THREE DROWNED

Norwegian Steamer Standing by in Hope of Possibly Saving Crew of Launch

VICTORIA, B.C., February 19. — Three men comprising the crew of the Seattle launch Swastika were driven ashore on reefs off Entrance Island at the approach to Quatsino Sound and it is believed they perished last night with the sinking of their craft.

A radio message from the Norwegian steamer Golden Gate, which had been standing by all day in hope of rescuing the Swastika's crew, said last night that the boat was no longer visible on the reef and had apparently been swamped and sunk.

The Golden Gate continues to stand by although the gale is growing worse.

HOLDUP MAN HANGED AT MONTREAL TODAY

MONTREAL, Feb. 19.—Joseph Mauro was hanged this morning for the murder of Donald Carragher in a holdup at the Dreamland Club on July 22 last.

BIRTH.

At the General Hospital this morning a son was born to Mr and Mrs. Horace Hale.

Secession Movement Mooted in Nova Scotia by Business People Who Will Debate Issue

AMHERST, Nova Scotia, Feb. 19.—The possibility of commencing a secession movement in the Maritime provinces was informally discussed here last night by a few local businessmen headed by Walter Tennant, a prominent manufacturer. A meeting to formally debate the question will be called at an early date, it was stated.

The matter of secession from the Dominion is no new one. Nova Scotia joined confederation against the will of a great many of the people and at various times since then there have been secession movements started.

Similar movements have been made more or less political issues in western provinces at various times but never considered seriously.

TREATY WITH IRAK IS RATIFIED BY BRITISH COMMONS

LONDON, Feb. 19. — The House of Commons last night ratified the Treaty of Irak, which consists of a convention between Great Britain and Irak Kingdom whereby the British mandate in that country is extended to a maximum of 25 years.

RUSSIA WILL EXPORT WHEAT

Expects to Regain Pre-war Level for Export by Year 1928.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 19.—Russian grain export is expected to regain its pre-war level of half a billion bushels annually about 1928, Soviet trade delegate D. P. Pavlov told the international wheat pool at a conference here today.

BOOST VANCOUVER AT ORIENTAL PORTS

Official Will Leave For Far East Tomorrow to Explain Advantages of Southern Port

VANCOUVER, Feb. 19.— C. O. Julian, for many years superintendent of the Vancouver harbor police, sails Saturday to make a tour of the Orient to explain the trade advantages of the port of Vancouver on behalf of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

ELEVATOR IS NOW COMPLETE

Little Cleaning up to do Following Turning Over of Galleries Yesterday

With the turning over yesterday afternoon of the last belt on the dock galleries was marked the virtual completion of the new terminal grain elevator at this port. All that remains to be done now is some cleaning up before the plant is turned over by the contractors, Carter-Halls Co., Ltd., to the Department of Trade and Commerce.

W. N. Chater, who has been here for the past year as engineer in charge of the work, sailed this morning on the Prince Rupert for Vancouver to consult with C. D. Howe, head of the firm designing the plant and supervising its construction. Mr. Chater will return to the city in a week or ten days and will remain for a short time before proceeding to Fort William.

FARMER HANGED MURDER LODGER

Confessed When he Was Ill and Believed he Was About to Die

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Feb. 19.—John Kooting, a Shoal Lake farmer, was hanged this morning for the murder of Dymetr Schaczy, a lodger at the Kooting home in November, 1924. For four years the police were baffled in seeking the culprit until Kooting, taking sick and believing he was about to die, confessed.

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Case for Western Canada on Railway Rates to the Pacific Coast Ports is Being Heard

Board Asked to Set Mileage Scale on Grain and Flour to Vancouver and Prince Rupert

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—The old battle over Pacific coast rates on grain and flour was renewed before the railway commission. A double-barrelled application by the provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia was scheduled to be heard, but the whole afternoon was occupied in determining whether or not it should be considered now or as part of the general rate investigation. The application covers two points. It asks, in the first place, that rates on grain and flour to Pacific coast points for export "be corrected to basis of equalization proportionate to distance as such grain and flour would carry if moving eastward for export" as provided in an order of the board of railway commissioners.

Secondly, it asks that the board of railway commissioners set a mileage scale of what rates on grain and flour to Vancouver, Victoria and Prince Rupert for export should be.

The commission, after hearing arguments, decided to hear the application. Chief Commissioner McKeown, Deputy Chief Commissioner Vien, and Commissioner Frank Oliver all took the view that the application was in order and might be heard and disposed of by the board at the present time. Commissioner Joyce and Commissioner Lawrence took the ground that the application was not in order in view of judgments already rendered, and that it could not be dealt with by the board save as part of the general rate investigation. Assistant Chief Commissioner McLean agreed with the chief commissioner that the first part of the application dealing with the order in regard to rates on westbound grain and flour could be dealt with at the present hearing. He disagreed, however, in regard to the second part of the application. The question of establishing a mileage scale of grain and flour rates for the west, based on the eastern Crowsnest rates, involved going into the eastern rates and brought in the question of discrimination, etc., which should be dealt with in a general investigation, he thought.

Violating Law

Just before the commission rose J. W. Ward, representing the Canadian Council of Agriculture, contended that the railways were violating the law and order of the board, and were not making Crowsnest rates effective in the west as instructed to do. People were beginning to wonder who was supreme in this country, the railways or the government, he said.

At the opening of the hearing G. G. McGeer, K.C., representing the province of British Columbia, requested that his province be associated with Alberta and Saskatchewan as applicants in the case.

CABINET APPOINTMENTS AWAITING ADJOURNMENT HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.— Premier Mackenzie King announced yesterday that there was no foundation for the rumor that Hon. G. P. Graham, minister of railways, would be appointed to an executive position in the Canadian National Railways. The Prime Minister further stated that there would be no cabinet appointments until after the present debate in the House was concluded.

CONTRACT LET REBUILDING OF FISHERY DOCK

John Currie to Replace Concrete Piles with Timber Readiness for New Buildings

The contract for the rebuilding of a part of the Provincial Government dock was let yesterday to John Currie, the contractor, and the work on it has already commenced. It is the intention to rush it through so that the work on the biological station and the building for the Bacon Fisheries may go forward. It should be completed in a month or six weeks.

The chief work is the replacing of the present concrete piles with timber. The concrete had never proved satisfactory and for some time past that part of the dock was considered unsafe.

ALASKAN BILL ON FISHERIES

Forbids Importation of Foreign Caught Fish at Alaskan Closed Ports

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. — A bill has been approved by the House marine and fisheries commission which forbids the importation into Alaskan closed ports of salmon taken in non-American waters.

The bill gives the secretary of commerce power over Alaska fisheries and would authorize the secretary to set apart fishing areas and to designate close seasons in Alaskan waters for the purpose of protecting the salmon and perpetuating the fisheries.

Grants of exclusive privileges contrary to general restrictions will be prohibited.

MUST PAY COST REPAIR DRYDOCK

Negligent Navigation Caused Damage to Government Basin at Esquimalt

VICTORIA, Feb. 19. — Negligent navigation of the steamer City of Victoria was the cause of her collision with the old Esquimalt drydock on June 25, 1924, and the B.C. Steamship Company of Vancouver must pay the damage done to the basin, Mr. Justice Gregory ruled in the supreme court yesterday. Action is now proceeding to determine the cost of repairing damages to the dock.

Plaintiff, which is the Canadian government, claims $5,236.