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COMMUNISTS ROUTED FROM CANTON

TAX REDUCTION AND LARGER APPROPRIATIONS COMING

Nationalists Recapture Canton City from Communists but Few Hold Out at Police Barracks

Naval vessels rake river front with eighteen pounders and machine guns and thousands slain

SHANGHAI, December 14.—The Nationalists today recaptured the city of Canton from the Communists who had taken it Sunday and set up a people's council along Soviet lines. It is estimated that three thousand Chinese were killed during the fighting.

The Nationalists, after an enveloping attack last night, regained the city except police headquarters where the Communist forces, aided by Russians, are holding out.

The Chinese navy, which seems not to have joined the Reds, raked the Bund with eighteen pounders from the gunboats and with machine guns.

Wholesale executions of Reds followed the Nationalist reoccupation of Canton.

Most of the missionaries and other inhabitants had left the city before its recapture, they having all taken refuge at Hong Kong, which is easily reached by river steamers. Thousand of Chinese refugees also fled to the friendly protection of the British flag at Hong Kong and Kowloon.

BIG DIVIDEND FOR SMELTER

Consolidated Company Pay 20 Per Cent for Year Directors Announced

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—A meeting of the board of directors of the Consolidated Smelting and Mining Company declared the usual dividend of five per cent and five dollars bonus per share, making a total for the year of ten per cent dividend and ten dollars bonus.

W. L. Matthews was elected vice-president in place of C. R. Hosmer and S. G. Blaylock was also appointed a vice-president.

It was stated at the meeting that there were no unsold stocks of metals and the preliminary estimate would indicate that in spite of the drop in metal prices the profits would not be far short of last year .

FAST FREIGHT IN COLLISION

Plowed Into Rear End of Another Freight Stalled on Line at Sarnia

SARNIA, Dec. 14. — Engineer W. H. Walter, and brakeman G. Van Horne of this city were killed and debris from freight cars strewn over a wide area last night when a fast freight plowed into the rear end of another freight stalled as a result of a broken draw-bar near here on the C.N.R. main line.

OREGON FISHING PLANT IS BURNED

ROSEBERG, Ore., Dec. 14.—A fire originating in the plant of the Coast fisheries here spread to the Anderson Packing Company and destroyed four or five waterfront residences causing a loss of $125,000. A score of fishing boats were destroyed.

OLD MAN BURNED IN LULU ISLAND FIRE

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—John Forster, 70 years of age, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed his home on Lulu Island.

CATALA AND CONVOY LEAVE FOR VANCOUVER

Derelict and Convoy Made Good Progress During Night on Voyage South According to Wireless Reports

In tow of the steamer Salvage King, Union steamer Catala, with donkey engines belching forth smoke to keep the incoming water down, cleared at 2.30 yesterday afternoon for Vancouver where it is planned, if the vessel reaches there safely, to have permanent repairs made at the Burrard dry dock. It is expected that the derelict and her convoy will arrive at Vancouver on Friday. As far as could be learned from wireless reports, good progress had been made during the night with no difficulties experienced.

Officers of the steamer Prince Rupert, arriving shortly before noon today from the south, report having passed the Salvage King and Catala at 5 o'clock this morning off Warke Island near Butedale, 100 miles south of Prince Rupert. The Catala had a slight list but was reported to be riding well. She was at the end of the Salvage King's towline.

At 11.50 this morning, according to wireless report, the Salvage King and Catala were in Milbank Sound.

PRESENTATION MADE TO MRS. W. F. PRICE

The ladies of the First Baptist Church stormed the home of their pastor, Rev. W. F. Price, last evening. A presentation was made to Mrs. Price to show their appreciation of her services in the work of the Church. There were several gifts amongst others being a beautiful China tea service. The evening was spent pleasantly. Mrs. Price suitably acknowledged the gifts.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked
Wheat	1.44⅛	
B.C. Silver	1.35	1.65
Big Missouri	.29¼	.30
Coast Copper	15.00	15.50
Cork Province	.09½	.10½
Dunwell	.20	.21
George Copper	2.30	
Gladstone	.15½	.16½
Independence	.06⅞	.07
L. and L.	.09	.09½
Premier	2.34	2.36
Porter Idaho	.35	.37½
Silvercrest	.05¼	
Silversmith	.22	.24
Sunloch	.70	.75
Toric	4.00	

NOOTKA RAMMED BY DRIFTING BARGE IN HARBOR AT VICTORIA

VICTORIA, Dec. 14. — Breaking its moorings at the height of a howling northerly gale, a barge owned by the Victoria Tug Company drifted across the harbor and crashed into the stern of the freighter Nootka, moored at the end of one of the C.P.R. piers. The barge struck with sufficient force to puncture one of the Nootka's steel plates above the waterline. Subsequently it was driven around the freighter's stern by the wind and it lay in the lee of the vessel until captured and taken in tow when workmen arrived on the scene after daybreak.

RAILWAY SILK ROBBERY PROVED UNSUCCESSFUL

One of Men Was Shot but Was Carried Away by His Companions Who Escaped

LANGHARNE, Penna., Dec. 14.—When fifteen robbers attempted to hold up the Reading Railroad train here yesterday, as reported yesterday, an effort was made to get away with silk valued at $300,000 but the men were driven off after a gun fight with the trainmen before they could cart away any of the loot. One of the robbers who was shot by the conductor, was carried away by his companions.

NORWEGIANS ENJOY PLEASANT EVENING

Fifteen New Members Join Lief Erickson Society at Meeting Last Night

The Lief Erickson Norwegian Society held a very enjoyable meeting in Metropole Hall when fifteen new members joined the society. Jock Selvig presided and the program was of an informal nature. Following the music and speeches, refreshments were served and a dance followed which broke up about two o'clock.

MORE GOLD SHIPPED ENGLAND TODAY FROM CITY OF NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Gold valued at $7,500,000 was withdrawn from the New York Federal Reserve bank vaults yesterday for shipment to England today. The National City Bank as the consignee.

WIRELESS REPORT.

8 a.m.

DIGBY ISLAND.—Light snow, calm; barometer, 30.33; temperature, 24; sea smooth.

DEAD TREE POINT—Snowing, northwest wind; barometer, 30.08; temperature, 21; sea rough.

HULL HARBOR.—Cloudy, calm; barometer, 30.24; temperature, 26; light swell.

NOON

DIGBY ISLAND.— Snowing, strong southeast wind; barometer, 30.20; temperature, 30; sea obscured; 11:30 a.m. steamer Prince Rupert passed in northbound.

DEAD TREE POINT.—Raining, strong southeast wind; barometer, 30.06; temperature, 30; sea rough; 9.30 a.m. steamer Prince John passed Dead Tree Point northbound.

BULL HARBOR. — Snowing, fresh southeast wind; barometer, 30.28; temperature, 28; sea moderate; 11.50 a.m. spoke steamer Salvage King, towing Catala, in Milbank Sound, southbound.

B. A. Moon, R. C. Hardie and C. Matheison were among passengers sailing last night on the Camosun for Vancouver.

ANOTHER GRAIN VESSEL COMING

British Ship Sheaf Mount, Due Tonight, Will Load Full for U.K.-Continent

To load a full cargo of grain at the Alberta Wheat Pool's Prince Rupert elevator, the British freighter Sheaf Mount is due tonight from the Orient. Capt. Larry Thomson of the Federal Pilots of British Columbia is off to Triple Island to meet the vessel. The Sheaf Mount, announcement of whose charter was made only this morning, will be the sixth vessel of the season to load wheat cargo at Prince Rupert. She is already lined but will have to be fumigated before she starts loading.

A typical British cargo ship, the Sheaf Mount belong to the Sheaf Steam Shipping Co. Ltd. of England (W. A. Souter & Co., managers), and Newcastle is her port of registry. She was built in 1913 by W. Doxford & Sons Ltd., and has a gross tonnage of 5123 and 3207 net. She is 420 feet long with 54' 1" beam and 25' 3" depth.

It was expected this morning that the fifth ship of the season, S.S. Ainderby, having had her propeller changed at the dry dock, would go on berth tomorrow at the elevator.

The "K" line Japanese ship Ohio Maru, due on Saturday from the Orient, will be the seventh vessel of the season here.

BRIDLE PATH UP MOUNTAIN

Survey to be Made by Government Engineer and Work May be Done Soon

The question of building a bridle path from the new highway on Kaien Island to the top of Mount Oldfield overlooking Prince Rupert was mentioned at the meeting of the road committee with Hon. T. D. Pattullo yesterday afternoon and the member promised to have the provincial engineer locate a route and report on the probable cost, the city providing help in connection with the work. The matter was brought up by S. E. Parker, who asked Mr. Pattullo if he thought the government would bear half the cost of the work provided the citizens raised the other half.

Mr. Pattullo said he looked with great favor on this scheme which he had always had in mind. He thought the help might be given and the provincial engineer would locate the trail and give an estimate of cost. However, he did not think the people would be satisfied until they had an automobile road to the mountain top. He thought there was one of the finest views he knew from the top.

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TWO INVESTIGATIONS OF MARINE ACCIDENTS TO BE INVESTIGATED

VICTORIA, Dec. 14. — Orders have been received from Ottawa by Captain John D. Macpherson, deputy wreck commissioner, to hold an investigation on both the Catala and Prince Rupert strandings.

The Prince Rupert investigation will be held at Vancouver on December 19, and the Catala when she arrives in tow of the Salvage King. It is understood that the assessors will be Captains Wellington Bell and C. J. R. Stewart.

LINDBERGH HAS LANDED SAFELY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14. — Colonel Lindberg, who left here shortly after noon yesterday, was reported 90 miles from Mexico City at noon, eastern time, today.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 14.—Failure of Lindbergh to arrive or be seen by scouts is causing anxiety.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 14.— Lindbergh landed safely here at 2.39 this afternoon.

ST. LAWRENCE FISHING SEASON ENDS BADLY

Bad Weather Played Havoc With the Catch in November and Average Low

QUEBEC, Dec. 14.—The presence of porpoises in the St. Lawrence fishing waters and the bad weather of the month of November have played havoc with fishing in the province of Quebec during the present year. Although final figures are not yet available, J. A. Bellisle, superintendent of fish and game in this province, declared in an interview that the catch will be lower this year than normally.

During the summer, it was reported that the whole of the codfishing district on the north shore of the St. Lawrence River was infested with hundreds and thousands of porpoises and that fishermen were unable to catch any fish. Previously fishing had been hindered by porpoises in this region, but this year the porpoises had been more numerous and had stayed in the waters longer than usual.

This, with the bad weather of November, will result in the fishing business being much lower this year than usual.

OXFORD WON SOCCER AGAINST CAMBRIDGE

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Oxford University won the inter-university soccer match against Cambridge today at Stamford Bridge by a score of six goals to two.

Taxes Will Be Reduced and Expenditures More Generous in Year 1928

Hon. T. D. Pattullo Told Road Committee it Was Planned to Build Bridge Across Galloway Rapids and Complete Survey

That taxes will probably be reduced during the coming year and that more generous appropriations will be made to public works as a result of the present buoyant condition of the provincial finances, was the most interesting statement made yesterday afternoon to the civic road committte which met Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, and member for the district, in the city council chamber yesterday afternoon, Alderman Joe Greer presiding.

The meeting was called more particularly for the purpose of pressing on the minister the desire of the people for speed in the construction of the highway between this city and Terrace. Alderman Greer explained the object of the meeting and a general discussion followed, in the course of which Mr. Pattullo said there was really very little to announce. The government would continue the work as rapidly as finances would allow. He anticipated that the bridge across Galloway Rapids would be built this year and the reconnaissance completed to decide definitely what route would be taken. He though an airplane would be available in the spring for the purpose and Mr. Whittaker would continue his work on land.

The minister explained that every district had its road problems and all were clamoring for money with which to build. The amount available was based on two things, the needs of the country and the ability of the government to borrow money without impairing the credit of the province. This had to be decided by the government after considering every phase of the problem. That was the reason is was impossible to make definite promises. However, he anticipated that conditions would be favorable and that a fairly generous vote would be made for the highway.

Asked as to the work on Queen Charlotte Islands, Mr. Pattullo said he thought the vote of last year would complete the road from Port Clements to Tlell. A good deal of the old road from Tlell to Skidegate would have to be rebuilt as it was in bad condition. It was originally made for horse traffic and the advent of the automobiles had cut it up badly. He expected to get it in good shape the coming year.

P. Phillip, chief engineer for the provincial government, is expected Thursday, Mr. Pattullo said. He wished the road committee had met while Mr. Phillip was here as then he might possibly have given them more details of the information on hand in connection with the road. However, he assured the committee that he was just as much interested in the progress of the road as anyone and he would press it forward as rapidly as possible.

Those present in addition to Alderman Gtreer were George Casey, R. B. Rochester, Harry Love, H. F. Pullen, Mayor Newton, E. E. Parker and Sid Macdonald.

WEATHER AFFECTS CRIME DECLARES MRS. EMMA GOLDMAN

TORONTO, Dec. 14.—Emma Goldman, speaking under the auspices of the Workmen's Circle of America, said:

"Temperature and atmosphere are seen by many as contributing factors to crime. Women are more susceptible to weather influences than men. The number of arrests recorded show that they increased in number as the barometer went down, and that low humidity accompanied excessive assaults and high humidity exercised a restraining effect."

RAILWAY CHANGES

Lorne McCutcheon of Vancouver Appointed Divisional Freight Agent at Ottawa

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—Lorne McCutcheon, foreign freight agent of the Canadian National Railway at Vancouver, has been appointed divisional freight agent at Ottawa. He will be replaced here by E. C. Spalding, assistant to the General Freight Manager at Montreal, the change being effective January 1.

CANADIENS WIN GREAT VICTORY

Beat Detroit Six Goals to One in Hockey Game at Montreal Last Night

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—The Canadiens gave an impressive display of speed in the big hockey game here last night defeating Detroit with a score of six goals to one. This gives them a three game lead in the international section and one point more than the New York Rangers who lead the American section as a result of defeating Boston last night.

The New York Americans won in a very close game with Ottawa in which overtime had to be played, penalties against the Senators proving fatal. Scores last evening were as follows:

Ottawa 1, New York Americans 2.
Detroit 1, Montreal Canadiens 6.
New York Rangers 3, Boston 2.

SEARCH FAILS FIND STEAMER

Kamloops, With Crew of 22, Probably Lost on Lake Superior in Blizzard

PORT ARTHUR, Ont., Dec. 14.—Systematic search of the rugged coast of Lake Superior ha sfailed to produce any trace of the missing freighter Kamloops with a crew of 20 men and two women cooks, which was last sighted during the height of last week's blizzard off Whitefish.

Marine men express little hope for the safety of the vessel and believe she has foundered.

WRECKED CREW IS AT SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Dec. 14.—Steamship Alameda brought the passengers and most of the crew of the wrecked Northwestern here yesterday from Campbell River and will sail Saturday for Alaska after duplicating the Northwestern's freight. Captain Livingston and a few members of the crew are still on the Northwestern and it is reported that there is a fair chance that salvage of the vessel may be successful.

SALVATION ARMY NOT ENCOURAGED TO BRING MIGRANTS TO CANADA

WINNIPEG, Dec. 14.—The Salvation Army in England concentrated on emigration work to Australia rather than to Canada because the department of immigration at Ottawa failed to cooperate, according to Commissioner E. J. Higgins, second in command at the international headquarters in London on his arrival here last night.

Douglas Nelson of the Big Bay Lumber Co. staff at Georgetown left on this morning's train for Toronto on a holiday trip.

Alaska Places Restrictions on Salmon Fishing in Waters of Territory Especially on Traps

WASHINGTON, December 1..—Sharp restrictions on salmon fishing in Alaskan waters were announced here yesterday by the commerce department of the Federal Government, the new regulations to come into effect January 1.

Traps are prohibited in all waters of southeastern Alaska except 118 limited places in Prince William Sound area and except 25 other places.

In Bristol Bay area all commercial salmon fishing is restricted to four places—Nusshagak, Kzingchak, Nanknek, Egigik and Ugashik districts.

Commercial fishing is prohibited from 6 p.m. July 23 to 6 a.m. August 6.

Traps are prohibited along Behring Sea coast from the northern boundary of the salmon area to Cape Seniavin and Point Krenitzen. Also along practically the whole coast of Unimak Island.

Further restrictions are placed on the use of traps in Shukmaigan Islands.

All the eastern shores of Kodiak Island from Ugak Bay to Kistuhuyak Bay inclusive are now closed to traps.

In Cook Inlet area all salmon traps are excluded from Resurrection Bay.

The season for commercial salmon fishing in Copper River area opens five days earlier than in 1927.

Fishing in the Behring River area is not permitted after 6 a.m. on August 10.

Measures also are to be taken for the protection of herring, shrimp, clams and crab fisheries of Alaska. New regulations designed to reduce the area in which fish may be caught during 1928 and reduce the effectiveness of catching devices in the waters of the territory are still left open.