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EFFORT TO PULL OFF CATALA FAILS

PREMIER MACLEAN BUSY MAN AT OTTAWA INTERESTS B.C.

Steamship Catala Stuck on Pinnacle of Rock is Exposed at High Tide

Passengers all Taken off and Many Brought Here Last Night by Speed Boat "Naas River"; Tugs Stand by

With all her forty or so passengers as well as officers and crew safely off, and the vessel reported to be making no water, the most serious problem in connection with the salvage of the Union steamer Catala, presenting itself this morning, which piled up at 1.15 yesterday afternoon on Sparrowhawk Reef in Cunningham's Passage three miles from Port Simpson, was whether or not the steamer could be successfully removed from the rocks on the high tide early this afternoon or a corresponding tide tomorrow afternoon. It was just forty minutes after the high tide of 23.2 feet that the stranding occurred. All efforts were being bent on refloating the steamer on the high tide of 23.8 feet at nine minutes past one this afternoon. Tomorrow afternoon at 1.50 there will be a still higher tide of 24 feet after which the high water mark will commence to recede. Morning tides, making only 21 feet, are not high enough to float the ship.

At the low tide last evening, the vessel was reported to be completely out of water, virtually teetering on the pinnacle of rock. She listed to one side and resting at an angle of about 45 degrees. Calm weather minimized the danger for the time being at least of the vessel slipping into deep water. However, her position was pronounced perilous and the ship's personnel was also ordered off as there was no purpose to be served by their remaining on board. Some of the crew were taken ashore to Port Simpson while the most of the officers took to the boats standing by to direct such operations as might seem advisable. A. L. Clements, assistant general manager of the company, was also standing by during the night.

Some twenty-eight passengers from the stranded vessel reached the city last night about 7:30 after a two-hour ride from Port Simpson in the B.C. Towage & Lighterage Co.'s powerboat Naas River. Those remaining at Port Simpson were billetted in the homes of hospitable Port Simpson folk, the women being made comfortable in the hospital where there is spare room. Apparently little in the way of discomfort has been suffered by any one. The remainder of the passengers reached the city today on the "Naas River." Arrangements have been made to send the vessel's through passengers south aboard the Prince George tomorrow night.

STORY OF PASSENGER

Most of the passengers were in the dining saloon at luncheon when the Catala crashed onto the reef as she was outbound from Port Simpson. "I was just about half through the meal," stated W. H. Edge, rancher of Cochrane, near Calgary, Alberta, who is on a holiday trip West, to a representative of the Daily News this morning" when the crash took place. The vessel was apparently proceeding at a good rate of speed and, as the impact occurred, there was a rending grind and a series of bumps before she came to a stop. I thought there would be no bottom left in her. Then she tilted up and over to one side and it was almost impossible to walk. I and some of the cooler of us finished the meal but others bolted from the saloon and there were shrieks from some women although others were cooler."

A panic was averted by the cool conduct of the officers, Mr. Edge stated, and all the passengers were soon lowered away in the life boats, the women being taken off first in one of the larger boats. The plight of the ship was observed from Port Simpson and soon a fleet of boats from that place was at the scene to render any possible assistance. The lifeboat contining the women was taken in tow by a port Simpson boat, the remainder of the passengers being transferred to the local boats from the life boats. Some of the passengers remained to take their baggage with them but others did not wait for it. Many of the passengers feared that the vessel would slip off the rocks before they could be taken from the ship.

The reef which the Catala struck, Mr. Edge stated, was invisable at the high tide but, as the tide began to recede, it loomed up like a mountain of rock. In Mr. Edge's opinion, the

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GOVERNOR MAY LIVE IN B.C. PART OF TIME

Move Said to be Successful to Have Willingdon Spend Two Months on Coast

VANCOUVER, Nov. 9.—The Sun, Ottawa, special correspondent at Ottawa today says: "Premier MacLean is working assiduously to come to an understanding with His Excellency Viscount Willingdon and Premier MacKenzie King whereby the Governor General and Lady Willingdon during their term of office will spend at least two months out of every year in British Columbia, taking up his official residence in Vancouver.

It is understood the plan will be adopted.

PREMIERS TALK FOR SIX HOURS

Discuss Federal Subsidies and Duncan Report on Maritimes Yesterday

OTTAWA, Nov. 9.—Federal subsidies to the nine provinces and the Duncan report on the Maritime claims were again under review at yesterday's deliberations of the provincial premiers conference. For six hours these matters were debated and at the time of adjournment it was announced that the discussions would be continued today and the possibility exists that consideration of these questions may delay the conclusion of the conference until Thursday.

Prince Edward Island's appeal for increased subsidies has received the support of other provinces, it is intimated here.

ROLPH ELECTED 'FRISCO MAYOR

Tom Finn Defeated for Sheriff by Very Close Margin it is Announced

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9.—Complete unofficial returns of the San Francisco and county election indicated this morning that Mayor James Rolph, Jr., had defeated James E. Power in the mayoralty race by about 30,000 votes and that Sheriff Tom Finn had been defeated for re-election by W. J. Fitzgerald by about 26. The total vote recorded was more than 163,000.

GOOD CROPS REPORTED FROM LAIRD RIVER

VICTORIA, Nov. 9.—The Liard River district can produce excellent crops of grain and vegetables, it was stated at the department of agriculture, following experiments carried out in conjunction with the R.C.M.P.

Advertise in the Daily News

THERMOMETER TAKES DROP AGAIN TODAY TO 24 ABOVE ZERO

The thermometer reached a new low level for the season at 6 o'clock this morning when it descended to 24 above zero, or 8 degrees of frost, according to H. D. Tee, Digby Island, Dominion meteorologist. The barometer remains steady and the north wind continues to blow, indicating that the present fine spell should continue for another day or so at least.

CHINAMAN SENTENCED TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS

Harry Wong Sent Down by Judge Young for Entering Travellers' Cafe and Robbing Safe

Found guilty of entering the premises of the Travellers' Cafe recently and extracting a sum of money in excess of $100 from the safe therein, Harry Wong, Chinese, was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment by Judge F. McB. Young, in County Court yesterday afternoon. The trial commenced at 2 o'clock and was in progress all afternoon, several witnesses submitting evidence. L. W. Patmore acted for the crown while J. Clyne appeared for the accused.

NO SUCCESS PULLING OFF THE CATALA

Vessel Would Not Budge Though Tide Higher Than Yesterday

All efforts to pull the steamer Catala from the rock near Port Simpson, where she ran yesterday, early in the afternoon, were unsuccessful even though the tide was several inches higher today than when she went on. The pinnacle rock held her fast.

Another effort will be made tomorrow but it is doubtful if this will succeed unless the steamer is lightened a great deal in the meantime. She has been taking water freely but it is not known whether or not the inner chambers of the hull are pierced.

PROPOSAL TO REDUCE ELECTRIC LIGHT RATE EDMONTON NEXT YEAR

EDMONTON, Nov. 9.—Reduction of electric light and power rates, which will mean a decrease in present revenue of about $90,000 annually, will be recommended to the city council by the civic finance committee. After considering the report from the commissioners, the committee decided to make this recommendation.

Should council approve, the cut on domestic lighting from 8 to 7 cents per kilowat hour will take effect on January 1. The reductions on certain power charges as well as the rates for signs and show window lighting would take effect as soon as approved by council.

WAS MISTAKEN FOR DEER AND KILLED

COURTENAY, Nov. 9.—Sydney Cox of Whalestown, Cortez Island, was accidentally shot and killed by a hunter mistaking him for a deer.

KILLED IN VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 9. — Benjamin Pearse was killed when he was struck by a sling load of lumber, while working in the hold of the steamer York City.

Mrs. R. F. Clark arrived on the Prince George this morning from Vancouver to be the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Constable and Mrs. George H. Clark, Emad Block.

H. A. BROWN,

whose appointment as Vice-President and General Manager of General Motors of Canada, at the age of 37, marks him as one of the youngest higher executives in the automotive industry. Mr. Brown has been connected with the General Motors organization for a number of years, having held the position of comptroller at Oshawa since September, 1924. He succeeds Gordon Lefebvre, who has assumed an important post with the Oakland Motor Car Company at Pontiac, Michigan.

ANNUAL BAZAAR BY CATHOLICS

Event Opened This Afternoon by Father McGrath Promises to be Outstanding Success

The annual two-day bazaar of the Catholic Women's League was opened at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the Boston Hall by Father P. J. McGrath who made a few appropriate remarks. The hall is tastily decorated with evergreens predominating and, with a vast number of articles of use and ornament offered for sale as well as many of special attractions, the exent should be as great a success as any of its like in past years. A large crowd of ladies was on hand at the opening to give their patronage.

Mrs. M. P. McMaffery, president of the Catholic Women's League, is giving the vent general supervision and those in charge of various departments are as follows:

Tea Room—Mrs. P. J. McCormick (this afternoon); Mrs. J. J. Muldoon (this evening); Mrs. G. W. Nickerson (tomorrow afternoon); Mrs. John Dore (tomorrow evening).

Home Cooking—Mrs. J. Arthur Smith, Mrs. Wilfrid Gratton and Mrs. J. M. Blaine.

Handkerchiefs—Mrs. J. McNulty and Mrs. Harold McEwen.

Fancy Work.—Mrs. S. Batcher and Mrs. C. P. Balagno.

Country Store—Mrs. J. C. Gavigan.

Plain Sewing.—Mrs. J. J. Gillis and Mrs. J. H. Meagher.

Candy—Miss Pulmira Astori and Miss Mary Astori.

Fish Pond—Mrs. F. M. Crosby.

MARCONI IS ILL.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—William Marconi, wireless inventor, is seriously ill in London, says the Daily Express.

PREMIERS INVITED TO VISIT B.C. BY HON. J. D. MacLEAN

VANCOUVER, Nov. 9.—An Ottawa special to the Sun says indications are that all the provincial premiers and probably Premier King will accept the invitation of Premier MacLean to visit British Columbia next spring when an official discussion of Canadian problems will take place, particularly those affecting western Canada in its relation to the eastern provinces.

MOTORSHIP KING JAMES NEAR PORT

Next Grain Ship of Season Expected to Arrive Tonight or Tomorrow Morning

The elevator mangement is expecting the second grain ship of the season, the British motorship King James, to arrive in port tonight or tomorrow morning. The vessel will load full for the United Kingdom or continent.

Grain in the yards was all cleaned up this morning, preparatory to another trainload arriving at noon today.

JUDGES MAY GET THEIRS

Shake-up in System is Said to be Imminent in This Province Says Paper

VANCOUVER, Nov. 9.—A special despatch from Ottawa to the Sun says: "A shakeup in the British Columbia judicial system is believed to be imminent. Premier MacLean and Attorney General Manson will have a conference before leaving Ottawa with Hon. Ernest Lapointe and Hon. Lucien Cannon regarding the present situation. The plan, it is believed will be to abolish the appellate division and transfer the judges of that division to the other high courts."

LAPOINTE DENIES

VANCOUVER, Nov. 9.—The Province special correspondent at Ottawa says "No such matter has been brought to my attention in any form" was the comment of Hon. Ernest Lapointe on the report that some shakeup among the judiciary of B.C. was in prospect.

SASKATCHEWAN WILL HAVE NEW MINISTER

REGINA, Nov. 9.—Reorganization of the government of Saskatchewan is forecast in an official statement issued last night by Hon. Mr. Latta, acting premier, when he announced that George Spence, federal member for Maple Creek, is to be taken into the Saskatchewan cabinet with the portfolio of railways, labor and industries.

PRICE OF WHEAT

VANCOUVER, Nov. 9.—Local quotations on Number 1 Northern wheat here today were at $1.37⅝ a bushel.

Premier MacLean Tells East of Problems in This Province; Discusses Oriental Question

OTTAWA, November 9.—The difficulties which have been overcome by the Government of British Columbia and many problems facing the province, was the subject of an address delivered by Premier MacLean before the Ottawa Service Club. He spoke of the great distances and natural features which made municipal government almost an impossibility in many districts and this placed the burden of policing, education and communication on the shoulders of the provincial government.

Dr. MacLean told of the vast strides the province had made industrially in the past ten years and the increasing of the payroll from $78,000,000 to $175,000,000.

Dealing with the principal problem, the premier said that the people of British Columbia were opposed to the inroads of Asiatics not on individual grounds but because they were increasing at such a rapid rate that they contributed a serious source of competition to the white men whose forefathers had been pioneers.

Premiers Conference Members Guests of Canadian Club at Ottawa Optimistic in Outlook

Premier MacLean Tells Them About British Columbia and Claims Province Unexcelled in Whole of Canada

OTTAWA, November 9.—The significance of the year 1927 in the history of Canada and the wisdom and foresight of the fathers of confederation, a parallel between the provincial delegations prior to and leading up to the union of the various provinces and the present conference now taking place on Parliament Hill, and a broadly optimistic outlook for the future of the country were elements which were compounded in the address of the prime minister and the premier of the provinces delivered last night at a banquet tendered them by the Canadian Club here. Premier King and all the representatives of the provinces spoke.

Premier MacLean of B.C. declared that on the Pacific Slope the people had the same aspirations as those in Eastern Canada. British Columbia was endeavoring to build up a province which in years to come would be no discredit to the other members of confederation. He reviewed the natural resources of the province and showed what was being done to develop them.

At the same time, Dr. MacLean said, they were trying to develop the province socially and he ventured to say no province of Canada excelled his own in the care exercised in improving the social conditions of the people.

OLMSTED APPEARED IN SEATTLE LIQUOR CASE AFTER ABSENCE

SEATTLE, Nov. 9.—Roy Olmsted, formerly a Seattle police lieutenant who has been missing since the last of four scheduled trials three weeks back, reappeared in the federal court today when the "Woodmont Beach" case in which he and seven others accused of liquor running were called.

FISH ARRIVALS

Only Three Boats Sold Catches Totalling 84,000 Pounds at Exchange This Morning

Three vessels sold halibut at the Fish Exchange this morning as follows:

AMERICAN

Kodiak, 27,000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 14.8c and 6c.

McKinley, 35,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 15c and 6c.

CANADIAN

Prosperity A., 22,000 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 14.8c and 6c.

WIRELESS REPORT.

8 a.m.

DIGBY ISLAND.—Clear, calm, barometer, 29.94; temperature, 25; sea smooth; 8:30 a.m. spoke motorship King James, bound for Prince Rupert from England, 110 miles west of Prince Rupert.

DEAD TREE POINT.—Clear, calm; barometer, 29.82; temperature, 22; sea smooth.

BULL HARBOR.—Overcast, northeast wind; barometer, 29.72; temperature, 36; sea choppy; 9 p.m. spoke steamer Prince George, abeam Sunny Island, northbound; 9:55 p.m. spoke steamer Gray, arriving at Rose Harbor.

NOON

DIGBY ISLAND.—Clear, light north wind; barometer, 29.99; temperature, 44; sea smooth; 10:30 a.m. in steamer Prince George, northbound.

DEAD TREE POINT.—Clear, calm; barometer, 29.84; temperature, 34; sea smooth.

BULL HARBOR.—Cloudy, fresh north east wind; barometer, 29.72; temperature, 40; sea choppy.

WEATHER REPORT.

Prince Rupert.—Clear, calm, temp. 25.
Stewart.—Clear, calm, temp. 22.
Anyox.—Clear, calm, temp. 20.
Alice Arm.—Clear, calm, temp. 19.
Alyansh.—Clear, calm, temp. 8.
Rosswood.—Clear, calm, temp. 11.
Terrace.—Cloudy, windy, temp. 18.
Hazelton.—Part cloudy, calm, temp. 4.
Telegraph Creek.—Cloudy, north wind, temp. 8.
Burns Lake.—Clear, calm, temp. 15.
Whitehorse. — Cloudy, north wind, temperature 12.
Dawson.—Clear, calm, 18 below. River closed at Dawson.

CANADA GIVEN RADIO STATUS

Wave Band Allotted to Country in Which There Will be no Interference

LEAD WORLD IN FLYING

Hereafter All Nations of World Will Keep off Forbidden Radio Area

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—A radio wave band sufficiently wide to take care of the extensive development of commercial flying in Canada, has been set aside by the international radio conference, for the sole use of Canada.

Canadian delegates to the conference pointed out that in the practical application of aircraft in forest protection, survey work and similar useful purposes Canada led the world. The Canadian Government had been compelled several times because of interference from powerful European broadcasting stations to shift the wavelengths used by their aircraft. Hereafter broadcasters the world over will keep off the exclusive radio wave band alloted to Canada.

PRINCESS MARY IN HOUSE FIRE

Was Among Those Who Rushed From Their Rooms When Residence Ignited

LONDON, Nov. 9.—Princess Mary and her husband Viscount Lascelles, were among a number of well-known people who rushed from their bedrooms, many in their nightclothes when fire broke out early this morning at Bretton Park, the residence of Edward Allendale, where they were guests.

The house was much damaged but nobody was hurt.

LORD MAYOR IS INSTALLED

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The ancient historic ceremony of inaugurating the newly elected Lord Mayor of London, Sir Charles Batho, took place today at the Guildhall to which His Lordship and the lady mayoress had driven in the coach used for such occasions.

YOUNG STRIBLING GOT DECISION IN A SIX ROUND BOUT

SPOKANE, Nov. 9.Young Stribling of Madon, Georgia, last night slammed Angus Snyder of Winnipeg for a decision in six rounds and advanced his claim to the heavyweight championship of Canada.

HON. C. A. SEMLIN FUNERAL SUNDAY

ASHCROFT, Nov. 9.—The funeral of Hon. C. A. Semlin, former premier of British Columbia, will be held next Sunday.