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GERMAN LEADS BIG SWIMMING RACE

STEAMER PRINCESS CHARLOTTE RAN ON ROCKS IN ALASKA

Princess Charlotte Went on Rocks at Wrangell Narrows But Floated Off During Night

Passengers taken off vessel by Alaskan survey steamer Explorer and taken to Wrangell; S.O.S. picked up here

The C.P.R. steamer Princess Charlotte, Captain Saintey, with a large number of tourists aboard, ran on Vichmeffki Rocks at Wrangell Narrows last night and was badly damaged. She floated off shortly after midnight and the passengers were taken off and sent into Wrangell where they are awaiting transportation south.

Last night at 9.23 the wireless operator at Digby Island heard an S.O.S. call from the Princess Charlotte but could not get through an answer. Finding it was impossible to do this he called Ketchikan at 9.33 and got the survey boat Explorer which left at once for Wrangell in a thick fog, arriving there at 1.30. The passengers were transferred and taken to Wrangell where they were looked after by the citizens.

Shortly after midnight a number of boats left Petersburg, Alaska, for the scene. No word has been received as to whether the Charlotte will dock here or proceed to Vancouver or Victoria.

VICTORIA REPORT

VICTORIA, Aug. 31. — A report received here during the night said the C.P.R. steamer Princess Charlotte was ashore at Vichmeffki Rocks, Wrangell Narrows, 20 miles from the town of Wrangell. She struck at 9.20 p.m. The United States survey boat Explorer responded to the S.O.S. call to Captain Troup from the captain of the ship who reported the passengers safe. About 250 persons were aboard the steamer.

The Salvage King left at 1 a.m. to render assistance.

The Charlotte was southbound from Skagway to Vancouver and passengers are reported to have been taken ashore.

LATEST DESPATCH

VICTORIA, Aug. 31.—With her propelling machinery broken down but all passengers safe ashore, the Princess Charlotte is now afloat but drifting, according to the latest word received here by wireless from the scene of the accident. A cannery tug from Wrangell is proceeding to her aid.

The hull of the Princess Charlotte is not punctured to any great extent, judging from wireless messages which indicate she is not taking water. She refloated herself after the passengers were transferred ashore by the United States survey boat Explorer. There was no panic or excitement during the transfer of the passengers.

The Salvage King is proceeding to the scene.

PASSENGERS ON BEACH

SEATTLE, Aug. 31.—It is presumed from a message from the United States survey ship Explorer that she was taking off the passengers from the beach where they were landed after the Princess Charlotte struck. The exact location was in Sumner Strait, several miles south of the entrance to Wrangell Narrows proper.

WRANGELL, Aug. 31. — Weary, and damp after hurriedly being put ashore in inky darkness on a foggy night the passengers from the disabled leaking Princess Charlotte which struck a rock twenty miles from here at the south entrance to the treacherous Wrangell Narrows, were brought here today by the United States geodetic survey vessel Explorer.

The Charlotte was floated about midnight, being towed here at two miles an hour by the fishing tug Kuichak, assisted by a fleet of Petersburg shrimp boats. The Charlotte went ashore at 9.30 last night. Her damage is undetermined. The outer skin was punctured flooding the oil tanks and engine room and putting the engine out of commission. No passengers were hurt. Lieut.-Col. Sir Godfrey Dalrymple White, member of the British Commons, Lady White and two children were among the distinguished passengers.

C.N.R. steamer Prince George, Capt. Harry Nedden, arrived at 10 o'clock this morning from the south and will sail at 4 o'clock this afternoon for Skagway. The vessel will return here from the north to sail for Vancouver via Ocean Falls at 11 p.m. Saturday.

FALL FISHING ALASKA IS OFF

Cancelled by Fisheries Commissioner O'Malley for Salmon This Year

SEATTLE, Aug. 31.—Henry O'Malley, federal commissioner of fisheries, not only has decided against the reopening of commercial salmon fishing this season in Alaska but also has cancelled what is known as the fall season which is scheduled to start on September 14.

In making the announcement O'Malley said the closing was essential to the perpetuity of the industry. "There will be no fall fishing except trolling south of the 58th parallel and gill net fishing. This is only for fresh fish and mild cure and will be of no benefit to the packers."

CLOSE FISHING HALIBUT BANKS

That is Proposal of Commission According to Louis Radclfife

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—The halibut banks of the Northern Pacific are giving the International Fishery Commission grave concern, says an announcement by deputy commissioner of Fisheries Louis Radcliffe.

The Canadian-American commission is considering the advisability of closing some of the famous banks from fishermen, who bring into British Columbia and Alaskan ports about 50,000,000 pounds yearly.

FIRED UPON A BRITISH SHIP

LONDON, Aug. 31.—A member of the crew of the British gunboat Cockshafer was slightly wounded, says a Hong Kong despatch, when the warship and a vessel she was convoying were heavily fired upon from shore by Chinese. One shell struck the Cockshafer causing slight damage.

The British returned the fire.

COSMOPOLITAN MAGAZINE ART EDITOR IS MAKING ROUND TRIP TO SKAGWAY

W. C. Gibson, of New York City, art editor of the Cosmopolitan Magazine, is a passenger on the Prince George today making the round trip to Skagway. This is Mr. Gibson's first trip this way and, while the weather has not been of the best, the scenic beauties of the coast are proving of much delight to him.

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HALIBUT NOW AHEAD HERE

Landings for this Season to Date are Slightly in Excess of 1926 Total

According to figures compiled in the fish houses on the waterfront today, total halibut landings for the season to date at this port show a slight gain over the total arrivals up to August 31, 1926. The total this season is given as 19,062,700 pounds while last year's total to date was 18,903,200 at a corresponding time.

Landings for the month of August, including today, totalled 3,226,500 pounds as against 2,995,700 pounds in August, 1926.

A total of 169,000 pounds was sold at the Fish Exchange this morning as follows:

AMERICAN

Zenith, 47,000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 11c and 6c.

Atlantic, 40,000 pounds, Pacific Fisheries, 11.2c and 6c.

Majestic, 28,000 pounds, and Yukon, 37,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 11.1c and 6c.

Hazel H., 8,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 12.2c and 6c.

CANADIAN

Pair of Jacks, 5,500 pounds, and Dundas, 3,500 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 12c and 6c.

NEW BLOCK ON THIRD AVENUE

Ground Broken This Morning for Fine Structure to be Built by Olier Besner

Breaking of ground started this morning for a fine new three-storey concrete building with full basement which will be erected by Olier Besner at the corner of Third Avenue and Third Street adjoining the Federal Block. Arrangements were made with the civic board to do the excavating.

The new building, which will have stores on the first floor and offices above, will be of the latest in design and will be a decided acquisition to the architecture of the city.

When Mr. Besner acquired the property a year or so ago it was forecasted that a fine building would be placed thereon. This plan is about to materialize.

WIRELESS REPORT.
8 a.m.

DIGBY ISLAND. — Cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.72; temperature, 56; sea smooth; 8:50 p.m. spoke tug Pacific Monarch, in Portland Inlet, southbound.

DEAD TREE POINT.—Part cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.76; temperature, 53; sea smooth.

BULL HARBOR.—Misty, fresh southeast wind; barometer, 29.72; temperature, 52; sea moderate, foggy seawards; 8 p.m. spoke steamer Culburra, Ketchikan for Seattle, 360 miles from Ketchikan; 8 p.m. spoke tug Cape Scott, towing barge Biscayen, abeam Scarlet Point, southbound; 8 p.m. spoke steamer Canadian Observer, Nanaimo for Ocean Falls, 127 miles from Ocean Falls; 8 u.m. spoke tug St. Faith, anchored at Thurston Harbor.

NOON

DIGBY ISLAND. — Cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.80; temperature, 60; sea smooth.

DEA DTREE POINT.—Part cloudy, light southeast wind; barometer, 29.82; temperature, 62; sea smooth.

BULL HARBOR. — Raining, fresh southeast wind; barometer, 29.74; temperature, 52; sea smooth, misty seawards.

LEFT BRISTOL FOR OTTAWA TODAY WITH PRINCESS ABOARD

UPAVON, Bristol, England, Aug. 31.—Captain Leslie Hamilton and Colonel F. F. Minchin started at 7:31 this morning on a transatlantic flight to Ottawa.

Accompanying the flyers is Princess Lowenstein Weetheim who is financing the flight.

The flyers had fuel for 44 hours flight but they expect to reach Ottawa in 37 hours. They made a beautiful takeoff after running three-quarters of a mile.

The Princess wore a purple leather flying outfit of knee breeches and jacket, black silk stockings and brown leather boot with black fur around the top.

BELFAST, Aug. 31. — The Minchin plane passed over the north coast of Galway Bay and out over the Atlantic at 12.10 this afternoon.

FISHING BY SALMON NETS OPEN MONDAY

VANCOUVER, Aug. 31.—Fishing by salmon nets in District Number three will be reopened Monday at 6 a.m. This district comprises the east and west coast of Vancouver Island and the mainland from Gower Point to Cape Caution. It also opens in District 2 from Cape Caution to the Alaska boundary.

CANADIAN ENSIGN GIVEN ROTARY CLUB

Joint Luncheon of Victoria and Port Angeles Organizations

VICTORIA, Aug. 31.—Presentation by the Victoria Rotary Club of a Canadian Ensign to the Rotary Club of Port Angeles was one of the features of the joint luncheon gathering of the two bodies here in the ballroom of the Empress Hotel.

Rotarian Percy Watson, who made the presentation on behalf of the local Rotarians, gave a brief history of the flag, and stated that the gift was accompanied by the best wishes of the Victoria Rotary Club and Canadians in general.

Ben Phillips, president of the Port Angeles Rotary Club, declared that it was with a great deal of gratification that he accepted the Canadian flag, and announced that it would stand alongside the Stars and Stripes at gatherings of the Rotary Club in Port Angeles. He referred to the fact that Victoria and Port Angeles were situated so closely together and said "we appreciate all that that association has meant to us."

ROUND WORLD FLYER IS AT CONSTANTINOPLE

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 31. — The round the world flyer "Pride of Detroit" carrying William Brock and Edward Schlee which left Harbor Grace Saturday morning arrived here today.

GIANTS STILL GOING STRONG

Displace Pittsburg Pirates and Threaten to Take Second Place From Cardinals

NEW YORK, Aug. 31. — Pittsburg Pirates were relegated from second to fourth place in the National League yesterday by the lowly Philadelphians who defeated them in both games of a double-header. The New York Giants, who again trounced the leading Chicago Cubs, assumed to third place within two points of the St. Louis Cardinals who lost to the Brooklyn Dodgers, and are only two and a half games from the top. Boston took the measure of Cincinnati by a score of 2 to 1 in the only game in the league.

The Giants won their seventh straight victory. It was their twenty-second win out of the last 28 starts.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis 3, Brooklyn 5.
Chicago 3, New York 7.
Cincinnati 1, Boston 2.
Pittsburg 2-2, Philadelphia 3-6.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Nil.

LEAGUE STANDINGS.
Nationals.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	73	50	.594
St. Louis	68	50	.576
New York	70	52	.574
Pittsburg	68	51	.571
Cincinnati	54	66	.450
Brooklyn	53	69	.434
Boston	51	68	.529
Philadelphia	44	79	.358

REPAIRS TO COST $62,750

Burrard Dock Complete Work on Prince Runpert 25 Days

VANCOUVER, Aug. 31.—The contract for repairing the steamer Prince Rupert was let yesterday to the Burrard Dry Dock Company of Vancouver. The terms of the contract are that the ship be repaired in 25 days, the price to be paid being $62,750.

RAIN AT HAZELTON TEMPERATURES LOWER

There was rain all night at Hazelton and this morning it was raining at Alice Arm and Aiyansh and temperatures generally this morning were rather lower according to the Dominion Government weather report at 8 a.m. Details were:

Prince Rupert.—Cloudy, calm, temperature, 56.
Terrace—Cloudy, calm, temp. 56.
Rosswood—Cloudy, calm, temp. 55.
Aiyainsh—Rain, calm, temp. 55.
Alice Arm—Rain, calm, temp. 57.
Anyox—Partly cloudy, calm, temp. 59.
Stewart—Partly cloudy, calm, temp. 57.
Hazelton—Cloudy, calm, rain all night, temp. 56.
Smithers—Cloudy, calm, temp. 54.
Burns Lake—Rain, calm, temp. 52.

Greer & Beattie have the contract for a new two-storey residence with concrete foundation being built on Fourth Avenue East for Ald. Joseph Greer.

Judgment of $20,000 Against Union Steamship Co. in Favor Fishermen but Case Appealed

VANCOUVER, August 31.—Mr. Justice Martin, sitting in the Admiralty Court, awarded judgment for $20,000 against the S.S. Catala of the Union Steamship Company in favor of the widow and two children of Erik Dagstad, the fisherman who lost his life when the Catala ran down the boat in which he was fishing at the mouth of the Skeena River in July, 1925, when making her maiden trip up the coast.

The judge held that provincial legislation failed to affect the jurisdiction of the Admiralty Court.

Plaintiffs had received payments from the Workmen's Compensation Board but amounts paid by the board were held by His Lordship to be inadequate. The sums paid will be deducted from the $20,000.

An appeal to the Exchequer Court is being made by the Union Company.

German Swimmer is Leading Big Marathon Toronto This Afternoon

GEORGE YOUNG DROPPED OUT AT FOURTH MILE WITH CRAMPS—THIRTY WOMEN AMONG STARTERS—MOST ARE SWIMMING NAKED

TORONTO, August 31.—Ernest Vierkoeter of Germany with a third of the course covered, had a two mile lead in the $50,000 lake Ontario swim at 1 p.m. this afternoon. The time for 8 miles was 4 hours 20 seconds.

George Young of Toronto was forced out by cramps at the four mile mark.

Byron Summers of Calofirnia, and Mendall Burnett of Toronto were the second and third respectively.

Among more than two hundred swimmers starting there were 30 women. Miss Etherl Hertle of New York was making a good showing. At 12.30 101 swimmers were still in the water. Among those dropping out were Edward Keating of New York and Henry Sullivan of Lowell, Mass. George Young had the lead up to shortly before being taken out but Vierkoetter passed him as he swam with difficulty.

Today the weather was bright and clear, the wind from the northwest promising cold water.

A cable encloss the twelve mile triangular course, the swimmers having to go one mile along the exhibition waterfront between the breakwater and the shoreline and then turn into the lake and swim two sides of a triangle, making the round three times.

The swimmers, including the women, forgot their personal appearance and discarded their bathing suits in most instances after the start. Their bodies were covered with a thick coating of grease.

Premier Ferguson fired the starting gun while 100,000 people lined the lake front.

Young who was leading with Vierkoetter second, mistook the course and lost the lead but picked it up again. Among the women who dropped out early was Louise Hardy of Toronto who was second among the women and who was easily among the first twenty swimmers.

Young's dropping out was the day's sensation. He had been swimming a nice even stroke when suddenly he became unconscious. Manager Henry O'Bryne rowed round him for ten minutes, hoping he would recover. Young was taken to emergency hospital. Ethel Sergle was swimming fourth followed by John O'Hallern of Barrie, Ontario, and George S. Michel of Paris.

SALMON FISHING TO REMAIN CLOSED FOR PRESENT AT LEAST

VANCOUVER, Aug. 31.—The prohibition of salmon fishing on the west coast of Vancouver Island will be continued for awhile at least. It is announced that it is impossible to lift the embargo on Thursday as reported.

ITALIAN WAS FROM U.S.

VANCOUVER, Aug. 31.—The Italian who slashed his throat thus killing himself on board the motorship Norco, formerly the Tillamooks, was Francisco Belzola of San Francisco.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked
B.C. Silver	1.35	1.50
Coast Copper	14.75	15.00
Cork Province	.05¾	.06½
Dunwell	.64½	.69
Gladstone	.14½	.19
Independence	.05	.06¼
Indian	.07¼	.08
L. and L.	.07¼	.08
Leadsmith		.06½
Lucky Jim	21½	.22½
Marmot	.10	.12
Premier	2.36	2.39
Porter Idaho	.21½	.22
Richmond	.16	.21
Silvercrest	.05	.06¼
Surf Inlet	.01	
Sunloch	.60	
Tric	4.90	

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vickers and daughter, who have been spending a holiday in Victoria, returned to the city on the Prince George this morning.

LABOR HEARS NEGRO SONGS

Lady Cynthia Mosley Entertains at Socialist Gathering in Summer School

LONDON, Aug. 31.—Lady Cynthia Mosley, wife of Oswald Mosley, Labor M.P., made her debut recently as a Socialist singer at the Independent Labor Party Summer School at Scorton, Yorkshire, at a social gathering to welcome Socialist students from other countries. Possessing a well-trained soprano voice, she sang a group of three negro spirituals exceedingly well.

Lady Cynthia Mosley is the second daughter of the late Marquess Curzon of Kedleston. Her husband is son and heir of Sir Oswald Mosley, 5th baronet. One of his antecedents was Lord Mayor of London in 1599.

COMMISSION AT WASHINGTON

Investigated Prohibition and Customs Services from U.S. Angle

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—The Royal Canadian Customs Commission left for home this afternoon after holding four formal meetings and several informal ones with the state customs coastguard and prohibition authorities here. It was permitted to look into the workings of the United States anti-smuggling machinery and they also investigated the efficiency of the United States customs system.

ALASKA SALMON PACK IS SHORT

In Best District it is 230,000 Cases Less Than Last Year

JUNEAU, Aug. 31.—The season's pack of salmon north of the 59th parallel, the only section where the operators do not expect to sustain losses, has reached a total of 363,596 cases. While several thousand cases will be added by fall operations, the pack is approximately 230,000 cases below that of 1926, which was the best season recorded.

WESTMINSTER WINS LAROSSE

Team Will Represent B.C. in Mann Cup Playoff for Championship of Canada

VANCOUVER, Aug. 31. — The New Westminster Salmon Bellies won the provincial lacrosse title defeating Richmond yesterday six to nothing and in the two game round 15 to 0. This team will represent British Columbia in the playoff for the Mann Cup in the Dominion series.