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The Letter Box

THE CATALA CONTRACT

Editor, Daily News:
My attention has just been drawn to the article in your issue of December 13, headed "The Catala Fiasco," which I must say is about as unfriendly and discourteous a reference to an old intimate association with Prince Rupert as it could possibly be.

The Union Steamship Company has given generous and regular service to Prince Rupert, and we have always appreciated the relations which have existed between the company and its northern patrons. The principal objection we have, however, to the attack which is made upon the Union Steamship Company as the owners of S.S. Catala, is that it is entirely based on ignorance of the real circumstances, and to this extent is needlessly misleading.

The S.S. Catala was technically abandoned by the owners and the notice of abandonment has never been relinquished and will remain until the vessel is restored to us. The responsibility, therefore, for the repairs of the ship rests entirely with the Underwriters who, of course, have an unquestioned right to take advantage of the lowest possible cost of restoration. The owners act merely in a nominal capacity but the people who pay are the people to decide.

The officials of the Prince Rupert Dry Dock were most alert in the matter and made a very able effort to secure the job, and I can say positively that there was nothing lacking on their part in this endeavor excepting the matter of price, against which there was a better offer and which was therefore accepted as a matter of business. It will be evident to any reasonable citizen of Prince Rupert that no sentiment prevails in these matters and they can only be dealt with on a strict business basis.

I hope, therefore, you will accept our assurance that there was no deliberate attempt to take business away from Prince Rupert and that you will feel called upon to at least represent the matter in a fair and equitable light, both in justice to the officers of the Prince Rupert Dry Dock and the owners of the Catala.

Yours truly,
HAROLD BROWN,
General Manager,
Union Steamship Co. of British Columbia, Ltd.

KING OF HOUSE DAVID IS DEAD

Body Left in Bed in Hope That he Would Rise After Three Days

BATTON HARBOR, Mich., Dec. 19.—Benjamin Funnell, King of the House of David died last Friday morning but is still in the bed where he died. The belief that he would rise again in three days kept the colony from announcing his death.

POINT GREY TO JOIN VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Dec. 19.—Point Grey voted Saturday almost three to one—2098 to 768—in favor of amalgamation with Vancouver and South Vancouver, the union to become effective January 1, 1929, following the passing of enabling legislation. This will make a city of 215,000 people.

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Suspected Communists at Canton Executed and Thousands Leave for Protection of British Law

Soviet vice-consul killed and other Russians ordered to leave Shanghai; Exodus reported from Shantung province

CANTON, December 19.—Six hundred Chinese suspected of being Communists were executed in one group here. The Soviet vice-consul was also executed.

A virtual migration of Chinese to the nearby British island of Hong Kong is under way. The number who have left the Canton area is estimated at 200,000.

SHANGHAI, December 19.—The Nanking Nationalist government has notified approximately 100 persons in the Russian settlement to leave immediately. The consular group are virtually prisoners, it not being considered safe for them to leave the consular headquarters.



SIR FREDERICK WILLIAM TAYLOR
General Manager of the Bank of Montreal

FLYING TO MEXICO
TO VISIT HER SON
MRS. LINDBERGH OFF.

DETROIT, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Evangeline Lindbergh hopped off as a passenger on the first lap of a flight to Mexico where she plans to spend Christmas with her son, the famous aviator. She arrived later at Indianapolis.

R. B. BENNETT ARRIVES BACK FROM ENGLAND

MONTREAL, Dec. 19.—R. B. Bennett, who arrived at Halifax over the weekend after a trip to England on private business and rest, arrived here today.

Mr. Bennett denied a story that he had travelled incognito as R. B. Parker.

FOUND NO TRACE OF MISSING STEAMER

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 19.—The steamer Islet Prince returned Saturday reporting no trace of the steamer Kamloops which is supposed to have foundered during a recent storm.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid.	Asked
Big Missouri	29	29 1/2
Coast Copper	16.00	16.25
Cork Province	09 1/2	09 3/4
Dunwell	18	22
Ciadstone	14 1/2	16
Independence	08	08 1/2
Indian	06	07
L. and L.	08 1/2	09
Leadsmith	04	05
Lucky Jim	25 1/2	26
Premier	2.29	2.30
Richmond	14	14 1/2
Silvercrest	05 1/2	05 3/4
Silversmith	22	24
Surf Islet	00 1/4	
Sumlock	70	75
Toric	4.25	5.25

ROBBED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH THIS MORNING OF \$300 AT VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Dec. 19.—Using a charge of explosives, which demolished the safe and wrecked the office at the First Presbyterian Church, safe-blowers obtained at least \$300 early this morning.



SIR VINCENT MEREDITH, B.A.
President of the Bank of Montreal

Gruesome Act Los Angeles Arch Fiend Saturday Night

LOS ANGELES, December 19.—With arms and legs cut off, wire wound around the neck cutting deep into the flesh and thrust through the eyelids, disembowelled, and with the cavity filled with rags, the body of Marian Parker, twelve years of age, was tossed out of automobile before the father, Perry M. Parker, a bank official, Saturday night after he had paid the abductor \$1,500 on the promise that his daughter, who had been kidnapped Thursday, would be restored to him.

HUNTING FOR THE SLAYER

Man Who Killed Los Angeles Girl Being Sought Eagerly by Everyone

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19.—In the greatest man hunt ever known, the fiendish slayer of Marian Parker is sought. A letter from the kidnapper and slayer threatens the twin sister Marjorie of the same fate.

Fifty thousand dollars reward has been raised by citizens, the contributions coming from children's banks and millionaires' funds.

The lair of the human brute, where the girl was murdered is believed to have been in the fashionable residential district where bloodstains are thought to tell the tale of crime.

MINER CAUGHT IN SNOWSLIDE

STEWART, Dec. 19.—William Fuller, 54, one of the best known miners and prospectors of the province, was caught by a snow slide Saturday on the Porter Idaho trail. It is believed impossible that he has escaped death.

QUESTION OF COOKS IN LUMBER CAMPS AND THE EIGHT HOUR DAY

VICTORIA, Dec. 19.—Allen Thrasher, a lumber operator in the Prince George district, it is said, will ask the Privy Council for the right of appeal against the decision of the appeal court that the Minimum Wage Act applies to cooks in lumber camps. On the other hand the board may appeal the decision of Judge Cayley in Vancouver who ruled that the act did not apply to dishwashers and similar employees.

KILLED COASTING AT POWELL RIVER

PEWELL RIVER, Dec. 19.—The six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace J. McDonald was killed Saturday when run over while coasting by a motor car stage. That makes the third coasting fatality in the week.

WEATHER REPORT.
Prince Rupert.—Clear, calm; temperature, 32.

BOSTON LOST TO CANADIENS

Score of Five to One Against Boston Bruins in Saturday's Hockey Match

MONTREAL, Dec. 19.—The Boston defense was no match for the speedy work of McCrez, Gagne and Joliat of the Canadiens who sent the puck into the net five times in their game Saturday while their opponents scored only one. This was their sixth straight victory.

Ottawa tightened their grip on second place in a hard-fought victory over Montreal Maroons in their Saturday night game.

Pittsburg is still without a victory this season but got their third yesterday when playing against Detroit in a three to two game, the latter going into first place in the American section, one point ahead of the New York Rangers. Detroit beat Toronto Saturday in an overtime match.

The Americans dropped to third in the International section by their defeat yesterday by Chicago being beaten two to one. Following are the scores:

SATURDAY GAMES
Boston 1, Canadiens 5.
Montreal 0, Ottawa 1.
Detroit 1, Toronto 0.
Chicago 5, Pittsburg 2.

SUNDAY GAMES
Pittsburg 3, Detroit 3.
New York Americans 2, Chicago 0.

G. A. Woodland, local agent for the Imperial Oil Co., returned to the city on the Camosun last night from a trip to Bella Bella on company business.

Young Canadian War Veteran Knocked Unconscious by Bear Then Had Leg and Foot Burned

CORDOVA, December 19.—After lying for more than a month in a cabin in the wilds of the interior of Alaska with one leg burned off nearly to the knee and the other foot badly burned, Nick Raworth, a young Canadian war veteran, was taken to Kennecott Hospital here and it is said he may live.

Raworth was attacked on November 3 by a bear, which, after killing his dog, knocked Raworth unconscious. When he recovered the legs were badly burned, indicating he had previously regained consciousness and built a fire, though he had no recollection of it.

In intense agony he crawled fifteen miles to the cabin where he lay week after week scarcely able to secure food and water. He was found by an Indian.

EUROPE GETS ZERO FROST

London Six Above and France Still Colder in Some Parts of Country

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The British Isles are today in the grip of the coldest weather experienced there in 32 years, with the people engaged in winter sports.

London is the coldest place with the thermometer six above zero today. Plumbers are busy repairing frozen and broken water pipes after 100 hours of frost.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—France is experiencing bitterly cold weather today, the thermometer going as low as zero at some points. It is the most severe frost in fifteen years. Dozens of elderly persons are reported falling dead or being seriously frost bitten.

THIRTY-SIX GIRLS BURIED

QUEBEC, Dec. 19.—Funeral services for 36 girl victims of the Hospice St. Charles fire, were held yesterday, all being buried in the same plot in St. Charles cemetery.

LOGGER KILLED

VANCOUVER, Dec. 19.—Dan Walland, 43 years of age, a logger employed at a camp at Stillwater, 90 miles north of here, was killed Saturday when he was struck by falling trees.

Three Grain Ships Here and Another Wednesday Keeping Elevator Busy

Swedish Freighter Sydland Will be Eighth Ship of Season and Largest Wheat Vessel Port Has Had so Far

The "K" Line freighter, Ohio Maru, Capt. Murata, Prince Rupert's seventh grain ship of the season, arrived in port at 1.20 yesterday afternoon from Muroran, Japan, and tied up at the ocean dock where she is now being lined preparatory to going on berth at the Alberta Wheat Pool's Prince Rupert elevator to load a full cargo of grain for the United Kingdom or Continent. Other than encountering a good deal of stormy weather, the Ohio Maru had an uneventful passage from Muroran which port she left on November 29. The vessel was originally going to Vancouver to load but was diverted to Prince Rupert when off Cape Flattery. She picked up her pilot, Capt. H. L. Roberson, at Neah Bay, Capt. Roberson coming on here with the vessel.

The Ohio Maru, which was fumigated last night, is a typical Japanese freighter. Her tonnage is 4254 and she carries a crew of thirty-six men. Her port of registry is Kobe.

The arrival of the Ohio Maru makes three grain ships in the harbor today the others being the British freighters Alderby and Sheaf Mount, both of which are loading at the elevator.

Trouble on the railway line has been delaying shipments of wheat from the prairies to Prince Rupert. None has arrived since Friday afternoon. Three hundred cars were reported to be on the division at the week-end. The elevator management, however, reports that it has plenty of grain on hand to handle all the boats now in.

It is expected that the Alderby will be completed loading and ready to sail tomorrow morning.

The Sheaf Mount should get away Friday morning.

The eighth ship of the season here is announced to be the Swedish freighter Sydland which is expected from the Old Country Wednesday morning. This vessel is understood to be already lined and will load a full cargo for the United Kingdom or Continent. The Sydland will be the first Swedish grain boat to visit Prince Rupert and, incidentally, the largest wheat vessel the port has had. She was built at Sunderland, England, in 1920, her port of registry is Gothenburg and she is 431 feet long with tonnage of 6,500. She is coming via the inside passage from Vancouver.

NAVAL CONFERENCE FAILURE SAID TO BE A DEPLORABLE BLUNDER

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Failure of the naval conference was characterized as a deplorable British blunder by Viscount Rothermere in a cabled dispatch to the Sunday Pictorial, London. The Viscount, who is now here, lays the chief blame upon Sir Austin Chamberlain.

THREATENS FIGHT AGAINST GOVERNMENT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 19.—W. H. Hammond, Ashcroft potato grower, states that unless the government complies with his demands for the removal of vegetables from the provisions of the Marketing Control Act, he will organize a political opposition in the Kamloops riding and endeavor to persuade the independent Liberals to take the field against the government.

MAN AND WOMAN ARE SENTENCED TO HANG

VALLEYFIELD, Quebec, Dec. 19.—George and Doris Macdonald were found guilty Saturday of the murder of Adelaide Bouchard, a Lachine taxi driver, and are sentenced to hang on March 23. The jury recommended the woman to mercy.

NANOSE SKIPPER DEAD

VANCOUVER, Dec. 19.—Captain Walter Verge, a veteran Canadian Pacific shipmaster on the British Columbia coast, died suddenly Saturday on the tug Nanose which he commanded.

RAILWAY LINE TIED UP TODAY

Snowslides Between Amsbury and Skeena City Hoped to be Cleared up This Afternoon

Owing to a number of snowslides, some of them large ones, between Skeena City and Amsbury, traffic on the Canadian National Railways to Prince Rupert was again tied up this morning with considerable uncertainty prevailing as to when it might be resumed, although at the superintendent's office, it was hoped that the trouble would be cleared up this afternoon and the trains moving again. Full crews have been working on the slides since the end of the week.

Passenger train No. 5, due at 3.30 yesterday afternoon from the East, was not expected to arrive before this afternoon and No. 6, scheduled to go out at 11.30 this morning, is being held here until the line is clear.

At noon it was stated at the railway offices that No. 5 would not arrive before 5 o'clock this afternoon, it not being certain that she would be in even then.

SUB. SINKS SIX ALIVE

Feared That Men Cannot be Rescued From Vessel Now Under Water

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Dec. 19.—Submarine OX-4 was rammed and sunk by a destroyer near here yesterday afternoon in 200 feet of water. Four hours afterwards no trace of the 45 members of the crew could be found.

A furious gale is blowing today making rescue work impossible. Six men are known to be alive in the torpedo room through Morse hammer tapping. There is faint hope of rescue. The men cannot live longer than Wednesday, it is thought, and it is impossible to raise the sub. before that time.

JAPS ARRESTED MURDER CHARGE

VANCOUVER, Dec. 19.—The mystery shrouding the disappearance of Isaku Nishimura, 52 years of age, a prominent Japanese from his home here on March 13 last is believed by the police to have been cleared up with the arrest Sunday of Etsugi Mori of Vancouver, who is charged with the murder of Nishimura. Four other Japanese are held for investigation.

The police theory tends to the belief that Nishimura was murdered as he left his home and the body weighted and thrown into the Fraser River. So far the body has not been recovered. Etsugi in the police court today was remanded for a week and S. Takahashi, also arrested for the same crime, was remanded.