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CATALA WRECK IS WIRED IN PLACE

LARGEST AND FASTEST FLYING BOAT LEFT FOR AFRICA

Catala Wreck Held in Position by Wire Cables to Prevent Washing Off

Owners and Underwriters are Collaborating in Work of Salvage Says T. C. Warkman of Lloyds'

Neither the owners nor the underwriters have abandoned the steamer Catala, which is wrecked on Mist Island near Port Simpson. Such reports, which have been published freely here and at Vancouver, are erroneous stated T. C. Warkman, representative of Lloyds', in answer to an enquiry made this morning by the Daily News. As a matter of fact the Union Steamships Ltd. and Lloyds' are working in collaboration in connection with the salvage which is being carried out by the Pacific Salvage Co. stated Mr. Warkman. Capt. A. E. Dickson is representing the owners; Mr. Warkman, the underwriters; and Mr. Allan, superintendent of the Pacific Salavage Co., is directly in charge of the salvage work itself.

It was hoped, Mr. Warkman said, to have the vessel in a position within twenty-five days to come off the reef. To that end, work is now proceeding steadily. Two heavy wires have been run to ground tackle to hold the ship in her present position and heavy props, fastened to the bottom and wedged under the guards of the steamer, have been installed on the starboard side or off the rock. Blasting of the rocks is now in progress and success in salvaging the vessel is expected in a comparatively short time.

No attempt has been made to strip the ship.

Mr. Warkman and P. M. Ray, the latter local sub-agent for Lloyds', left for the scene of the wreck aboard the powerboat Ann S. at noon today. Mr. Warkman will sail tomorrow morning for Vancouver and expects to be back within a few days.

E. F. Cribb, manager of the Vancouver Dry Dock & Salvage Co., who was here in connection with the wreck, sailed on his return to Vancouver by the Princess Mary yesterday afternoon.

FISH PRICES REMAIN LOW

One Big American Schooner Took Her Catch to Seattle This Morning

Although the season will close this week there is no appreciable jump in prices of halibut. The big schooner Polaris with 38,000 pounds refused to accept the price offered this morning and left for Seattle. The Ithona arrived too late for the sale today and her catch will be offered with others tomorrow. Sales today were:

AMERICAN

Eastern Point 5,000 to Cold Storage at 12.10 and 6.

CANADIAN

Morris H. 8,000 to Cold Storage at 11.90 and 6.

Nuba 1,500 to Royal Fish Co. at 12 and 6.

Balsac 15,000 to Atlin Fisheries at 11.90 and 6.

Cape Spencer 2,000 to Royal Fish Co. at 12 and 6.

Kalen 6,000 to Atlin Fisheries at 12 and 6.

REGINA ROUGH RIDERS WIN

Take First of Series of Championship Rugby Games at Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Nov. 17.— Showing a powerful offensive and having the ability to take advantage of two big openings to cross the line, the Regina Rough Riders, champions of the prairie provinces, earned a thirteen points to one victory over the University of British Columbia ruggers in the first game of the best two out of three for the western Canada championship.

Playing on a muddy field before 1800 fans, the struggle was an interesting one all the way through, with the visitors having the edge through their superior line play and hard tackling.

BUILDING ON THE INCREASE

Throughout Canada There is an Improvement Over Last Year

OTTAWA, Nov. 17.—The value of the building permits in 63 cities of Canada during October amounts to nearly $19,000,000, an increase of nearly $4,500,000 over September total and over four million over October last year.

Prince Rupert registered an increase both as compared with September this year and October last year.

The cumulative total for the months of 1927 exceeds by almost $26,000,000 than for the months of last year, the previous high level.

A. F. Scott, Vancouver insurance man, arrived in the city on the Prince Charles last night from Queen Charlotte City where he has been visiting with his brother, Rev. R. C. Scott. He is on his way south.

PREMIER BACK FROM OTTAWA

Mr. MacLean Well Pleased as Result of Conference

EXPECTS BETTER THINGS

VANCOUVER, Nov. 17. — "The harmony that prevailed, the sinking of individual prejudices and the general desire to do what was best for Canada as a whole were striking features of the provincial premiers' conference," declared Hon. J. D. McLean, Premier of British Columbia, on his arrival here this morning from Ottawa. "There is no question but that Canada is marching on toward prosperity," the premier continued, "and it looks as though the Dominion should experience a wonderful year in 1928.

"British Columbia enjoys a splendid reputation in Eastern business and financial circles," added Mr. MacLean. "It is generally recognized that the province has weathered a long period of hard times for every one in Canada most satisfactorily. Our financial position excites admiration and is forcing attention to innumerable opportunities for sound investment. More and more will we receive Eastern money. It looks to me as if British Columbia's day has arrived."

The premier left on the 10.30 a.m. boat for Victoria. He had no statement to make concerning the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

WEATHER CLEAR AFTER SNOW

Throughout the northern and central portion of British Columbia the tendency is toward clear weather following a heavy fall of snow at practically all points south of the Yukon yesterday. Today there is six inches of snow on the ground at Hazelton, five at Smithers, and at Anyox, Alice Arm, Burns Lake and other centres a considerable fall has been recorded.

The report of the Government Telegraphs at 8 o'clock this morning follows:

Prince Rupert.—Overcast, calm; temperature, 34.

Stewart—Part cloudy, calm, temp. 18.

Anyox—Clear, calm, temp. 20.

Alice Arm—Clear, calm, temp. 19.

Atyansh—Clear, calm, temp. 12.

Rosswood—Clear, calm, temp. 23.

Terrace—Cloudy, calm, temp. 22.

Hazelton—Cloudy, calm, temp. 20; six inches of snow.

Burns Lake—Bright, calm, temp. 15.

Smithers—Cloudy, calm, temp. 16; five inches of snow during the night.

Telegraph Creek—Clear, north wind, tem. 12 below.

Nahlin—Clear, calm, temp. 32 below.

Whitehorse.—Cloudy, north wind, 5 below.

Carmacks.—Cloudy, calm, 30 below.

Stewart River—Clear, calm, 30 below.

Dawson.—Cloudy, calm, 20 below.

CONTRACTOR WAS FIRED AT

Wounds in Hand and Leg Received by Vancouver Man in His Home

VANCOUVER, Nov. 17.—William McPhelan, a contractor, is in the hospital with bullet wounds in the hand and leg fired by an unknown assailant who called at his home last night. McPhelan grappled with the man but when shot was forced to release him and he escaped.

WAS DETERMINED TO TAKE HIS OWN LIFE

William Albert Bicknell, Aged 60, Cuts His Own Throat at Sumas Prairie

CHILLIWACK, Nov. 17.— Determined to commit suicide, William Albert Bicknell, aged 60, of Meadow Crossing, cut his throat at Sumas Prairie yesterday. Hearing people approaching, he plunged into a creek and swam to the other side, slashing his throat again and dying.

OLD TIMERS CANNOT BE WITHOUT NEWS ON QUEEN CHARLOTTES

Among several renewals of subscriptions to the Daily News received this morning from the Queen Charlotte Islands is one from Mrs. Charles Markle who states in her letter enclosing the remittance that old timers in the district find they cannot be without the paper.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE LADY TO TOUR IN THE UNITED STATES

Has Signed Contract to Sing in Important American Centres, Opening in Chicago

SKIDEGATE, Nov. 17.—Mrs. Gordon Jolliffe, a resident of Queen Charlotte City, has taken a singing contract to tour the United States under the management of one of the leading Italian impressarios. Her first appearance will be in Chicago.

Mrs. Joliffe has been known for her singing ability for a long time and people of the islands will watch her musical career with great interest.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

	Bid	Asked
Big Missouri	.25	.26
Coast Copper	12.50	13.50
Cork Province	.10¼	.10¾
Dunwell	.14½	
George Copper	1.85	
Independence	.04⅜	.04¾
L. and L.	.08½	.09½
Lucky Jim		.32
Premier	2.33	2.35
Porter Idaho	.31	
Richmond	.11	.14
Silvercrest	.05¼	.06
Silversmith	.15	.20
Sunloch		.50
Toric	2.10	

Olier Besner sailed yesterday afternoon by the Princess Mary for Vancouver on a business trip.

RUTH EDDER, the daring little aviatrix, whose heroism and dauntless spirit on her transatlantic flight has charmed the world, first found fame in a bathing beauty contest when she was chosen "Miss City of Lakeland," Florida

Queen Charlotte Islands Trollers Pass Resolution Regard to Salmon Fishing

QUEEN CHARLOTTE CITY, November 17.—The Queen Charlotte Salmon Trollers' Association at a recent meeting held at Skidegate Mission, passed a resolution covering the following points:

Owing to the scarcity of salmon this year, we feel that measures should be taken that will help to preserve the fishing industry before it gets to such a state that it becomes depleted. We therefore ask that:

Seine licenses be cut down fifty per cent.

Fishing licenses not to be transferable in District No. 2.

Non-citizens to be excluded from operating or assisting seine boats, trolling boats or gill nets.

Tlell River to be closed from fishing with nets.

That some means be taken to destroy sea lions which are such a menace to trollers and salmon.

Indians are not to be classified as non-citizens.

That copies of the resolution be sent to J. C. Brady, M.P., Fred Stork, A. Mackie, the Daily News and Queen Charlotte City Board of Trade.

Charles Valley, Secretary-Treasurer.

HUGE PLANE GOES AFRICA

Sir Alan Cobham and Wife and Four Others Left on Long Flight

ROCHESTER, England, Nov. 17.—Sir Alan Cobham started today on a flight of 20,000 miles to tour Africa, accompanied by Lady Cobham and four companions.

The plane is the largest and fastest of all metal flying boats in the world and the trip one of the most ambitious ever undertaken in commercial aviation.

The purpose of the trip is to survey an airway for a trans-Africa service.

VANCOUVER BUILDER IS KILLED IN FALL

G. C. Mathers, Aged 58, Loses His Life—Was Brother of Manitoba Judge

VANCOUVER, Nov. 17—G. C. Mathers, aged 58, Vancouver contractor, died as a result of falling from a building. He was a brother of the late Hon. T. G. Mathers, chief justice of the King's Court bench of Manitoba.

HAD TO SWIM FOR THE BOAT

Two Queen Charlotte Islands Teachers Cut Off by Tide and Had Cold Bath

SKIDEGATE, Nov. 17.—This is rather cold weather for a swim but two local residents were forced to take to the water a few days ago. The two teachers, Dan Dempsey of Skidegate and M. Newman of Queen Charlotte City, went duck hunting and anchored their boat on the beach at low tide. When they were ready to leave, it was found that the boat was cut off from the land with no means of reaching it except to swim. They came home soaked to the skin and with their guns and ammunition also in bad shape.

MINES OUTPUT IS STILL ON INCREASE

VICTORIA, Nov. 17.—It is expected at the Mines Department that the 1927 output of minerals in British Columbia will represent a larger tonnage than ever before. The decline in prices, however, will probably reduce the value below that of 1926.

Personalities and Principles Part of Liberalism Declares Prem. Mackenzie King, Quebec

QUEBEC, November 17.—Premier Mackenzie King, speaking here last night, reviewed the significant events since the general election of 1926, the work of the Imperial Conference, the Canadian Jubilee, the visit of the Prince of Wales and Premier Baldwin and finally the conference of provincial premiers.

Liberalism in the province of Quebec had had its inspiration in personalities but beyond personalities had been principles, said the Premier. These principles had been the right of self-government, the defense of minority rights and the rights of the people. This was the gospel of Liberalism, declared the Premier.

With a survey that embraced the founding of Canada and the Quebec conference of 1864 the Prime Minister opened his speech. The remaining period in Canada's history, he said, was spanned by the life of Laurier. It was Laurier who had been true prophet of Canada. Laurier had predicted that the twentieth century belonged to Canada and that the British Empire was to be a "galaxy of nations."

BULL MOOSE REPORTED SEEN ON THIS ISLAND

Men working in the government road camp bring reports to the city of having seen a big bull moose on the other side of Kalen Island. The animal is reported to be as big as a horse, having the typical flat horns. These who have seen it are positive that it is not a mule deer as has been suggested. If it is in reality a moose, it must be a stray from some of the interior herds. Game regulations will protect it from being shot as long as it remains on this island.

ASKING COMMISSION INVESTIGATE SALMON

Action Taken at Montreal by Canadian Chamber of Commerce Committee

MONTREAL, Nov. 17. — The Federal Government will be asked to appoint a commission to investigate the fisheries of B.C. with a view to their conservation. This was the decision of the national committee of the chamber of commerce here yesterday.

The meeting endorsed the proposal of the Vancouver Board of Trade to send a communication to the minister of marine and fisheries, Hon. J. A. Cardin, asking the appointment of a commission.

TELEGRAPH OPERATOR OF ATLIN OUT FIRST TIME FOR 15 YEARS

Making his first trip outside since 1912, A. B. Taylor, telegraph operator from Atlin, was one of the interesting passengers aboard the Princess Mary yesterday afternoon bound for Vancouver. Mr. Taylor, the direct cause for whose trip is to undergo an operation in the south, came out over the ice and such water routes as were still available. He is the father of Norman Taylor, purser of the Princess Mary and of Mrs. Harry Mobley who now resides in the Imperial Valley, California. Mrs. Taylor is already in the south.

ANGUS McGOUGAN IS HEAD PROHIBITIONISTS

VANCOUVER, Nov. 17.— Angus McGougan of North Vancouver has been chosen head of the Prohibition Association at the British Columba convention held here.

COMMONS FRENCH CLERK DIED IN CALIFORNIA

OTTAWA, Nov. 17—Archille Arechette, 81 years of age, one of the past chief translators and French clerk in the House of Commons, died in California.

MARKETING LAW IS CHALLENGED

Chinese Case Brings up Possible Illegality of License by Committee of Direction

KAMLOOPS, Nov. 17.—British Columbia's fruit and vegetable marketing machinery is threatened in the trial here of Mah Chong, Chinese, charged with violation of the Marketing Control Act.

Counsel for the defence, R. L. Maitland of Vancouver, and A. C. Skaling of Kamloops, question the legality of the act and have intimated that if unsuccessful here they will carry their case to the Privy Council.

Mah Chong is alleged to have shipped several carloads of potatoes from Kamloops with obtaining a license from the committee of direction and to have sold the shipment at a lower price than fixed by the committee.

KAMLOOPS, Nov. 17.—(Later)—Upholding the validity of the British Columbia Marketing Control Act, Magistrate Fisher yesterday found Mah Chong guilty of selling potatoes without a license and fined him $50.

FAIRBANKS MAN WAS ARRESTED

Attorney From Alaska is Charged With Embezzlement of Public Funds

WRANGALL, Nov. 17. — James E. Ryder, attorney of Fairbanks, was arrested yesterday upon the arrival of the steamer Yukon and placed in the city jail on a federal warrant charging embezzlement of public funds.

Ryder, who was en route to Seattle at the time of the arrest, was recently connected with the municipal government of Fairbanks.

TAKES TWENTY DOGS SEATTLE

Famous Racer to Show His Arctic Canines in U.S. and Canada

KETCHIKAN, Nov. 17.—Leonard Seppala has gone from Nome to Seattle with twenty Arctic dogs to be shown in various parts of United States and Canada.

Seppala has received an offer from Lieut. Commander Byrd to accompany him on the proposed trip to the South Pole and take his dogs along, but so far has not accepted. He is a well known dog racer.

BOCK CHOSEN MAPLE CREEK

Liberals Nominate Farmer Candidate to Contest Seat of Hon. G. Spence

REGINA, Nov. 17.—William Bock, farmer, was nominated as Liberal candidate in the federal riding of Maple Creek made vacant by the appointment of Hon. George Spence as minister of railways in the Saskatchewan government.

It is probable Mr. Bock will be elected by acclamation.