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## ANOTHER OFFER FOR P.G.E. RAILWAY DISPOSITION OF CATALA WRECK NOT YET DECIDED UPON

### Catala May Be Abandoned by Underwriters to the Salvage Co. Investigations Being Made Today

Up to today no salvage work had been started on the wrecked steamer Catala which, it was found as a result of trips to the scene yesterday, is not really stranded on Sparrowhawk Reef proper as originally announced but, in fact, on the extreme tip of the reef extending north from and forming a part of Burnt Cliff Island. This is probably one hundred yards or so due south from Sparrowhawk Reef which lies midway in the channel between Finlayson Island and Burnt Cliff Island and was so named as a result of the wreck of the British warship Sparrowhawk there in 1874.

### CONSTABLE OF EDMONTON AT DEATH'S DOOR

Shot by Man Whom he Spotted in Clothing Store Sunday Morning

EDMONTON, Nov. 14.—Constable Adams, a veteran officer of the local force, is at death's door from two bullet wounds in the abdomen he received when he spotted a man with a flashlight in a clothing store early Sunday morning. The man fired but although Constable Adams grappled with him but he escaped.

### PLANE CRASHED AT THE AZORES

German Machine Only Mass of Twisted Wreckage Following Accident, but Crew Saved

PORTA, Azores, Nov. 14.—The Heinkel German hydro-airplane lies a mass of twisted wreckage in the harbor here as the result of the latest series of accidents met since taking off from Germany for the United States. The crew was rescued uninjured.

### GARNET WHEAT GRADED DOWN

WINNIPEG, Nov. 14.—The Prec Press carries the following from Ottawa: "The Board of Grain Commissioners have decided that Garnet wheat shall not be graded higher than Number 2 Northern."

### DEEP SNOW REVELSTOKE

REVELSTOKE, Nov. 14.—Six inches of snow fell during the night making a total of eleven inches for the month to date. Practically all the fall is still on the ground.

### FIRST LAND MAIL CARRIED IN CANADA BY FLYING MACHINE

OTTAWA, Nov. 14.—The first air mail ever carried by land flying machine in Canada was relayed Friday from Rimouski to Montreal saving 24 hours. The experiment was an unqualified success.

Sparrowhawk Reef is marked by a can buoy to the north, of which steamers usually pass. The Catala is stranded at a distance estimated at some one hundred yards south of the buoy. This course between Finlayson and Burnt Cliff Islands is only a daylight one and, owing to the rocks which abound in it, is used neither at night or in fog at very low water.

The Catala was evidently far out of her course when the accident occurred, the officer on watch at the time having been apparently deceived by the high tide. Perhaps the sun was shining in his eyes.

Visits to the wreck confirm reports received of the serious position of the steamer. Listed over at an angle of probably sixty degrees off the rocks, the water flows in and out of her as the tide rises and falls. She shows no buoyancy indicating that she is as completely sunk as she can be at that point. At the high tide, the water is over her top deck at while her bow hangs out of water. The watchman states that the vessel has several holes in her, one of them twelve feet in length and that a pinnacle of rock, sticking through both her skins, is the only thing that is holding her from sliding into deep water. It is said that the vessel swings gently in the waves and wind and it is certainly very doubtful whether she could remain there long if a storm came up though she would probably be sheltered to some extent by Burnt Cliff Island from a southeast blow.

The wreck has now been abandoned by her owners, the Union Steamship Co., and delay in getting the salvage work started has been caused on account of negotiations not being completed between the salvage company and underwriters as to what shall be done. The underwriters, who had the vessel insured for \$200,000, have also been considering abandoning the ship, in which case the salvage people would take her over and get what they can out of her.

At 5.30 this morning, the Salvage King left port for the wreck after having spent the week-end in port. On board were E. F. Cribb, manager of the Vancouver Dry Dock & Salvage Co., who arrived from Vancouver on the Camosun last night, and Mr. Workman, representative of Lloyd's Underwriters, who are making a detailed examination of the wreck today with a view to ascertaining what shall be done. When they return to the city tonight, it will probably have been decided whether the insurance company will have the salvaging done or abandon the vessel to the salvage company.

To salvage the vessel, it would doubtless be necessary to blast the reef and, buoying the ship with scows or pontoons, tow her to shallow water and there put on temporary patches to enable her to float to dry dock. It is said that, owing to the rocks around, it is impossible for the big salvage vessel, Salvage King, to get very close to the wreck.

The Catala is the newest vessel of the Union Steamship Co.'s fleet. Built at Montrose, Scotland, in 1925 at a cost of \$300,000, she is 1,490 tons gross, 218 feet long, 37 foot beam and 18.2 feet deep. Her bottom is flat and on the port side corrugations can be seen where she evidently went on the rocks with successive bumps.

Prince Rupert is full of photographs today of the wreck of the Catala. A hundred or more cameras clicked on it yesterday.

### DINGMAN PRESIDENT HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

VANCOUVER, Nov. 14.—A. R. Dingman of Vancouver was elected president of the British Columbia amateur hockey association at the annual meeting Saturday.

### FISH ARRIVALS HEAVIER TODAY

Total of 213,500 Pounds of Halibut Sold at Exchange This Morning

A total of 213,500 pounds of halibut was sold at the Fish Exchange this morning, seven American vessels disposing of 169,500 pounds at bids ranging from 11.5c and 6c to 12.7c and 7c, while three Canadians sold 57,000 pounds at 11c and 6c.

Arrivals and sales were as follows:

**AMERICAN**  
Venus, 27,000 pounds, Royal Fish Co., 11.8c and 6c.  
Spray, 32,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 11.5c and 6c.  
Yukon, 30,000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 11.8c and 6c.  
Zenith, 17,000 pounds, Pacific Fisheries, 11.9c and 6c.  
Antia J., 7,500 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 12.7c and 7c.  
Tahoma, 19,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 11.9c and 6c.  
Summer, 28,000 pounds, Pacific Fisheries, 11.9c and 6c.

**CANADIAN**  
Cape Scale, 43,000 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 11c and 6c.  
Johanna, 12,000 pounds, and Dolphin, 3,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 11c and 6c.

### ORIENTALS IN SALTERIES ON VANCOUVER ISD.

PORT ALBERNI, Nov. 14.—A sequel to the decision of the supreme court of British Columbia judgment that the Dominion had no powers to license salmon canneries, is the employment of Orientals in the Barkley Sound salteries and reduction plants.

Federal regulations had prohibited the employment of Orientals in such establishments.

Protests against the action have been made to Ottawa by the interests opposed to Orientals on the West coast of Vancouver Island.

### KING JAMES TO LEAVE SHORTLY

Second Grain Ship of Season to Clear for U.K. Continent on Tuesday or Wednesday

It is expected that the British motorship King James, having loaded a full cargo of grain at the local elevator, will sail Tuesday night or Wednesday morning for the United Kingdom or continent. Enroute to England, the vessel will call at San Pedro, California, to take oil.

Enquiry as to what the next grain ship would be and when she might be expected elicited no announcement from the elevator management this afternoon.

Grain continues to flow steadily to Prince Rupert. Over the week-end, fifty-four carloads arrived and it was stated at railway offices that 101 cars were west of Jasper this morning bound for Prince Rupert.

### OUTSIDE JURY MAY HEAR SANKEY TRIAL

Preparations Being Made to Call Jurors Not Residents of City Itself

As an effort to remove any complaint which may be made by defence counsel in the Sankey murder case as to a Prince Rupert city jury being prejudiced, it is reported that summons for jury service at the session of the Supreme Court Assizes which will open here next week have been sent to residents of such points as Stewart, Anyox, Alice Arm, etc., which come within the jurisdiction of the Prince Rupert court. This if a jury of Prince Rupert residents is objected to, empannellment may be chosen from among outside people of the district.



CLARENCE CHAMBERLAIN AND CHARLES LEVINE (left) met for the first time since their disagreement and parting in Europe after their transatlantic flight at a dinner given by the Unity Club of Brooklyn, N.Y. With differences all smoothed out they renewed their old friendship and are shown shaking hands over it.

### Thirty-Five Millions of Old Country Capital is Available for Railway

NORTH VANCOUVER, November 14.—Old Country capital to the extent of \$35,000,000 is obtainable for the completion of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway from North Vancouver to Edmonton, according to Alex. Philip, former magistrate and member of the Board of Trade here.

Mr. Philip has been negotiating for some months with English capitalists and announces a concrete offer of \$35,000,000 has been received.

Phillip will not disclose details of his scheme until he has conferred with Premier MacLean in regard to it.

### UNIVERSITY WON FROM VANCOUVER RUGBY CHAMPS

VANCOUVER, Nov. 14.—The University of British Columbia on Saturday won the provincial "Big Four" Canadian rugby championship by defeating the Vancouver team eight points to five.

### GUIDE OF TELEGRAPH CREEK PASSES HERE

Charles Olsen Succumbs in Prince Rupert General Hospital Where he Had Been a Patient Ten Days

Charles Olsen of Telegraph Creek, Cassiar district guide and laborer, died this morning in the Prince Rupert General Hospital where he had been a patient since November 4 when he arrived from the north. Deceased was 49 years of age and was a native of Sweden. It is understood that he had no relatives in this country. Funeral arrangements are in the hands of the B.C. Undertakers.

### Death and Destruction is Spread Over Area Mile Wide by Explosion of Natural Gas

PITTSBURG, November 14.—Fourteen persons are known to have been killed and more than five hundred injured, some seriously, here today when a giant natural gas tank at the Manchester works of the Equitable Company exploded spreading death and destruction over an area a mile wide. It is believed that others are buried in the ruins of the buildings.

From the Pittsburg Clay Pottery Company alone 150 men escaped with cuts and bruises while ten others were trapped in the basement and it is believed they must have been drowned by water escaping from the broken mains.

It is believed the blast was caused by workmen using acetylene torches.

### STEPS TOWARD SECURING OF A BISHOP HERE

It will be of interest to the Church of England people throughout this district to be informed as to what stage the diocese of Caledonia has arrived at towards the obtaining of a bishop. There are several steps yet to be taken and it is possible some of them may not materialize.

During the last week in this month the executive committee for the Missionary Society of the Church in Canada will determine whether or not it will assume any responsibility for the financial costs involved, while decisions of that body will be passed on to the house of Bishops of British Columbia. If it is satisfactory to them and the whole financial position warrants proceeding, the Metropolitan, in consultation with the authorities of the diocese of Caledonia, may appoint a date upon which a synod will be convened for the purpose of an election, which could not be until some time in the new year.

### J. D. O'CONNELL DIED AT CALGARY

Visited Prince Rupert on Several Occasions With Knights of Columbus

Word was received this morning from Calgary of the death in that city of Joseph D. O'Connell, 42 years of age, formerly a prominent businessman of Victoria. He had been ill for three months.

Mr. O'Connell has visited Prince Rupert on several occasions, particularly in connection with official visits of the Knights of Columbus in which organization he was for a long time prominent.

### FORMER LOCAL M.L.A. NEW PRESIDENT OF VANCOUVER TORIES

William Manson, formerly M.L.A. for the riding of Prince Rupert, was elected president of the Vancouver Conservative Association last week.

J. E. Merryfield, also formerly of this city and up to recently provincial organizer of the party, was elected a delegate to attend the forthcoming provincial convention of the party in Vancouver.

### COLLEGE OF FISHERIES FOR PORT OF HALIFAX

A College of Fisheries is to be established in Halifax, affiliated with Dalhousie University. The University will give a course of the fundamental sciences, while the Biological Board of Canada will treat the fishery subjects. A government appropriation of \$25,000 has been made toward the establishment of a marine laboratory to be located somewhere on the shores of Halifax Harbor, in all probability near the open sea.

### QUEENS WON FROM MCGILL AT RUGBY

KINGSTON, Nov. 14.—Queens won the intercollegiate rugby championship here Saturday, defeating McGill eleven points to five.

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Richmond	11	14
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### COMMISSIONER OF YUKON DEAD

Percy Reid Passed Away at Toronto and Will be Buried There

VANCOUVER, Nov. 14.—Percy Reid, 45 years of age, commissioner for the Yukon, died yesterday at Toronto following an operation. He was appointed to the position three years ago while immigration officer at Vancouver.

Mr. Reid went to the Yukon in 1888 and later was mining recorder for fourteen years, going in 1914 to Ottawa as chief controller of Chinese immigration. In 1923 he was transferred to Vancouver. He is survived by two sons born at Tyron, P.E.I.

Burial will take place here Saturday.

### FOUND WILL INVESTIGATE

Salmon Fisheries to be Inquired Into by Director of Fisheries

VANCOUVER, Nov. 14.—Investigation into the salmon conditions in British Columbia will be made by W. A. Found, the federal director general of fisheries, as the result of requests for aid by a delegation of B.C. cannerymen and fishermen at Ottawa last week.

### LOST THEIR LIVES IN APARTMENT FIRE

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 14.—Eight persons lost their lives in a fire on the third floor of an apartment hotel early Sunday morning. Thirteen were injured and one of them, a city fireman, may die.