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WELL KNOWN FREIGHTER IN TROUBLE

U.S. GOVERNMENT TO PROCEED WITH BIG NAVAL PROGRAM

S.O.S. Calls Received at Digby Station from Steamer Griffco at Sea

Seattle Also Got Faint Calls Last Night but Nothing to Indicate Where Vessel Was or What Was Wrong

"C.D., K.D.F.M., S.O.S., S.O.S., Help, Help," was the mystifying message picked up at 11.32 last night by the Digby Island wireless station, indicating that the steamer Griffco, denoted in code by the letters "K.D.F.M.," was in serious trouble at a point unknown, her position not being given in the distress call. The letters "C.D." is the general call for all stations.

This being all the information received by Digby Island, it was later ascertained that the Griffco had, 48 hours previous, left Port Townsend for Honolulu to go into the service of new owners in which

GIVES REASONS NEW CRUISERS UNITED STATES

Britain's Insistence at Geneva Cited by Secretary of Navy for U.S. Action

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Citing Britain's Geneva stand for larger tonnage cruisers regardless of the programs of other powers, Secretary of the Navy Wilbur laid before the House Naval committee the reasons for asking for \$25,000,000 new warships. Britain's insistence, he said, was most persuasive evidence to the United States of the need of cruiser tonnage. Such a program was not competitive.

REPAIRING OF YUKON PLANE

Parts for Machine Which Recently Made Forced Landing Sent in From Whitehorse

According to word received in the city from the north, necessary parts for the engine of the airplane Queen of the Yukon, in which Lieut. A. D. Cruikshank had to make a forced landing several weeks ago on a frozen lake near Summit roadhouse, 225 miles from Whitehorse, have been sent in from White Horse. As soon as repairs are made, Pilot Cruikshank plans on resuming his commercial service by flying to Mayo and Dawson.

BASEBALL DEAL AMAZES PLAYER

Rogers Hornsby Traded off to Boston for Two Other Men to Avoid Conflict

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Rogers Hornsby has been traded by the New York Giants to Boston in a sensational baseball deal for catcher Hogan and outfielder Welch. No cash is involved.

President Stoneham of the Giants said the trade was "in order to avoid any future conflict with the management of the club."

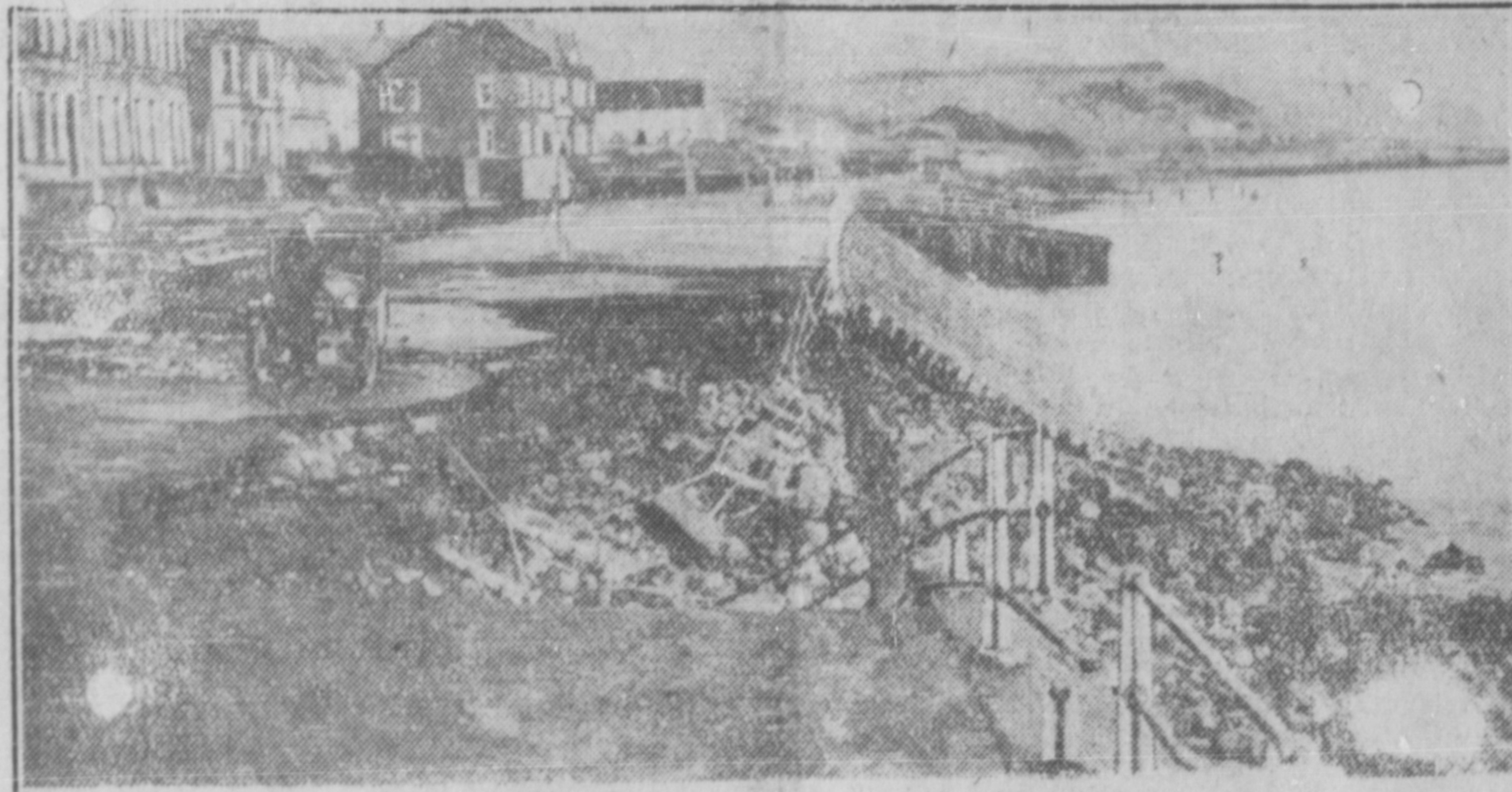
Hornsby, who is in St. Louis, is amazed at the deal and said he had never contemplated getting the management of the Giants.

CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH IN ONTARIO

Parents Also in Critical Condition as Result of Fire in Delhi Home

BRANTFORD, Ont., Jan. 12.—Grace, aged three, and Vernon, two, children of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jackson of Delhi, were burned to death today in a fire in their home. The father is not expected to live and the mother is in a serious condition.

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PIERCE STORMS sweeping Great Britain have not left Ireland undamaged. The promenade at Whitehead, County Antrim, smashed by heavy seas during the severe gale

COSGRAVE ON WAY TO U.S. AND CANADA

SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 12.—William Cosgrave, president of the Irish Free State, sailed today on a visit to Canada and the United States. The idea of the visit at the leader of the government is to offset the impression given by Eamonn De Valera in regard to the present condition in that country.

PREMIER ENDS OTTAWA VISIT

Hon. Dr. MacLean Now on His Way Home After Conference With Government

VICTORIA, Jan. 12.—Premier MacLean, who has been at Ottawa in conference with Premier Mackenzie King, Hon. C. A. Dunning and other members of the cabinet in connection with matters to be brought before the Federal House this spring, is now on his way home and expects to arrive in Victoria on Sunday to make final preparations for the opening of the provincial legislature.

PRINCE GEORGE MAYOR GIVEN ACCLAMATION

A. M. Patterson Returned Without a Contest—Four Alternants Candidates

PRINCE GEORGE, Jan. 12.—With Mayor A. M. Patterson being returned for his second term without a contest, little interest is being shown in the municipal elections here today and a small vote is expected. Ald. Wieland and Ald. Fraser are seeking re-election while C. C. Reid and M. S. Buchanan are new candidates. Three aldermanic seats are to be filled. Ald. Kennedy declined to seek re-election.

NO MURDER FILMS BE SHOWN IN PROVINCE

VICTORIA, Jan. 12.—Attorney General Manson has taken steps through the Board of Censors to prevent the display in British Columbia of pictures of the Marian Parker murder case or other films considered objectionable.

WEATHER REPORT.

Prince Rupert.—Raining, light S.E. wind; temperature, 44.
Port Simpson.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 39.
Haysport.—Light wind, rain, temp. 38.
Stewart.—Raining, calm, temp. 37.
Anyox.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 38.
Alice Arm.—Raining, calm, temp. 38.
Aiyansh.—Raining, calm, temp. 36.
Rosswood.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 34.
Terrace.—Raining, calm, temp. 35.
Hazelton.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 34.
Burns Lake.—Clear, calm, temp. 35.

Several Million Dollars May Be Appropriated for Alaska by Congress Result Recommendation

WASHINGTON, January 12.—Alaska will receive several million dollars if the appropriation bill recommended by the department of the interior yesterday passes. The proposed appropriations include the following: \$64,000 for a survey of the mineral resources of the territory. \$35,900 for operation of the Mount McKinley National Park. \$941,300 for furtherance of education of which \$486,500 is to be devoted to education of the Eskimos, Aleuts, Indians and other natives.

The Alaska Railway is to get \$1,300,000. The Governor \$24,600 salary and expenses. Expenses of Territorial Government \$50,000. Medical relief for natives \$180,000. Support of Reindeer stations \$19,500. Instruction of natives and care and management. Suppression of the Liquor Traffic \$16,200. Care of the insane \$158,000.

To protect Government property adjacent to Lowell Creek, Alaska, \$100,000. The bill was transmitted to Congress yesterday by President Coolidge.

STATES WILL BUILD NAVY

Huge Expenditure for Battleships Provided for in Scheme of Secretary Wilbur

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Secretary Wilbur disclosed today before the navy naval committee that the navy department has drafted a comprehensive twenty-year building program of which the \$725,000,000 program already announced is only a part. While he did not make this public, the larger program, the secretary testified, provided for replacement of battleships as soon as possible under the Washington Arms Treaty. He said that a total expenditure of three billion dollars was involved or \$68,000,000 yearly.

TRAIN FIREMAN LOST HIS LIFE

Walter Scott of Port Mann Crushed to Death in Derailment of Engine

VANCOUVER, Jan. 12.—Crushed between an engine and a tender, Walter Scott, fireman of Port Mann, was killed this morning when the engine of a Canadian National Railway wrecking train was derailed three miles east of Hope by a washout. The train was enroute to clear out washouts which had occurred further east overnight. Several members of the train crew were bruised but not seriously.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE DONE TO BUSINESS BLOCK AT SIDNEY

VICTORIA, Jan. 12.—Damage to the extent of \$21,000 was done this morning to the Berquist building owned by Andrew C. Berquist, local blacksmith and located in the business section of the town.

HON. PETER HEENAN GETS APPOINTMENT

OTTAWA, Jan. 12.—Hon. Peter Heenan, minister of labor, has been appointed a member of the advisory council of the American Association for Labor Legislation.

ENGLAND BEAT WALES INTERNATIONAL RUGBY

LONDON, Jan. 12.—England defeated Wales 20 to 12 in an international Rugby game played yesterday.

Premier Brownlee in Montreal Trying to Arrange Sale of Two Railways with C.N.R. or C.P.R.

MONTREAL, Jan. 12.—The possibilities of increased development in the Peace River district and the prospective prosperity to be derived by new settlers in that area were pointed out by Premier J. E. Brownlee of Alberta last night.

The Premier is here for discussion of the Alberta Railway question with Sir Henry Thornton and E. W. Beatty, president of the C.P.R., Hon. C. A. Dunning is also in the city conferring with Sir Henry in regard to railway matters.

The Alberta government operates two roads, the E.D. & B.C. and the Alberta Great Waterways Railway, both of which, in the Premier's opinion, should be incorporated in one of the two transcontinental systems. He is prepared to discuss terms for the disposal of the two Government owned lines.

Speaking on the subject of crops, Mr. Brownlee said that between 22,000,000 and 25,000,000 bushels of Alberta wheat crop last year had been moved through Vancouver and Prince Rupert.

SOUTHERN INTERIOR CITIES VOTE TODAY

Nelson, Trail and Roseland all Having Contests for Mayor

NELSON, Jan. 12.—Nelson, Trail and Roseland are all having contests for mayor today.

In Roseland, Mayor W. A. Turner, who is seeking election for a second term, is opposed by Ald. Henry Wilkin. Mayor Herbert Clark of Trail, who, after several terms in office proposed to retire, yielded to solicitations and was nominated. His opposition comes from James Plester, feed merchant and a former mayor of Roseland, but resident for the last seven years in Trail.

In Nelson, V. R. D. Barnes and Ald. Ross Fleming are contesting the honor of succeeding Mayor J. A. McDonald, M.L.A.

CHINESE APPLICATION TURNED DOWN BY JUDGE

Men Must Serve Three Years' Sentence for Distributing Cocaine and Morphine

VANCOUVER, Jan. 12.—Rejecting the application of defence counsel that opium and narcotics drug law was a licensing measure and thus infringed provincial rights and therefore was ultra vires of the Dominion Parliament, Mr. Justice W. A. Macdonald in the supreme court dismissed the habeas corpus application on behalf of Ichizo Wakabayashi and Lore Yip, sentenced to three years' imprisonment for distributing cocaine and morphine.

BEAR OPERATORS DROVE STOCKS DOWN

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Bear operators launched another late afternoon drive yesterday wiping out recoveries made during the earlier trading.

BUYING RIFLES FROM IRELAND

Negotiations in Progress With Free State Government For Surplus Stock

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Rifles Canada is desirous of buying from the Irish Free State surplus stock. Ottawa reports said 1200 had been purchased for the Canadian Naval Reserve at a cost of \$7.00 each but it was stated at Belfast that negotiations had not been concluded.

LITTLE HOPE HELD FOR FLYERS' LIVES

Search Being Made by Land and Sea for Capt. Hood and Lieut. Montcrieff, Missing

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Jan. 12.—More than fifty hours overdue, Capt. Hood and Lieut. Montcrieff, New Zealand aviators, missing in a flight from Sydney, are now being sought by land and sea but with little hope for their recovery alive.

RAILWAYMEN IN CONFERENCE

Hon. C. A. Dunning With Sir Henry Thornton Today Discussing Matters of Policy

MONTREAL, Jan. 12.—Hon. C. A. Dunning, minister of railways and canals, is in Montreal today in conference with Sir Henry Thornton, chairman and president of the Canadian National Railways on matters pertaining to the National system.

The annual meeting of the Canadian National system committee also opened today at which times the members of this committee from the various departments and the various points on the system are discussing matters for the improvement of traffic, operation, equipments and other details during the year to come. The committee members will assemble at a dinner at the Windsor Hotel tonight and at this dinner will be addressed by Sir Henry Thornton.

Hon. Mr. Dunning will be the guest of Sir Henry at this dinner.

INSURANCE CASE DELAYS DEATH

Execution of Mrs. Ruth Snyder Delayed Until Friday Morning by Order of Judge

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Mrs. Ruth Snyder, whose execution for the murder of her husband had been set for tonight was last night granted a stay until 10 a.m. Friday by the Supreme Court Judge A. J. Levy. The stay was granted pending the hearing of a suit brought by an insurance company to avoid payment of \$97,000 on the life of her husband, Albert Snyder.

ALBANY, New York, Jan. 12.—Attorney General Ottinger ruled today that the stay of execution on behalf of Mrs. Snyder was not binding. In New York, Justice Levy unexpectedly changed the time of hearing upon the stay from tomorrow morning until 2 o'clock this afternoon.