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## Canada and United States Agree to Arbitration of Case Involving the Sinking of Schooner "I'm Alone"

### Wide Divergence of Opinion Between the Two Countries Over Interpretation of the Anti-Smuggling Treaty With Britain

OTTAWA, April 26.—Canada and the United States have agreed to arbitrate the dispute over the sinking of the Canadian schooner I'm Alone by the American coast-guard.

This decision was revealed last night when Premier King tabled in the House of Commons correspondence between the two governments relating to the case.

The case is to be submitted to two arbiters, one selected by each government, under the terms of the liquor smuggling treaty between the United States and Great Britain. They will decide whether Canada is entitled to redress.

The Canadian case was predicated on several points: That the I'm Alone was at all times beyond an hour's sailing distance from the United States shore provided in the treaty.

That the essential elements of the international doctrine of hot pursuit were lacking in the case.

That the sinking constituted too severe measures to give effect to the American rights under the treaty.

In replying, United States Secretary Stimson based the American case on three points:

That the I'm Alone was 10.8 miles from shore when first hailed by the coastguard Wolcott and thus within an hour's sailing distance from shore.

That continuous and hot pursuit did take place and that the sinking was justified, being the inevitable with the coastguard having acted throughout in full accord with the law.

Stimson's latest note concluded by saying that if Canada still found itself unable to concur with the findings set forth by him, the United States agreed to submit the matter to arbitration as provided in the treaty.

The correspondence showed a wide divergence of opinion between the United States and the Canadian governments on the question of pursuit outside of an hour's sailing distance from the shore when pursuit had begun within that limit.

The Canadian government contended that pursuit should be confined to the boundary of the one-hour limit unless begun within the three-mile territorial waters limit recognized by international law.

Stimson argued that when hailed within the hour limit, pursuit might be continued outside the area.

Canada replied that she was not able to recognize the force of the view that such an extension is to be implied, because otherwise advantages granted by the convention would be illusory, and even if the treaty had failed to yield the results anticipated that would hardly appear to warrant its indefinite extension.

## BALKED BY DENSE FOG

Parker Cramer of Chicago Returned to Nome Yesterday

NOME, April 26.—Balked by dense fogs in an attempt to cross the Bering Strait to Siberia, Parker Cramer, Chicago aviator, returned to Nome yesterday as another flyer was making preparations to search for him.

Cramer landed on Wednesday at Cape Wales, 100 miles northwest of here, and spent the night in a miner's cabin. He said he failed in two attempts to break through the fog.

## FISH SALE IS HEAVY TODAY

Over 300,000 Pounds of Halibut Sold at Exchange; Prices Remain at Fair Level

The local fish exchange did its biggest day's business of the present season this morning when over 300,000 pounds of halibut was sold. From 10.9c and 6c to 12.4c and 6c was paid for American fish, while Canadian received 10.4c and 5c and upwards. One American boat, not satisfied with the local price, went on to Seattle and a few Canadian boats are holding over in the hope that tomorrow will bring better bids.

Arrivals were as follows:

- American—
- Diana, 2500 pounds; Eureka, 6500 pounds; and Mayflower, 1500 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 12c and 6c.
- Hilda, 7500 pounds; and Cedric, 14,000 pounds, Pacific Fisheries, 12c and 6c.
- Eclipse, 20,000 pounds, Royal Fish Co., 12c and 6c.
- Westerstad, 6700 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 12.4c and 6c.
- Eldorado, 48,000 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 11.8c and 6c.
- Urania, 23,000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 11.4c and 6c.
- Norland, 20,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 10.9c and 6c.
- Lansing, 10,500 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 12.1c and 6c.
- Thora, 9000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 12c and 6c.
- Bravo, 8500 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 12.1c and 6c.
- Chelsea, 35,000 pounds, to Seattle.
- Canadian—
- Southend, 6000 pounds, and Scrub, 4000 pounds, Pacific Fisheries, 10.8c and 5c.
- Eric Roy, 7000 pounds, Pacific Fisheries, 10.6c and 5c.
- Imperuse, 7500 pounds, and Helen II., 10,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 10.5c and 5c.

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## B.C. BONDS SOLD AT GOOD PRICE 98.625

VICTORIA, April 26.—Hon. W. Shelly, minister of finance, sold \$6,000,000 British Columbia government 25-year 5 per cent bonds at 98.625 to a syndicate composed of Wood, Gundy & Co., A. E. Ames & Co., Canadian Bank of Commerce and Dominion Securities at a cost of 5.08 per cent to the province.

Telegrams were received from various bond and banking institutions expressing regret that they would not be able to bid for the issue because of the condition of the market.

Mr. Shelly said he considered yesterday's price favorable considering some of the prices on other bond issues, including New York and Chicago bonds running from 5.25 to 5.60 per cent.

## MAKE PLANES AT VANCOUVER

Factory to Be Established Following Merger With Seattle Firm

VANCOUVER, April 26.—Establishment of Vancouver's first airplane factory will be undertaken at once, following a merger of the Hoifar Beeching Shipyard, Ltd., of this city with Boeing Airplane Co. of Seattle, the largest aircraft manufacturers and commercial air transport in the United States. It is announced by Henry Hoifar, president of the British Columbia concern.

## CALGARY GIRLS LOST TO VANCOUVER AT BASKETBALL

CALGARY, April 26.—The Meralomas of Vancouver, B.C., champions, obtained an eight point lead over the Central Grads of Calgary in the first of a two game series to decide the Western Canada Girls' Basketball championship and the right to travel to Toronto to oppose the Lakesides in the Dominion finals.

## Two Witnesses are Heard Today Royal Grain Inquiry Commission Regard to Local Grain Shipping

For the purpose of enquiring into the handling of western Canada grain through the Port of Prince Rupert, members of the Saskatchewan Grain Inquiry Commission are in the city and today are holding two public sessions at the city hall.

The commission was appointed by the government of Saskatchewan last November because of widespread complaint on the part of the farmers of that province in connection with the grading and marketing of grain and its

sessions here today are held under a Commission issued by the government of British Columbia in order to give the inquiring body full power of inquiry within the province.

Only two witnesses were heard at this morning's session, William McIver, superintendent of the Alberta Pool terminal elevator here, and John Watson, chief deputy inspector for Prince Rupert. Chief interest of the morning centered round the question of the practice of mixing grades of grain at the terminal. The complaint of the prairie farmer has been that his belief is that mixing is indulged in at nearly all terminals with the result that his grain goes on to the British and other overseas markets in a degraded condition.

When the question came forward this morning it was ascertained that some mixing is engaged in here by the Alberta Pool terminal. Mr. McIver made it clear that the practice is by no means general and that, in fact, because of the high standard set on outgoing cargoes—the average of the grade—it is a difficult matter to mix and come up to the standard. In any event, he stated, mixing is only done on specific instructions from his head office or because of necessity.

Some interesting figures were submitted to the Commissioners by Mr. McIver of shipments into the terminals since the elevator opened in 1926. Of the crop of that year some 5 million bushels came in; in 1927, approximately 8 million bushels were shipped into this port and in the 1928-29 crop season, the one just closed, nearly 3 million bushels came in. Asked if he could explain the drop of nearly 6 million bushels, Mr. McIver stated the Commissioners would have to secure the information from the officials at Calgary.

John Watson, chief deputy inspector, who received his training in the inspection department at Winnipeg, was the second witness this morning and spoke of the number of cars which had come forward in the last season, stating that fifty per cent of them had received full inspection either at Calgary or Edmonton. On the question of dockage this last season he stated definite instructions had been received from the Winnipeg inspection department that where an original inspection at point of shipment showed a dockage of over 3 1/2 per cent, a sample had to be taken.

## AROUND WORLD AIR CRUISE IS BEING PLANNED

Seattle Trying To Secure Landing of Graf Zeppelin There After Crossing Pacific

SEATTLE, April 26.—The first cross-Pacific flight of an airship it is hoped will conclude at Seattle as a result of an invitation sent to Germany to make this port the landing base for the Graf Zeppelin on her proposed round the world cruise. A mooring mast and refuelling plant would be installed for the purpose at a local air-drome.

The big airship is to make the flight easterly, crossing to this continent from Asia.

## FARM RELIEF BILL PASSES

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The first part of the Hoover program for which the special session of Congress was called has been carried out when on a division of 357 to 34 the house passed the farm relief bill appropriating \$500,000 for the purpose of aiding the farmers in providing for the marketing of crops.

## GRAF ZEPPELIN REACHES PORT

BERLIN, April 26.—A cable from Friedrichshafen last night told of the arrival of the Graf Zeppelin after a cruise over France, Spain, Portugal and a portion of Morocco. She left Tuesday with 19 passengers aboard.

## FOOTBALL

Adjourned general meeting of Football Association, Wednesday, May 1 in the City Hall. All interested in football, please attend.

## MINISTERS DUE IN CITY TODAY

Hon. W. A. McKenzie and Hon. R. W. Bruhn Coming From Interior on Mixed Train

Hon. W. A. McKenzie, minister of mines and acting minister of public works, and Hon. R. W. Bruhn, president of the council, who have been making an inspection of sites near Hazelton for the proposed new bridge across the Bulkley River, are coming into town this afternoon on a mixed freight train. It was stated at railway offices this morning that this train was expected to arrive about 4 p.m.

The ministers, it is understood, will sail for Victoria tonight. Before they leave, however, it is planned to have a delegation meet them with the request that more work be carried out this year on the extension of the Kaizen Island highway than is at present contemplated.

## PORT SIMPSON NATIVE PASSES

Simon Morrison, Aged 70, Dropped Dead While Trolling at Warke Canal Yesterday

Work was received in the city today of the death yesterday morning of Simon Morrison, well known native resident of Port Simpson, who dropped dead in his trolling boat while fishing at Warke Canal. The body has been brought to Port Simpson where interment will take place.

## DIED OTTAWA

OTTAWA, April 26.—Edward H. Rainboth, for many years an outstanding figure in Canadian engineering and surveying circles, is dead here aged 74.

## GRAND DUKE DEAD

LONDON, April 26.—Grand Duke Michael of Russia, cousin of the late Czar, died today.

## COMMISSION ARRIVES HERE UNANNOUNCED

Is Spending Today Investigating Grain Situation and Meeting Board of Trade

The Royal Commission investigating every phase of grain handling in Canada erept in unannounced on yesterday's train and held the opening session this morning. This afternoon they are meeting the executive of the Board of Trade when the Grain Committee is laying before them the local situation. They plan to leave for Vancouver tonight on the Princess Royal. The personnel of the party follows:

- Hon. J. T. Brown, chief justice of the King's Bench of Saskatchewan.
- J. A. Stoneman, member of the Board of Railway Commissioners who took the place of Hon. Frank Oliver.
- Dean W. J. Rutledge, dean of the college of agriculture of Alberta.
- F. H. Auld, secretary of the department of mines and agriculture at Saskatoon.
- P. Skelton, official stenographer.
- Col. G. C. Porter representing the Canadian Press.
- G. J. Johnson, of the Regina Leader and Post, representing all the Sifton papers, including the Winnipeg Free Press and the Saskatoon Star.

## KEPT LIQUOR FOR SALE, FINED \$300

Mrs. Maude Wicks of First Avenue Convicted in City Police Court This Morning

Mrs. Maude Wicks, First Avenue, was found guilty by Magistrate McClymont, in city police court this morning on a charge of keeping liquor for sale and was fined \$300, with option of three months' imprisonment with hard labor. E. F. Jones, city solicitor, prosecuted.

## Damage in Several States from Tornadoes, Floods and Blizzards

ATLANTA, April 26.—Two tornadoes on Thursday in South Georgia and South Carolina caused a death list of 71 with 200 or more injured. Property damage ran into the thousands of dollars.

The second twister struck last night. Of the dead, 65 were in Georgia and six in South Carolina. Hundreds were made homeless and scores of buildings were wrecked and the damage to growing crops is large.

## FOG TURNED BACK PLANE

Eckmann Was On Way to Juneau With Passengers When Fog Stopped Him

SEATTLE, April 26.—A heavy fog shrouding Queen Charlotte Sound yesterday turned back the Alaska-Washington Airways passenger plane which landed at Campbell River at the north end of Vancouver Island. Ansel C. Eckmann, pilot, and four passengers are bound from Seattle to Juneau.

## PRESENTATION TO WM. CRUICKSHANK

Associates in C. N. R. Service Honored Him Yesterday Before Departure For Detroit

At 5:30 yesterday afternoon associates of William Cruickshank who is moving to Detroit, in the service of the Canadian National Railways gathered in the city ticket office to honor him on the eve of his departure. The presentation was made by R. F. McNaughton, who spoke appropriately, of a handsome writing set consisting of fountain pen and pencil. Mr. Cruickshank responded suitably.