

HAROLD RYAN
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vidence and charging of Justice Macfarlane said was "no evidence here of that he could see."

directed the jury to de- the facts from the circum- evidence surrounding the death of Lorraine whether the death was at the hands of the ac- and, if caused by the ac- whether such an act was intentional.

ness, causing incap- of constituting an in-

tent, would reduce the verdict to manslaughter, he pointed out. However, evidence of drunken- ness not great enough to ren- der incapable of intent would not rebut the presumption that every man is responsible for the action of his hands.

Justice Macfarlane directed the jury to bring back one of three verdicts—guilty of mur- der, manslaughter, or acquittal. He then explained the meaning of murder and manslaughter. Defence Counsel Brown asked that "acquittal" also be explain- ed to the jury.

After two hours the jury came

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back to get further directives from the justice regarding difference between murder and manslaughter.

FOUR DAY TRIAL

The verdict came on the fourth day, after long hours of testi- mony from 30 witnesses.

Saturday morning both counsel addressed the jury. Address of T. W. Brown, K.C., defending the case, called on the body of 12 men to "consider strongly" four mysteries which had not been solved.

What happened to money in Lorraine's purse? Ryan had sworn she must have had \$30 left after he gave her \$125 for Christ- mas shopping.

What significance had the lights on the boat which, accord- ing to two witnesses, "went on and off" after Lorraine's body was found and Ryan was in bed.

Where were men during the tragedy who were conspicuously absent while most of the village was down at the wharf?

How were the burns received by Lorraine Tait? Mr. Brown contended some of them would have come from hot-water bot- tles used in attempts to revive Miss Tait but there were burns on the body which must have come from somewhere else. Evi- dence given showed there was nothing on the Westerly which could have caused the burns. Mr. Brown told the jury.

CROWN'S SUMMATION

Gilbert Hogg, crown prosecu- tor, called testimony of Ryan that he had "blackened out" on the way to Port Simpson, a fantastic story.

He emphasized that Ruth Wes- ley and Ruby Dudoward, who said they saw Ryan on the drift- ing boat in the harbor and had heard screams and noise of scuffle on the boat, were the "most important witnesses in this case."

He said the crown contended that Ryan beat up Lorraine Tait on the Westerly between 9 and 10 p.m., December 23, 1950, then threw her overboard or left her in such a condition that she fell overboard.

All spectator seats were filled and many people were standing.

DEFENCE WITNESSES

Clara Mather, a cousin of the accused, was one of the last de- fence witnesses. She said she saw lights "going off and on" on the drifting boat after seeing the body of Lorraine on the beach, shortly before it was taken to the council house.

Lydia Webster, the accused's mother, testified through an in- terpreter, William Beynon.

She said Ryan had come home late. He was wet and his eyes "looked strange." He looked drunk, for he was reeling, and he went straight to his bed- room. He remained there until police came, she said. She said she had no idea of the times.

Mrs. Webster said Alfred Wes- ley had told her Ryan was back from Prince Rupert. It had been after the "children went to bed." It was a long time after that Ryan had come home.

She said she was in the kitchen with two other women when the police came. The material burn- ing in the stove, she said was Lorraine's housecoat.

BURNING CLOTHES

The housecoat had been hang- ing near the stove and it had moved, she said. She had been advised by the other two women to burn it for the spirit of Lor- raine had come to touch it and now it should be burned.

D. A. W. Large, called by the defence, said an injury to the head followed by the intake of alcohol could result in delirium and unintentional actions. It was well known to medicine, he said, that small amounts of alcohol would affect strongly some one with head injuries.

He said he had examined the accused and found a bump on his head the size of his small finger- nail, where Ryan told him he had been hurt last year when he struck his head on a bolt.

Dr. Large said it was within the realm of possibility that dizzy spells, claimed by the accused, could have been caused by his former head injuries.

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SEASON TO START MAY 14

Election of officers for the 1950 season took place at the annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Football Association yesterday afternoon and tentative plans were laid for commencing playing a regular schedule on Monday, May 14.

J. S. Wilson presided and briefly reviewed the accom- plishments of last year.

Thanks were extended to the sponsors of the teams, to the merchants who donated trophies to the referees and to Alex Haig and Jock Davidson who so often marked out the playing grounds.

Mr. Wilson declined re-nom- ination as president. He did so with regret but stated that he had not the time to give to the work of the position though he would always do everything pos- sible to help.

In accepting Mr. Wilson's re- fusal to continue in office, Alex Haig stated that the members did so with great regret. There was probably no one person who had done so much for football in Prince Rupert as Mr. Wilson both in the days of the Junior Football League, of which or- ganization Mr. Wilson had been chairman for 13 years, as a player and as a senior executive. It was unanimously agreed that Mr. Wilson be elected as honorary president. In accept- ing this position, Mr. Wilson said he felt honored by the kindly thoughts of the members.

The new slate of officers is:
Honorary president—J. S. Wilson.
President—Alex Haig.
Vice-president—Darrow Go- mez.
Treasurer—Jock Davidson.
Secretary—Ralph P. Smith.

The executive will be com- pleted with the addition of a representative of each team.

The parks board has been re- quested to put the grounds in shape.

Correspondence has been started with a view to arrang- ing a game with HMCS Ontario which is to visit Prince Rupert on June 20. Games with native teams will be continued and there is talk of football being put in active swing at Terrace. They have a fine grass pitch there.

An invitation is being extend- ed to any newcomers to town who are footballers to get in touch with team representatives so that positions will be found for them on some teams.

Baseball Annual Meeting Re-set

Annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Baseball Association, which was to have been held on Friday night, was postponed on account of many other activities that night and is now called for this Tuesday evening when plans will be made for the coming season's league play.

CREDENHILL, England (P)—A pilot recently transferred from this RAF base in Hertfordshire paid an unexpected return visit. His Spitfire crashed near the station but he escaped unhurt.

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MONDAY—P.M.
4:30—The Golden Pine Cone
4:45—Stock Quotations and Int.
5:00—International Comty.
5:10—Alberta Pipeline
5:30—Musical Program
5:45—Young Man with a song
5:55—CBC News
6:00—Supper Concert
6:15—Martial Arts
6:30—Musical Varieties
6:45—Smiley Burnette Show
7:00—CBC News
7:15—CBC News Roundup
7:30—Musical Program
8:00—The Choiristers
8:30—Bold Venture
9:00—Summer Fellow
9:30—Dixieland Jazz
10:00—CBC News
10:10—CBC News
10:15—Provincial Affairs
10:30—Stop, Watch, Listen
11:00—Weather forecast and Fish Arrivals

TUESDAY—A.M.
7:00—Musical Clock
8:00—CBC News
8:10—Here's Bill Good
8:15—Morning Song
8:30—Morning Devotions
8:45—Little Concert
9:00—BBC News and Commen- tary.

9:15—Music for Moderns
9:30—Sunrise Serenade
9:45—Your music appointment
8:50—Time Signal
10:00—Morning Visit
10:15—Morning Melodies
10:30—"Melody Time"
10:45—Invitation to the Waltz
11:00—Kindergarten of the Air
11:15—Roundup Time
11:30—Weather Report
11:31—Message Period
11:33—Recorded Interlude
1:45—Scandinavian Melodies
P.M.
12:00—Mid-Day Melodie

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BASEBALL Scores

SATURDAY
American
Detroit 8, Boston 7 (11 in- nings).
Cleveland 3, Philadelphia 2.
Chicago 7, Washington 0.
New York 17, St. Louis 6.
National
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 3 (11 innings).
Brooklyn 12, Cincinnati 8.
Chicago 2, Boston 0.
New York 8, Pittsburgh 3.
Pacific Coast
Oakland 1, Seattle 0.
Los Angeles 7, Portland 1.
Hollywood 4 San Diego 3.
Sacramento 2, San Fran- cisco 1.
Western International
Salem 1-3, Victoria 0-1.

SUNDAY
National
Pittsburgh 0-3, Boston 6-0.
St. Louis 11, Brooklyn 7.
Chicago 4-9, Philadelphia 4-7.
New York 3-8, Cincinnati 4-5.
American
New York 11, Detroit 6.
Washington 8-2, Cleveland 1-4.
Chicago 4-8, Philadelphia 1-3.
St. Louis 4-8, Boston 5-2.
Pacific Coast
Los Angeles 6-1, Portland 4-4.
Hollywood 10-3 San Diego 0-4.
Oakland 5-4, Seattle 4-6.
San Francisco 0-7, Sacra- mento 9-13.
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Wenatchee 11, Yakima 3.
Tri-City 7-13, Tacoma 6-8.

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