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STEWART BATES - Recently appointed deputy minister of the federal Department of Fisheries, Ottawa, in succes-4.1 feet sion to Dr. D. B. Finn.



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# Premier Hart Delivers Policy Speech

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> Fifty-four Persons Lost Lives in South American Disaster Now Confirmed

BOGOTA, Colombia - The worst disaster in the history of commercial aviation has been confirmed in the finding of wreckage of a plane in the Andes 30 miles from here. The plane crashed into a cliff and plunged nder way are effec- 1000 feet into an abyss. Fiftyng price scales ask - four persons lost their lives including one Canadian-Harold tollon is in accord with Powell of Calgary. Search parties v Vancouver vessel have returned from the scene.

### Capetown's Great Day

King and Queen and Royal Princesses Land at South African Port

grey cod, rock cod CAPETOWN - Great was the enthusiasm of the reception which greeted the arrival of the; King and Queen and Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret who came ashore today from the great battleship Vanguard which had brought them from England.

> Thousands of people had spent the night on Signal Hill to be sure of vantage point to watch the battleship steam into the bay. Pandemonium of whistles broke loose as the warship bearing the Royal Family moved in amid tumultuous acclaim of 20,000 spectators who lined the

Visitors from all parts of the country were among the multitude which lined the streets as the royal party proceeded from the docks to Government House.

Their Majesties were received at the foot of the gangway by Field Marshal Jan Christian of his brother, Her- Smuts and Governor - General t, at his home at and Mrs. Gideon Van Zyl or, New Brunswick, Various military dignitaries of 74 years. Surviv- were thereupon presented to the of the late Mr. Dag- | King. Then commenced the ition to his brother motor drive of the Royal party a sister, Mrs. I. L. through the packed streets to their temporary residence in Government House.

> The crew stood at attention as the ship slipped into her

It is the first visit of the

Royal Family to Capetown. On the slopes of Signal Hill 1200 school girls, dress in white, formed the word "Welcome Thousands watched from mountain roads, building tops and even flagpoles.

Three South African frigates and six aircraft of the South! Iontreal Canadiens African Air Force escorted the sturday night in a Vanguard to her mooring.

> There was a 21-gun salute. The 7,000-mile voyage from England had occupied eighteen

ed all around the The South African Communist | electricity cut began with the vere lucky to even party has decided to boycott all weather as frigid as at any third period with demonstrations in acclaim of time during the past 50 years. s in quick succes- the royal family's tour of South anadiens moved on Africa, D. DiPlessis, South Afest night to play a rican Communist, said today in



production.



JAPAN'S TOP CIO LEADER AFTER STABBING-Katsumi Kikuami, Socialist Labor leader of Japan's militant national congress of industrial organizations, is visited at the Japanese Red Cross hospital by his wife and youngest son, Manabu, after the recent attack on the N.C.I.O. chief. Kikunami had gone to a friend's home in Tokyo to talk with two young men who posed as union electricians. The three discussed a projected Feb. 1 general strike. Suddenly the young men drew knives, slashed Kikunami's head, chest and arms and ran from the house. The stabbing took place in the home of Ichiji Kobayashi where Kikunami was living.

### Bulletins

IS TOTAL LOSS?

SEATTLE-Coastguard headquarters reported today that the steamship North Sea, which went aground near Bella Bella, may be a total loss. Survey at low tide revealed extensive damage to the hull with the reef extending along each side.

CHIANG'S LAST GASP

NANKING - Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek's government, in a desperate fight for national survival, completely revamped China's tottering business structure today and promised to reorganize the government itself. Drastic decrees have ordered home all fertunes abroad, restricted wages and prices to January levels, fixed the official rate of exchange at 12,000 Chinese dollars to one American dol-

KEEP COAL MOVING

LONDON - Three thousand troops, using 700 trucks, were called on today to keep coal moving steadily down from the mines to power station as the second week of Britain's great There is no sign of probable date of relaxation of restrictions which have caused unemployment ranks to swell and have paralyzed traffic.

ITALIAN PLANE CRASH

ROME - A sister of King Farouk of Egypt was one of 17 victims when an Italian plane bound for Egypt crashed in the Mediterramean not far from Anzio soon after leaving Italy.

COAL STRIKE ON.

SYDNEY, N.S. - The strike of 13,000 coal miners in the Maritimes is on. Last-minute negotiations for a settlement of the dispute broke down in Ottawa Saturday night. The government was opposed to a subsidy to help meet a \$1.40 daily increase in wages and the union refused the idea of increased production to meet the raise. Mr. Justice W. F. Carroll had recommended the \$1.40 increase, 40 per cent to be met by government subsidy and 60 per cent by increased

WOMAN IS SHOT

VANCOUVER -- Mrs. Annie Campbell, 67, was injured Saturday night by a bullet from a police gun when a constable fired on a suspect fleeing down a lane. She suffered a leg wound. Police Chief Walter Mulligan described it as a "regrettable accident."

VANCOUVER ROBBERIES

VANCOUVER - Two robberies here during the week end netted the thieves \$4200. Two masked men escaped with \$780 cash and checks in hold-up of Harry Cramer, tailor. Steve Baila lost \$2860 when an unidentified man stole his trousers from a hotel room.

FUEL CRISIS EASED

LONDON-The fuel situation in the London area has been further improved with the arrival of 100 coal steamers and 100 coal trains but the coal stockpiles are still below the safety level. There may be an announcement tomorrow of the lifting of the blackout in electricity.

MR. VAUGHAN HEARD

OTTAWA - R. C. Vaughan, president of Ganadian National Railways, was heard at the session of the Board of Railway Commissioners dealing with application of railroads for a 30 per cent increase in freight rates. He told of decreasing railway revenues and rising costs.

NO COALITION-ATTLEE ister Attlee today. Such talk F. & A. M. and a Shriner. is "complete and utter nonsense," he said. Neither side

wants coalition.

OIL STRIKE DEFERRED SAN PEDRO - The big oil strike in the western United States, which was to have started today, was postponed after the operators had made a new wage offer. The postponement is for 48 hours.

BYRD OVER POLE

Admiral Richard E. Byrd flew over the South Pole for the second time Sunday. The last time was in November 1929. He dropped the flag of the United Nations.

#### IS FIRMLY ON SHORE

North Sea Might be in Danger From Westerly Swells

While dense fog was prevailing at the time and it was impossible to see the shoreline or the wreck, a clear view of the stranded SEASY WINNER clear view of the stranded American steamer North Sea was obtained by means of the radar equipment of the steamer Coquitlam as that vessel steamed through Seaforth Channel yes- 18 year old beauty of Ottawa, terday morning.

Capt. Harry McLean of the skating championship here freight laden North Sea lying Saturday night. firmly ashore on Porter Reef off | Eight of nine judges gave Miss | speech. shore of Don Peninsula. The ves- petitors. her No. 2 hold and engine room won second place. filled at high water. The vessel Principal danger would be, Capt. CRIES OF "HELP! HELP!" McLean feels, from a westerly well which often sweeps in from Milbank Sound on that shore.

The big salvage steamer Salvage Queen arrived alongside the North Sea yesterday, having for a time been delayed by fog in reaching there .

The steamer Prince Rupert stopped at Bella Bella on Friday to pick up and take south the passengers from the North Sea. The steamer Catala took the baggage.

#### CANADA IS MADE FORT FOR STATES

MOSCOW-The Soviet newspaper New Time declares that Canada is rapidly becoming an armed fortress on the north for the United States. Canadian reactionary government elements, the magazine claims, are permitting this.

## LIOUFFU OI

George Eckerman Succumbs at Midnight Saturday to Sudden Heart Attack

Resident of Prince Rupert for 38 years, identified with the retail grocery department of Edward Lipsett Ltd., George Eckerman passed away suddenly at his home, 320 Second Avenue, succumbing to a heart attack. He had complained for about a week of what he believed was a cold but none realized that the end was so near. His passing came as a great shock to many friends by whom he was so highly

esteemed. Born in Alabany, Georgia, in October 1879, Mr. Eckerman had lived practically all his life in the Pacific Northwest. After | page spending some time in Portland, Salem, Pendleton and Tacoma, Mr. Eckerman came here from the last-mentioned city in 1909 and, with the exception of three brief periods of less than a year in the United States, he has resided here continuously since. Real old timers will remember him with the old Lynch Bros store at the junction of First, Second and Third Avenues. He had been with other retail stores in the city before joining Lipsett's. Of quiet and unassuming yet genial disposition, he had LONDON - There are no many friends who will greatly grounds for talk of coalition regret his passing. He was a government, said Prime Min- member of Tsimpsean Lodge A.

In addition to his widow, deceased is survived by two daughters-Mrs. Sirman (Henrietta) Robinson of Tacoma, who will arrive here Wednesday with her husband from the south, and Mrs. Fred (Georgian) Sumter of Albany, Georgia. There is one Oilsbrother, Gale Eckerman of Utah, and one sister, Mrs. Courtenay of California.

Interment will take place in Tacoma, departure to be made LITTLE AMERICA - Rear for that city on the Prince Rupert Thursday night.

Portage and Main lived up to its reputation today as being HOME OF WINDS the coldest street corner in Badghiz (home of winds) is North America. It was 10 bedistrict in northwest Afghanis-

low with a 45-mile wind.

## Calls on Legislature to Ratify Fiscal Arrangements With Ottawa

BARBARA SCOTT

Takes World Figure Skating Championship at Stockholm.

STOCKHOLM-Barbara Scott, easily won the world's figure oquitlam, arriving here last night, taking the free style last evening, reported the heavily night after the difficult set tests

Bush Point parallel with the Scott first place among 21 com-

ACTIVE PLANS FOR EXTENSION OF PA-CIFIC CREAT EASTERN RAILWAY INTO PEACE RIVER COUNTRY REVIEWED

VICTORIA (CP) -Premier John Hart today called on the British Columbia Legislature to ratify the Dominion-provincial agreement on transfer provincial tax fields to the federal government. agreement measures up to all the requirements placed before the federal government," said Mr. Hart in a 10,500-word policy state- which was \$18,100,000 as against ment outlining the government's the accepted offer of \$21,357,680.

legislative program in a policy "It is our responsibility to see that the revenues are properly The agreement increases the applied," said Mr. Hart. "It is 1947 payment to British Colum- our intention to use them for sel is reported badly holed with Daphne Walker of England bia by \$3,357,680 over that of undertakings and measures that fered in the budget proposals will create ever-increasing op-

portunities for our people." Mr. Hart also reiterated his IN HARBOR willingness to proceed to Ottawa "at any time" for the pur-

> The Premier reviewed plans for the extension of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway into the Peace River country, exploitation of the resources of the vast northland by such extension and progress of the British Columbia

emanating, they ceased. The ship moved in as close as safely possible in the dark foggy night and played the radar on the region but no trace could be found of drifting craft or anything unusual.

Repeated cries of "Help! Help!" appearing to come in

unison from several voices, caused Capt. Harry McLean to

divert the steamer Coquitlam from its course as he approached

the dock after entering Prince Rupert Harbor about 8 o'clock

last evening and head across to the entrance of Metlakatla

Passage whence the voices appeared to be coming. As the

ship neared the area from which the cries appeared to be

Capt. McLean notified the provincial police of the incident and, at the direction of Inspector H. H. Mansell, the P.M.L. 15 was dispatched to the area across the harbor last evening in the effort to ascertain any signs of distress there.

Later it was found that four boys in a fogbound rowboat started the chain of excitement that caused the coastal liner to leave her course, started a police search in the harbor and set residents of Section Two pacing the harbor shore in wonderment-all because they shouted into the foggy darkness to indicate their position to the passing steamship.

The four boys, Norman Martinuson, Forbes Lee, Douglas Macaulay and David Kristmanson, were returning from a day's outing at Tugwell Island when they spotted the lights of the Coquitlam looming in the fog. They shouted to give their position.

Capt. McLean, hearing the shouts, took them for a distress signal and headed toward the sounds to make a rescue but was unable to locate anyone in trouble so he radiophoned the B.C. police, who immediately manned their patrol boat

P.M.L. 15 and began a search. Unaware that they were the centre of these events, the four boys continued homeward, arriving at 9 o'clock just as the P.M.L. 15 was leaving another part of the waterfront to search for them.

While the Coquitlam stood off Metlakatla Pass with her whistle blowing at intervals in the foggy darkness, residents of Westview, attracted by the noise, came out onto their front doorsteps to see what the excitement was about.

The rumors that floated about included every sort of

marine disaster. The boys were surprised to learn that they had been the

centre of so much mistaken attention.

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#### P. W. BALDWIN ISPROMOTED

Auditor Given Higher Position In Well Known TransCanada

WINNIPEG - Several changes in the accounting department of TransCanada Airlines here were announced over the weekend. P. W. Baldwin, formerly auditor, becomes general auditor and W. S. Harvey assumes the post vacated by Mr. Baldwin. H. Keil becomes disbursement auditor, S. G. Blackner is appointed revenue auditor and J. M. Smith takes over the new position of statistical accountant in the aircraft statistical bureau. All were long-time members of the Airlines staff at

headquarters. Mr. Baldwin is well known in Prince Rupert and for some years was local auditor for Cana-

dian National Railways here.

#### Court of Revision To Give Decisions

After having completed great amount of detailed work, one phase of the task of the municipal court of revision will conclude tomorrow with the handing down of decision in all appeals except those involving waterfront property. Decision the appeals on waterfront pro-

erty is expected Wednesday, February 26. In the appeal of the Canadian National Railways the evidence of the company is in but that of the city has yet to be heard.

#### THE WEATHER

Synopsis

The weather was clear over the province this morning. Banks of fog and low clouds are reported along the coast and over the central and northern interior. The combined effects of dry air and high pressures are expected to give continued fair weather today and Tuesday.

Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and North Coast-Mostly clear today with fog banks along the coast. Tuesday - Overcast widely scattered rain showers. Light winds today and Tuesday morning, increasing to southeast (25) during the afternoon. Little change in temperature. Minimums tonight: Port Hardy 34, Massett 32, Prince Rupert 30. Maximums Tuesday: Port Hardy 45, Massett 45, Prince Rupert 45.

WRITER DIES

TORONTO - Marjorie Margaret Saunders, who wrote "Beautiful Joe," companion book for "Black Beauty," died here at the age of 87.