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With a fair-sized list of passengers, Union steamer Coquitlam, Capt. Harry McLean, arrived in port at 7:15 last evening from Vancouver and waypoints, sailing at midnight for Alice Arm, Stewart and other northern points whence she will return here tomorrow morning to sail south at 1:30 p.m.

Imperial Oil Co's tanker Imperial Vancouver, Capt. Fred Totten, arrived in port at 5 o'clock this morning from Ioco with fuel cargo for the company's local tanks. The vessel will sail this afternoon on her return south via coastal points.

SHIPS AND WATERFRONT

Coquitlam to Q.C.I. Run Among Other Changes of Union Vessels—Week-end Movements

Mid-April will see a switch-around of Union Steamship Co. vessels on the runs between Vancouver and Prince Rupert.

With the veteran Cassiar facing a major face-lifting job above the waterline if she is to return to service at all, the new Coquitlam is to be placed on the run with the sailing out of Vancouver April 12 on the Queen Charlotte Island service at present being carried out by the Cardena. To start with their will be a fortnightly service to the Islands followed by a ten-day run. The expectation is that considerable tourist movement will be developed on this route in addition to the normal traffic. The steamer Cardena will take over the Vancouver - Prince Rupert-Stewart route for the spring, to be replaced in June by the Camosun. The Catala will remain for the season the Vancouver-Prince Rupert coastal route, specializing on the cannery calls, being relieved later, it is expected, of the Rivers Inlet, Bella Coola and Ocean Falls calls northbound. During the summer vacation months the steamer Chilcotin will operate special cruises through Prince Rupert to Portland Canal and Alaska as she did last year.

Coming north from Vancouver via Ocean Falls and Butedale, Frank Waterhouse freighter Chilliwack, Capt. Holmberg, called at Port Edward at the week-end to unload cannery supplies and proceeded to Stewart to load 600 tons of concentrates. Southbound the Chilliwack will call at Massett to load 100,000 feet of lumber for Vancouver, another southbound stop to be at Butedale.



MERCY FLIGHTS RACE WITH DEATH—Start of a race with death! A Saskatchewan Air Ambulance Service plane takes aboard a suffering lumberjack on one of the lakes in north Saskatchewan to rush him to hospital at Prince Albert. This is a scene from the National Film Board production, "Mercy Flight," released in the Canada Carries On series to show all Canada how air ambulances operate to bring the benefits of medicine and surgery to the Dominion's farthest outposts. "Mercy Flight" shows at the Capitol here May 21 and 22.

Reminiscences and Reflections

By W.J.

Early pioneers of Prince Rupert will be interested to learn of the fate of J. E. Young, who was one of the first, if not the first, white restaurateur to do business in this city. Early this month, there was reference to him in the Daily News column "Reminiscences" and this was noticed by A. H. Bailey, now living in Victoria. A niece of Mr. Young resides in Victoria and, through inquiries, it was learned that he had passed away from the effects of an accident. During the last Great War, he was living in the Isle of Man. One evening he had been visiting friends and it was while returning to his home that the fatality occurred. There was a blackout on and Mr. Young's flashlight failed to work. He

made a misstep and suffered a fall, breaking his neck. He survived for several days. The niece mentioned is Mrs. Grant who was a resident here in earlier days. Mr. Young, for a long time, ran the Maple Leaf Cafe here. Mr. Bailey, who was connected with the city police department here from 1911 to 1916, will be remembered by all old timers. No one can be quite as thoughtful as the fellow in the whiskey advertisement who, glass in hand, legs crossed, and with pipe drawing well, looks. Well, well, it's time to inquire! How's everything going in that hard-up little Russian city with a name no one can remember that Prince Rupert, in a gush of brotherly attention, adopted. Must have been a few years ago. Practical interest, of late, seems to have declined. This is tree tapping time in Ontario and Quebec and the announcement is calmly made that maple syrup will cost \$5 a gallon, no less. This news is hard to take—particularly is it distressing when one thinks of the late Sheriff Shirley. That spry old gentleman received a keg of the finest every spring from his native heath and he'd pass most of it around to his friends. Rangy young fellows in the armed forces garb of the United States sauntered the streets Thursday. And some were escorting ladies. It brought one back—though not for long—to the days of '42 and '43 when it almost seemed that uniforms outnumbered civilian dress, and life had a "zip" to it. A ball was given in the Kaizen Island Club premises in April, 1912, and, according to the Evening Empire, it was very well attended and an unqualified success. Some of those present included Mrs. Angus Stewart, who wore white silk; Mrs. George Sweet, pale yellow with black lace; Mrs. Hugh Dunn, gold crepe de chene and gold bandeaux; Mrs. M. P. McCaffery, white lace voile; Miss Grace Davis, pale blue voile; Mrs. J. P. Cade, shell pink satin; Mrs. P. W. Anderson, white satin with pearl trimmings; Mrs. Morte Craig, white satin.

Alaska, forty-ninth state of the Union! Newfoundland, tenth province of Canada! Which will be first—or will both come to pass and in full measure in the Lord's good time? Tollers on the reportorial end of local papers before Prince

Rupert was old enough to look very far back led a jovial sort of existence. Some declined to stay fixed. The more useful anyone became, the more apt his chance of moving on. They liked to give and accept hospitality. All were an independent crew. Knew news, and in a pinch could have invented some, but never descended to that depth. They liked what they were doing, thereby avoiding drudgery and would forgive anything except permanent dullness. Youth was on their side and that helped.

The old stern wheelers found the Skeena River a tough enough stream to negotiate during the building of the G.T.P. but, if Foley, Welch & Stewart could have made a bid for the "duck" in Rupert last week, how quickly the situation would have been simplified. Even Kitselas Canyon itself would have had respect for a craft like that.

Anyox, and all that, was a company town but for years that busy smelter camp meant a lot to Prince Rupert. Anyox had a habit of being active when Prince Rupert wasn't. A good many families of Anyox wage earners lived here. There was no lack of travel between the two communities and, when finally Anyox faded away, as it surely did, the reaction felt here, was uncomfortable. Rupert was near enough to be neighborly and like it and not sufficiently distant to be indifferent.

So green and inviting did it look, lying out there in the middle of the avenue opposite the post office last Thursday. The sun was shinin' too and the newspaperman, crossing over could scarcely believe his eyes. A dollar! A whole dollar, and so fresh and crisp and perhaps even virtuous. Nevertheless it was promptly picked up, and would not have had long to wait anyway.

Women's influence in ever widening scope continues to expand in Prince Rupert. But let's get back to the start. Who was the first to cast a ballot? The lady was Mrs. E. C. LaTrace of

EASTER SERVICES WELL ATTENDED

Special services emphasizing the triumphant story and music of the Resurrection were held in Prince Rupert on Sunday, bringing out Easter congregations that practically filled all churches at both morning and evening services, causing gratification to pastors and choirs for their special efforts.

Sermon texts dealt with the ultimate of Christ's miracles; the conquest of life over death and the Resurrection from the tomb.

In practically all churches, the chancels were banked with spring flowers, significant of the annual re-birth of nature.

The music of Handel and other great religious composers was rendered by the choirs.

In some cases, Sunday School sessions were merged with the morning church services.

Morning weather was fine but there were evening showers.

Minneapolis who came here from North Battleford, Saskatchewan, and who was the first woman to vote in the municipal election that made Fred Stork the first mayor. Mrs. LaTrace was the wife of a contractor who dug the big excavation where, it was hoped, the first big hotel would stand, but has not—as yet got around to it.

When Prince Rupert was young which, after all, is little more than 35 years ago, the world had no serious woes contrasted with today. People thought they had. That was their mistake. In 1913 there were no 'isms' to speak of. Jitters had not been invented. The flower of creation's young manhood had not been laid away in hundreds of immense, finely appointed cemeteries all over the earth. Divorce columns had not lengthened. Europe had not become a shambles. Faith in everything, including the future state, had not slumped. No one ever said "juvenile delinquency"—it hadn't arrived.

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