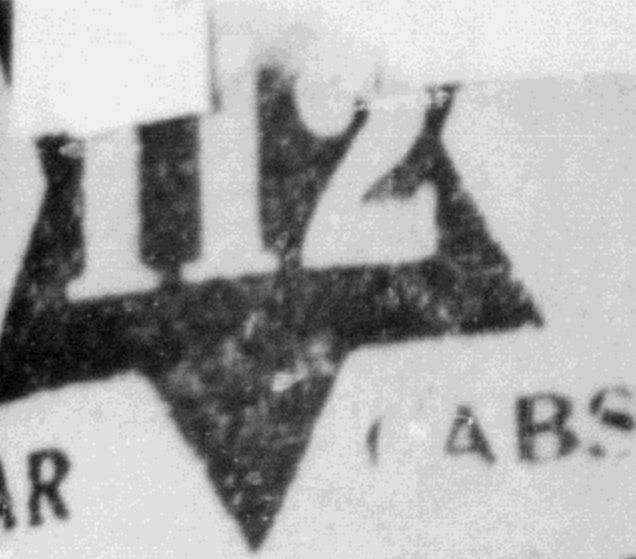


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Two Men Die In Vancouver City Jail

Canada Enjoys Position

NEW YORK—The New York Telegram said today that Canada holds a leading position in the economy of the world. This is due to her friendly relations with the United States business and the lack of fear of economic retaliation. United States industries in Canada are estimated to be worth \$6 billion.

New Year—

Safe, Sane Celebration

Traffic Accidents in South

VANCOUVER (CP)—British Columbia greeted 1950 in a comparatively safe, sane manner with few violent deaths. There were more than a handful of traffic accidents.

VANCOUVER (CP)—A man was killed accidentally on a Vancouver street. The accident in Victoria took the life of one woman during the last few hours of 1949. Vancouver victim was Max who was killed when he stepped from the sidewalk onto a track as the vehicle came down a street corner. His body was brought to the city's 1949 morgue.

V. B. Irving, 73-year-old of Victoria, died three hours after being struck by an automobile. He was about 100 miles east of Vancouver. The body of an unidentified man was found on the railway tracks. It is believed he may have been struck by a train.

Pormosa Be Lost?

WASHINGTON D.C.—A spokesman of the United States Department of State, apparently the way for new military commitments in the Chinese war, declared that Formosa has strategic importance as United States defence was threatened and its loss by the Communists to be expected.

HOCKEY SCORES

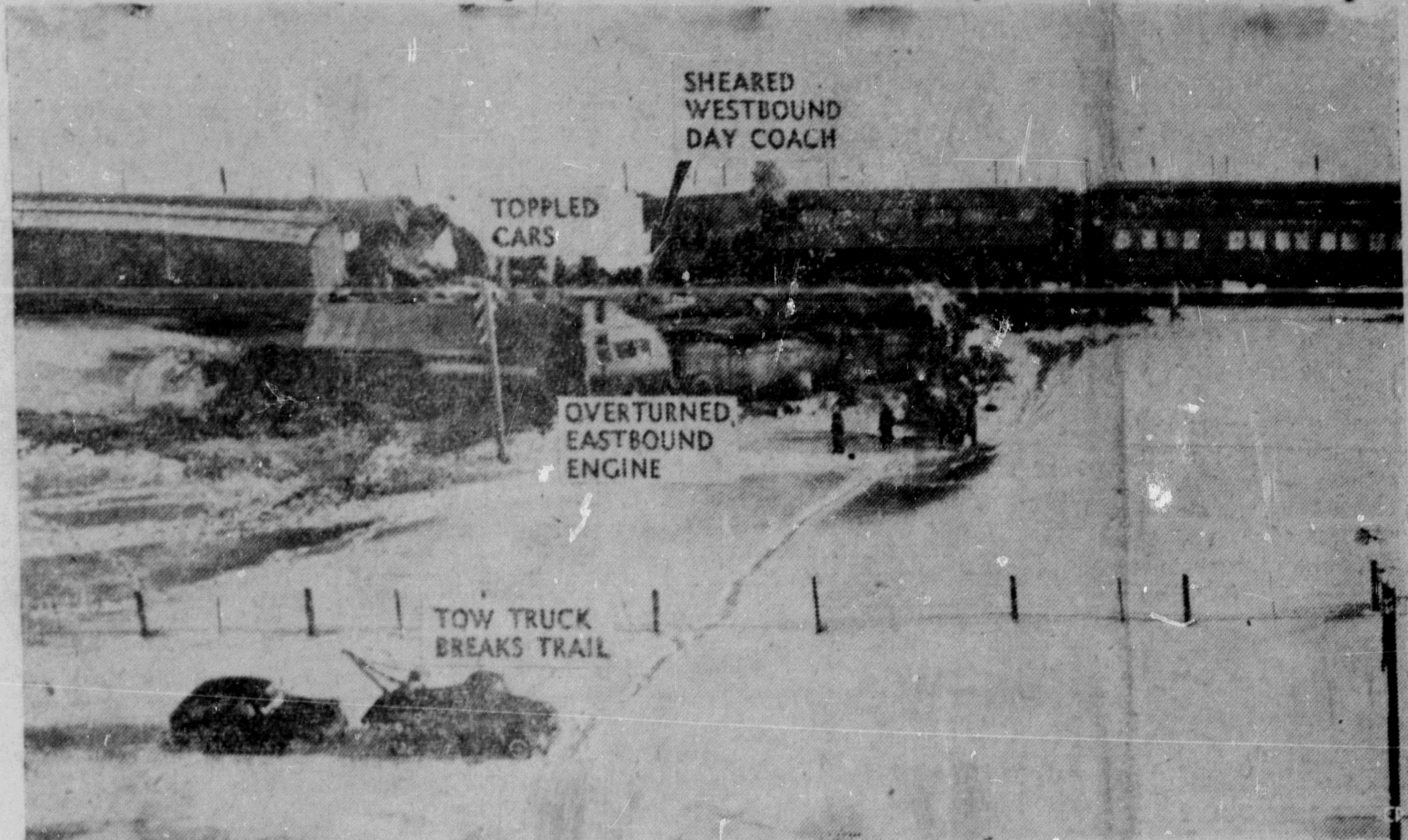
National League
Monday — Boston 1, New York 4, Detroit 5, Toronto 1, Montreal 3.
Tuesday — Toronto 0, Detroit 5, Montreal 6.
PACIFIC COAST
Saturday
Monday — Fresno 1, Los Angeles 3, San Francisco 8, Portland 1.
Tuesday — Portland 1, Vancouver 2, Victoria 4.

Tides

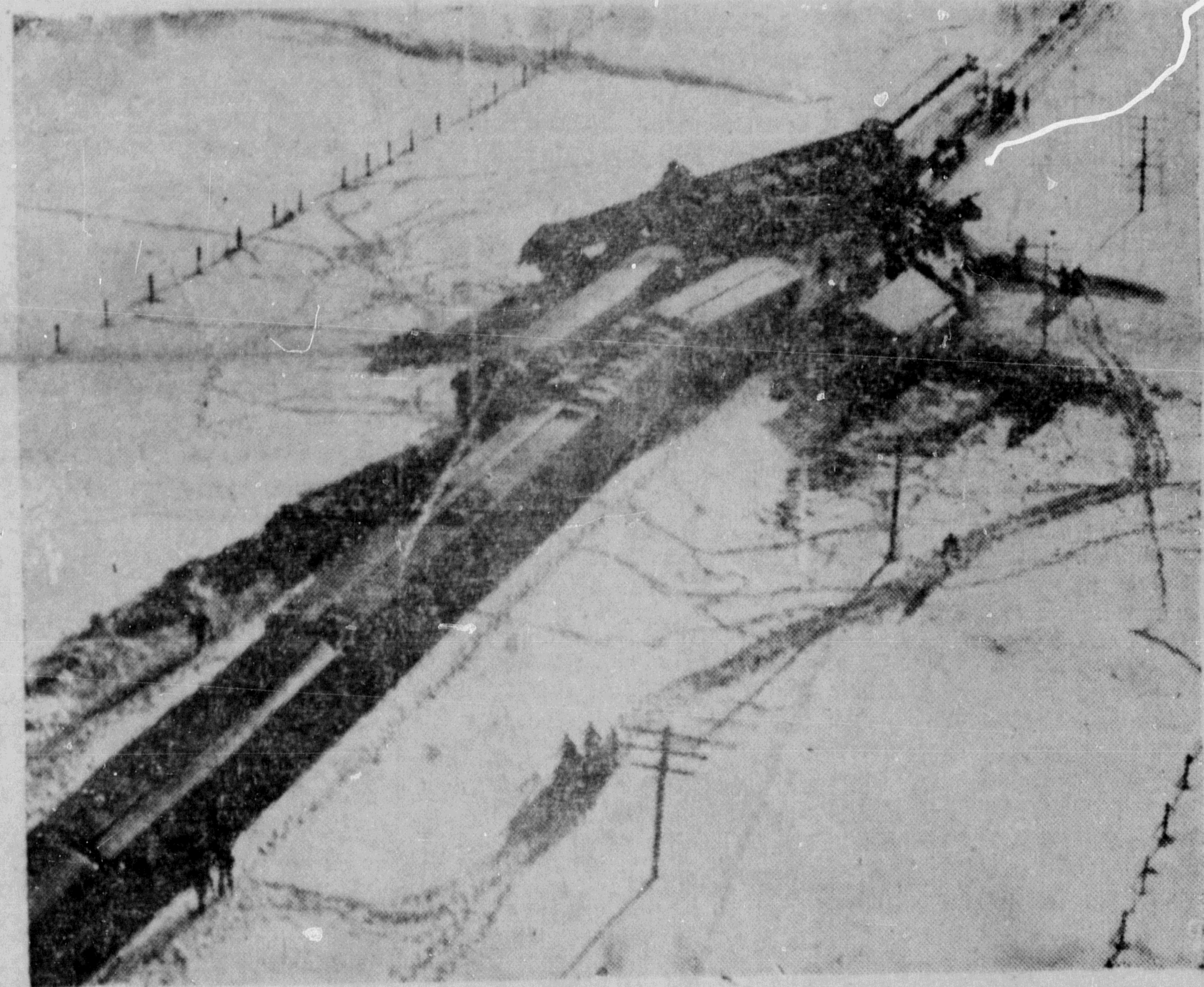
Friday, January 4, 1950

1:46	18.6 feet
13:14	21.6 feet
7:15	9.1 feet
12:01	2.4 feet

Metlakatla, Alaska
CANADIAN MEMORIAL CHURCH CHOIR
Civic Centre, Fri., 8 p.m.
Tickets \$1.00 — Students 50c
Ormes and Civic Centre



PRAIRIE WRECK—This aerial photo shows the wreckage of two Canadian Pacific Railway trains which collided at Southesk, Alta., killing one man and injuring scores of persons. It was one of the worst train crashes in Alberta history. Southesk is a siding 95 miles southeast of Calgary. (C.P. Photo)



ALBERTA TRAIN CRASH—Rescue workers tramped weird patterns in the deep snow which almost isolated the wreck of two Canadian Pacific Railway trains at remote Southesk, Alta., 95 miles southeast of Calgary. At the right of the tracks is the overturned locomotive of an east-bound baggage-express which sideswiped a west-bound passenger train, killing one man and injuring more than 60. Also in the pile-up are two derailed day coaches of the passenger train. (C.P. Photo)

WATSON ISLAND PROGRESS

Steel Work On Five Major Buildings Now Completed

Installation of Machinery to Proceed This Winter—Rayon Yarn Demand Increases

Steel construction work at the Columbia Cellulose Co., Ltd. dissolving plant at Watson Island, has progressed to the point where five buildings have been completed and eleven more are substantially erected. Roof slabs and wall panels have been erected on several of these structures, thereby achieving the major objective of closing-in the buildings for the winter.

Heavy machinery and equipment, including large pulp washers, the hydraulic barkers and the whole log chipper, is now on the plant site and is expected to be installed during the first quarter of the year. Additional equipment due to arrive soon will be installed as the construction of buildings and foundations progresses.

Company logging operations will soon be under way but, meanwhile, the logging is being done by independents in the area. As a result, Columbia Cellulose has acquired a moderate inventory of logs and that this supply will be augmented

Heavy Demand On Liquor Emporium

Despite the heavy trade, the stock of liquor at Prince Rupert during the festive season more than met all demands right up to New Year's Eve. The local emporium was well stocked with Scotch, rye, gin and rum, with beer plentiful.

Customs Revenue Last Year Lower

Customs collections in Prince Rupert for the month of December was very light in comparison to last year's total. During the last month of 1949, total revenue was \$17,961.51, much lower than the \$47,114.68 collected during December 1948. The twelve month total for last year was \$413,271.18, slightly lower than the 1948 total of \$497,758.04.

Prince George Store Gutted

PRINCE GEORGE—Fire, in 50-below zero weather here at New Year's gutted the \$25,000 photo finishing and novelty shop of H. H. Douglas.

Fire Reported At Brown's Mill

A fire at Brown's Mill store on the Esquimalt River, was reported to manager James Donaldson Monday at 3.30 but, before details could be obtained, the radio telephone connection broke. The call was put in by Tom Brown, one of the employees who stated the store was on fire.

Due to the poor visibility on account of snow a reconnaissance trip by plane was dismissed so Mr. Donaldson attempted to reach the mill by boat with Charles Currie in the "C.R.C." They were driven back by ice but at 9 a.m. this morning, Mr. Donaldson set out again in his own craft, the "Two Rivers" and has not been heard of up to press time.

AIR PASSENGERS

From Vancouver (Monday) — Miss J. Miller, R. Jorgenson, N. M. Smulders, R. Hamilton, E. Hoover, M. R. Stevenson, A. W. Norfitt, Miss V. Booth, A. J. Thompson, Miss McAlpine.
From Sandspit (Monday) — Mr. Charmichael.
To Vancouver (today) — J. Wick, Miss E. Johnson, Miss G. Clarke, A. Murray, B. Brophy, H. D. Reid, R. L. MacDonald, A. Grandison.
To Sandspit (today) — E. F. McWilliams.
From Vancouver (Saturday) — Mrs. E. Larsen, R. D. Cleland, G. Mostad, J. Flynn, M. Johnston, Miss A. Waterman, Miss G. Findlay.
From Sandspit (Saturday) — Mrs. W. Kelly.
To Vancouver (Monday) — Miss L. Husoy, D. Moore, Mrs. R. Fast, H.M. Dagg, R. Doney, W. Seymour, T. Larsen, H. Young, Mrs. H. MacDougal, Mrs. H. Richardson, J. W. Driscoll, Miss E. Johnson, Miss Clarke, A. Hill, Miss K.M. Wallace, J. W. Maere, K. F. Harding.
To Vancouver (Saturday) — Mr. and Mrs. D. McDonald, M. C. McWhinnie, Miss J. Freser, Miss K. Mackin, Mrs. P. Gormely, W. Ross.
To Sandspit (Saturday) — A. La-Croix, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Ham.
From Sandspit (Friday) — Mr. and Mrs. W. Crosby and infant Mr. and Mrs. A. Brown, Mr. Hatch.
From Vancouver (Friday) — M. Grandison, O. Tunold, D. Shiu, S. G. Furk.

Elderly Essington Man Passes Away

Sudden death at Port Essington on Sunday of an elderly man named J. Fiewin, who had resided there for many years, was reported to the district headquarters of the provincial police today by Constable Medley of Port Edward. The officer was unable to reach Essington to investigate the death owing to ice in the Skeena River. Circumstances are, however, believed to have been natural.

New Contract For Bacon With U.K.

OTTAWA—Announcement was made today of a new bacon contract between Canada and the United Kingdom whereby 29c will be paid, the government to absorb the 3 1/2c difference between that figure and the floor price of 32 1/2c by payment of subsidy.
Agriculture Minister James Gardiner announced the completion of the new agreement which provides for the sale of 69,000,000 pounds this year. The new contract price being 3.5c a pound below the floor announced by Mr. Gardiner a fortnight ago means the federal government will have to absorb a loss of \$2,100,000 on the deal. The minister said the subsidy will be discontinued "on and after July 1, 1950."

Harold Winch Lung Puncture

VANCOUVER — Harold Winch, provincial leader of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, is in "fairly good" condition in hospital here following a rib fracture during a coughing spell at his home Sunday. His condition was complicated by possible pulmonary puncture, a doctor said. Winch fractured several ribs on December 26 when he fell in the kitchen of his home.

American Ship Crew Defiant

HONG KONG — Members of the crew of the American freighter Flying Arrow served notice that they will refuse to take the Isbrandtsen vessel through Nationalist-mined Chinese waters. The Flying Arrow is due to head for Communist-held Shanghai on Tuesday.

The skipper, Capt. David Jones of Chicago, indicated today that he would sail his ship into Shanghai despite mines and Nationalist gunboats.

The State Department at Washington said the crew knew the risks they were taking when they signed on.

The crew is represented as saying, however: "We knew about flying bullets and shells but not of mines."

CAR TUNES

"THE MUSIC GOES ROUND AND ROUND"



PUMP YOUR BRAKES—SLAMMING THEM ON WILL PUT YOU IN A SNAKE!

Bromides Administered, Investigation Ordered

VANCOUVER — Two men died in the city jail here during the New Year week-end and their deaths are to be investigated. One was James Anderson, aged 50, and the other James Currie, 53. They had been arrested for begging and are said to have been given bromides as were five other prisoners who became ill. It is said to be the practice to administer bromides to alcoholics in the jail here.

December Cold Snap Features Of 1949 Weather; Less Sun, Less Rain

The mercury slid to six above on the last day of December, for the coldest day of the month and the lowest December reading in thirty years. Readings for December in Prince Rupert are normally between 24 and 30 above.

First Meet Of Council

Standing Committees to be Named And Indemnities Set

Inaugural meeting of the 1950 city council will take place tonight with a statutory gathering for the appointment of committees by the new mayor. Ex-Alderman George Rudderham, setting of mayoral and aldermanic indemnities and the appointment of the court of revision on the 1950 assessment roll.

Only one of the chairman of major committees remains on the council this year. He is Ald. Thomas Black, chairman of the finance committee, who, it is reasonable to expect, will retain the post. Chairman of the board of works last year was the present mayor, George B. Casey, who was on that committee last year and sat at Alderman Rudderham's right hand, remains in the council and may or may not succeed to the chairmanship. H. M. Daggelt, chairman of last year's utilities committee, is no longer on the council but Ald. James N. Forman, a member of last year's utilities committee, remains. W. F. Stone, chairman of the health, police and licensing committee last year, is no longer on the council.

Council's decision on the matter of indemnities will also be of interest. Up to \$2000 can be paid and this was paid until Mrs. N. E. Arnold became mayor when, at her own request, it was reduced to \$1200.

Cold Closes Mills Down
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THE WEATHER

Synopsis

After an extremely cold night on the lower mainland and the interior snow was spreading down the coast and into the interior today. For the southeastern section of the province, no relief seemed in sight in the meantime. Gale warnings were posted for exposed waters of the coast today. Prince George hit a thirty-year record for cold weather Sunday night when the thermometer dropped to 57.5 degrees below zero. It was much milder there today. Lone Butte in the Cariboo country was the coldest spot in the province with sixty below.

Forecast

North Coast—cloudy with snow flurries; milder, wind northwest 45 miles per hour in exposed areas off the Queen Charlotte Islands, decreasing to 25 miles per hour tomorrow. Maximums and

January of 1947 holds the record of having registered the lowest temperature reading here. Temperatures then slid to three below. In 1943 it was one above. Last year the lowest reading in January was recorded as 29 above.

A normal rainfall was recorded through 1949 but, during the first part of the year, there was a heavy snowfall which began during the last month of 1948. 99.11 inches compared with 100.66 inches in 1948. Snowfall last year amounted to about 35 inches as compared with 40 inch recording in 1947. Up to the present time over four inches of snow has fallen this year and before the day is through another inch or two may be measured.

Maximum temperature last month was 47 above. Last year it was 44.9 above. Total hours of sunshine during December amounted to 34.7 hours, bringing the yearly total to 260.6 hours, the lowest since 1946 when only 816.3 hours of sunshine was recorded. In 1947, Sol shone for 1,038 hours. Mean temperature for December was 31.7 compared with 31 in 1948.

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Vancouver temperature last night hovered around six above but it was 60 below today at Lone Butte, between Williams Lake and Lillooet in the Cariboo cattle country 400 miles north-east of Vancouver.

Stoked furnaces caused fires throughout the province and there were two minor fires in Vancouver.

Twenty-three persons are in hospital with injuries from falls on icy streets.

Mrs. J. Hayhurst of Kitwanga, who has been on a trip to Vancouver, arrived in the city on the Coquitlam Sunday night and proceeded to the interior on last night's train.

minimums for next 24 hours—Prince Rupert, 35 and 20; Sandspit, 38 and 32; Port Hardy, 35 and 20; Smithers, zero and 20 below; Prince George, 10 below and 16 above.

Eugene High School Band of Eugene, Oregon
CONCERT & DANCE, Wed. Jan. 4, Civic Centre Auditorium
Concert—8-9 p.m. Dance—9:30-11:30 p.m.
Students 50c, Adults \$1.00 (Tickets on Sale at Civic Centre)