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Gas Kills City Woman In Auto Couple Saves Driver of Car

A Prince Rupert woman is dead and a city man had a narrow escape from death by what is believed to have been carbon monoxide poisoning late last night when the car in which they were waiting to be pulled out of a snowbank, became filled with deadly fumes, RCMP in Prince Rupert and Terrace reported today.

Dead is Mrs. Ann Ezilda Vigers, about 36, daughter of Mrs. Blanche M. Couture, receptionist at the Savoy Hotel.

In Terrace hospital in satisfactory condition is Graham Whatman, about 34, who, police said, was driver of the car which failed to make the corner at St. Croix bridge, about 36 miles east of Terrace, and plunged into a snowbank.

QUICK THINKING

Whatman is alive today, police said, due to the initiative of Mr. and Mrs. William McRae, of McRae's Sawmill at Usk, who rushed to the scene and applied artificial respiration to Whatman, the only one of the pair who showed any signs of life.

Police believe that when Whatman found he could not extricate the car from the snowbank, the couple sat with the engine running to keep warm, until someone should come along Highway 16 to help them get the car.

Said Mr. Wilkinson in his letter:

"A couple of winters ago a raccoon started picking up scraps around our yard. By spring he had become quite a pet and during the summer he was a big attraction for the tourists."

"Early in December we missed him for a few days. When he finally showed up he was minus his tail. I found the tail later near the CNR tracks which pass by my place."

"This has been a serious loss to my tourist business. Undoubtedly one of your engines is responsible. All I ask is that you reduce the speed of your locomotives when they pass by my place. I think I have found another and wouldn't like this to happen again."

Inquiry May End This Week; Mulligan "Not Coming Back"

VANCOUVER (CP) — The royal commission inquiry into Vancouver's police force may end this week.

Commissioner R. H. Tupper said Sunday that the six-month investigation into charges of graft and laxity in the 750-man force "could end this week."

"This is merely a guess, however," he said. "I don't want it to appear that I feel the probe should end, thereby discouraging counsel from bringing forth evidence from further witnesses."

The 37th session of the inquiry got underway today. George L. A. Sargent, a member of the police commission, was expected to be the first witness.

Saturday, John Gould, lawyer for former chief Walter Mulligan, said his client had moved to Los Angeles.

"He's not coming back voluntarily so he won't be giving evidence," Mr. Gould said.

WANTS PRIVACY

Relatives of the former police chief confirmed Mr. Gould's statement and said Mr. Mulligan "just wanted to keep off the front page."

Mr. Mulligan was accused when the inquiry began last July of shoring up gambling and bootlegging payoffs.

One of the first witnesses was Det. Sgt. Archie Plummer, who said he was convinced several years ago that the chief and other top officers were "allied with criminal elements."

Commissioner counsel J. G. A. Hutchison said a subpoena was issued for, but never served on,

Donald J. Kidd, a native of Victoria, who was transferred to Prince Rupert in June 1954. He arrived here from the Penitentiary government office in October 1953.

While in Prince Rupert he married Mina Match, daughter of R. C. Match of this city. In Terrace, Mr. Kidd was an active member of the community life, serving as secretary for the Terrace Junior Chamber of Commerce and secretary for the B.C. Government Employees association.

Mr. and Mrs. Kidd and their two children, a son and daughter, left Terrace Saturday for Cranbrook.

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Man Fined \$50 For Assault

Herbert David Roberts of Benton, 41, uncle of Andy He-Kitkuk, was fined \$50, costs or benton, forward with New York Rangers of the National Hockey League, was overcome by smoke and died in hospital.

Three other firemen suffered

burns when struck by debris.

Battalion Chief Andrew He-

Kitkuk, a 16-year-old girl, police

officer, was charged with common assault, slight injuries when struck by debris.

He pleaded guilty to grabbing falling debris.

Fireman Basil Taylor had his pants ripped off

him by a piece of debris.

the informant said.

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