

MANY B.C. PASSENGERS WERE LOST IN THE WRECK

LAURANCE IRVING AMONG THE DROWNED--LIST OF DEAD NOW NUMBER OVER THOUSAND

RUPERT ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY CONCERT

Excellent Musical Event in the K. of P. Hall Last Evening

The first concert of the Prince Rupert Orchestral Society drew a large audience to the K. of P. hall last evening and all of them enjoyed the excellent program given by local talent comprising the association.

One of the features of the evening was the appearance of the Swedish troubadours in national costume. They were: Miss A. Berglund, Mrs. M. Langlo, H. Nilsson, C. Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. K. allberg, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Holmquist. O. Quist, the violinist to the party, appeared as the others in quaint costume of the country represented.

Upon the appearance of the party on the stage, Mrs. C. Jedin, who possesses a fine voice, rendered a Swedish song. Following this, the remainder of them gave national dances.

The orchestra members were: Prof. Paul Kauffmann, director; violins, W. C. Butler, F. M. Crosby, Mrs. M. L. Freeman, Miss Lilian Johnston, Jas. L. Lee, J. B. McKay, D. Scheinman, F. Stephens, M. Stephens, Mrs. G. A. Woodland; viola, J. B. Mackay; cello, Prof. Paul Kauffmann; flute, G. A. Woodland; cornets, Walter Miller, H. C. Peyton; trombone, Lee L. Baker; piano, W. J. Briggs, G. H. Peters.

In addition to these selections, different members of the orchestra were heard in musical numbers. G. H. Peters rendered a piano solo, "Loose Leaves, No. 3." Lee L. Baker rendered a trombone solo. D. Scheinman was heard in a violin solo, which was encored.

G. A. Woodland, who is also a member of the orchestra, rendered a vocal solo, "The Soldier's Dream," which was well received. Master Elwood Stephens sang "Red Wing" in costume, wearing at the feathers of an Indian heave. The Misses Stevens were heard in a piano duet with orchestral accompaniment. Miss P. Freeman gave a solo, and Miss Kathleen Jenks was heard also in a vocal selection. Mrs. E. Patterson gave a recitation which was loudly encored.

Police Chief Resigns

Edmonton, May 29.—A sensation has been caused in Edmonton by the announcement that Chief of Police A. G. Lancy had tendered his resignation, following a letter from Commissioner of Health and Safety Booth, asking that it be handed in. It is understood that a number of other heads of the force will be dismissed in the course of a day or two.

The action taken by Commissioner Booth is the result of the conditions in the city during the past few weeks, during which time gambling and disorderly houses have increased to alarming proportions. Chief Lancy has now been head of the Edmonton force three times. For two years he was provincial license inspector. Lancy when interviewed said that he had intended resigning for some weeks and had written his letter or resignation before he heard from Commissioner Booth.

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Sweder Bros., merchant tailors, are moving into larger quarters. They are now taking the store recently vacated by J. S. Gray. This is one of the firms that have made good. They began in a small way and made progress in a normal way, and now they are one of the strongest in the city. Besides developing the amount of their business they have not lost sight of quality. Every year they visit the big centres and get in touch with the latest ideas. In their new quarters they will be more able to cater to the ladies and gentlemen of the city who require something high class in their line.

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Vancouver Also

"Vancouver has gone oil crazy over the Calgary strike," is the comment of a local businessman who just returned from the south. "Every vacant store and office on Hastings and Granville street, has been taken and the windows plastered with Calgary oil. Vancouver is speculating very heavily in the game."

Baptist Church

Sunday school and morning worship at 11 a. m. Evening worship at 7:30, when the pastor will take as his theme: "Getting Ready to Live." You will be made welcome.

Take your wife to dinner at the London Cafe these hot days. 118tf

ORIGINAL SKY PILOT WILL PREACH TOMORROW

Prince Rupert is honored by a visit from the original Sky Pilot of Ralph Connor's book of that name. Rev. H. R. Grant, whose striking personality and dramatic manner of conducting mission work in the lower end of the province has made him a hero wherever he goes, is paying a visit to this city and will supply the Presbyterian pulpit tomorrow.

Besides being a preacher of note, he was a born athlete. He coached the Queen's rugby team in his day. He has never lost his love of the game, and perhaps it was his love of athletics that made him so popular among the young men of the west. He is accompanied on this visit by Mrs. Grant.

Old Timer Returns

Mr. Wm. Delholm, one of Prince Rupert's old timers and incidentally one of our best boosters, arrived in the city on this morning's boat. Mr. Delholm spent the winter in Vancouver and as his usual custom will spend the summer here. He is heavily interested in local real estate and has unbounded faith in the future of the city.

Notice

All property owners affected by the proposed plank roadway on Bacon street, Tenth avenue and Alfred street, and who object to paying for the improvements on Eleventh avenue, please call and sign a petition to the city council, requesting a separate bylaw.—E. H. Mortimer, 324 Second Avenue. 124

Stole Ride to Death

Brockville, Ont., May 29.—In jumping from the east bound Grand Trunk express, on which he was stealing a ride, Fred McCormack, a Kingston man, about 25 years old, fell under the wheels as the train was coming to a stop at the local depot this morning. One arm and one leg were severed, and other serious injuries inflicted. McCormack died four hours later in the hospital.

Ontario Elections July 6

Toronto, May 29.—It is understood that the cabinet has decided at a special meeting to hold nominations on Monday, June 29, and the general election a week later, Monday, July 6. No official announcement was made by the premier.

CHINESE MAIDENS SPIRITED AWAY

Oriental Believe They Have Been Spirited Away by Enemies of Their Father

San Francisco, May 29.—Shan Ching Shu, Chinese consul-general of San Francisco, has reported to the police the disappearance of his two daughters, 15 years and 8 years old respectively.

The consul-general said he saw both girls safely in bed at 10 o'clock at night and at 6:40 in the morning they were gone with all their clothing. He could not account for their disappearance.

Consul-general Shan immediately following his discovery, instituted a thorough search of the Chinatowns of San Francisco and Oakland, but could find no trace of his daughters. He then called in the police and the cities bordering on the bay are being scoured by detectives, both white and Oriental.

The disappearance of the girls has caused intense excitement in the Chinese colonies. While the consul-general is of the opinion that his daughters may have been kidnapped by tramps, there prevails in Oriental circles the belief that they have been spirited away by enemies of the consul general.

Shan arrived in San Francisco on May 1 from Nagasaki, where he was consul-general for China. He succeeded Koo Ow Yung, who was recalled to Peking at the request of the powerful Chinese Six Companies, whose displeasure he had incurred, members of the company say, because he played party politics.

Until Saturday the consul-general and his family resided at a Chinese hotel in this city. Then he moved his family to a home in North Berkeley.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL

Northwestern
Vancouver 3, Spokane 1.
Victoria 4, Tacoma 5.
Seattle 8, Portland 5.

National
New York 11, Brooklyn 0.
Boston 1, Philadelphia 3.
Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 2.

American
Philadelphia 2-6, N. York 0-2.
Boston 0-6, Washington 1-5.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Smithers is arranging for a celebration on Dominion day.

Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners. Phone 4.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Byatt, 617 Eighth avenue east, a son, May 29.

B. B. Haugan, holder sit bekjendte foredrag, "De sy Djeve," Sunday kl. 3 efm. i Sons of England hall Fri adgang. 1t

The postponed children's sports, to have been held on Empire day, are being pulled off this afternoon.

F. R. Strohn and F. O. Thompson, Crescent City, Cal., came in today from the south. They are leaving for Graham island, where they will prospect for gold in the black sands of the island.

The court of revision on the assessment roll finished its work this morning. Lot 15, block 16, section 1, owned by David H. Hays, was reduced from \$8,000 to \$7,500; lot 16, block 21, section 5, H. Rivet, was reduced to \$1,200.

Lieut. Elizabeth Delamont of the Salvation Arm corps, who left Prince Rupert a short time ago, was to have been a passenger on the Empress of Ireland, but later went on a trip through the United States with her parents and is to sail from New York.

TERRIBLE TOLL OF EMPRESS WRECK OVER ONE THOUSAND LIVES LOST

Marine Disaster Rivals Titanic Loss in Its Horror---Women and Children Perish After Being Taken from Water---Seventy Passengers from Vancouver

(Special to The Daily News.)
Vancouver, May 30.—Of the seventy British Columbia passengers aboard the ill-fated Empress of Ireland, so far as can be learned only six were saved. They are:

John Abercrombie.
John Fowler, S. A. delegate.
Mrs. G. Clark, S. A. delegate.
Miss E. F. Frost, Victoria.
J. W. Langley, Merritt.
C. Mallock, Lardo.

B. C. People Drowned

Of the seventy passengers out of Vancouver, some forty-five were Vancouver residents and twenty-five were from outside British Columbia points. There were none from the north so far as known.

Those believed to be lost are: Miss Veitch, Victoria.

Mrs. J. Whitelaw, New Westminster.

Mrs. G. White and infant, New Westminster.

Mrs. W. Griffin, Cloverdale.

Mrs. B. Barber, Silvertown.

Florence Barber, Silvertown.

Evelyn Barber, Silvertown.

R. Crillin, Silvertown.

W. Barry, Silvertown.

Mrs. E. B. Kay, Golden.

Mrs. Guffley, Kamloops.

O. Franson, Fernie.

A. Swanson, Kamloops.

S. Nelson, Kamloops.

Charles Bristow, New Westminster.

Charles Bristow, jr., New Westminster.

Mrs. Bristow, N. Westminster.

Thomas Clarke.
Mrs. Clarke.
Mrs. Davis.

Also the following Salvation Army delegates to the London congress: Major and Mrs. Simcoe, Ensign Mardall, C. Hanna Knudson, Mrs. Axton, Master Axton, Mrs. F. C. Gelaille and Miss Davidson, Mrs. W. Grafton and W. Watfield.

Over 1,000 Were Lost

Late this afternoon the figures were: first cabin, 87; second cabin, 153; third cabin, 744; total, 984. The crew numbered 413, making a grand total of 1,367. Of the known survivors there are 337.

Those lost or missing therefore number 1,030.

Among the notable list are the actor Laurence Irving and wife, Mabel Hackney and two other members of his company; Sir Henry Seton, lawyer and big game hunter; Commissioner Rees and many well known eastern Canadian Salvation Army officers and handsmen.

Captain Kendall, the ship surgeon and five officers of the Empress were found clinging to the wreckage and are saved.

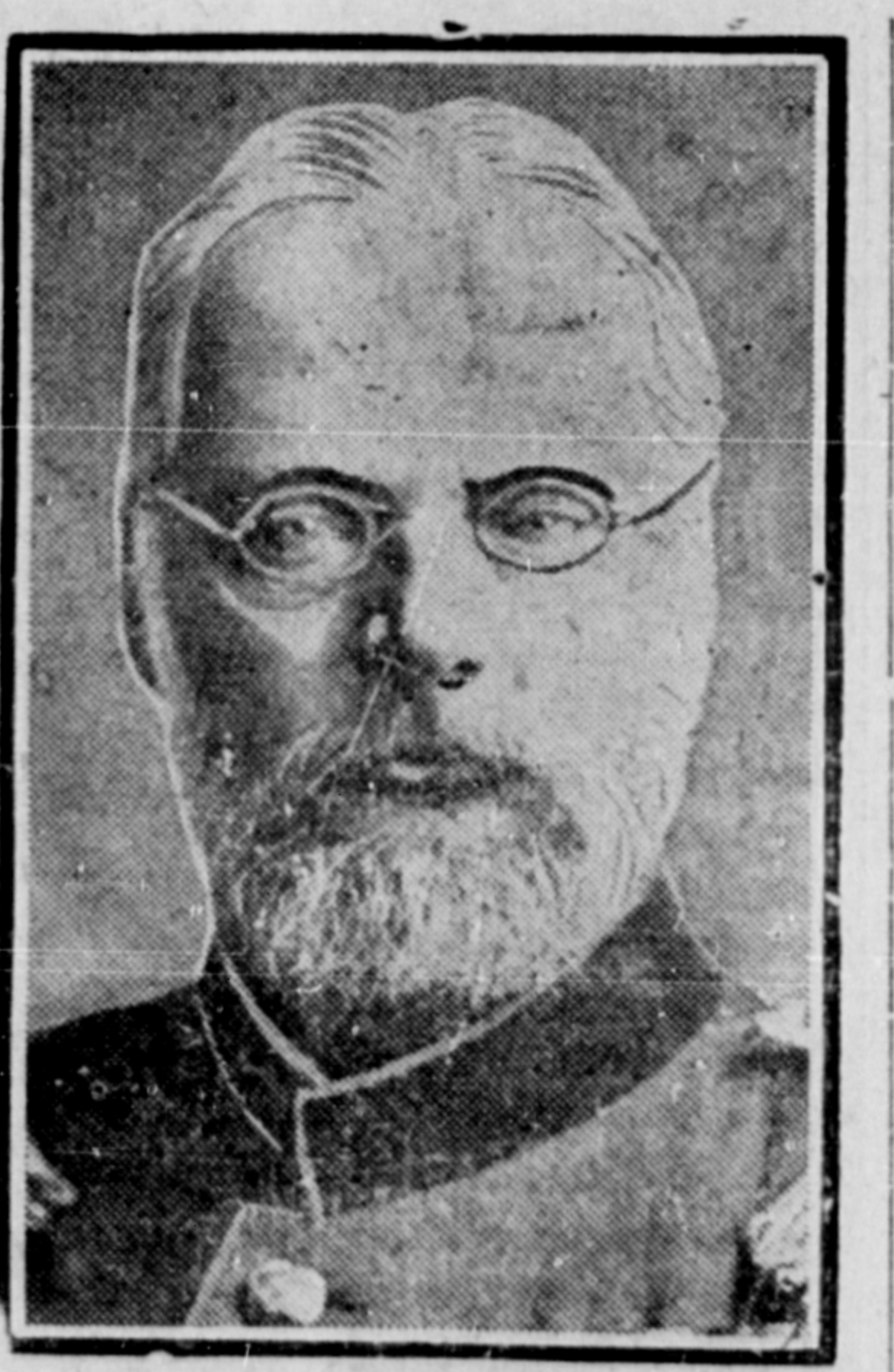
The Empress was stationary in the dense fog. The Norwegian collier Storstad, inbound with a Nova Scotia cargo, plunged through the fog and almost cut the Empress in two. The Storstad picked up a few of the survivors, proceeding to Quebec.

Over twenty passengers died after reaching the shore.

The disaster has thrown a pall over the house of commons. Premier Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier have expressed their sympathy. Sir Wilfrid has asked the house to make a searching enquiry into the conditions causing the disaster.

Rimouski, Que., May 30.—Sinking in ninety feet of water fifteen minutes after being rammed amidships in the upper reaches of the St. Lawrence river early yesterday, the C. P. R. liner Empress of Ireland carried down with her more than 900 of her passengers and crew. Of the 1,367 persons on board only 433 are known to have been saved, making the probable death list 934. The Danish collier Storstad crashed her bow on the side of the big Canadian liner, striking her about midway of her length and ripping her wide open clear to the stern.

The crash occurred not far



COMMISSIONER REES
One of Salvation Army officers drowned in Empress wreck.

from the shore off Father Point, 150 miles from Quebec. Immediately the ship's crew had recovered from the shock of the collision and it was seen that the liner had received a fatal blow, a wireless "S. O. S." call was sounded. The hurried prayer of the sea was picked up by the government mail tender Lady Evelyn here and the government pilot boat Eureka at Father Point, both of which sailed to the rescue. So deep was the wound of the Empress, however, and so fast the inrush of waters, that long before either of the rescue boats could reach the scene, the liner had gone down.

Only floating wreckage and a few lifeboats and rafts from the steamer, buoying up less than a third of those who had set sail on her, were to be found. The rest had sunk with the liner, had been crushed to death in the Storstad's impact with her, or had been forced from exhaustion and exposure in the ice-chilled northern waters to loose their hold on bits of wreckage that had supported them, and were drowned. Only a few persons were picked up by the Storstad.

There was a dense fog in the vicinity and the Empress was standing practically still awaiting the lifting of it to allow safe navigation of the river. In the dense fog she was barely making headway, only enough to maintain her position.

Apparently the Storstad, coal-laden, came at full speed and came into collision, hitting the Empress on the port side. Coming at the speed she did, she tore the Empress almost open from the middle aft.

The impact caused the Empress to list to starboard. She never recovered from this, it is said. In a very few minutes she went down. The tops of the funnels of the big steamer are visible above the water at low tide.

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which was badly crippled herself by the collision, and these were brought here by the collier, together with those saved by the Eureka and the Evelyn.

Twenty-two of the rescued died from injury or exposure. The others, many of whom had jumped in the boats or plunged into the water scantily clad, were freely given such clothing as the town could supply, and later those who were able to travel were placed on board a train and started for Quebec, where they arrived last night.

Levis, May 29.—The corrected list of passengers and crew that were aboard the Canadian Pacific steamer Empress of Ireland, which was wrecked at the entrance to the River St. Lawrence early this morning, shows that there were 1,367 on board at the time of the disaster. Of these, 934 are not accounted for and are expected to be all among the lost. There are 396 arriving here of the survivors, while there are 37 survivors left at Rimouski.

Montreal, May 29.—Late advice received here regarding the terrible disaster that overtook the outbound steamer Empress of Ireland, which, with her sister ship the Empress of Britain, was the pride of the Canadian Pacific company, indicates that there was very little chance left to the unfortunate victims to escape. The accident occurred at an early hour in the morning when practically all were in their beds.

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