

Fishermen Treated For Frost-bite After 39-Hour Ordeal In Small Row Boat

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LIVERPOOL, N.S. (CP)—A fisherman blinded by salt spray regained his sight Monday but one of four comrades on a harrowing 100-mile row through the North Atlantic was in danger of losing parts of his badly frozen hands.

Queen's General Hospital said Amos Boucher, 59, of Port La Tour was in the worst condition of the five who stumbled ashore from their open dory near here Sunday night after a 39-hour row from the spot where the fishing vessel Irma and Rog II sank beneath them.

Doctors said Grant Low, 46, of Reynoldsburg joyfully discovered he could see again when he opened his eyes Monday morning after his first sleep since early Friday when the Irma and Rog II went down with 25,000 pounds of fish jammed in her hold.

Boucher froze both hands and doctors said it might become necessary to amputate one or two fingers.

Captain Gives His Story of Long Struggle

LIVERPOOL, N.S. (CP)—Capt. Robey Hatfield described Monday the sinking of the fishing vessel Irma and Rog II and the exhausting struggle of her five-man crew to reach shore, 32 miles distant, in an open dory.

"I came off watch about 3:15 Friday morning and ordered two crew members awake to clear the bilges. Then I went below to get a cup of coffee.

"I noticed water coming in over the fore floor in the cabin and that was the first indication I got that anything was wrong.

"I immediately ordered two men to bail and two more to get the dory ready to cast off.

"Irma filled up so fast from then on we couldn't even get a radio message away. Fact is, we couldn't even grab any of our personal gear. I managed to yank the compass off the binnacle before I went over the side.

"We put the dory off and she started filling immediately. We had to eat a sailing diet or our plans. So I sent one man back on board Irma—she was sinking fast now—and he grabbed a bale of cotton.

"We used that to cork the inside seams of the dory and stopped her leaking. He got some balling dishes from the Irma on the vessel, too.

"HEAVY SEAS

"We stood by her in the dory until daylight. The seas were pretty heavy and the wind mighty high. We thought we saw a dragger off in the distance come daylight, so we pulled for that.

"It turned out to be our own wheelhouse, ripped off and adrift after Irma broke up.

"Then we just drifted around until the seas died down some. I set a course for land. Under way, one man bailed while the other four rowed.

"Irma sank stern first. Once she was gone there was nothing but the sea and the sky. On Saturday, a plane passed over us. Saturday night another plane came over and dropped a flare. Same night an oil tanker passed close by us.

"SHE OUTRAN AND YELLED

"I shouted and hollered our guts out. We stuck our clothes on oars and waved 'em like flags. We got too hoarse to speak. The tanker passed by without any sign they'd seen us.

"He said the five made Fort Mouton late Saturday but heavy seas which threatened to smash the dory to splinters made them put seaward reluctantly.

"At 6 p.m. Sunday they raised land again at McLeod's Cove and staggered ashore.



Four Sets Of Twins In Alberton School

Although twins are not uncommon, Alberton school has the distinction of having four sets of twin boys presently attending the lower grades. They are (left to right): Austin and Joseph O'Meara, age 9, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Claude O'Meara; Allan and Arthur McCrae, age 9, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCrae; Brian and Barry Campbell, age 7, sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Don Campbell; and Gordon and Gary Morrell, age 10, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Morrell, all of Alberton. Brian and Barry Campbell have the added distinction of being leap year babies and will celebrate their second birthday Feb. 29th, 1956, when they will be eight years old.

Delaney-Breau Wedding

—St. Paul's Church was the scene of a pretty wedding yesterday morning at 10:00 o'clock, when Barbara Ann, daughter of Mrs. Mark Delaney and the late Dr. Delaney, became the bride of George Phillip Breau, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Breau of Edmuntston, N.B.

The altar was appropriately decorated for the occasion. Rt. Rev. G. J. MacLellan, V.G., performed the double ring ceremony. Mr. Gabriel Chaisson was in charge of the wedding music accompanied Mr. Reginald MacLellan as he sang Schubert's Ave Maria, Pange Angelicus and other suitable hymns during the Nuptial Mass.

Given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Carroll Delaney, the bride was charming in her wedding gown of white lace over satin, featuring a high neckline and lily point sleeves. The billowy skirt was waltz-length. The finger-ring veil was held in place by a Juliet cap with seed pearl and sequin trim, and she carried a cascade bouquet of Aristocrat roses.

Miss Josephine Greencorn, R.N., of Halifax, N.S., as bridesmaid, was gowned in ice blue lace over taffeta with matching halo and gloves. She carried a bouquet of Queen Elizabeth roses.

Mr. Miles Myles of Edmuntston, N.B., was groomsmen and Messrs Richard Wedge and Mark Delaney were ushers.

Mrs. Delaney chose for her daughter's wedding a suit of dusky rose with pink necktie and navy accessories. Her corsage was of Queen Elizabeth roses. The groom's mother was with matching accessories and fun. Her corsage was of Better Time roses.

A reception, following the ceremony was held at Mulberry Lodge for 40 guests. The bride's table, with its artistic arrangement of white and yellow mums and lighted tapers, centered a three-tier wedding cake topped with a miniature bride and groom. Mr. Mills proposed the toast to the bride to which the groom responded.

For a honeymoon trip by plane to Montreal and Ottawa, the bride changed to a suit of fawn tweed with matching top coat and navy accessories. On return they will reside in Inverness County, N.S., where the groom who has a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology with the Department of Geology. Prior to her marriage, the bride was nursing instructor in the Children's Hospital, Halifax, N.S.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Breau, Mr. and Mrs. Roderick Breau of Edmuntston, N.B., Mrs. Gloria Deagle of Port Kent, Maine, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Delaney and children of Saint John, N.B., Misses Mae Burton, R.N., Miss Mae Burton, R.N., Miss G. Grant, R.N.; Miss Noreen Best, R.N.; Miss Irene Ryan, R.N.; and Miss Mary Knox of Halifax, N.S.

Alberton Town Council Meeting

—Mayor H. E. Barbour presided and Councillors Nicholson, Hardy, Bonyman, Burke and Matthews were in attendance at the regular meeting of Alberton Town Council last night.

Correspondence was read and filed. Bills amounting to \$269.15 were approved and ordered paid.

The court report was presented by Magistrate C. R. Profit and showed three drunks convicted and fined \$10.00 and costs each during the month.

Following discussion of street conditions in the town, it was agreed that all clay roads be graded as soon as dry enough.

Chief Engineer On Abegweit Is Injured

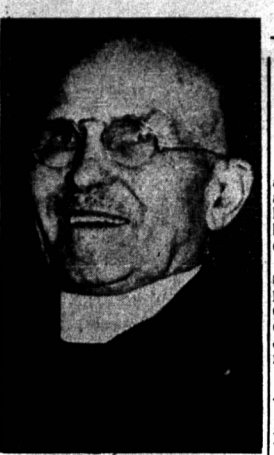
Mr. Don MacPherson, chief engineer of the car ferry Abegweit had a narrow escape from death or at least serious injury late yesterday afternoon when a heavy iron grating fell about 20 feet to the lower deck where he was standing. The metal grating struck a glancing blow, inflicting a nasty head injury, and he was rushed by ambulance to the Prince County Hospital where his injury was found to be not as serious as was at first feared. His condition last evening was reported as good.

Holman's Program To Modernize S'ide Spire Underway

Holman's Food Market, which evolved from the outdated Grocery Department, has met with such popular acceptance that the present space has proven to be too cramped and inadequate for efficient customer requirements and services. Work is starting today to prepare a brand new Holman Super Food Market to be located in the space now occupied by the 5 and 10 Department. This will give a bright, spacious, easy-to-shop-in Holman Super Market where all customer food needs may be purchased pleasantly and to the best advantage.

The present Holman 5 and 10 Department is to be consolidated and moved to a more central place and will be located in the space now occupied by the Holman Food Market, where it will offer to the public the budget priced merchandise for which it has always been noted.

The Holman Nickel Bar is to be dismantled and stored until such time as the planned permanent location is ready for it. Much as R. T. Holman Limited regrets the curtailment of the customer service furnished by the Nickel Bar, it has been found necessary to make this sacrifice at the present time in order to carry out Holman's long range modernization plan, so that in future years the public of Prince Edward Island will have unlimited service and satisfactory shopping from the Island's Department Store—R. T. Holman Limited.



Celebrates Birthday

Rev. George Ayres, a retired clergyman, was guest of honor at his home in Summerside last evening at the dinner hour by a number of friends who gathered to congratulate and extend best wishes on his 88th birthday. The rooms were profusely decorated with spring flowers and Mr. L. R. Allen, master of ceremonies, called upon Mrs. Chesley Robertson to read a humorous poem which had been composed especially for this occasion. A presentation was made by Mr. L. R. Allen, various games were enjoyed and a sing-song with Mrs. L. M. Calbeck as accompanist was much appreciated, as were the vocal solos by Mr. George Johnson. Among the out-of-town guests were Rev. C. H. Johnson of Moncton, N.B., Mr. and Mrs. George Ayres and Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson of Charlottetown. The happy evening concluded with a prayer by Rev. C. A. Johnson and the benediction by Rev. George Ayres. —(Photo by Wotton)

First A-Power Station May Be On Ottawa River

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's first atomic power station may be built at or near the site of the Ontario Quebec village of Des Joachims. It is 38 miles directly upstream from Pembroke, Ont., and some 35 miles by road from Chalk River, site of Canada's atomic energy plant.

The electricity-producing atomic reactor will be built jointly by Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd., which operates the Chalk River plant, Ontario hydro and the Canadian General Electric Co. at a cost of between \$13,000,000 and \$15,000,000. It is not expected to generate electricity economically but its operation will provide information required for later construction of economic plants. Design of the plant now is in progress.

"The question of a site now is being discussed by AECL and Ontario hydro," a government source said. "It is expected that the Des Joachims location will be selected. A final decision is expected shortly."

Location of the experimental reactor at Chalk River would enable Ontario hydro to feed power directly into an existing system. Any power interruptions or low-load operation of the plant also would not affect distribution of power by the Des Joachims system.

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Donald.

Mr. and Mrs. James Johnston were recent guests at the home of Mrs. Johnston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Mountain.

The many friends of Mrs. John E. Mountain are glad to know she is feeling much better after her recent illness.

An epidemic of Virus 'Flu' has struck this district, the latest victims being Mr. John P. Wallace and son George, who have been very ill for the past two weeks.

Mr. Gerard Kelley, teacher of Roseville is spending part of his Easter holidays at the home of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dunn and family prior to his going to Charlottetown on Monday to attend the teachers' convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Skerry and family of Alma have moved to South Kildare, occupying the home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Hanson Oliver and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanson Oliver and family, South Kildare have taken up residence in Summerside. Mr. Oliver intends working for the same company in Summerside as he worked for in Alberton.

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DISCHARGED MONDAY

Low and Capt. Robey Hatfield, 47-year-old Second World War navy veteran, were discharged from hospital late Monday. The hospital attributed Low's temporary blindness to shock and the stinging spray that lashed the men for hours on end.

Ferdinand Lloyd, 44, who spent four years in a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp, and Aubrey Nickerson, 23, probably will be released from hospital today. Nickerson, of Port La Tour, froze one hand, Lloyd, of Wood's Harbor, had a frozen foot.

The ocean dumped the frail dory at the foot of the only road for five miles along the coast. The road was bulldozed through to the shore by the U.S. Navy last year when it was operating a radio testing station there.

Low's companions left him lying on the beach because they were too weak from hunger and exposure to carry him. They exhumed a milk can and a half to the home of Clyde Smith at St. Catherine's River.

ALBERTON

The Smiths fed the men, put them to bed and called the RCMP and Dr. James MacLeod from Liverpool. The doctor and the police struggled through "mud up to your knees" along the makeshift road and brought Low back to the house with a horse and wagon.

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Friends of Mrs. George Killen of Alberton, who is a patient in the Stewart Memorial Health Centre at Tyne Valley, are pleased to learn there is some slight improvement in her condition.

Personal

—Miss Dorothy MacPhee, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. MacPhee, Summerside, left by plane last Thursday to spend the Easter holidays with friends in Montreal.

—Mrs. William M. Horton and daughter, Ann Louise, Kentville, N.S., are spending the Easter holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Parkman, Summerside.

—Dr. E. E. Parkman, Summerside, who has been a patient in the Prince County Hospital for some days is now out again and has resumed his professional duties. His many friends extend a wish that he will continue to improve in good health.

—Mr. Melville Bell, DeSable, was over night guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Strang, Amherst, N.S., enroute to Wolfville, N.S., to bring the following students home: his daughter, Diana Bell; Bobby MacWilliams, Cape Traverse; Joan Culliffe and Gordon Dawson of Augustine Cove.

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Albert Woolston, last living veteran of the Northern armies in the Civil War, recently celebrated his one hundred and seventh birthday.

Perhaps the most seaworthy craft afloat are those flat-bottomed, double-ended dories about 16 feet long. This type of craft has been rowed and sailed across the Atlantic many times.

From Gloucester's beginning as a fishing port until the present time, more than 1000 of her vessels and 8,000 of her fishermen have been lost at sea.

People in the Persian gulf still use great hand blown bottles, each containing three to five gallons of a fruit juice used for flavoring tea. These are encased in wicker jackets to prevent breakage from handling.

Development of the cultured pearl has all but put the once famous pearling fleet out of business. For example, in 1900 the pearling fleet numbered 600 vessels; today only a few visit the Persian Gulf banks.

The mighty Pacific Ocean covers one-third of the surface of the globe, and some 20,000 islands dot its water. Many of these islands serve as supply and refueling points for ships and planes.

Remote Pacific Islands play important roles in today's Atomic Age.

The deepest water known to man was discovered four years ago in the Western Pacific, between the islands of Guam and Yap. It took 1 1/2 hours to reach the bottom nearly seven miles below the surface.

sault (Catherine Calbeck); 2. Freetown, Alberta Reeves.

SECOND PERIOD

3-Dunk River, Noreen Gaudet, (Eleanor Gaudet).

THIRD PERIOD

4-Dunk River, Noreen Gaudet; 5. Freetown, Mary Rogers.

Five penalties were handed out by referees Eustace Reeves and Leo Duvar, Jr., four of them to Dunk River.

Lineups:—

Freetown: Goal, M. Bagdole; defence, Reeves, MacEachern, F. Reeves; forwards, E. Reeves, Rogers, Jardine, Mallett, Hatfield.

Dunk River: Goal, G. Murray; defence, E. Bradshaw, E. Rayner, S. Perry, G. Rayner; forwards, C. Calbeck, J. Folland, N. Gaudet, S. Arsenault.

Soccer Results

LONDON (AP) — Wolverhampton Wanderers nosed out Aston Villa 1-0 Monday and cut idle Chelsea's lead in English League First Division soccer standings to five points.

Halfback Ron Flowers got the Wolves goal three minutes from the final whistle—a goal that kept the Wolves in the championship race with only three weeks to the end of the season.

After setting the pace nearly all season, Wolverhampton slumped about three weeks ago and Chelsea moved to the top of the division. Now Chelsea, with only three games to play, leads with 49 points from 39 matches. The second-place Wolves have 44 points with five matches remaining.

Monday's matches almost wove up the gruelling Easter program of three league games in four days for most teams. A few matches are scheduled for today, including a return game between Wolverhampton and Aston Villa.

Manchester City's hopes of completing the double—the league championship and the Football Association Cup—suffered a blow when West Bromwich Albion defeated the cup finalists 2-1. Manchester is fourth with 48 points from 38 games.

The other cup finalist, Newcastle United, followed its 5-0 rout of Sheffield Wednesday on Saturday with a 4-0 drubbing of Everton. Winger Bobbie Mitchell (2) and inside forward Jackie Milburn (2) were goal-getters. Newcastle and Manchester meet in the cup final May 7.

Arsenal, struggling near the foot of the First Division two months ago, continued its revival with a 2-1 away victory at Cardiff. Inside forwards Jimmy Bloomfield and Doug Lishman scored the goals that moved the London club into fifth place.

LONDON (Reuters)—Results of soccer games played Monday in

Frontenacs Protest Game

QUEBEC (CP) — Coach Phil Watson formally protested Monday a Memorial Cup semi-final game of the Quebec Frontenacs lost to Toronto Mariboros here Sunday, claiming Toronto's Gerry James deliberately tried to injure two Quebec players during the game and wasn't penalized enough for it.

Notice of the protest was given in a telegram to W. A. (Baldy) George of Kenntville, Ont., Canadian Amateur Hockey Association president.

Quebec led the game 6-0 and trail Toronto 2-1 in games in the best-of-seven series with one game tied.

Dunk River Girls Win Trophy

—The Dunk River Sisters scored a 3-2 win over the Freetown Royal Sisters at Bedeque rink Saturday night, April 9th to win the Arthur Murray Trophy. The Dunk River Sisters lost only one game this year and previous to this series defeated the New Annapolis Sisters by a total score of 13 to 5 in a two-game total goal round.

Ice conditions were poor but the Dunk River girls controlled the play throughout. After the game the Bedeque rink was closed after a most successful season.

FIRST PERIOD—1-Dunk River, Shirley Arsenault; 2-Freetown, Shirley Arsenault.

SECOND PERIOD—1-Dunk River, Shirley Arsenault; 2-Freetown, Shirley Arsenault.

THIRD PERIOD—1-Dunk River, Shirley Arsenault; 2-Freetown, Shirley Arsenault.

Western Guardian

KENSINGTON Legion. There will be a special Legion meeting Tuesday, April 12th at 8 p.m. All members please attend.

—ANNUAL Easter tea-bazaar and home cooking in St. Mark's Hall, Kensington, Wednesday, April 13th, 3:30 to 6:00 p.m.

—SPRING FASHION SHOW, Regent Hall, Summerside, April 13th, 3 and 5 p.m. Aid of Prince County Hospital. Admission 50c. Prizes to be drawn for.

—FIRE ALARM — An alarm at 329 Willow Avenue was responded to by Summerside firemen last evening at five o'clock at the home of Mrs. Neil Durant where it was found that a chest-of-drawers had become ignited. It was removed to the front lawn and extinguished with a chemical pump and the only damage to the interior of the house was that caused by smoke.

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