

## DOGGED BY BAD LUCK

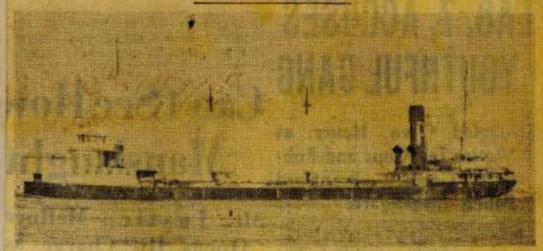
A jonah has ridden the freighter, Steel King, on her winter shuttle route in coal trade between Toledo, O., and River Rouge, Mich. Recently returned to the route after an enforced lay-off, ill-luck descended upon her with redoubled vicious-ness. One of her crew was killed in a winch accident at Toledo, and a few hours later Detroit river ice ripped her bow plates so badly that she had to be run aground to avoid sinking in deeper water.

CAUGHT AGAIN

When the rent in her hull was repaired temporarily and frapped with a mattress and tarpaulin, the tug Atomic freed her and towed her to her River Rouge dock. Just 24 hours later the freighter ran into another ice jam and had to be freed by the rescue tug which then steamed away to free another winter shuttle vessel, the James

Watt, which was helpless in river ice. Both carriers belong to the Nichoson Transit Co. fleet.

## Missing Novadoc's Captain Sailor Since Age Of Twelve



S.S. Novadoc



Capt. A. J. Vallis

ONTREAL, March 6 - (CP)-Captain Allan J. Vallis, the Montreal master of the Canadian freighter Novadoc now missing for four days off the New England coast, is a native of Ramea, Newfoundland.

He went to sea at the age of 12 and engaged in cod fishing on the Grand Banks.

Capt. Vallis, now 52 years old, received his master's papers at the age of 26. During the First Great War he served in Canada with the army.

In the last war he served mostly in the Caribbean area. awarded the OBE in 1945 for service as captain of the Port of Trinidad in the British West Indies from 1942 to

His son. Allan S. Vallis, third mate on the Novadoc, served with his father during the last war. Another son, George, served with the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve. Arthur, 20, is attending school here. Capt. Vallis also has three daughters living at home.

A revised list of the crew was made known by the Patterson Steam-shi company's Montreal office. It contained all 24 names of the crew.

In its revised list the company de-leted the name of Fireman Charles Holmes, of Port Wade, N.S., who had been included in an earlier list. William Morgan, of Digby, N.S., was



Chief Engineer James Ash

Master, Allan J. Vallis, Montreal; first mate, John N. Crewe, Montreal; second mete, Allan S. Vallis, Montreal; third mate, Bernard Palement, Verdun. Que,

Wheelsmen, Frank Bates, Montreal; Angus Larsen, Windsor, N.S.; Jack Cossar, Montreal.

Chief engineer, James Ash, Oak Ridges, Ont.; second engineer, William Christie, Paisley, Ont.

Windsor, Oilers-Gerald Rafuse, N.S.; Roderick McLean, Glen Robert-son. Ont.; Alex Tischart, Glen Robertson.

Firemen-Robert Vroom, Brook, N.S.; William Morgan, Digby, N.S.; J. Francis, Smith's Cove, N.S.; Sherman Higgins, Bear River,

Cook, Mrs. Margaret Eady, Admaston, Ont.; second cook, Mrs. Angus Larsen, Windsor, N.S.

Seamen-Lloyd Rice, Morganville, N.S.; Chipman Rice, Morganville, N.S.; William Francis, Smith's Cove, N.S.; James Vroom, Deep Brook, N.S.; Gerald Porter, Hillgrove, N.S.;

Ralph Peters, Rossay, N.S.

James Rankin Ash, 49, chief engineer, is the son of William Henry
Ash, Oak Ridges, North York Township. He started sailing in 1918 on the Great Lakes and obtained his chief engineer's papers in 1934 During the war he was in Atlantic coastwise service and came through without seeing a German submarine. The family settled in the Oa' Ridges district in the early 1800's.