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May 1896
Many were traveling across Point Ellice to attend the celebration for Queen Victoria’s birthday. Point Ellice Bridge collapsed under weight of streetcars causing 55 deaths.

January 1901
Queen Victoria dies after a lengthy period of poor health and a ceremony is held to announce her son, Edward VII, as the new king.

July 1914
A group of people from British India attempted to emigrate to Canada in 1914, but were ordered by immigration officials to deport because they had not come by continuous journey from India and did not have the requisite amount of money. After putting up a fight for two months, the ship finally turned around and departed to Asia on July 23, 1914.

October 1940
Wait for Me, Daddy, the famously known photo, was taken by Claude P. Dettloff while The British Columbia Regiment marched down to New Westminster to board a waiting ship to their “secret” destination. In the photo, a child is shown breaking from his mother and running to join his father.

October 1962
The Columbus Day Storm of 1962, originally known as Typhoon Freda, was an intense windstorm that struck the West Coast of Canada and the Pacific Northwest Coast of the United States.

June 1994
Riots took place in Downtown Vancouver following Game 7 of the Stanley Cup Finals in which the Vancouver Canucks lost to the New York Rangers. Rioters went on to deface and damage downtown property while city police looked for a way to control the large crowd.
The Province Vancouver (1894-2010)
Formerly a broadsheet, The Province later became a tabloid and is one of two major daily newspapers in British Columbia. The Province has been known as a vital part of the community since its beginning in 1898 covering various social movements in Vancouver including labor strikes, first-wave feminism, moral reform, temperance, and alcohol prohibition. The newspaper has also reported on world issues that have affected Vancouver, such as Vancouver’s seaport’s competitiveness as a major international port for global trade after the opening of the Panama Canal, and the “evacuating” of Japanese Canadians from the West Coast after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

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