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ONLY ONE SURVIVOR

Czarina Going to Pieces Rapidly

MEN LASHED TO MAST

Those Few of the Crew Still Alive Are Lashed to the Rigging—Life Boats Fail to Reach the Doomed Ship.

(Special to The Evening News.)

Marshfield, Or., Jan. 13.—A raging sea has claimed nearly all of the twenty-five men aboard the steamer Czarina when she headed out from Coos Bay yesterday, and those who have withstood the exposure of cold and storm that has swept the sea and land in the past night and day are lashed to the mast. Whether all of those in the rigging of the ill fated steamer are alive is a matter of conjecture, but it is believed that possibly three of them may live through the storm and may be rescued. During the course of the night the steam schooner Nan Smith, Captain Olson in command, arrived from San Francisco, and all day has been hovering around the scene of the stranded ship, hoping that a hull in the storm might occur long enough for her to take the survivors from the doomed vessel, but up to the present time the sea has been too heavy to permit of accomplishing this work and no assistance has been rendered. While the men at the mast cannot be fully identified, it is believed that they are Captain Dugar, Harold Mills, Second Mate McNichols, Purser Hedges. It is thought that Hedges has succumbed to the cold and exposure, but that the others are still alive.

Captain Olson, of the Nan Smith, who is trying to get near enough to render aid to the imperiled men is well known up and down the coast for his bravery and undaunted courage in the face of great danger, such as confronts him in the work he is now undertaking, and he will leave nothing undone that may be the means of saving the men on the stranded steamer.

All night long friends and relatives of the men on the Czarina patrolled the beach, anxiously watching for signs of life from the steamer, and keeping lights on beacon fires burning brightly as a means of encouragement to the sailors lashed to the mast and over whom the heavy seas were washing. Although close watch was maintained only one body came ashore, and that was in a frightful condition. The entrails of another man were washed ashore, and to them was fastened a big iron bolt, upon which the sailor had evidently been disemboweled.

So far only one man has come ashore alive, and he was nearly dead from exposure when picked up. This survivor is Harry Kentzel, first assistant engineer. Others who have either been swept to their death or are still lashed to the doomed vessel are Captain C. Dugan, First Mate James Hughes, Oiler J. H. Robinson, Fireman C. C. Thompson, Coal Passers L. Bilboa, J. Martinez, A. Puentam, C. Ortero, and A. Valdez. In addition to these men there were on board three members of the steward's department and eight sailors, whose names are known only to headquarters in San Francisco.

Marshfield, Or., Jan. 13.—Out of reach of the lifesaving crew and clinging desperately to the ice covered and scant rigging of the parting hull of the steamer Czarina, three men were visible with the aid of glasses as darkness settled tonight over the scene of the wreck.

For an hour or more as the heavy seas broke over the vessel men were seen to drop from the rigging into the angry water.

Shortly after 9 o'clock, one man, Henry Kentzel, second assistant engineer, drifted near enough in the surf to be picked up by the lifesaving boat. He was unconscious when found, and too weak to speak.

Among the anxious throng which lines the shore near the jetty is C. J. Mills, whose son, Harold, was among

those aboard the ill fated steamer as she left out of the harbor this afternoon. Piteful was the plight of the father as the lifesavers time and again shot a line to the sinking vessel, only to have it fall short. Late tonight all hope that young Mills and Captain Dugan will be seen again was abandoned. In all 31 lives are believed to have been taken as toll by the turbulent sea.

Man Near Aid Sinks. Shortly after dark, a man drifted near the shore, but before he could be reached he threw up his arms and disappeared. A life preserver, which had been used by one of the victims, floated off to the sand.

Scores of people are wading into the surf in the hope that survivors may yet come ashore. Captain Boyce, of the life saving crew, has not abandoned efforts to reach the wreck, and the bar tug Astoria is making an effort to reach the scene, but against the heavy breakers is helpless.

Late in the evening the wireless got into communication with the steamer Queen off shore, and she started for the doomed vessel, but it is feared her arrival will be too late to render assistance.

Terrific Sea Strikes. Plying between Coos Bay and San Francisco, with coal and oil, the Czarina, shortly after leaving Marshfield this afternoon, went ashore on the north spit of Coos Bay bar.

The steamer started to sea shortly after noon, just as the tide began to ebb. The sea was rough outside, but the bar was apparently smooth, the lumber steamer Redondo having just crossed out ahead of the Czarina.

Midway out a tremendous sea struck the Czarina, and, according to eye witnesses, swept away the bridge. Captain Dugan is thought to have been carried overboard with the bridge and possibly others. Apparently the southwest storm that had been approaching the coast had just struck her and the Czarina shipped 20 or 30 heavy seas in rapid succession, but kept ahead.

Crew Taken to Rigging. Just as she passed beyond the end of North Jetty she appeared to stop and was swung around toward the north spit and soon was in the breakers. The crew made a valiant struggle, and succeeded in working out to the last row of breakers, where they either cast anchor or she struck and went aground.

An ebbing tide swung her broadside to the seas and soon she began to be driven back into the breakers. Many of the crew apparently took to the rigging as heavy seas washed over her. Meanwhile the life saving station and bar tug Astoria were making futile efforts to reach her but were driven back by the fury of the storm. Too far to shoot a lifeline to the wreck, the lifesavers and others were helpless to lend aid. With glasses they saw breaker after breaker sweep the rigging and carry away the men hanging to the ropes. The wireless, late in the afternoon got into communication with the steamer Queen off shore and she started to come to render aid, but it is feared she will be too late.

The Brandon life saving crew also started here in hope that some of those aboard the Czarina might weather the storm until the fury passed and the life boats could reach them. When darkness came, only a part of one mast appeared standing, and half a dozen men clinging to it, appeared to be all left aboard.

The Czarina's lifeboats were swept away by the first seas that struck her and the men aboard had no means of trying for the shore except to swim and the sea around the vessel was too rough for even the most daring to try. From all that can be gathered the men at the life saving station think the first seas that struck the vessel shifted her cargo and probably damaged the steering gear, eliminating all chances of getting to sea after she was swung around by the waves and washed ashore.

Special wire received by The Evening News at 4:15 this afternoon states that the Czarina is a total wreck, and that it is impossible to render any assistance to the men who are lashed to the rigging, and all hope of their being rescued is abandoned, as it is believed the vessel will soon go to pieces.

PASSENGER WRECK ON GEORGIA ROAD

(Special to The Evening News.)

Columbus, Ga., Jan. 13.—A passenger train wreck occurred near Sulphur Springs this morning on the Seaboard air line, and two coaches were overturned. The extent of the accident has not yet been learned, but it is said that several persons were badly injured. Wrecking trains have been sent to the scene of the derailing.

MANY MARRIAGES.

That "prosperity" reigned throughout Douglas county during the year 1909 could be no better evidenced than by the number of marriage licenses issued, a total of 150 having been recorded from January 1, 1909 to December 31, 1909. During the year 1908 there were but 112 licenses issued, or a decrease of 38 when compared with the year 1909. Most of these licenses were issued to residents of Douglas county, a few non residents having made application.

ROSEBURG RAILWAY

Northern Pacific Interests Acquire Property.

INFORMATION RELIABLE

Purchase Includes Large Landed Interests and Valuable Water Front Properties on Coos Bay—3 Per Cent Grade

For several months there has been much railroad speculation in Southern Oregon, and the presence of the gangs of surveyors at work between this city and Coos Bay has given color to the stories afloat. Just who is back of the enterprise has been the mooted question, and whether or not the parties were able to build and equip the road, or whether the survey was simply a scheme to secure valuable right of ways to be used, later, for speculative purposes, has been the subject of much consideration and speculation. A news item in yesterday's Oregon Journal, which is doubtless authentic, throws light on the proposition, and gives information that will be gladly welcomed by everybody in Southern Oregon, and particularly will those people living in Coos and Douglas counties be glad that the work of building this line has fallen into the hands of the Hill interests, because they are railroad builders and will push the enterprise to early completion. The Journal says:

"Within 60 days the Northern Pacific Railroad company will have completed the purchase of the holdings of the Oregon Coal & Navigation company on Coos Bay, contiguous to Marshfield. This information is given upon best authority.

"The Oregon Coal & Navigation company owns 3,000 acres on Coos Bay and the teamer Plant, which runs between Coos Bay and San Francisco. The company's properties consist principally of coal lands. The company also owns valuable water frontage at Marshfield.

"By its purchase the Northern Pacific (James J. Hill) acquires entry into Marshfield over what is termed the Boise-Roseburg survey. This survey, engineers claim, does not exceed a 3 per cent grade between Roseburg and Marshfield.

"One of the firm of Porter Bros., will visit Coos Bay within 30 days to investigate conditions before the purchase is completed.

"Senator Perkins, of California, is president of the Oregon Coal & Navigation company."

BLACK HILLS MINES CLOSING DOWN

(Special to The Evening News.)

Deadwood, S. D., Jan. 13.—A shut down of thirteen of the largest mines in the Black Hills district has been announced and the owners say that they will wage bitter and relentless war against union labor in that section. Eight hundred men were

thrown out of employment by this order, which went into effect this morning. In addition to this number are those who were deprived of work at the time the Homestake mine suspended operations a month ago.

INSANE BECAUSE MAN HUGGED HER

(Special to The Evening News.)

Keokuk, Ia., Jan. 13.—Lillie Nygren, 20 years of age, has been committed to the hospital for the insane. The cause of the young woman's mental collapse is said to be from the fact that her friends persisted in teasing her because she was hugged by a young man. Miss Nygren was employed at a local factory, and during the noon hour one day some few days ago the employees were engaged in a frolic when the young lady was seized by one of the young men and, much against her will, was hugged. Constant badgering on the part of her factory friends began, and not realizing the serious results that were to follow, this teasing was continued until yesterday, when the victim of the joke became mentally unbalanced, and today was sent to the asylum.

CITIZENS OF PAISLEY TAKE TO THE HILLS

(Special to The Evening News.)

Lake View, Or., Jan. 13.—Three hundred inhabitants of Paisley, 45 miles north of the city, are homeless today as a result of an ice jam in the Chevancau river. Ever since January 1, at the time the cold weather set in, a dangerous condition has existed, but not until yesterday did the water back up to a great extent. The ice jam holds the water in the river and the flood has backed up and flooded the streets of Paisley to a depth of five feet. The population was forced to flee to high land for safety. Considerable suffering is being experienced by the people from the flooded districts.

COURT ORDERS.

It is ordered that an allowance of \$5 per month be made to Henry Norton.

In the matter of the petition of the Northern Pacific railroad company for the cancellation of assessment of the NE 1/4 of section 34-23-10; NW 1/4 of section 34-23-10; SW 1/4 of section 34-23-10, and it appearing that the aforesaid lands were inadvertently assessed upon the tax rolls for the year 1909, order that the sheriff and tax collector have cancelled and stricken from said tax rolls for the year 1909.

In the matter of the formation of a new road district on Elk Creek at Drew, ordered that said district be formed and shall be numbered 60, said lines to conform to plat submitted.

In the matter of a change in the boundaries of road districts Nos. 40 and 42, ordered that the following boundaries be and the same is hereby adopted.

In the matter of the bill of Stearns & Chenoweth for \$102 for supplies furnished to road district No. 26, same is ordered paid out of the general fund, and deducted from the apportionment to be made to said road district No. 26 for the year 1910.

HARD UP FOR EVIDENCE

Heney Making Desperate Fight to Convict Hermann

DIG OUT OLD RECORDS

Henry Meldrum, Convicted of Land Fraud, Pardoned by Taft in Order That He Can Testify Against Hermann.

(Special to The Evening News.)

Portland, Jan. 13.—An avalanche of documents submerged the Binger Hermann trial today. S. B. Ormsby was on the stand and spent all the morning identifying letters which he had written to the interior department and to Mays in regard to the creation of the Blue Mountain forest reserve. Maps and letters from one department to another, letters to Commissioner Hermann, letters from Hermann to other officials have been unbound in weary succession and read into the trial records.

Taft Pardons Henry Meldrum.

By the terms of a full pardon granted by President Taft Tuesday, Henry Meldrum has been restored to citizenship. It was only by virtue of this pardon that Meldrum became a competent witness for the government against Hermann yesterday. Francis J. Heney, special prosecutor for the government, had this knowledge and realized that unless Meldrum was restored to citizenship, the ex-surveyor general would not be a qualified witness for the prosecution. Accordingly before the Hermann case was called, Heney telegraphed Attorney General Wickersham, recommending that the president pardon Meldrum, who recently completed a term at McNeill's Island for the part he played in the Oregon land frauds. The following telegram announcing that the pardon had been granted, was received by Mr. Heney Tuesday and submitted to Hermann's attorneys yesterday when they objected to Meldrum being sworn as a witness:

"Washington, Jan. 11.—Francis J. Heney, Deputy United States Attorney, Portland, Ore.; President has today pardoned Henry Meldrum to restore his civil rights. Warrant of pardon will be prepared at once and mailed to you as soon as possible. "GEORGE W. WICKERSHAM, "United States Attorney General."

DELIGHTED WITH UMPQUA VALLEY

Portland, Jan. 13.—(Special Correspondence.)—C. W. Hopkins, secretary of the Rohrrecher Automatic Air Pump company, returned yesterday from a trip to Roseburg, where he inspected his 165 acres of Umpqua Valley orchard lands purchased by him last November from W. C. Harding Land company for \$11,000. He has just received 4,800 Spitzenburg and Newton Pippin apple trees which are to be set out in 100 acres, together with 4,500 peach trees which will be set in between as fillers.

The remaining 65 acres are also to be set out in apple trees.

The quality of Umpqua Valley fruit, which he inspected last fall while here, says Mr. Hopkins, is what induced him to choose this section. The pears, especially, he says, were the finest he ever saw anywhere. And the climate of the Umpqua Valley, he avers, is better than that of any other locality in Oregon, and he has visited all sections. Umpqua Valley when developed will, in Mr. Hopkins' opinion, prove itself the most superior section in the Northwest. Mr. Hopkins contemplates the erection of a residence and otherwise improving his holdings.

EXCURSION DATE HAS BEEN FIXED

The excursionists, consisting of at least 25 of Roseburg's representative business men, will leave here on Tuesday, February 2, spending the remainder of the week at various points along the line of the Southern Pacific railroad.

Quite a number of brakemen are being employed at this division, tending to show that business is on the increase.

Harry Stapleton and wife, who went to Salem yesterday morning to attend the funeral of the former's father, are expected home tomorrow.

Mrs. Mary Brockway, who has been visiting friends at Oak Grove and Portland during the past three weeks, returned home today, and from here drove to her home at Brockway.

The members of the county court will draw the jury panel for 1910 tomorrow. Two hundred names will be selected, all of whom must reside in the county and come under the head of free holders.

Fred Schwartz, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at Mercy hospital, was discharged from that institution today. Drs. Hoover and Houtck performed the operation.

Constable Wright is investigating the state law pertaining to the employment of girls under 16 years of age today. It is said that there has been some complaint regarding such a case which is alleged to exist in the city at present. Mr. Wright, however, says that he has not been apprised of the alleged violation, but nevertheless will investigate, realising, as he does, that the laws should be obeyed to the letter.

A police signal light has been installed at the corner of Cass and Jackson streets. Anyone wishing the services of a policeman can now call up "Central," who in turn will throw a switch which controls the light. Noticing the light the policeman will call up Central and ascertain what is desired. The light will then be turned out to await the convenience of the next patron. The light is red and can be seen a long distance.

Sheriff Fenton says that Jesse Lemere, a Douglas county convict, who recently escaped from the penitentiary is still at large. From what can be learned it seems that Lemere intended leaving for Montana prior to being arrested, and the officers now entertain the belief that he is headed in that direction. Accordingly circulars have been forwarded the officials in various parts of that state.

Certain members of the county court claim that they have heard complaints in the past relative to the manner of selecting the taxmen. They allege there is no just cause for this criticism, however, inasmuch as the jurymen are drawn publicly and according to the laws as provided by the statutes. In drawing the jury tomorrow, however, for the year 1910 they urge all the attorneys to be present, thus satisfying themselves as to the procedure.

U. S. Weather Bureau, local office, Roseburg, Oregon, 24 hours ending 5 a. m., Jan. 13, 1910: Precipitation in inches and hundredths: Maximum temperature 56 Minimum temperature 34 Precipitation .91 Total precip. since first of month 60 Avg. precip. for this month for 32 years 5.79 Total precip. from Sep 1, 1909 to date 17.77 Avg. precip. from Sep. 1, 1877 16.39 Total excess from Sep. 1, 1909 1.38 Avg. precip. for 32 wet seasons 32.61 seasons (Sep. to May inc.) 33.90 WILLIAM BELLS, Observer.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT

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