

WRECK OF STEAMER CAUSES THE LOSS OF FIFTY LIVES; 30 MISSING

Alaska Crashes on Blunts Reef and Sinks in Thirty Minutes—
Heroism of Captain Remarkable—Seventeen
Bodies in Morgue Identified.

EUREKA, Aug. 8.—Forty-seven names from the passenger and crew list of the Alaska, which foundered Saturday night after striking Blunt's reef, were definitely posted today as missing. This list includes 17 of the known dead, whose bodies are in the morgue here. Of the missing, 35 were passengers and 12 members of the crew. The fatalities were caused by the explosion of the boilers as the vessel sank and by the capsizing of one boat.

The Alaska carried 132 passengers and a crew of 82 men. The steamer Anxox rescued 166 and brought them to this port. The tug Ranger recovered 17 bodies.

Among the survivors are Mrs. M. J. Albers and Mrs. J. Stone, both of Toledo, Oregon; H. Dyer and daughter Irene, aged five years, of La Grande. Irene drifted in the wreckage wearing a life-belt for eight hours. When found she was unconscious, but was soon revived. Mrs. Dyer and twins, aged six years, are missing. Among the missing are Ruth Hart of Pendleton, and Joan Fitzgerald of Marshfield.

Captain Harry Hober is believed to have gone down with the ship. A dense fog prevailed during the time of the accident.

Excellent discipline was maintained.

LISTS BEING CHECKED.
EUREKA, Aug. 8.—(United Press.)—Seventeen bodies were recovered and nine identified. The exact number of the passengers and crew aboard the Alaska is not known but has been estimated at 210 or 216. The number of survivors landed number 157 and the missing is probably 42 to 36. Attempts to check the list are now being made.

Explanation of the accident is that the Alaska's navigators lost their way in the fog and got too close to the shore. They changed their course several times. It is said the accident was unavoidable. They heard the Blunt's reef fog horn but were unable to locate it. Then the crash came, the vessel sinking in 30 minutes. Many of the survivors floated for hours in life-belts and obata before hours in life-belts and boats be-picked them up. A green crew was partially blamed for the loss of life as two of the boats upset as they were launched, throwing the occupants into the sea.

INQUEST IS HELD.
EUREKA, Aug. 8.—(By United Press.)—The inquest over the seventeen swollen and blackened bodies, lying in the Humboldt county morgue, will be concluded following further efforts to identify the eight whose identity is not known. The known dead so far are: Charles Dehn, chief steward, of Seattle; Larsen, a sailor, Portland; Frank King, San Francisco; Ralph Mockett, Red Cliff, Colorado; Thomas Johnston, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Alvin Hutchinson, San Francisco; Frank Comm, Vancouver, B. C.; C. Pickell, Los Angeles; Kunaxawa, a Japanese.

An investigation into the cause of the wreck will be made immediately. The charges of the crew's inefficiency will be thoroughly probed.

7:30 MUCH SPEED.

Accounts of the accident vary, although members of the crew and passengers declare the wreck would never have occurred if the vessel had been navigated properly. There is a feeling that the same fault drew the Alaska to her doom as drew many other vessels upon the same reef—an attempt to make too much speed, and hugging the treacherous shore-line too closely.

The fog is still covering Cape Mendocino like a blanket and the fog horns and breakers are playing a sad requiem for the vessel's loss.

RECORDS SINK WITH SHIP.
EUREKA, Aug. 8.—(Associated Press.)—While the list of dead and

minutes, between the striking on the rock and the sinking of the vessel. But without signs of disorder the passengers were helped into the lifeboats under calm direction of officers and crew, and were lowered into the water.

Captain Hober's heroic direction of the life-saving was of such a thrilling example that several men passengers stayed by him, and the women and children were taken first into the boats.

Vessel Plunges Suddenly.
The vessel slowly lifted and then righting itself suddenly plunged. An overturned lifeboat shot many passengers into the water. There was a half hour of bleak darkness with the lifeboats drifting in the blanket of fog before the siren of the rescue steamer Anxox was heard.

Captain Snoddy of the Anxox and his crew defied the treacherous of the reef in carrying on the rescue work, but it was with difficulty that the wreck victims in lifeboats and many in life preservers or clinging to drifting wreckage were found.

All through the night the rescuers worked, picking up many who had been struggling in the water, clinging to wreckage for hours.

One of the last survivors picked up was little Irene Dyer, a girl not yet in her teens, who had been clinging to wreckage for more than eight hours.

Twenty-three of the passengers and eight of the crew among the survivors were injured.

Captain on Boat to Last.
Captain Harry Hober when last seen was with two passengers. He was without a life-preserver. One of the two passengers, George Glenn of Nebraska, was saved.

According to the stories of the survivors, the Alaska was proceeding in a dense fog when about 9:40 o'clock last night it struck one of the rocks of the treacherous Blunt's reef, which projects far into the ocean.

George Glenn, who with another passenger and the captain were the last men on the ship, came to the surface a short time afterward, and finally found an empty lifeboat.

Other were struggling in the water. The steamer Anxox, towing a barge to Vancouver, was 12 miles distant when the first S. O. S. signals of the Alaska flashed out.

Anxox Reaches Wreck Soon.
Within an hour the Anxox arrived at the wreck and, with order that won high praise from the survivors, the crew of the Anxox speedily picked up those who were drifting in life preservers or lifeboats.

Through the night other ships joined in the rescue work.

Twelve bodies were found which, with the arrival of the Anxox and a tug bearing the bodies here, left the unaccounted for at 32 passengers and four members of the crew.

The county court returned Saturday night from a trip to the Elktor vicinity. They found road work progressing in excellent fashion. The various projects are being carried through rapidly and economically. On one stretch of road where the county is making the improvement by force account, it is expected that six or eight thousand dollars will be saved. The residents of that vicinity are coöperating and are doing a great deal of work on the roads themselves. The court will meet on August 10 to take up additional road matters.

Liberty Opens
Thursday Evening

C. B. Huber, who recently purchased the Liberty theater, announces his opening night as Thursday of this week. Mr. Huber will present at that time "The Sage Hen," a Pathe production, directed by Edgar Lewis, featuring Gladys Brockwell, Lillian Rich and Wallace McDonald.

It is the intention of Mr. Huber to carry special feature pictures. Mr. Huber is an old theater man, having conducted theaters in different parts of the state for the past fifteen years. He has been making his home in Seattle, prior to his coming here. Mr. Huber together with his family, are in the city to make their permanent home.

GENEVIEVE MOORE HUIT.

Genevieve, the tiny daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Moore of Pine street, was quite badly injured Saturday evening when she was struck by a motorcycle driven by Dick Carpenter. The little girl received a broken leg and several bad cuts about her face.

Miss Ross B. Parrott, who has been absent for the past two years arrived in Roseburg Sunday and will spend the winter in this city at the home of her brother E. L. Parrott. Miss Parrott, who was formerly connected with the English Normal school as head of the English department, has been attending Columbia College in New York and has also been teaching in the State Normal school at Salem, Mass. She will have charge of the English department in the Roseburg high school.

Anti-Beer Bill Gives More Power

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The senate increased the scope of the anti beer, empowering the prohibition commissioner to stop the importation of wines produced in the United States is enough for medicinal purposes. The fight over the Willis-Campbell anti-medicine bill is fierce and the senate "wets" are declaring their intention to test the bill in the courts should it pass.

Dr. Stone's Body Recovered Today

(By Associated Press.)
WINNIPEG, Manitoba, Aug. 8.—The body of Dr. William Stone, president of Purdue University, was found after a five days' search near the spot where he fell hundreds of feet to his death when attempting to scale Mount Egon with his wife. The body is being brought from Banff, Mrs. Stone has almost recovered from the effects of the experience.

Supreme Council Open Sessions

(By United Press.)
PARIS, Aug. 8.—The entente's future was declared at stage when the allied supreme council met in the most important session since the war. France and England were found to be diametrically opposed to each other on every question to be considered.

Governor Small Back In Capitol

(By United Press.)
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 8.—Governor Len Small returned to Springfield today and went to his offices in the state capitol. It is understood that Sheriff Meester is making arrangements to serve the warrants and have the governor post bail. Governor Small has been out of the Illinois roads since his indictment under the charges of juggling state funds while treasurer.

Cash Prizes to be Offered

Cash prizes, to be in the sum of \$75, \$50 and \$25, for granite or community exhibits will be offered by the committee which is now making arrangements for the Land Products show to be held in Roseburg on October 20, 21 and 22. The complete details surrounding the offer will be announced as soon as the plans are completed. It is urged that every granite and community make plans to compete in this contest. All exhibits must be in place by Thursday, October 20, at 10 a. m. and judging will commence the following morning. Friday is to be livestock, farm bureau and granite day. It is expected that the entire show will be under one roof and it is desired that a good exhibit of all of the products of the county be secured.

Members of C. of C. To Meet Tonight

The members of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce are requested to attend a meeting to be held at 7:30 tonight for the purpose of arranging for the banquet and entertainment to be given the Portland Ad Club upon the occasion of its visit to Roseburg on August 12. It is planned to give the visitors an unusual and interesting program in addition to the banquet which will be held following their arrival and the details will be decided upon this evening. Some of the most prominent people of Portland, representing the large business houses and commercial organization of the

SEASON OPENS AUG. 20.

District Attorney Neuner reports that his office has been besieged by persons who have become confused over the opening of the deer season. Because of the frequent changes which have been made in the opening date many hunters are not aware of the date which has been set for this year. Mr. Neuner is sending out notices in which the date is correctly stated and any violators will be severely punished, he states. The season opens on August 20 and closes on October 20. Some people believe that the season opens on the 15th, but they are in error.

Lloyd George Is Not Coming

(By United Press.)
LONDON, Aug. 8.—The British premier, Lloyd George, told the United Press today that he would not attend the Washington disarmament conference. The personnel of the British delegation is yet undecided.

Yank Prisoners Enroute Frontier

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The Al-gerian imprisoned in Russia will probably reach the border today the officials believed. The state department understands the prisoners are enroute to the frontier.

Sheriff's Office Provided With Car

The county court today provided the sheriff's office with a Dodge car to be used in the future in the work of that office. The recent legislature passed a law, which requires the sheriff to turn all fees collected over to the county and requires the county court to pay the expenses of the sheriff in serving papers. Formerly the sheriff was entitled to the fees but was required to pay his own expenses in making service. Under the new law Deputy Sheriff Webb has been using his own car and the county has been paying his expenses but as this has proven unsuccessful it has been decided that one of the cars formerly used by the county court shall be placed at the command of the sheriff and will be used by him in the future.

Robbery Charge Fails; Money Found

The local officers were called out hurriedly to investigate a supposed robbery in which O. C. Baker of the local laundry was supposed to have lost \$100. Mr. Baker went to the express office this morning to express some packages. He left a pocketbook containing \$100 on a seat while he went in the back room for a few moments and upon his return the money was gone. The officers were called and were getting ready for a search of the jungles when the money was found under the bench, having dropped to the floor.

Elks to Wear Classy Headgear

The Douglas Elks when they make their appearance in Marshfield next week at their next convention will certainly put up a munny appearance. A. Salzman, who is in charge of the excursion, today received a large number of purple overseas hats with the lodge number, 326, on the front of the "sky-piece." All of the local Elks will wear this sort of headgear. It is thought that enough names will be secured to insure two special Pullman cars to the convention. The cars will be placed on sidetracks in Marshfield and the visitors will make their homes in them during the three days' convention.

Garden Valley Road To be Improved

Owing to the fact that an exceptionally heavy fruit crop must be trucked out of Garden Valley this fall, the residents of that section are very anxious that work be done immediately upon the road at that place. During the summer the road was being done on the Pacific highway and as a result it is badly rutted and in a very poor condition. The first rains will make it impossible to truck out fruit and for this reason it is desired that the condition be improved at once. A petition is now being circulated in the district and will be presented to the court at a meeting to be held on August 10. The court has expressed itself as being favorably disposed to the improvement and will act immediately in ordering the road put in condition.

Motors To Portland—

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Clark, son Harold and daughter Mary Julia, left yesterday by machine for Portland. They were accompanied as far as Eugene by Mr. and Mrs. Roland Agnew, who made the trip in their machine. Mr. and Mrs. Agnew were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jean Kenny.

ROBBERS CAPTURED BUT NEITHER IS BRUMFIELD; HOPKINS IS ON WAY HOME

Highwaymen Taken Into Custody Yesterday But Are Klamath Falls Men and Are Well Known in That Vicinity—
Search In Eastern Oregon to Be Abandoned.

Capture of the two highwaymen who on Friday afternoon held up the Mazama party near Beaver Marsh, was completed yesterday, but both were men well known in Klamath Falls and neither of the robbers were very meagre and the fact that the victims of the holdup had positively identified one of the robbers as Brumfield led the officers to believe at first that he might be one of the highwaymen. After more complete details had been received, however, it was seen that the descriptions failed to tally and the officers then concluded that the men were the ones who a few days ago robbed the Susanville, California bank. The capture of the men, however, upset both theories as they proved to be local parties well known in that section of the country.

Deputy Sheriff Frank Hopkins, who was in on the capture, telephoned Sheriff Starmer yesterday evening regarding the arrest of the highwaymen. Because of the condition of the line the messages were not obtained.

Mr. Hopkins stated that he is returning home, deeming it useless to continue his futile search in that section of the state. He says he has failed completely in his effort to pick up the trail of the fugitive and that it is a needless expense for him to remain there a longer time. He spent today in Fort Klamath and will probably arrive in Roseburg tomorrow.

Although the officers feel that Brumfield is in hiding in the Klamath or Deschutes country, yet there is nothing definite on which to work and they can only wait until he makes a move which will disclose his whereabouts.

The box which was returned to the officers on Saturday from Seattle was identified by Mr. Burchard of the Square store, as one procured by Dr. Brumfield there on the morning of July 13. The box was one in which a large number of miscellaneous articles had been placed and had been left in the storeroom. Dr. Brumfield appeared on the morning of the 13th and asked for a box. As everyone in the store was busy he was directed to go to the back room and help himself. He took the box and its contents and went out the back way.

It contained several books, including a hymn book, instruction book for a Sunday school class, a number of old paper patterns and other articles of this nature. He had added a pink silk shirt, a couple of khaki slouses and some pink silk lingerie. The fact that the articles in the box would not complete a costume makes the officers confident that the box was sent out merely as a ruse to

throw the officers off the trail and confuse them for a sufficient length of time to enable him to make his escape in the event of the failure of his murder plans.

The officers have no new information on the case and say that there is nothing to do now except keep the authorities at all points on the lookout.

Former Resident Passes Away

Mrs. J. W. Maiden, a former well known resident of this city, passed away at her home in Santa Anna, California last Saturday, following a long illness. Mrs. Maiden was 70 years of age at the time of her death. She resided in this city for 15 years and has many friends here who mourn her loss.

Mrs. Maiden is the mother of Mrs. W. A. Burr of this city. Mrs. Burr left Saturday evening for Santa Anna. The many friends of the family wish to extend their heartfelt sympathy.

Cannery May Not Operate This Year

There is not much prospect of the local cannery opening at least before the apple season is well under way. Manager A. J. Geddes states. The cannery will not put up pears here, but will buy them and ship them to one of the other plants in the state. Mr. Geddes says. It is hoped that the company will be able to get the plant into operation in time to take care of the apple crop, but there is no assurance at this time that the desired plan will be accomplished.

Clothing Store Has Fine Display

A. J. Hoeftel, of Duds for Men, has a unique window display today. The display shows a comparison of prices today and one year ago today. In one section of the window is displayed a suit, a hat and a pair of shoes with the sign, "1915 bought this outfit one year ago." In another part of the window is the same suit, hat and pair of shoes along with two shirts, pajamas, underwear, handkerchiefs, gloves, leggings, bath robe, etc., with the sign, "1915 will buy this outfit today." The display refutes the argument that "prices are not coming down."

Methodist Episcopal Church Adopts Resolution Favoring Suppression Ku-Klux-Klan

A firm stand against the Ku Klux Klan was taken at the regular church service of the M. E. church yesterday, when the congregation voted unanimously to urge the members of the Oregon delegation to congress to do everything within their power to suppress the order. The growth of the Ku Klux Klan during the past few months has been extremely rapid. In all parts of the United States klans have been formed, the membership being entirely secret. The klans have been used for various purposes, chiefly local in their nature. In the south the activities have been largely directed toward negroes and in some instances have been in the form of tar and feather parties for white law violators.

In some of the northern states law violators have been punished by the Ku Klux Klan, the order being chiefly devoted to the suppression of "Red" agitation. In some places the chapters have succeeded their authority and have committed grave crimes. It is reported. Several chapters are known to exist in Oregon and others are being formed. As yet no activity on the part of the organization in Oregon has been reported.

Expressions from the local church members at the meeting yesterday were to the effect that such an order is not of a christian nature and should be suppressed, by force if necessary. Upon this promise the following resolution was adopted and was forwarded today to Congress.

Respectfully submitted,
GUY FITCH PHELPS.