

CONGRESS WILL PROBE DISASTER

SURVIVORS OF WRECK TO BE ASKED TO TESTIFY BEFORE COMMITTEE

STRINGENT LAWS ARE EXPECTED

White Star Line Must Explain Why Sufficient Number of Boats Were Not Provided

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The Senate resolution introduced today, calling for a comprehensive investigation of the Titanic disaster, was ordered favorably reported by the Senate committee on commerce and immediately brought up in the Senate. The resolution was adopted without discussion.

Survivors of the Titanic will be summoned to Washington to tell committees of Congress the facts concerning the inability of the steamship officials to save the lives of all the passengers on the liner.

Representative Alexander, of Missouri, chairman of the House committee on merchant marine and fisheries, announced today an investigation in which the passengers will give chief testimony.

A resolution will be offered in the Senate, probably today, that the Commerce Court or a submarine make a thorough investigation of the Titanic tragedy and empower the committee to summon witnesses and take any necessary steps.

As a compliment to the Congressional investigation, the scope of which has not been fully determined, Secretary Nagel, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, will take up with President Taft the entire subject of safeguarding ocean travel by more stringent American shipping regulations.

The disaster has aroused Congress, President Taft and the Cabinet to the urgent need for immediate measures of safety for oceanic travel. It is believed that laws will be prepared at once in Congress, based on the advice of officials of the Department of Commerce and Labor and American shipping experts which will insure safety of passengers a crew in cases like the present, where ample time existed for their removal in lifeboats.

The Congressional investigations announced by Chairman Alexander and Nelson, of the House and Senate Committees, probably will result in the summoning also of the officials of the White Star line to tell what precautions for safety are taken on the White Star liners.

"There could be no greater motive for stringent legislation than the fate of the host of passengers whom the lifeboats of the Titanic could not carry to safety," said Representative Alexander. "There could be no more pungent illustration of the necessity for this legislation than to be found in the stories survivors will be able to tell Congress of the scenes enacted on the wreck in the three hours that passed between the collision with the iceberg and the plunge of the hull to the bottom."

No accurate information is obtainable by Government authorities at Washington as to the capacity of the life-saving apparatus on the Titanic or the number of lifeboats provided. Several attempts were made today to secure the exact facts as to the vessel.

Government officials charged with the enforcement of the shipping laws and regulations were engrossed today with the subject of safety and protection for trans-Atlantic travel. It is expected that immediate reforms will be demanded officially by the Government and will be enforced through new laws requiring all vessels entering American ports to carry sufficient emergency apparatus to remove all passengers and crew in time of emergency.

The Luck of a Gent. A man once owned a fine and resourceful goat of which he was very proud. One day this goat had been with his master by swallowing a red flannel shirt which was the property of his owner. Angered beyond reason, the man led the goat to the railroad track and, tying the animal to the ties, left him to what he believed was certain death. The goat was opposed to capital punishment and made violent efforts to release himself from his bonds. In this he was unsuccessful, but in straining himself he produced a violent fit of coughing, and he coughed up the shirt and dashed the train.

Grand Jury Sustains Prosecutor



DISTRICT ATTORNEY E. B. TONGUE

The grand jury which investigated the Hill murder case have filed a report showing why no action was taken in that case. The report reads: "We have indicted in all cases where, in our estimation, the evidence introduced before us was such as in our judgment would, if unexplained and uncontradicted, warrant a conviction by the trial jury. That we have left no person undicted where in our judgment we would have been warranted in returning an indictment. Our conclusions and actions have in all instances been governed entirely by the evidence introduced before us."

An Open Letter

Bacona, Ore., March 27, 1912. Mr. A. W. Norblad Dear Sir: I have received your letter, and I have read it through very carefully. I think I understand you. You say "you are a Swede, born in Sweden, and that you know that I am a Swede, and that being the case you can talk very freely to me about your campaign against Mr. E. B. Tongue."

ing a thorough investigation of the testimony of all witnesses, not only in the Hill case but in all other matters coming before us during our deliberative session. This report now on record, filed in the county clerk's office signed by every member of the grand jury including 3 Democrats, the only people who know what the evidence was. Should be and is a complete answer to all the campaign falsehoods circulated against me in this matter. The grand jury by their action saved you perhaps \$10,000. Do you condemn or approve of this? Who should know me better than Judge J. U. Campbell and Judge J. A. Eakin our circuit Judges. READ what they say in the official pamphlet about my work, do not be misled by campaign lies. Out of 700 circuit and supreme court cases only 18 have been lost. The county has not paid out a single dollar for legal assistance. Thousands of dollars have been saved by the manner in which criminal business has been handled. The county has not

lost a single dollar by wrong legal advice. That is our record. If you approve it vote to continue it. I dislike to say anything about my opponent's record but since he accused me of unfairness in last week's Courier, I feel compelled to answer it or people might say I admitted it by being silent, so I invoke this statement: He has not won a criminal case in the circuit court during the two and one-half years residence in Oregon. He has not won a criminal case in justice court without the help of Mr. Fulton, and then only one. On March 24, 1912 a case was tried at Astoria when the city sued the A. & C. R. R. C. the city paid Mr. Fulton \$600 to try this case. Every case that HAS BEEN TRIED BY HIM, the records show he has been assisted in every case by from one to four lawyers. I do not care when the matters arose I am speaking of the cases TRIED BY HIM. (Paid Advertisement)

TEMPLE BATTED OUT OF BOX; SCORE 8 TO 5

PORTLAND, April 17, (Special).—Temple was knocked out of the box today in the fifth inning, Koestner replacing him. The game stood 3 to 1 in favor of Portland when the visitors went to the bat in the fifth. The story of the catastrophe follows: Baker flied to Chadbourne; Melvor safe at second on Temple's wild throw to first; Mohler singled, sending Melvor to third; Raftery singled scoring Melvor; Jackson singled, scoring Mohler and Raftery; Koestner replaces Temple; McArdle safe on Rodgers' error, Hartley scoring; Corhan safe on fielder's choice and McArdle out, Koestner to McDowall to Howley; Schmidt doubled, scoring Jackson and Corhan; Baker flied to Chadbourne. Six runs. Portland made one in the eighth and one in the ninth. The score was 8 to 5.

The results Wednesday follow: At Portland—San Francisco 8, Portland 5. At Los Angeles—Sacramento 3, Vernon 4. At San Francisco—Oakland 4, Los Angeles 6. National League New York 4, Boston 1. All other National, and American League games postponed because of rain.

Table with columns: City, W, L, Pct. Rows include Oakland, Vernon, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Portland, Sheels/Olderaft.

TEACHERS TO HAVE MEETING IN CANBY

A meeting of the County teachers to be presided over by County School Superintendent T. J. Gary will be held Saturday at Canby. An excellent program has been arranged, and a hot dinner will be served at noon. The parents of the children are invited to attend. The following will be the program: 10 o'clock—What principles should be observed in the promotion of pupils? Should the question of adopting the High School Fund be placed on the ballot for the next election? The necessity of making annual reports. Eighth grade examinations. 11 o'clock "Patriotism," Mrs. Eva Holmsma. 1:30 o'clock "A Teachers Understanding of Human Nature," G. A. Warner. 2:10 o'clock "Ethics," F. J. Tooe. "Juvenile Fairs"—General Discussion. The Canby school will furnish a program of exercises.

SURPRISE NEAR IN AUTO CONTEST

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The Enterprise has learned that he works far into the night, and has added to his list of votes when others were asleep. When asked if he worked at night, the young man in question refused to make a positive statement. He, however, said: "I am doing my utmost. I expect to win, and the reason I expect to win is that I am overlooking no opportunities. I am working hard now, but when I get that automobile, I will have fun day and night if I want to. It is hard sledding now, but it will not be so long. I don't think I have any more ability than some of the other candidates, and if I win, which I hope to, it will be because I have worked harder than the others."

MESSAGES BLOCKED BY INTERFERENCE

BOSON, April 17.—At Sabie Island communication with the Carpathia is greatly hampered by the mass of wireless flashes that are being sent out by the fleet of steamships dotting the ocean, all seeking news of the Titanic disaster.

Apparently not until the Carpathia gets out of range of these ships will anything filter through. Operators at the more important wireless stations in New England, and especially in Boston, are complaining bitterly of interference by amateurs. For the last 48 hours the amateurs have kept up a constant succession of sparks and they succeeded in preventing the Charlestown Navy yard station from obtaining a scrap of the much desired information from the ships near the Titanic.

A list recently compiled enumerates more than 300 amateur operators within 20 miles of the Boston State House who have announced their code signals. It is said that an association is being perfected whereby messages will be taken for transmission between towns and cities in Eastern Massachusetts by these amateurs.

The operators of the larger machines declare that this practically puts them out of business at times when their work is most needed. Various radiograms received here today showed that several vessels are within wireless range, either directly or by one relay, with the Carpathia.

The outward-bound Boston steamship Franconia was in communication with the Carpathia at 9 a. m. The scout cruiser Chester said was expected to sight the Carpathia at noon.

UNION HIGH SCHOOL IS URGED FOR SANDY

An effort is being made to establish a union high school at Sandy, combining school districts number 39, 42, 45, 46, 52, 55 and 58 for high school purposes only. Petitions are being circulated in all the districts and so far as is known at the present time are meeting with little or no opposition. The communities comprising these school districts are Sandy, Firwood, Cherryville, Dover, Sandy Ridge, Kelso, Bull Run, and Marmot; the assessed valuation of the property of the proposed union high school district for 1911 was \$775,524.80. School District No. 46 in which is located the thriving city of Sandy has a four room schoolhouse only two of which are in use at the present time, this school building is centrally located and with the rapid improvement of roads is easily reached from all of the outlying districts.

Four of the districts above mentioned are teaching the ninth grade and have only one teacher, which works a great hardship on the teacher as well as the pupils as it is impossible for a teacher to justice to a graded school where nine grades are taught. With a high school within reach there will be no necessity of a ninth grade in the

VOTE FOR J. A. LIZBERG

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR RECORDER OF CONVEYANCES Write the name of J. A. LIZBERG on the ballot with the X before the name. I know how the Recorder's work should be done and I will be in the office in business hours and treat all with consideration and respect. Very truly yours, J. A. Lizberg (Paid Adv.)

EBY LAUDS CITY IN HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH

O. D. Eby, school director in an address delivered at the high school Wednesday, urged the pupils to aid in keeping the parks clean and in otherwise beautifying them. He suggested that the members of the senior class plant a tree on each class day. Mr. Eby's subject was "Civic Improvement," and he declared that Oregon City was the finest city in the world. He said if he lived somewhere else and knew of the advantages offered by Oregon City he would move here at once. The speaker called attention to the improvement that were planned for the city, including the elevator at the bluff, the Carnegie Library, the Federal Building, etc., and declared that Oregon City had before it an era of splendid promise.

ASK FOR THE RED TRADING STAMPS

The Adams Clothing Store

Is the men's suit and furnishing department of Oregon City's Big Department Store. It is perhaps the largest and most complete men's outfitting store in Clackamas county.

Our demonstration sale of men's suits this week at special price \$12.90 is a boon to buyers of men's medium priced suits.

Advertisement for The Hart Schaffner & Marx Men's High Grade, All Wool Suits. Includes an illustration of a man in a suit. Text: Men's High Grade, All Wool Suits. The Hart Schaffner & Marx. Demonstration price on New Spring Suits now \$22.50.

Advertisement for L. Adams Oregon City's Big Department Store. Text: Prepare for BOOSTER DAY and buy your suit now at Demonstration prices \$12.90 and \$22.50. L. ADAMS Oregon City's Big Department Store.

district schools and we may look for a new activity in all of the schools as the pupils will have a goal to work up to, statistics show that there are four who finish a grammar school course where a high school is in reach to one where there is no high school. There are at the present time nine girls and boys living in the proposed union high school district who are attending high school at different places, it is perfectly safe to say that the money spent by the parents of these children in sending them away to high school would easily maintain a high school at Sandy with the additional priceless advantage of having the boys and girls at home and also placing a high school education within reach of a great many who heretofore have never had any hope of getting it. By taking advantage of the union high school law it is possible and convenient to have a high school education within reach of every home in the rural districts with a very small additional outlay in taxes and the tax payer gets a chance to see and receive direct benefit for his money. We are being taxed for many state institutions from which we receive little if any direct benefit let us add another mill or so to maintain a high school in our midst and enjoy direct benefit and feel that we are getting something for our money.

Advertisement for Hot Lake Sanatorium. Text: NOT EXPENSIVE Treatment at Hot Lake, including medical attention, board and baths, costs no more than you would pay to live at any first class hotel. Rooms can be had from 75 cents to \$2.50 per day. Meats in the cafeteria are served from 20 cents up and in the grill at the usual grill price. Baths range from 50 cents to \$1.00.

Advertisement for Hot Lake Sanatorium. Text: We Do Cure Rheumatism Hot Lake Mineral Baths and mud given under scientific direction have cured thousands. Write for illustrated booklet descriptive of Hot Lake Sanatorium and the methods employed. Hot Lake Sanatorium is accessible as it is located directly on the main line of the O-W-R. & N. railway, and special excursion rates are to be had at all times. Ask agents.

Advertisement for The Bank of Oregon City. Text: The World Is Full of surprises and accidents and the thinking man with responsibilities should be prepared for them by laying aside funds for an emergency account. The Bank of Oregon City The Oldest Bank In The County. D. G. LATOURETTE President F. J. MEYER, Cashier THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of OREGON CITY, OREGON CAPITAL, \$50,000.00 Transacts a General Banking Business. Open from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Advertisement for Cooper Bros. Wild West Show. Text: Coming! Coming! Cooper Bros. Great Wild West Show Grandest and Most Spectacular Arenic Performance Which Stands Without a Peer, Will appear in Oregon City, Oregon Wednesday, Apr. 24 Wonderful Troupes of Star Artists in Dare-Devil, Death Defying Feats of Horsemanship, Rope Throwing, Sharpshooting, Cowboys, Outlaw Horses, Wild Steers, in Realistic and Sensational Scenes, Depicting Early Life on the Western Frontier. TWO BIG PERFORMANCES, AFTERNOON AND EVENING-COWBOY BAND STREET PARADE. High Class and Moral in Every Respect.