

STAR OF BENGAL LOST; CREW PERISH

American Bark Driven Onto Rocks, Making Rescue of Crew Impossible.

TWENTY-SEVEN ARE SAVED

Vessel Belonged to Alaska Packers' Association and Had 54 Cases of Salmon on Board—Majority of Crew Orientals.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 22.—Advised tonight by the United States Signal Corps that 21 men, including nine whites, were drowned in the wreck of the American bark Star of Bengal, on Coronation Island, west of the Prince of Wales Archipelago.

Twenty-seven of the vessel's crew and passengers were saved. The Star of Bengal belonged to the Alaska Packers' Association and was on her way to San Francisco with a cargo of 54,000 cases of salmon.

In addition to her crew she carried 100 Chinese and Japanese who were employed in the canneries of the company and taken aboard at Fort Wrangel.

The Star of Bengal took aboard cargo at Fort Wrangel, consisting of canned salmon, and started down Summer Strait in tow of the tugs Hattie Gage and Kayak.

As the vessels neared the open sea, where the sailing craft would have sea room to work off shore, the wind was steadily freshening, blowing on shore.

The tugs struggled valiantly to keep the ship clear of the rocks, but the wind drove her onto the rocks.

The Star of Bengal went onto the rocks in such a position that the tugs could not get near enough to give any assistance and was driven by Fort Wrangel with news of the disaster.

BLOWN ONTO ROCKS AT NIGHT

Ship Star of Bengal Breaks Into Three Pieces When She Strikes.

SEATTLE, Sept. 22.—A special to the Post-Intelligencer from Wrangell says:

The cannery ship Star of Bengal, being towed to sea from the Wrangell cannery, was blown ashore here at Helm Point, the southeast end of Coronation Island, at 4 A. M. Sunday.

Tugs Hattie Gage and Kayak were powerless to save her in the heavy sea and gale. Word was brought to Wrangell by the tug Hattie Gage.

Captain Farrar tells the following story: "We could see we were making leeward and drifting toward Coronation Island. The tug Kayak was light and could do nothing. The Hattie Gage could not handle the ship alone.

At 4 o'clock the ship drifted into narrow light and we could see land on both sides abreast. We sounded and found eight fathoms and could see by the phosphorescent dark rocks that were all around.

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The fires at Fifield, Phillips and Coolidge and the surrounding country in Northern Wisconsin, while still burning, were reported as being under control today.

The village of Bark River, near Escanaba, Mich., is burning, the forest fires having broken through the lines of the citizens' firefighters.

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CHARITY FAVORED BY WILL INSTITUTIONS REMEMBERED BY LATE MRS. MASON.

Bequeathing the greater portion of her property to charitable institutions, the will of the late Mrs. Hannah Mason, widow of Portland's late ex-Mayor, was yesterday filed for probate.

Churches and Hospitals Beneficiaries Under Last Testament of Widow of Former Mayor.

Police Seek Men Accused of Swindling Men in Offices.

The police are looking for two men who have been working an alleged bunco game on credit accounts in the best office buildings in the city by a scheme for selling them fine cigars.

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VACATION IS OVER

President Roosevelt Returns to National Capital. RECEIVES WARM WELCOME

Five Members of Cabinet Meet His Special Train at Washington. Executive Comments on Progress Republican Campaign.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—President Roosevelt returned to Washington from Oyster Bay at 5:56 o'clock this afternoon.

The special train bearing the Presidential party was met at the station by many officials, including members of the Cabinet, Army and Navy officers and others.

Secretaries Wright, Metcalf, Straus, Wilson and Postmaster-General Meyer formed the center of the group.

Both Forced to Resign M'CLEARY AND EWART DID NOT QUIT VOLUNTARILY.

Incurred Roosevelt's Displeasure by Running for Congressional Nomination in Minnesota.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—A statement on authority was made today that the recent resignations of Second Assistant Postmaster-General James T. McCleary, who was nominated for Congress in the Second Minnesota district, and Paul Ewart, Assistant United States Marshal for the same district, were requested by the President because of pernicious political activity.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

John E. Adams and wife to Helen Adams, lot 12, block 20, Irving's Harbor View Addition, \$7,500.

William Ryan and wife to G. A. Cobb, lot 16, block 20, Woodlawn, \$3,000.

Robert E. Myers and wife to J. O. Metcalf, lot 6, block 41, Sellwood, \$600.

F. W. Winter and wife to G. H. Galant, lot 2, block 1, Nash's First Add., \$1,800.

Arleta Leno Co. to L. J. Lovingsome, lots 18, 19 and 20, Ina Park, \$375.

John Ecklund and wife to J. H. Young, 475 square feet beginning at northeast corner of lot 12, block 20, Irving's Harbor View Add., \$500.

William Irwin and wife to Caroline Jordan, lots 7 and 8, block 20, Sellwood, \$1,650.

Title Guarantee & Trust Co. to C. C. line (Jordan, lot 1, block 9, West Piedmont, \$75.

Archer Brown and wife to Isaac J. Montgomery, block 7, Fulton, \$5,000.

Creel T. Evans and wife to Emera son Gould, lot 2 and 3, block 3, Taboo Villa, \$3,000.

A. M. McAttee and wife to Isaac W. Parker and wife, land beginning at northeast corner of lot 2, block 1, Central Albion, thence west 18 feet, thence south 50 feet, thence east 18 feet, thence north 74 feet, thence north 50 feet, thence west 70.75 feet, \$1,000.

J. C. Dink and wife to Nora L. Edwards, lot 9, block 11, John Irving's first add., \$1,000.

C. W. Mayer and wife to George G. Mayer, 4 acres in Sec. 31, T. 3 N., R. 2 E., \$2,000.

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