STEAMER CHEATS OCEAN GRAVEYARD

Liner Irene Slips Off Sand as Unexpectedly as She Went On.

CAPTAIN KEEPS COMMAND

Fact That Veteran Peterson Will Take Vessel Back to Europe Is Taken to Mean German Line Will Set Rule Aside.

NEW YORK, April 9 .- Bearing no risible scars except a shattered rudder out, the North German Lloyd liner Prinzess Irene slipped away from Fire Island this afternoon as unexpectedly as she went on in the fog of Thursday

After 83 hours of imprisonment in the sand, she cheated the "graveyard of the Atlantic" and was floated with the aid of tugs at 2.05 P. M. At 3:40, she left in tow for Scotland Light to anchor for the night.

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Tomorrow morning the Irene will come up to her dock and after divers have examined her hull she will be taken to Newport News for more thorough examination. Her stay will depend upon what this discloses. The vessel has not taken a drop of water and her plates are thought to be intact. Captain to Keep Ship.

It has been an iron rule with the North German Lloyd Company that a captain who loses his ship shall be dis-missed from the service. But as the voteran Peterson of the Princess Irens will take his ship back across the Atlantic under her own steam, it is the assumption that his personal grief will be his chief punishment.

To the lifesavers who followed the work to save the Princess Irene, her sudden floating this afternoon was a listinct surprise.

Ship Seen to Rock.

Two hours before the water was due to reach its full height, the ship was seen to rock in the tide and 20 minutes later she raised slightly. The wrecking tugs Rellef and Rescue were pulling on her stern to starboard and port, and the Irene's donkey engines were straining at

the kedge anchors to seaward.

At 3:6: the anchor cable began to stacken—the first sign that the ship would free berself. Another pull and her atern was free in 30 feet of water and at 3:13 the six feet of the ship's hull which had shown while she stuck in the sand, dwindled to a narrow ribbon as she slid into deep water. She was aftoat.

ENTOMBED MEN ARE DEAD

No Hope Held Out for Saving Banner Mine Victims.

LITTLETON, Ga., April 8.—At mid-night 15 bodies had been recovered from the Banner mine of the Pratt Consolidated Coal Company, in which 128 miners were entombed early Sat-

Twenty bodies, it is said, are at th first landing and will be brought out within the next two hours. dend only 14 were whites. It was 2 P. M. when the rescuers succeeded in establishing working conditions in the mine and at 3:29 the 15 hodies were brought to the surface. They were all negroes. State Mine Inspector James Hillhouse expressed the belief that, the mine would be cleared temor-

James Cakley, president of the State Convict Board, accompanied the party

The general belief is that powder caused the explosion. There are practically no mourners at Banner, as none of the convicts had relatives near, but a few curious negro women stood around the opening and would break into low

the opening and would break into low mournful dirge-like chant when the bodies were brought up.

The first party of ten Government rescuers, headed by Dr. J. J. Rutledge, who entered the mine at 3 o'clock this morning, had a narrow escape from death. An accident happened to the 57 years old, and Eva Bovee, his young death. An accident happened to the 57 years old, and Eva Bovee, his young the state of the county Hosfans and the air was stopped for a few adopted daughter, lie at the County Hos-

Within a few seconds a cry for help was heard from below and men with exygen helmets hurried down. The en-tire party was overcome by the after-damp and when brought to the surface physicians worked over them for nearly an hour before they were able to be moved to the rescue car.

Mr. Hamsey estimates \$1200 will cover the financial loss.

NATRON LINE PROGRESSING

Rail-Laying Being Rushed-Work May Be Finished in July.

SPRINGFIELD, Or., April 9.—(Special.)—Operations on the Natron Railroad have again become active and carloads of men are being shipped through Springfield daily. The princi-pal activity is eight miles above Lowell, where the tracklayers have gone with the path of steel rails.

Every effort is being made to rush
this work toward the end of the present line, as, if this can be done before the Summer is spent, further contracts will be let for the balance of the distance. The base of supplies will be established at the end of the 32-mile track from Natron, and all work will

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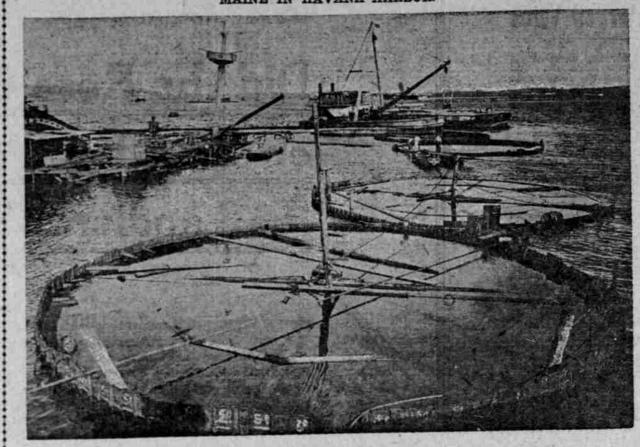
Winter. There are only 18 miles to Three of the bullets entered Miss complete. Ballasting will begin soon over the track already laid.

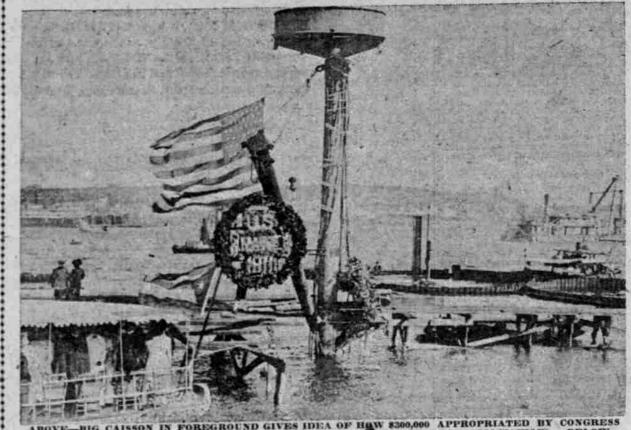
Bovee's body. Dania shot himself once in the head.

FORT ASTOR TO BE BUILT

Astoria to Break Ground for Replica of Structure Wednesday.

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS NOW UNDER WAY IN RAISING ILL-FATED BATTLESHIP MAINE IN HAVANA HARBOR.





OVE—BIG CAISSON IN FOREGROUND GIVES IDEA OF HOW \$300,000 APPROPRIATED BY CONGRESS TO RAISE SHIP IS BEING USED. (COPYRIGHT BY AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION). BELOW—VIEW OF WARSHIP SHOWING COFFERDAM AROUND WRECK. (BAIN NEWS SERVICE).

There is no logger hope of finding Man Who Killed Child Shoots on alive underground. Of the 128 Self and Foster Daughter.

GIRL BEGS HIM TO FIRE

Los Angeles Slayer in Hospital Uses Pistol Brought by Adopted Lass, Who, Only Wounded, Courts More Bullets.

pital tonight in a critical condition. It

is not believed that either will live.

The attempt to end the two lives we made late last night, and, according made late fast hight, and, according to the investigations conducted today, it is believed that the shots were fired by Danis from a revolver that the young woman had brought to the hospital where Danis lay in a serious condition as the result of another shooting affair in which he participated a week ago. It was in a revolver duel with George Koerner that Dania killed his 6-year-old daughter, saying he wanted her to die with him. That murder took place after

Noose Is Feared.

The authorities today found letters in Dania's room and a girl's purse which indicated that Dania feared being hanged for killing his daughter. There was a strong attachment between the man and his adopted daughter, and she has been visiting him constantly at the hospital. In these visits that In these visits they were not watched

The letters, six in number, were writ-ten in the hospital ward. The deed, carefully planned, was carried out after the lights in the ward had been extin-

Girl Begs to Die.

tance. The base of supplies will be established at the end of the 21-mile track from Natron, and all work will proceed from here.

It is thought that possibly the rall-layers may reach the end of the grace by June 1. If so, the rallroad men declare, contracts will be let. Between where they are now and the end sarwhere the following statement:

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Woman's Taunt Blamed.

A woman's taunt deriding a tailor whom she declared to be a wife-heater lies at the bottom of the Bovee-Dania triple tragedy, according to the ante-mortem statements of Eva Bovee and

him out of this unjust position if he would take me along with him and little babe. I have had to beg father to keep, his promise to take me along, too. I realize now that father was insane at the time he killed Ledalla. But he is not now, and I have to remind him of his promise constantly. He wants to go but thinks it is cruel to take me and at the same time he does not want to

leave me behind."

Miss Bovee called early last night to see Dania. At \$ o'clock she was informed that she must leave, but her pleadings won the attendants who granted her permission to remain all night, which had been granted on two former occa-sions. The young woman has admitted that she brought the revolver in a hand-

None of Dania's letters deal with the shooting, but refer largely to his matri-monial troubles.

MARCH MOST BUSY MONTH AT THE DALLES.

248 File on Homesteads-Settlers Come From Every Part of Union.

THE DALLES, Or., April 9. - (Spe cial.)-There were 195 filings, all told, at the local Land Office during March. This was the largest number ever made in one month in the history of the office. Of these entries, 248 were for homesteads. Others were for desert

1141 Letters Answered.

and timber and atone claims.

The entrymen were from over all the United States, many of them giving their address as Seattle and other
Washington towns. Others came from
Willamette Valley towns, but just
where they came from originally was
hard to determine, as they left immelisted for Central Oregon in the colthe extraction and disposition of the

diately for Central Oregon in the col-onist travel period. It was a noticeable fact that the entrymen were for the most part na-tive-born Americans, although there were a number of Russians and more

Aside from the work involved in making the 295 entries, settlers made final proof on 34 homestead filings last month, and 1141 letters were answered. Very many of these letters were in-

with vault and other furnishings especially for its use.

Four men are employed by the Government in the office—Register C. W. Moore, Receiver L. H. Arneson and two clerks. William A. Wilkinson and William T. Evans. They were so awamped with work during the past five weeks that they had to rush to get out last month's reports, and were late at that. late at that.

ASTORIA. Or. April 3.—(Special.) The Centennial committee has selected next Wednesday. April 12. the 188th anniversary of the naming of Astoria as the date on which to break ground in the City Park for the construction of a reproduction of oid Fort Astor.

A special programme of exercises has been arranged for the occasion and the Mayor has been requested to declare a half holiday Wednesday afternoon. The contract for huliding the fort has been awarded to Jacob Edisop, for 1860.

Interpret the tailor and Camas Joins League.

Vancouver. Wash, April 9.—Special.)—Camas has joined the Southwest-wounded. The death pact, according to Miss Bovee, was made then, and the E. F. Johnson, cashier of a bank in Camas, was elected as the Camas member of oid Fort Astor.

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The quarrel between the tailor and Camas Joins League.

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A A Hay, editor of the Camas Post, on the publicity committee. The Camas found in her purse reads:

"I promised my father I would get nearly 40.

Have Precedence.

SEA TO BE SHIP'S GRAVE

Great Feat of Marine Engineering Progresses Expeditiously, but Work May Continue Until Close of Year.

(Continued From First Page.) known to do in drydock when insufficiently secured.

As soon as the wreck is fully exposed, the work of exploration in search of human bodies will take procedence. It is practically certain that when this stage of the work is reached. a United States man-of-war will be ordered to Havanna and will lie close to the wreck to receive bodies as fast as they are recovered, and transport them to their final resting place. After that will come an exhausting scrutiny of the shattered wreck by experts. who, in the opinion of engineer officers, will be able to determine beyond

the extraction and disposition of the wreck. It is known that the forward part of the ship, about one third of her length, is practically detached from the rest, and is so shattered it will have to be extracted piecemeal.

Hulk to Be Sunk at Sea.

When the after part has been stripped, so far as possible, of all heavy weights, including the two turrets. weighing with their pairs of ten-inch guns about 200 tons each, it will be possible to build a bulkhead across the shattered end and float the hulk out of the basin, to be sunk in all probability hundreds of fathoms deep in the straits of Florida.

Finally will come the extraction of the thousands of steel piles composing the 20 caissons and the dredging of the material with which they were filled. This may not be completed before the end of the year.

Man Arrested as Robber.

Alex Evitin was arrested at Second and Burnside streets yesterday evening by Detectives Craddock and Mallett, on a warrant issued at Kalama Wash, charging him with highway robbery. Evitin was arrested on description furnished by the Kalama ofscription furnished by the Kalama of-ficers. It is charged that Evitin robbed his recommate in Kalama early yesterday morning of \$30 and came to Portland on the train that leaves Ka-lama at 5 o'clock in the morning. Evitin was returned to Kalama by Deputy Sheriff Kaufman, of that city, last night.

American-Hawaiian Company Orders Four 20-Knot Passenger Steamers.

CANAL OPENING IN VIEW

\$6,000,000 to Be Spent on Palatial Craft Each Able to Carry 1000, to Run From New York to Pacific in Ten Days.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 9 .- (Special.) -Six million dollars for the purchase of four new 20-knot turbine passenger steamers to be operated between Portland and San Francisco, San Pedro and New York as soon as the Panama Canal is opened, is to be spent by the American-Hawaiian Steamship Comican-Hawaiian Steamship Com-This announcement was received here yesterday from George S. Dear-born, president of the company, whose head offices are in New York.

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A fortnightly service will be established between this city and New York, the ships going directly to the Eastern metropolis without any calls except the necessary stops at the Canal, after leaving here. As soon as the trade demands, steamers will be put on the run and the sailings will be increased to one a week.

Information to this effect was received by H. P. Durdan, Southern Call-fornia agent for the American-Ha-walian Company, in a letter from Mr. Dearborn, who reached New York re-cently from an extended trip of in-spection all along the West Coast of

Only Freight Handled Before.

It is said that the move on the part It is said that the move on the part of the American-Hawaiian Company to go into the passenger business, it having formerly handled only freight is the direct result of Mr. Dearborn's trip iff the West, at the conclusion of which he has recommended that passenger beats of the most improved type be boats of the most improved type be ordered immediately by the company. Several Eastern shipbullding com-panies are already working on plans for the steamers, and as soon as the bid of one firm can be approved, work on construction of the boats will be be-

Boats making 18 knots an hour, it is said by Mr. Durdan, will be able to make the trip between Los Angeles and New York in ten days, even in foul weather, while in fair weather they may be able to do it in less time.

1000 Passengers Is Capacity.

The ships are to be built exclusively for passenger use and it is said that they will be as palatial in accommoda-tions as many of the best ships now rossing the Atlantic in the American-Suropean trade.

European trade.

The only cargo carried other than bagagage of the passengers, will be fast express, which does not, however, need to come through from the Atlantic Coast in as short time as the trains carry 't.

The four new boats will be able to carry about 1900 saloon passengers.

carry about 1000 saloon passengers, will be in the neighborhood of 10,000 tons in size, and will measure about 500 feet in length.

Recovery of Sailors' Bodies to CORVALLIS GIRLS CONTEST

Feronian Society Women Take All Events on Programme.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, April 9. - (Special.) - The Feronian Literary Society won all three events in the girls' literary contest The programme included contests in impromptu readings, orations and impersonations.

The impromptu reading contest was won by Miss Alice Shepard, of Portland. The oratorical division was won by Ruth Smith, of Marshfield, whose theme was the "Dreams of Youth," and the impersonation contest was captured to the c tured by Ielieen Leech, of Grants Paes. All were members of the Feronian Literary Society.

Each of the six girls' literary societies were represented in the various contests by members chosen by a series of tryout contests which have extended through a period of several months.

Monmouth School Bonds Win. MONMOUTH, Or., April 9 .- (Special.) -Bonds for \$20,000 for a new school were victorious at the polls here Sat-urday. The vote was 22 for and 23



Easter Glove Sale

For Women, Misses and Children

5000 Pairs of Gloves

In a Great Sale

Lowest Prices of the Year

Notorious Yoshiwari District in their own manner, one of the vexed questions of all ages. of Tokio Destroyed.

5000 BUILDINGS IN ASHES

Fanned by South Wind, Flames Quickly Lay Waste to Palaces of Sin Covering Area of Over Four Square Miles.

TOKIO, April 9.-The notorious Yoshiwari quarter of Tokio was destroyed by fire today. Many of these houses were almost palatial in appearance and 1000 of them were burned in a little more than three hours. Six thousand women were rendered homeless.

The fire, which began at 11:39 o'clock

The fire, which began at 11:30 choca in the morning, spread over a vast area. It was fanned by a strong southern wind, and the flames went to the surrounding structures to the north. Altogether it is estimated the 5000 houses are in ruins, covering an area approximating four square miles.

A large number of women were se-erely injured, but so far as known no verely injured, but so far as known no deaths have occurred. Five hundred troops are guarding the territory tonight. When the wind died down on the clear night the entire skies of Tokio were ablaze from the glowing embers. It is impossible at present to estimate the total loss.

Structures Are Gorgeous.

The workl-famed Yoshiwari was located about one mile to the north of Asakusa Park. The district presented a spectacle probably unparalleled in any other country, but was reproduced on a smaller scale in the provincial Japanese cities, and was remarkable for its gormediately.

geous structures, guarded by iron bars, directly on the street line and its thou-sands of gally bedecked residents. The whole quarter was under special municipal surveillance, with the result that at all times perfect order prevailed, enabling strangers to observe, while walking through the streets, the manner in which the Japanese solved,

Fires Are Disastrous.

The district to the north was occupied largely by small and filmsy dwelling places. In August, 1907, a conflagration at Hakodate destroyed 1300 houses, with an estimated loss of \$15,000,000. In an estimated loss of \$15,000,000. In March, the following year, fire at Noda Soy, near Tokio, destroyed 400 houses, the damage being \$2,500,000, and a few days later 4000 houses were burned at Nijerta.

Nilgata.

In August, 1909, a fire reduced to ashes a large part of Osaka. The official report placed the number of houses destroyed at more than 11,000. These included ten business blocks and 20 tem-The most disastrous fire last year was at Wajima, 1806 buildings being burned.

WOMAN'S SKIRT IS CUT San Francisco Man Arrested as a

"Jack-the-Slasher." SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—(Special.)
—Accused of being a "Jack-the-slasher," Simon N. Witt, a civil engineer, who resides in the Golden West Hotel, was arrested tonight on the complaint of Mrs. A. Allen, whose husband is connected with the Sunset Magazine. Witt denies his guilt and he was released on \$10 bail, being instructed to appear in the Police Court tomorrow to answer to an accusation of malicious mischief. Mrs. Allen's story is that she was coming down town on a Powell-street car shortly before 6 o'clock tonight and that a man, later identified as Witt, was seated next to her. She felt something tugging at her skirt, which was lifted slightly, and examination showed that the garment had been cut in several places.



Every woman's heart thrills at the cooing and prattling of a baby, and motherhood is her highest and purest joy. Yet the suffering incident to this great consummation of her life's desire, robs the anticipa-

tion of some of its sweetness. Much of this can be avoided by the use of Mother's Friend. This great remedy prepares the expectant mother's system for the coming event, and its use makes her comfortable during all the term. Mother's Friend assists nature in gradually expanding all tissues, muscles and tendons, it strengthens the ligaments, and keeps the breasts in good condition. The use of Mother's Friend lessens the pain when baby comes, and assures a quick and natural recovery for the mother. For sale at drug

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In the great closing-out sale of Eilers Music House at 353 Washington Streets, Pianos are going at prices ranging from \$85 for a serviceable Fischer Upright, to less than \$600 for one of the choicest little Baby Grands and less than \$500 for a really excellent and serviceable Player Piano. Portland has never witnessed such piano selling as now, and prices on dependable, warranted highestgrade pianos will not be so low again for many, many years, if ever. Everything in the old premises is to be closed out, so as to commence at the new building, Seventh and Alder streets with entirely new stock and equipment.

