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TOTAL DEAD IN STEAMER WRECK
1,032 AND 355 WERE RESCUED

Empress of Ireland Disaster Proves Worse Than Reports First Indicated.

OVER 300 BODIES BROUGHT ASHORE

Many of Dead Were Foreigners—206 of 432 in Crew Among Those Rescued.

PITIFUL SCENES

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
LONDON, May 29.—Great crowds besieged the London and Liverpool offices of the Canadian Pacific and anxiously scanned the list of rescued.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
QUEBEC, May 30.—Just 1032 persons lost their lives when the steamer Empress of Ireland was rammed and sunk in the St. Lawrence River yesterday.

Figures made public today by the Canadian Pacific Railway company, owner of the lost boat, showed that of the 1387 on board, 355 were rescued as follows: first cabin passengers, 18; second and third cabins, 121; crew, 206.

When the ship sailed she carried 47 first class passengers, 153 second, 115 third and a crew of 432.

At Rimouski the ghastly aftermath developed rapidly. More than 300 bodies were landed there at an early hour and so overtaxed were the morgue facilities that the corpses were piled in tiers.

Many foreigners are among the dead. In the grim pile was one mother with her babe clasped closely to her breast. Women and children were numerous.

The collier Storstad, which rammed the Empress of Ireland, arrived here early today and after a four hour stop proceeded to Montreal. The Storstad's bow was badly damaged, a hole fifteen feet square showing plainly.

A high pile of coffins on the dock awaited the dead here. They will be arranged in rows along with the scant belongings to facilitate identification.

A few were identified at Rimouski, but it will be slow work and many will never be identified. Many women and children are among the dead. On the fingers of some are beautiful jewels.

Some wore life belts when picked up, and of these many died with their arms extended above their heads.

Most of the first and second cabin passengers were caught in their beds by the rush of water.

SALVATION ARMY DEAD

Delegates at New York Hold Prayer Services Today.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
NEW YORK, May 30.—At the Salvation Army headquarters here, seven hundred delegates from all parts of the United States assembled to sail today to attend the International Convention at London.

They held a continuous prayer service for their comrades who perished on the Empress of Ireland.

WILSON GOES TO MEMORIAL

President Participates in Arlington Service Lest Absence Be Misinterpreted.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 30.—The National Capital paid tribute to the nation's soldier dead, Congress adjourned for the occasion and the various executive departments of the government were closed.

SECOND DIVISION OPEN

Seattle Municipal Street Railway Extension Operated.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
SEATTLE, May 30.—The second division of the Seattle municipal street railway, extending the nine miles from Youngtown to Lake Burien, opened to traffic today.

STORSTAD IS NOW BLAMED

Capt. Kendall Tells His Version of Disaster—Fog Not Dense at Time.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
RIMOUSKI, Can., May 30.—The government boat Lady Evelyn, with more than 300 dead from the Empress of Ireland wreck, left for Quebec this morning. Captain Kendall, of the Empress, who is still suffering from the nervous shock, is a little better this morning. He lamented the failure of the Storstad to hold her bow in the rent after she opened the liner's side.

He was not actually foggy when the crash occurred. Captain Kendall was on the bridge and made out the lights of the Storstad. He whistled and the Storstad answered. The vessels were far apart when these signals were exchanged.

As they came nearer, the Empress' engines were brought to a full stop. As she drifted under her momentum, Capt. Kendall ordered slow astern. The Storstad kept on her way toward the liner. One theory expressed is that Captain Anderson of the Storstad, tried to cross the bow of the Empress. At any event, her nose missed the bow and plunged into her just amidships.

Irving Died Heroically
F. E. Abbott, of Toronto, told of how Laurence Irving died, trying to save his wife. "I met him first in the passageway," said Abbott, and he asked calmly, "Is the boat going down?"

"I said it looked like it. Irving then said to his wife: 'Dearie, hurry, there is no time to lose.' Mrs. Irving began crying as the actor searched for a life belt. The boat lurched and he was thrown against the door of the cabin. His face was bloody and Mrs. Irving became frantic. 'Keep cool,' he warned her, but she persisted in holding her arms around him.

He forced the life belt around her and pushed her out of the door and carried her up stairs. "I asked if I could help and Irving said: 'Look after yourself first, old man, but God bless you all the same.' I dived overboard. When I came up I saw the ship sink with Irving holding his wife in his arms on deck and kissing her as the water closed over them."

Gave Life For Friend.
M. D. A. Darling said Sir Henry Seton Karr forced him to take his life belt and paid with his own life for his generosity.

SURVIVORS NOW AT MONTREAL

One Tells of Heroic Action of Captain Kendall of the Empress of Ireland.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
MONTREAL, May 30.—Exhausted survivors of the Empress of Ireland, wearing mistle clothing supplied by the people in Rimouski, arrived here today. In the party was the remnant of the Salvation Army band, more than a hundred of whom perished.

One of the survivors, Thomas Smart, said he saw Captain Kendall on the bridge when the crash came and heard him shout from the bridge to the crew: "Keep your heads there and don't get so excited." When a boat dropped sideways into the water the captain seemed to realize the liner was lost, for he shouted: "Hurry up everybody. Get stewards through corridors. If the doors are locked, break in. Don't forget women and children first." He spoke through a megaphone but there was so much screaming and moaning, his voice was drowned. But he stuck to his post to the very last.

"When I got onto the Lady Evelyn," said Smart, "I saw him stretched out there and they were giving him brandy. When he was able to speak, he looked around and said: 'Where's the ship?' When told she had sunk, he cried as if his heart would break."

In the latest estimate of figures issued by the Canadian Pacific, the total dead is reduced to 944. Of this number 753 were passengers and 211 were crew.

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Memorial Day
By Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll.

THIS DAY is sacred to the great heroic host who kept this flag above our heads; sacred to the living and the dead; sacred to the scarred and maimed, sacred to the wives who gave up their husbands; to the mothers who gave their sons. Here in this peaceful land of ours—here, where the sun shines, where flowers grow, where children play—millions of armed men battled for the right and breast on a thousand fields the iron storms of war. These brave, these incomparable, men founded the first republic. They fulfilled the prophecies; they brought to pass the dreams, they realized the hopes that all the great and good and wise and just have made and had since man was man. But what of those who fell? There is no language to express the debt we owe; the love we bear, to all the dead who died for us. Words are but barren sounds. We can but stand beside their graves and in the hush and silence feel what speech has never told.

OVER MILLION DOLLARS IN BULLION SUNK WITH SHIP

Capt. Anderson of Storstad Says Fog Suddenly Settled on Vessels and Caused Disaster—Recover Bodies.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
QUEBEC, Canada, May 30.—Of over 1000 persons who went to their death yesterday with the sinking of the Empress of Ireland, the bodies of more than 300 were recovered today. A search is being conducted for others, and the living, estimated at 355, were either at or en route to their homes.

Early today the bulk of the dead then recovered were placed aboard the government vessel Lady Grey at Rimouski to be brought here pending identification. Captain Kendall, still suffering from his injuries, remained at Rimouski, where at low tide he could see the funnels of the stricken ship.

FEAR TROUBLE WILL HONOR AT MAZATLAN NATION'S DEAD

U. S. Sailors Landed There But Return—Foreigners Appeal to U. S.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
ON BOARD U. S. S. CALIFORNIA Mazatlan (By Wireless), May 30.—United States sailors landed on Mexican soil yesterday when the officers of the cruiser Albany landed through the surf at Aristo to investigate the case of T. J. Smith, an American, under arrest at Tonala. They found him in jail but being well treated. They returned to the Albany and reported his case in good hands.

Appeal to United States.
The French consul at Mazatlan, speaking for the foreign consuls at the port, appealed to Rear Admiral Howard for better protection for foreigners, recommended that steps be taken to relieve the food famine as a result of the siege and that a stop be put to the killing of non-combatants.

3 ARRESTS IN WINTERS CASE

Father and Step-mother of Girl Who Disappeared Held on Felony Charge.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
NEWCASTLE, Ind., May 30.—Dr. Mrs. W. A. Winters, father and step-mother of Catherine Winters, aged nine, who disappeared from her home more than a year ago, were arrested on their arrival from Terra Haute. They are charged with a conspiracy to commit a felony. This makes three arrests in the case. W. H. Cooper, a former roomer in the Winters' home being arrested last night. It was stated that the felony charge was merely made to hold them and might be changed later. The child's blood-stained clothing is alleged to have been found in the Winters' home.

S. JUMPER was in from his Haynes Inlet homestead today. He brought in a lot of strawberries. He has about an acre and a half of berries.

ALLIANCE HERE FROM PORTLAND

The steamer Alliance arrived in port this morning with a fair list of passengers and a capacity cargo. She will sail at 2 o'clock tomorrow morning for Eureka. Passengers will be permitted aboard early this evening. Among those to arrive from Portland today on the Alliance were: Mike Bogdon, X. Rempeler, Jack Moyaek, Mrs. Percy Nash and Percy G. Nash.

DREDGE MICHIE WAS BADLY DAMAGED BY THE A. M. SIMPSON

BRING BODIES IN LATE TODAY
Coroner Wilson Delayed in Returning from Ten Mile With Accident Victims.

BODIES ARRIVE.
Coroner Wilson returned this afternoon with the bodies of Ike Freeland and W. T. Shaw, who were killed when the boiler at the Menutzel sawmill near Lakeaide exploded yesterday.

According to the verdict rendered by the coroner's jury, the cause of the explosion is unknown, but the jury is of the opinion that the boiler was weak and defective. Those who served on the jury were: T. C. Young, N. A. Nelson, Tom Carmell, Gus E. Wolmen, E. E. Sprague and B. Erickson.

The mill was totally wrecked, some of it being blown for seventy-five yards.

Coroner Fred Wilson started from Ten Mile early this morning with the bodies of Ike Freeland and W. T. Shaw, who were killed in the boiler explosion at Ten Mile yesterday. The party missed the early morning boat and started with another launch but had been stranded on the shoals on account of the low water. They left Houser & Houser's camp this afternoon but were reported to be stuck again and will probably not reach here before late this afternoon.

Few additional particulars beyond those given in The Times yesterday were received today.

Fears Son Killed.
Mr. Shaw, former marshal of North Bend, and a well known Coos Bay man, fears that the W. T. Shaw who was killed is his son. The description of the dead man tallies closely with that of Mr. Shaw's son but he was not aware of his son being at the sawmill. He is anxiously awaiting the arrival of the bodies.

Hand Blown Off.
The body of Mr. Freeland was found late yesterday. One hand had been blown off but this was recovered with the body.

Two Were Injured.
It was also stated that another employe besides Polby had been badly scalded and hurt in the accident. However, this could not be verified.

Funeral Monday.
The funeral of Mr. Freeland will be held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon from the Wilson chapel. The North Bend Nest of Owls, of which the deceased was a member, will attend in a body.

30 CARS START IN AUTO RACE

Two Machines Overturn and Drivers Hurt—Thomas in Lead in First 100 Miles.

THOMAS WINS RACE
[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
INDIANAPOLIS, May 30.—Ken Thomas, driving a French car, won the fourth annual 500-mile race today. His time broke the record, being 6:02:45. An average of 82.47 miles an hour was made by Thomas. Duray, driving a French car, was second, being only three laps behind.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 30.—Thirty cars, their drivers from the United States, Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Belgium, contested for cash prizes totalling \$50,000 at the Indianapolis motor speedway in the fourth annual 500-mile auto race. About one hundred thousand spectators saw the start at ten o'clock. Chassagne's car overturned and the mechanic was knocked unconscious. Gilhooley's car overturned and both driver and mechanic were taken to the hospital. Thomas was leading in the first hundred miles.

The Oregon law to keep women from working more than eight hours a day protects all women except those who keep house.

NEIL WATSON came in today to attend a meeting of the stockholders in the warehouse company now being formed by the Farmers' Union. Nothing definite was done.

Bar Craft Will Have to Be Taken to Portland to Go on Drydock There.

DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT OVER \$10,000

Michie Was at Anchor and Simpson Sheered Out of Course—Damaged.

The damages sustained by the bar dredge Michie, when she was rammed by the A. M. Simpson, in the lower bay yesterday afternoon, are much more serious than were first reported. The Michie is now at the North Bend Iron Works, where temporary repairs are being made to enable the vessel to proceed to Portland under her own steam. She will have to go on drydock and undergo a general overhauling. The damage is estimated at over \$10,000.

The port side of the Michie was caved in down to the water line, the inside steam pipes were broken and bent; the pumps knocked out of line and other damage done, the extent of which probably cannot be determined before the Michie is placed on drydock.

Simpson Slightly Damaged.
Members of the Michie's crew say that the A. M. Simpson was also damaged in the collision and say that her bow was badly smashed in. However, the damage must have not been serious as Capt. Bendergard proceeded to sea, a thing he would not have done had the Simpson been badly damaged. The Simpson was heavily laden with lumber and it is possible that he decided it would be best to proceed south where he could discharge the cargo and go on drydock for repairs.

Michie Was at Anchor.
The Michie was lying at anchor in the lower bay, headed westward. The Speedwell and Hardy passed her a little before the Simpson came along and did not come near her.

However, Captain Bendergard's course was nearer to the Michie and just before he neared the vessel, the Simpson suddenly sheered toward the dredge. They were then very close and the Simpson had evidently been caught by a slight swell.

Instead of righting herself, the Simpson continued to sheer in and in another instant had crashed into the Michie, about three-quarters way back.

Capt. Bendergard, when he realized the collision was coming, reversed the Simpson's engines and reduced the impact.

Towed to North Bend.
Capt. Reed had the Michie towed to North Bend. At first, it was feared that it would be necessary to send to Portland for a tug to come down and tow the Michie there to go on drydock. However, Henry Kern, after a thorough investigation, decided that the damage to the machinery could be repaired at North Bend, thus enabling the Michie to go north under her own power. The damage to the plates and frame cannot be repaired here.

Will Leave Tuesday.
It is expected that the Michie will leave about Tuesday or Wednesday for Portland.

Accident is Serious.
It is feared that the accident will result seriously for Capt. Bendergard of the A. M. Simpson. The Michie was lying at anchor and this will throw the blame onto him. It may result in the loss of his papers. He has been with the Simpson Company for many years and was regarded as one of the most careful navigators on the coast.

The Simpson Company will also probably have to stand the expense of the repairs to the Michie.

ROOSEVELT TO SON'S WEDDING

Leaves Today With Party for Spain to Attend Marriage of Kermit Roosevelt.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
NEW YORK, May 30.—Theodore Roosevelt, accompanied by Phillip Roosevelt, a young cousin, and his eldest daughter, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, will sail for Spain today to attend the wedding of his son, Kermit, in Madrid, June 10, to Miss Belle Willard, daughter of the American ambassador to Spain. The Colonel said before leaving that he would issue a short political statement for publication in the papers.