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CRICKET GOES ASHORE FOUR MILES NORTH OF BAR IN FOG

Floated Ten Hours After She Struck, With High Tide and Assistance of the Bee.

FISHBOAT PROMINENT FIGURE IN RESCUE

Many People Visit Scene of Wreck During Day—News Spread Quickly.

Ten hours and fifteen minutes after she had gone ashore in the heavy fog four miles north of the Coos Bay bar, the lumber schooner Cricket, Capt. Wehman, was floated when she was pulled off by her sister ship, the Bee. The Cricket ran ashore at 3:45 o'clock Sunday morning and was 12-moved from her perilous position at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. While the schooner is only slightly damaged, about half of her deck cargo is strewn along the beach.

Captain Ayer's Good Work

Capt. Wehman of the Cricket is known among coast shipping men as "Salvation John." He gained the nickname through work in the Salvation Army and also on account of his piety. He is an able master.

Was in Close. As an indication of how close in the Cricket was, Capt. Ayer says that he went in toward shore until he had less than twenty feet of water under the Bee. He put out kedge anchors to protect himself and this, with the power of his engines, enabled him after about an hour and a half's work to pull the Cricket off.

The Bee had a hold cargo of merchandise. The shipment of lumber she is taking at Porter for export to Europe is for A. F. Thane. She is taking the lumber on today.

Cricket Is Damaged. Capt. Ayer says that the bottom of the Cricket must be considerably damaged. The Cricket had about 1,200,000 feet of lumber aboard for the Chas. Nelson Lumber Company of San Francisco. Capt. Ayer estimated that about 350,000 feet of the deck load was jettisoned in an effort to save the boat.

One in a Thousand. Marine men and others today are marveling over the saving of the Cricket. They say that it was a thousand to one shot that a boat going ashore where she did would be a total wreck. However, luck was in her favor. The tide was ebbing and she was running slow in the dense fog when she struck, and the little wind prevailing was from the northeast.

In addition to this was the luck of getting quick aid from the Iolanda and the Bee and Michie being ready to go to her aid. The Redondo was in readiness to go to her aid if Capt. Wehman had asked it.

Answers Distress Call. When the officers of the Cricket realized that the boat had been beached, they immediately sounded the distress call, four sharp blasts, which was heard by the crew of the Iolanda and the crew of the steamer Paramita. The Iolanda was at Empire when she heard the call, and although the fog was as thick as pea soup, her captain, Pontus Stanbourg, decided to go to the assistance of the vessel at once.

Owing to the density of the fog the Iolanda had to feel her way slowly. Near the mouth of the bay she met the Paramita. The two boats drew close enough together so that the two captains could hold a brief conference. The captain of the Paramita told Captain Stanbourg that he would go to the rescue under more favorable conditions, but that he thought it unsafe to risk the steamer in such a dense fog. Captain Stanbourg agreed with him on that point, but deter-

PETERS SENT TO COQUILLE

Youth Who Confessed Holdup Story Was Fake Charged With Stealing a Watch.

Stanley Peters, who confessed late Saturday afternoon that the holdup story which he told the police and reporters Saturday morning, was a fake, was taken to Coquille this afternoon on a complaint charging him with stealing a watch from Harry Thomas. Peters waived a preliminary hearing before Justice Pennock and will be held in the county jail at Coquille pending the action of the grand jury.

Peters admitted to Constable Cox that he stole the watch from a trunk belonging to Thomas and that he pawned it for \$1 at North Bend. Thomas also charges Peters with taking a pistol and silver purse from the trunk. Peters denies that he took anything but the watch. He will have a long wait in the county jail, as the grand jury will not convene before next September.

Peters will not say why he told the fake story about being held up and robbed of \$17 just the other side of the railroad bridge last Friday night. The police think that he told the story so as to account for the \$17 which he spent in one lump. Just where he spent it or what he spent it for has not been learned, but it is thought that he did not want his mother and debtors to know what he did with it.

H. G. Hendee, who said that he was held up with five others in an automobile on the Bunker Hill road Friday night, still maintains that he was robbed of \$5. Others who were in the car with him declare that there is absolutely no truth in the story. "Smoke" Clarence Green and Bartlett Knox, drivers of the Bunker Hill auto stage, declare that they were both on duty Friday night and that they were not held up.

According to the police Hendee has been mixed up in one or two check deals and other misrepresentations. What his motive might be in concocting such a holdup story as he told last Saturday has not been determined.

mined to go himself at the risk of his boat as well as the lives of the crew.

The Iolanda turned her nose in the direction of the Cricket and reached her after a slow hard trip. When she got alongside the Cricket the crew of that boat passed out 200 fathoms of rope, to which the crew of the Iolanda tied one of the anchors of the Iolanda. The latter boat then proceeded west and dropped the anchor, which kept the Cricket from being washed high on the sandy beach.

Women Removed. M. Madsen, second officer of the Iolanda, offered to take the women aboard the fishboat, but they would not leave the Cricket. He offered them hot coffee and they politely refused that. About a half hour later the life-saving crew arrived on the scene and after considerable persuasion on their part the women got into the lifeboats. They were taken to the life-saving station, four miles south, where they remained until the Cricket was floated. Then they were taken out to meet the Cricket as she passed the bar.

Captain Stanbourg, of the Iolanda, realized that his boat was too small to be of any further assistance to the Cricket and he started back to notify larger vessels, after he had dropped the anchor. He notified the officers of the government dredge Michie and the officers of the Bee, which was arriving in to load at North Bend. When the fog lifted the three vessels started for the wreck and reached the scene about noon.

Thrustler had reached the wreck in the meantime, but could render little assistance to the Cricket. When the other three arrived a line was carried from the bow of the Cricket to the stern of the Bee by men in life boats, and after tugging away for over an hour the Cricket was moved out into deep water. When she was floated every boat, including the Cricket, blew its whistle and the big crowd which had been watching the manipulations from the shore cheered and waved their hats.

Lumber Thrown Off. In an effort to float the Cricket her crew threw more than half of her deck cargo overboard. Lumber of all sizes and dimensions washed ashore and it is strewn along the coast for a distance of more than two miles. A good deal of it will be saved. One man with a wagon appeared on the beach about 10 o'clock and carried away a load of it. Other parties in-

TEN DROWN IN ESCAPING HEAT

Heavy Loss of Life Results From First Hot Sunday of the Summer in New York—Crowd Sees Two Lost.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW YORK, July 13.—The first hot Sunday of summer drove thousands to the water side for relief, with the result that ten drownings were reported to the police during the day and night. Two boys were drowned in the sight of thousands at Prospect Park lake when their boat capsized.

CLEAR SCHOOL SITE SUNDAY

Residents of Eastport and First Addition Unite in Aiding New School.

The school board of District No. 40 at Eastport is well pleased with the willing efforts and support the residents showed the school board yesterday in answering so willingly their call to help clear the site for the new school. There were eighty-two present and every man brought a tool to work with and used it to good advantage. By 5 o'clock in the afternoon all the trees were down except some small timber on the south end, and the stumps grubbed out ready to commence excavating the basement.

The biggest surprise happened at 12 o'clock, when the call for dinner was heard from the ladies. A great spread was prepared and every man, before he quit eating, was leaning against a tree trying to eat more and empty the plates, but no use, as there were several ladies with salads, baked beans, several kinds of sandwiches, pies, cakes and everything imaginable to eat, who were sure to see that the plates were full. Every man present has the highest praise for the ladies and the dinner they prepared and say it was worth the whole day's work alone. All spent a very enjoyable day and expressed the desire to have another picnic soon to help the district all the way toward the new school.

AVIATION SERVICE

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., July 11.—The Hay bill, organizing a special aviation service in the signal corps of the army was finally acted on by the House and now goes to the President.

BALLOON RACE RESULTS.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) ST. LOUIS, July 13.—San Francisco 1915, piloted by K. S. Cole and aide R. E. Emerson, was the only balloon not reported landed this morning in the national elimination race.

automobiles took away a good stack of it. The government dredge Michie stood by until the Cricket was off the sand and Capt. Reed was ready at all times to render assistance had it been needed. One report has it that the crew of the Rustler put a second kedge anchor out when she arrived. So much lumber was floating about the Cricket that it was almost impossible for the small boats to get in close without getting a plank caught in the propeller.

Is New Vessel. The schooner Cricket was built at Alameda in 1912 and is owned by the Fred Lindermann Company, which also owns the Bee, Hornet and Waap. All of the boats are in commission and ply between the coast ports. They are used almost exclusively in the lumber business and carry few passengers. The Cricket is about the size of the Redondo. The Cricket, which was proceeding south, will reach San Francisco late this evening.

Boat in Demand. The news of the wreck spread rapidly and launches and power boats were in demand early yesterday morning. Several of the launches found along the waterfront were pressed into service and when the entire crowd assembled at the beach, it numbered something over 300. A large number arrived late in the afternoon, but they were too late to see any sign of the boats, as the Cricket was floated at 2 o'clock.

One of the first boats from Marshfield to reach Jarvis Landing, which is about one mile this side of the scene of the wreck, was the Sea-Sled, or scow, owned by Jack Lapp. While other boats had a start of more than a half hour, the Sea-Sled arrived first. On the return trip from Jarvis Landing to the city the distance of eight miles was covered in twenty minutes. Those who made the trip in the Sea-Sled were Jack Lapp, W. Sneddon, L. Savage, Jack Chambers, A. Hansen and D. H. Townes.

The steamer Cricket is one of the two boats which was badly burned during the dock fire which occurred in Portland last April. She had to be placed on the docks and repaired to a great extent.

NATION-WIDE SEARCH MADE FOR TWO WOMEN FROM ATLANTA, GA.

ORANGEMEN IN BIG PARADE

Still Insist That Protestant Ulster Be Kept Free of Home Rule.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) BELFAST, July 13.—The insistent demand of the Protestant portion of Ulster for exclusion from the operations of home rule lent added interest to today's celebration of the anniversary of the battle of the Boyne. Edward Carson rode at the head of 5000 orangemen in a parade here. Extensive precautions were taken by the authorities to prevent clashes.

PARAMITA IS TOTAL WRECK

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—The steamer Wasp, sent to attempt the saving of the bark Paramita, which ran ashore near Naknek, Alaska, several months ago, is here today with the news that the bark is a total loss. Most of the cargo, consisting of 1000 cases of salmon, was saved.

CZAR'S MONK ASSASSINATED

Probably Fatal Attack on Man Who Has Great Influence Over Russian Emperor.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) ST. PETERSBURG, July 13.—Details have reached here of a probably fatal attack on the mystic lay monk, Gregory Rasputin, whose influence over the Emperor is said to be very great. Rasputin was visiting his native village of Pokrovskoy when a woman unknown in that locality stabbed him in the abdomen with a dirk. She was arrested and said that she wanted to kill the monk because he was a false prophet.

PROPERTY TO PAY EXPENSES

CITY COUNCIL AND PORT COMMISSIONERS DECIDED FILLED AREA SHALL BEAR EXTRA EXPENSE.

At the joint meeting of the Port of Coos Bay and Marshfield city councils today, it was decided that the system of surface drainage needed in the filled area was an expense which the property filled should bear. The cost of the drainage system was estimated at one-fourth of a cent per cubic yard for fill and this will be assessed to the property when the latter is assessed for the fill.

The question of damages was left rather indefinite except that the Port and the Council agreed to use their influence to try and get the property of the filled area to pay the damages sustained by different ones. Henry Sengstacken was named as the Port's representative and the Council will appoint someone to represent the city and they will try and ascertain the amount of damage in each case, getting the lowest figures, and then try and get the property owners to pay.

Engineer Wright of the Dredge Oregon stated that if the Port Commission wanted the dredgings pumped beyond the low water line, they would have to stand the expense of the additional pipeline and cost of handling it. The matter was referred to the port engineer.

ELDER BEATS BREAKWATER.

According to officials of the North Pacific Steamship Company, the Elder left Portland yesterday morning at 9 o'clock and made the run to the port in 21 hours, crossing the bar this morning one hour ahead of the Breakwater. According to officials of the Southern Pacific, the Breakwater left Portland at 8 o'clock and crossed the bar at 6:20 this morning.

BALLOON RACE ENDS.

Goodyear Is Victor in St. Louis Contest Today. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) ST. LOUIS, July 13.—The balloon "San Francisco 1915" landed ninety-five miles southeast of here yesterday morning. The "Goodyear" wins the race, having covered a distance of 320 miles.

Don't forget the 35c luncheon at The Chandler.

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