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ROANOKE SINKS AND MANY DIE

Cargo Shifts and Causes Vessel to Turn Over and Sink

DEATH LIST IS BIG

Little Hope of Rescuing Most of Crew Not Accounted For Today

FIRST NEWS LAST NIGHT

Disaster Occurred Tuesday Night One Hundred Miles South of San Francisco—Captain Dickson Jumps Into Sea to Save Wife

SECOND BOAT FOUND WITH ONE MAN ALIVE

POINT ARGUELLO, Cal., May 11.—A second life boat of the Roanoke with one man alive and one dead was picked up by the steamer Edgar Vance today. It is reported by wireless that five life boats left the Roanoke and two swamped as they put off from the steamer. Only one boat remains unaccounted for.

NOTHING IS FOUND OF THE SURVIVORS.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Cal., May 11.—The tanker Lansing arrived at Port San Luis at noon today and reported that no trace of wreckage or survivors of the Roanoke. Reports reaching here and at the Point Arguello wireless station that another life boat was found with one dead and one live man is apparently unsubstantiated.

FIRST NEWS LAST NIGHT

As completely as before the days of wireless, the tragedy was buried until last night, when one of the ship's boats entered the harbor at Port San Luis, bearing three sailors on the verge of death and five dead bodies.

Search Is Started

J. T. Elb, quartermaster, the first man resuscitated, told of four other boats which got away from the Roanoke, and a search was instituted immediately on the slim chance that some might still be afloat.

Die One By One

Elb said the boat in which he got away from the ship upset and he was picked up by another one. The men rowed continually until, one after, exhausted by cold, hunger and fatigue they went to sleep and did not wake up.

Captain and Wife Lost

Captain Richard Dickson leaped into the sea to rescue his wife and neither were seen again. It was reported that Carlo Belgrano, son of the vice president of the Fugazi Italian Bank of San Francisco was aboard the Roanoke. Elb said he kept on rowing, urged by the knowledge that whenever he stopped he would die as the others did. The little boat was first seen by the lightkeeper at Port San Luis. A power launch was dispatched. Elb, at the end of 100 miles of rowing and drifting, still swung feeble to a pair of oars. When he saw the launch he collapsed. The other two survivors, N. O. Lopez, oiler, and Carlos Robino, waiter, were unable to give any account of the disaster except that the boat broke in two. "We were able to launch out of ten life boats only the ones on the

ONCE PLIED HERE

ROANOKE IN 1905 USED TO MAKE COOS BAY ON RUN

Commanded Then by Capt. Robert Dunham—Agent Cushing, N. P. S. S. Co., Knew Crew of Ship

SALENT FACTS ABOUT THE STEAMER ROANOKE

Came into Coos Bay between February and August of 1905. Built at Chester, Pa., in 1882, of steel construction, 2254 gross tons, 1,674 net tonnage. Length—267 feet. Beam—40.5 feet. Home Port—San Francisco. Owners—North Pacific Steamship Company. It is ten years since the steamship Roanoke came to Coos Bay. During 1905 the vessel made several trips in here between the months of February and August. At that time the Roanoke was commanded by Capt. Robert Dunham, at one time skipper of the schooner Coquille, and who at one time lived at Coaledo.

Captain Dunham Was Master

Her advent here was before the present dredging project for the harbor had been put through. In spots there were shoals along the channel, and it is recalled that Capt. Dunham had a very hard time in getting by some of them, especially between Marshfield and North Bend. L. G. Cushing, local agent of the North Pacific Steamship Company, said this morning that he knew Capt. Richard Dickson, of the Roanoke, very well. He said the skipper was a man of about 50 years of age and always used to come into the San Francisco office, whenever he completed a voyage.

Was Competent Navigator

He recalls him as a quiet man and a very competent navigator. For 10 years he has been with the North Pacific Steamship company and before that time with the Union Oil Company, of California. He was one of the most prominent captains on the Pacific coast.

Left Vessel Recently

James Ipswitch, now chief steward of the Kilburn, left the Roanoke only three months ago, wanting to change to this run. At that time the Roanoke was plying between Portland, San Francisco and San Diego. Cushing said that he knew Charles J. Green, the first mate, whose father is captain of the steam schooner Multnomah, and also J. G. Dennis, the second engineer and D. McInnis, the chief officer.

Was Under Charter

Some three months ago the North Pacific Steamship Company began the handling of the operating department of the California South Seas Navigation Company. The Roanoke was chartered to the latter company for trade to Central and South America and had returned from a trip only a very short time ago. When Ipswitch was in here aboard the Kilburn he said that Capt. Dickson did not like the run and probably would not take the Roanoke out again.

Tells of Explosives

The San Francisco papers of yesterday stated that the Roanoke had aboard 600 tons of dynamite and that her cargo was worth \$250,000. The George W. Elder is now on her way up from Valparaiso where she has just delivered a similar cargo.

Did Not Use Wireless

Inasmuch as the Roanoke carried a wireless and failed to use it, the belief is expressed that the accident must have happened in an instant's time. Some marine men have ventured the opinion that, being in a heavy sea and with a full cargo, the steel hull was cracked and twisted. They could hardly see how she could turn turtle through a shifting of the cargo when it is known that the boat was full below decks with no room for a shifting. It capsized, Mrs. Dickson, the captain's wife, sank. Captain Dickson dove for her. I never saw either of them again. I, the mate and one sailor clutched a spar and hung to it until another boat picked us up."

FRENCH MAKE TWO ATTACKS

Are Broken Down by German Fire Near Verdun Berlin Reports Today

SUFFER BIG LOSSES

Paris Claims that Germans Were Repulsed Last Night When Making Attack

THE ARTILLERY IS ACTIVE

Vienna Announces that the Russians Are Showing Increased Activity in Galicia—Italians Repulsed in Attacks on Austrians

Artillery Active

Vigorous artillery action is reported near Avocourt wood, Vienna announced that the Russians are showing increased activity in Galicia. The Italians were repulsed in an attack on the Austrians at San Martino.

MOVIE FIRE FATAL

TWENTY-SIX NEGROES BURNED AT NORFOLK, VA.

Perish in Flames Which Destroy a Picture Show House in That City

FARM BUILDINGS AND CROPS WASHED AWAY

BOISE, Idaho, May 11.—The Pack Saddle dam in Teton county broke Saturday according to word received today. No lives were lost as the people were warned in time but farm buildings, animals and crops were washed away.

MAY ASK GERMANY

SECRETARY LANSING MIGHT WANT SOME DETAILS

Possibility of Wanting to Know Punishment of Commander Who Sunk Sussex

MAY CLINCH DEAL

OAKLAND CAPITALISTS ARE EXPECTED HERE SHORTLY

Within a few days John Rogers and Dennison Cook, Oakland capitalists, are expected here to make further plans toward the taking over of the Major Kinney properties, said Frank B. Waite, who left for Portland this morning. He would not state positively that the deal had gone through, but expressed the belief that it very probably would. He said that as yet he has been unable to have a conference with them about the matter, though the correspondence has been satisfactory. Providing the sale is completed it is understood that considerable improvements will be made by Rogers and Cook.

BASE BALL SCORES

BEAVERS HAVE NO LOOK IN SERIES WITH SAN FRANCISCO

Take Another Plunk into the Cellar of Coast League—McCredie Due for "Second Wind"

PERCENTAGES OF COAST LEAGUE

Table with columns for W, L, Pct. for San Francisco, Los Angeles, Vernon, Salt Lake, Oakland, and Portland.

BIG LEAGUES

NEW YORK, May 11.—Chicago romped off with the game of yesterday, 5 to 2; Philadelphia lost to Detroit, 9 to 3.

WANTS TO WRESTLE WITH A LOCAL MAN

Fred O. Lewis Writes to Times Asking to Arrange a Match in This Locality

TEXAS MEN ARRIVE

NEARLY ONE THOUSAND MILITIA NOW AT SAN ANTONIO

MEET AGAIN TODAY

SCOTT AND FUNSTON CONFER WITH GENERAL ORRAGON

ASK MORE BASES

OFFICIALS MAKE AN APPEAL TO CONGRESS TODAY

Would Have Submarine Stations Made at Panama Canal As Soon As Possible

CAVALRY IS NEEDED

MAY MOUNT INFANTRY WITH TEXAS PONIES

Calling Out of the First Illinois Cavalry Is Also Being Considered Now

TURKS WIN FIGHT

CLAIM DEFEATING RUSSIANS IN THE CAUCASUS

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Two Troops of Eighth Cavalry Start Into Mexico Last Night

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