

DID SEA SWALLOW STOWAWAY?

Officers of Steamer Aragonia Bring Report of Case That Puzzles Inspectors.

BELIEVE JAPANESE LEAPED OVERBOARD IN MID-OCEAN

Big Liner Returns From Orient With Large Shipments of Cement, Tea, Quinine and General Merchandise—Made Quiet Run From Yokohama.

Officers of the German steamer Aragonia believe that a Japanese stowaway who was discovered in one of the bunkers two days after leaving Yokohama jumped overboard in mid-ocean. When they looked for him yesterday morning as the steamer approached the Columbia river he could not be found. Possibly he made the leap when the big liner was within sight of the Aleutian islands and tried to swim ashore through the boisterous surf.

The case is one of the most remarkable ever brought to the notice of the local immigration officials and they are searching the vessel from top to bottom today in hopes of finding the missing stowaway, although the officers of the steamer declare they have searched every nook and corner where concealment would be possible.

The big liner arrived at 10:30 o'clock last night at Montgomery dock No. 2, where she commenced discharging freight this morning. She will remain there until late this evening or early tomorrow morning when she will shift to Alaska dock to finish discharging her 2,500 tons of freight consisting principally of cement, jute bags, matting and tea.

The Aragonia left Yokohama for the Columbia river at 4 o'clock on the morning of June 20 and every effort was made to reach Portland in time to celebrate the Fourth, but a day of head seas in the beginning of the voyage held her back and she fell short a few hours. She made good time, however, reaching the Columbia river on the evening of July 5, exactly 18 days and 12 hours out from the Japanese port.

Boats Play Hide-and-Seek

Unable to find the pilot boat the Aragonia anchored in the vicinity of the lightship and remained there until 5 o'clock yesterday morning, when the pilot for whom they had been waiting, hove in sight from seaward. The pilot-boat had been playing hide-and-peek with the big liner for several hours and the liner would have been discovered earlier in the game had she not stood so close to shore, where evidently the pilots did not think of looking for her. With the exception of the one stormy day right after leaving the coast of Japan, the Aragonia experienced the finest kind of weather. Light winds, a smooth sea and clear skies greeted the big liner wherever she peered her nose, and in order to make the best possible time she followed the great circle so closely that she brought up within speaking distance of the Aleutian islands. The shore could be seen plainly and the rumbling sound of the breakers could be heard faintly.

Not until their arrival here did it dawn upon the officers that possibly the Japanese stowaway took advantage of their close run to shore and leaped overboard. Most Japanese are good swimmers and he knew that to remain with the ship meant certain deportation upon his arrival here. The fact that the fellow's clothes and a small bundle of personal effects were found in a corner of the spar deck lends color to the theory that in a fit of desperation the man leaped overboard, willing to take one chance out of a thousand to reach some place where opportunities might be better than in the country he left behind.

The Aragonia is still in command of Captain John Ernst, but Chief Officer Vogeler's position is being filled by G. Smit, and O. Dierke is chief engineer in place of H. Tunnecke. Hotst and Linemann are two new assistant engineers.

HIRE AND FIRE JAPS.

Captain of Steam Schooner Aurelia Solves Difficult Problem.

The steam schooner Aurelia sailed for San Francisco last night with a cargo of 530,000 feet of lumber. She pulled out quietly with a Japanese crew on deck. The Japanese are said to be the identical men who were discharged when the union longshoremen and mill workers refused to load the vessel so long as Japanese were employed as strike breakers.

By discharging the Japanese upon reaching San Francisco no trouble will be experienced in securing longshoremen to discharge the cargo. Then the Japanese will probably return to their berths for another run to Portland.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

The British ship Procyon commenced loading wheat at Montgomery dock No. 1 this morning.

The steam schooner Yosemite sailed last night from Linton for Fort Los Angeles with 600,000 feet of lumber loaded at the Linton mills.

The British steamer Comber will be in Portland soon to load lumber for the Orient. She is under charter to J. J. Moore & Co.

The steamer Hilonian is due to arrive here Monday from Honolulu via San Francisco. She is scheduled to sail from Portland for Honolulu direct July 12.

The collector of customs was notified today that henceforth consular stamps will be required on invoices.

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STETSON OFFICERS TO BLAME

Captain Loses License for One Year and First Officer Suspended for Six Months.

OFFICERS OF BARKENTINE STANFORD EXONERATED

Vessels Collided Off Mouth of the Columbia River on the Night of July 12 and the Steam Schooner Failed to Stand By.

Messrs. Edwards and Fuller, government inspectors of hulls and boilers, have arrived at the conclusion that the officers of the steam schooner J. B. Stetson are entirely to blame for the collision between that vessel and the barkentine Jane L. Stanford off the mouth of the Columbia river on the night of June 12, and furthermore exonerate the officers of the barkentine from all blame. The decision was reached after weighing the testimony carefully the inspectors came to the conclusion that Captain Bonfield and First Officer Tribble were guilty of negligence, carelessness and lack of skill.

They may appeal to the supervising inspector, John Birmingham, at San Francisco, but as a rule the decision of the local inspectors is final and it is doubtful if the case will be carried further. It was explained by the inspectors that the Stetson stood off without even giving her name or port of registry. The barkentine was damaged to the extent of about \$5,000, and in view of the decision of the inspectors the Stetson will probably be libeled for this amount in addition to damages for the loss of time, etc.

PUMPS KEPT HER DRY.

Steam Schooner Northland Arrives at San Francisco in Leaky Condition.

The steam schooner Northland reached San Francisco last night from Portland with the cargo of lumber that she received at the mills of Inman, Poulsen & Co., after a series of delays. As soon as an rid of the cargo the Northland will enter the drydock for a thorough examination.

The Northland is the vessel that was found one morning with four feet of water in the hold. Despite a most searching investigation the leak could not be found by surveyors here and the conclusion was drawn that the vessel had been tapped. It is for the purpose of determining the character of these leaks that the vessel will be lifted on the drydock at San Francisco. Powerful steam pumps kept the Northland dry on her way to the Bay City.

COLLECTIONS ARE BIG.

Portland's Custom House Turns Large Sums Into Treasury.

Receipts from all sources in the office of the collector of customs for the month of June aggregate close to \$100,000.

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(Journal Special Service.) New York, July 7.—Mrs. Hugo Ziegfeld, daughter of Police Inspector W. H. McLaughlin, and sister-in-law of Anna Held, was rescued from drowning in Echo bay, New Rochelle, recently by Captain Harry Kane and former Judge John A. Van Zelm. The accident occurred midway between the New

Receipts From All Sources.

Duties on imports	\$98,648.16
Fines, penalties and forfeitures	8.60
Miscellaneous customs receipts	278.00
Storage, labor and cartage	457.00
Official fees	28.40
Total	\$99,418.16
Amount of refunds and drawbacks paid	687.48

USE OLD PRESERVERS.

Launch Owners Come Under Criticism of Inspectors Fuller and Edwards.

Gasoline boat owners stood deep in debt when Inspectors Edwards and Fuller reached their office in the custom house building this morning. They there to secure their licenses and instructions on points that are Greek to them in navigating the river. Their visit was timely, too, for next Monday the inspectors will start out in one of the speediest boats on the river and capture every violator of the rules and regulations that they can lay hands on. "We do not propose to display any leniency in this matter at all," said Inspector Edwards this morning, "and these fellows carrying passengers for hire had better comply with the law right from the start. It has come to our notice that a number of the launches have been equipped with life preservers condemned on the river steamers, and that work is being done to prevent charges being brought against the officers of the Stetson through the federal court which provides a penalty of \$1,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years in cases where it is proven that the master or person in charge of a vessel fails to stay by a vessel damaged in collision. The testimony brought out at the hearing before the inspectors was to the effect that the Stetson stood off without even giving her name or port of registry.

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MARINE NOTES.

Astoria, July 7.—Arrived down at 6 a. m., steamer Aurelia and sailed at 10:45 a. m. for San Francisco.

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Astoria, July 6.—Left up at 1:50 p. m., German steamer Aragonia. Sailed at 2:25 p. m., schooner W. H. Smith, for San Pedro. Arrived at and left up at 7:50 p. m., steamer Thomas L. Ward, from San Francisco. Arrived at 9 and left up at 9:30 p. m., steamer Atlas, from San Francisco.

San Francisco, July 6.—Arrived at 4 p. m., steamer Northland, from Portland.

Point Lobos, July 6.—Passed at noon, steamer Whittier, for Portland.

Astoria, July 7.—Condition of the bar at 8 a. m., smooth; wind north-west; weather cloudy.

INDIAN PROSPECTOR REAPS FORTUNE IN NEVADA

Coffee Pot Work After Life of Hard Work Strikes It Rich at New Camp.

(Journal Special Service.) Reno, Nev., July 7.—John Coffee Pot, the name by which a Flute Indian is known, is one who has already cashed up a bank roll in East Gate Nevada. He stands his prosperity well and does not drink, though he occasionally shows his mining tendencies by plunging at the faro tables of Fairview.

LIGHTHOUSE TENDER LAUREL IS LOCATED

Washington, July 7.—The lighthouse tender Laurel has been located lying under Lobo Island north of Cuts, awaiting abatement of the wreck.

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Rochelle Yacht club's house, on Harrison island, and the mainland, and was witnessed by many excursionists. Mrs. Ziegfeld lost her pocketbook containing about \$1,500 worth of money and jewelry. Divers at work in the bay made a vain effort to locate the missing valuables.

Accompanied by Rudolph Hugel, son of Dr. Leo E. Hugel of Syracuse Park, Mrs. Ziegfeld boarded William Birch's Sneaker, riding at anchor in the bay, shortly after 1 p. m. Hugel was raising the jib, with Mrs. Ziegfeld at the tiller, when a stiff gust of wind caught the mainsail, and before Mrs. Ziegfeld could bring the Sneaker's nose straight she careened, filled with water and sunk, stern first.

Mrs. Ziegfeld cannot swim. Her screams were heard by Captain Kane, who was taking former Judge Van Zelm to Harrison island in a launch. When the launch reached Mrs. Ziegfeld she was nearly exhausted. She was placed on board a friend's yacht.

BEST OF ALL.

J. W. Siegfeld Writes a Heart-to-Heart Letter to His Neighbor.

Mr. B. Anselmo, Powell and Twenty-sixth streets, City.—Dear Sir: I estimate you will require paint to paint your house:

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J. W. SIEGFELD.

SAID HE MURDERED MAN HE NEVER SAW

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Kalama, Wash., July 7.—George Doug, a stranger in this vicinity and who it is thought is insane, was last evening found swimming in the Columbia river in front of Main street, about 80 feet from shore. Mr. Sadler and Mr. Webster went to his rescue, fished him out and he told them that he was being pursued by a posse that was going to hang him for murdering a man that he had never seen. He is now in the custody of Sheriff Kirby.

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HOT CAMPAIGN TO END TONIGHT

Boxers Are Fighting Mayor Hunt and Walla Walla Ankeny Machine to Finish.

BE HEAVIEST VOTE IN HISTORY OF THE CITY

Forces of Present Administration Have Made Straight Fight on the Progress of the Place During the Incumbency of Executive.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Walla Walla, Wash., July 7.—Walla Walla's city election occurs Monday and the result will determine whether or not the Ankeny machine will continue to dominate city politics. Politicians who have followed the game in Walla Walla for years are guarded in their predictions notwithstanding the fact that every known resource of the Ankeny machine has been brought into play to insure the reelection of Mayor Hunt again this year. Prominent Ankeny leaders claim that Hunt will easily be reelected, but the Boxers are equally positive that their candidate, George Kellough, a well known business man of this city, will defeat Hunt and are predicting a majority of from 300 to 500 for him.

The city campaign, which closes tonight, has been marked by a bitter fight against Mayor Hunt, the Boxers dropping everything in an effort to defeat him and take a fall out of the Ankeny machine. The mayor has been charged with everything, from playing to the galleries in signing the saloon ordinance to selling the city supplies, amounting to nearly \$7,000 the past 18 months, contrary to the state law. What there has been some fight over councilmen in several wards and for chief of police between Jerry Brown and ex-Chief of Police Kaufman, the real fight has centered on the mayoralty and the results of Monday's election is being eagerly waited for by politicians of every faction. From the number of voters who registered for the city election it is believed that the heaviest vote ever polled at a city election in Walla Walla will be cast Monday. The total registration amounted to 2,970, as against 1,700 last year. Both the Ankeny faction and the Boxers are claiming the labor vote of the city, but prominent labor leaders declare it is a toss up which one of the factions will corral a majority of the laboring votes, notwithstanding the fact that a committee appointed from all the labor unions of the city recommended Kellough for mayor. There are about 800 laboring men in Walla Walla and 840 belong to the unions.

The Hunt forces have made a straight campaign on the progress of the city during his administration. Hunt has been progressive and during his administration the city has made wonderful strides in all lines, advancing from a country village of 10,000 to over 20,000 in the past four years. This fact alone has caused many of the heaviest taxpayers who opposed him in former years to fall in line and support him this year.

The chief fight over councilmen is being waged in the second, third and fourth wards. In the second ward J. G. Bridges, Boxer, is opposed by J. D. Jones, the Ankeny candidate. Bridges' election, however, is conceded by the Ankenytes, he having made an excellent record in the council the past two years. In the third ward R. H. Johnson, the Ankeny candidate, is pitted against J. B. Dunham, a Boxer, brought out by the Kirkman forces, while in the fourth ward Eugene Tausick, a strong Ankeny man, has been brought out against Fred Martin, who has represented the fourth ward for years. In the first ward John Kent, a Democrat, is opposing Councilman McKean, who has been one of the Ankeny leaders for years. The only other offices besides chief of police being contested is city health officer, which has culminated in a three-cornered fight between Dr. Braden, Thomas and Mack, all well known physicians.

CANDY DEALER FOUND NOT GUILTY BY JURY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Kalama, Wash., July 7.—The case of the state against G. M. Coffey, a confectionery dealer, who has a billiard parlor in the rear of his establishment and who was arrested a few days ago for keeping his place of business open on Sunday, was today tried. The defense asked for a jury, which was granted. Mr. Coffey also has charge of the long-distance telephone station at this point and the justice held that it was necessary that that part of the place should be open on Sunday. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty. Three other cases of the same character, wherein Thomas Cooper, John

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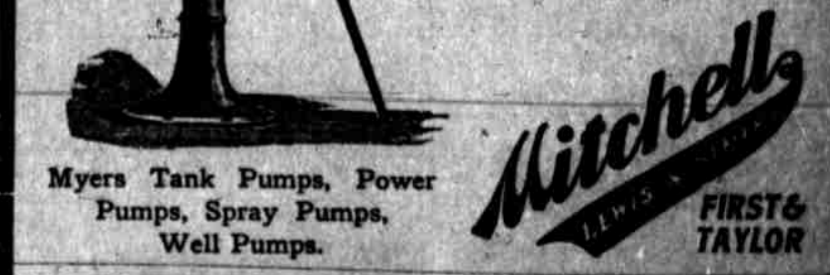
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