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YESTERDAY WAS

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EVEN PERISH SHIP WRECK NEAR NEWPORT

ILLINOIS SMASHES INTO ALABAMA IN MONTEREY HARBOR

BOTH SHIPS ARE DAMAGED

Accident More Serious Than Was First Reported—Might Have Been First Disastrous Happening During Voyage.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Monterey, May 4.—By the merest chance a very serious accident was averted late Saturday night when the Illinois collided with the Alabama. This morning the fact that the ships were in collision leaked out and it was also learned that a collision was not averted as first reported.

The port gangway of the Alabama was torn away and the port side was badly scraped. Other damage was done, but the exact nature of it is being kept a secret. The crash is reported to have been terrific.

During the heavy gale that was blowing Saturday night the Illinois parted her anchor and drifted toward the Alabama, which is Rear Admiral Sperry's flagship. After drifting 500 yards her stern swung into the Alabama.

Just before the collision occurred, however, the emergency anchors of the Illinois were lowered, but not in time to prevent the accident. It was in the crash that a big hole was stove in the bow of Admiral Sperry's flagship.

The Alabama is known as the "Hoodoo" of the American navy. This is the third time she has been in a similar accident. On January 8, 1906, she ran into the Kentucky in New York harbor and later the Illinois, the same ship that was in Saturday night's collision, ran into the Alabama at Provincetown, Massachusetts.

The gale at Santa Cruz is still quite heavy and some difficulty is being experienced in loading and unloading fleet visitors.

Aroused by reports that professional beggars attired as jacksies are expected to mingle with the crowds during the celebration in San Francisco, officers of the first squadron today issued cards of identification to the enlisted men. It is hoped in this way the men who will impose upon the public will be detected. The enlisted men of the Atlantic fleet are planning to give Admiral Evans a rousing farewell reception when he leaves the fleet in San Francisco. Perhaps an admiral in the American navy was never more liked or admired by his men than Evans is by his jacksies.

5-YEAR-OLD BOY STARTS FOR SEA

Little Fellow's Hope of Being Second "Admiral Evans" Shattered.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, May 4.—Willie Switzer, 5 year old, ran away from home in Monterey to enlist in the navy and become a second Admiral Bob Evans. A "cop" knocked all his plans on the head today when he dragged the urchin from under a seat in an excursion train.

The lad wore a sailor hat bearing the name "Willie," which he said had been given to him by a "bluejackets" who told him he could enlist in San Francisco. So, the little fellow left Monterey Saturday night. No trace was found of him until a detective located him under the seat of the train.

MONEY FOR RELIEF OF SOUTHERN SUFFERERS

Washington, May 4.—The senate today passed the house resolution appropriating \$250,000 to the relief of the suffering caused by the recent cyclonic storm in the south, in which several hundreds of lives were lost and hundreds of families were made homeless.

EXPRESS ROBBERS IN TOILS AND \$3,000 LOOT RECOVERED

(United Press Leased Wire.) Laredo, Tex., May 4.—The men who robbed the Wells-Fargo Express company of \$63,000 on the Mexican Central railway, five in all here and both men have confessed. They are Luis

Duke Died in an Opium Den



The Duc de Chalmers, the Young French Nobleman, Who Married Miss Theodore Shotts.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, May 4.—Further news tending to show that Duke de Chalmers, the late husband of the former Theodore Shotts, of New York, was stricken in an opium den and that he was removed to his hotel in a dying condition is contained in a cable to the New York Times from Paris. The cable says the duke was taken from the den by a police official and that it was not until after his death in the Hotel Langham that his wife realized the real cause of his demise. It develops, says the Paris cable, that De Chalmers went to the den accompanied by an intimate friend of his sister, the Duchess d'Uzen. An hour later the proprietor of the place became alarmed over his condition. He seemed to be dying. The police official was called and the duke was removed to his hotel, where the next morning he was found dead by his wife.

Dinan's Trial Continued. (United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, May 4.—The case of Jeremiah Dinan, former chief of police indicted for perjury in connection with the charge of conspiracy with Abe Ruef to blackmail disorderly resorts, was continued today for two weeks.

PAY FINES FOR ABUSING CATTLE

Judge Landis Punishes Railroads Which Failed to Water Stock in Cars.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, May 4.—Fines totaling \$12,400 were today imposed by Federal Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis against several railroads violating the law which prohibits roads from keeping livestock in boxcars more than 24 hours without food, rest or water, unless the time expires during the night.

The chief offender was the Rock Island, which was fined \$6,350. The other fines ranged from \$100 to \$300 in each case.

Cities Seek Bankers' Convention. (United Press Leased Wire.) Atlantic City, N. J., May 4.—The executive council of the American Bankers' association met here today to decide on the place of holding the annual convention of the association this year. Invitations from several cities have been received, among them being Saratoga, Denver and Hot Springs.

Cutting, chief clerk in the general offices of the express company, and Rodolfo Alvarez, alias Rodriguez, the express messenger, who disappeared in Agua Calientes. The money was found by the police in Cutting's rooms.

GRANT LANDS IS CUT INTO 12,000 LOTS 6:17 P. M.

Huge Territory in Klamath, Harney and Malheur Counties Is Now Open for Settlement—Division Plan Successful.

Supreme Court of United States Has Passed Upon the Title of the Road Company's Land and It Cannot Be Questioned.

The best part of the Oregon military road land grant, comprising 300,000 of the total 500,000 acres, is to be thrown open immediately for settlement, and colonization work has already been begun. The Valley Land company, composed of eastern people, with Portland headquarters at 820 Chamber of Commerce, has perfected a plan of sale of the lands in tracts comprising 11,993 tracts, varying from 10 acres with irrigation to 1,000 acres of grazing land.

The company is headed by R. J. Martin of Kansas City, J. H. Borders is secretary, and H. C. Shrimp is treasurer. These men are the same who successfully put the largest tract ever opened in Colorado on the market last year in the San Luis valley, and built an irrigation dam 80 feet high, storing water for irrigation of a portion of that tract desired for intensified farming.

Clear Title to Land. H. A. Hunter, president of the Oregon Military Land grant company, former owner of the entire 500,000 acres, returned to Portland yesterday, on business connected with the formal conveyance of title to the new company. At the Portland hotel last evening he said:

"This grant, which extends from the Klamath Indian reservation to Lakeview, and thence through Harney and Malheur counties to the Snake river, should not be confused in the public mind with one or two railroad grants that have litigation over titles. The title to the Oregon military road grant is absolutely unquestioned."

"It has twice been adjudicated by the supreme court of the United States, which has decided that its validity cannot be challenged. The grant was passed from the government many years ago without any strings being attached to its sale, the price at which it should be sold, or any other complication."

Seek New Industries. "The plan adopted by the colonization company is unique, and has been found successful in putting other similar tracts upon the market."

One Uniform Price. The contracts for farms sold to settlers are certified by the Pioneer Trust company of Kansas City. The uniform price of each farm, regardless of size, is to be \$200.

Each 10-acre tract is to have 5 acres of irrigated land. The sum of \$200 is to be held in trust by the Pioneer Trust company will be devoted to construction of an irrigation system taking water from the Cottonwood river to irrigate about 30,000 acres in the Goose Lake valley.

"There are irrigation projects under consideration by the company in other parts of the Oregon valley."

STEAMER KELTON DRIFTS ASHORE AFTER BATTLING WITH A TERRIFIC GALE



This Picture of a Rescue by a Crew of Volunteers Gives Some Idea of the Difficulty of Bringing the Survivors of the Stranded Schooner Ashore Such as the Newport Lifesaving Crew Must Have Encountered.

SCORES WATCH YOUNG MEN DIE

Caught in Storm Off San Pedro—Try to Reach Breakwater.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, May 4.—While a score of persons on the shores watched the tragedy, powerless to give assistance, two young men whose identity has not been established, and who had braved the dangers of deep-sea fishing in a light skiff in yesterday's fierce storm off San Pedro, fought desperately for a few minutes as their light craft was wrested from their control and then sank to a watery grave.

Caught in the rough water beyond the protection of the breakwater one was swept overboard and carried out to sea, while the other, who was the only occupant was driven before the fierce southwest wind into the breakers off Alamosa ferry, where the shell was overturned and the second victim drowned. Neither of the bodies was recovered.

BRYAN TOO BUSY FARMING TO SPEAK

(United Press Leased Wire.) Lincoln, Neb., May 4.—There are times when William J. Bryan evidently takes more interest in farming and carpenter work than he does in speech-making.

The Nebraskan had promised that he would be the principal speaker at a meeting of the Nebraska Traveling Men's club Saturday night, but he was so busy all day patching up fences and doing other work on his farm that he forgot all about the promise until it was too late to reach Lincoln.

"Farmer" Bryan rushed to the telephone when he recalled the engagement and apologized to the club, stating that the matter had entirely slipped his mind. Dr. P. Hall, president of the Central National bank was substituted as the orator.

WAVE HITS DECKHOUSE

Rendered Unmanageable, a Southbound Aberdeen Vessel Strands Near Newport—Lifesavers Make Efforts to Save Survivors.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Newport, Or., May 4.—Swung into the trough of the sea by a great wave that completely enveloped her and caused a leak in her hull, the steam schooner Minnie E. Kelton became unmanageable and drifted ashore at Depot bay, 15 miles north of here, Saturday night.

Eleven men of her crew of 21 are supposed to have perished. The captain and eight of the seamen were rescued by the Newport life saving crew and one sailor named J. Nelson managed to drift ashore on a hatchway. When rescued he was in an exhausted condition. His leg was broken.

The troubles of the Kelton began Friday afternoon when a stiff north-west gale sprang up. The deckload of the cargo of lumber with which the vessel, which was southbound from Aberdeen, was loaded, shifted and the crew went desperately to work to try to right the ship. This failed and the vessel was put her head to the wind in hopes of saving her until the storm subsided. Saturday evening a big wave boarded the craft, tore away part of the deckload and wrecked the after house. The vessel was then at the

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PITTSBURG POLICE THINK HIGHWAYMEN GOT HALF MILLION

(United Press Leased Wire.) Pittsburg, May 4.—Instead of the loss occasioned by the robbing of the Adams Express company car on the Pennsylvania Railroad last Thursday night, being \$500,000 as has been stoutly maintained by officials of the company up to today, it is now rumored, and the loss will reach close to \$1,000,000.

SALOON REFORM OBJECT OF MEET

National Brewers Desire to Divorce Liquor Business From Gambling.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, May 4.—A new movement of tremendous importance and prophetic significance in the direction of reforming the American saloon has materialized. The movement which is rapidly gaining headway, is within the ranks of the liquor interests themselves.

Methods of divorcing the saloon business from gambling, slot machines and vice.

HARRY THAW LEAVES MATTEAWAN ASYLUM

(United Press Leased Wire.) Fishkill, Landing, N. Y., May 4.—Harry Kendall Thaw, accompanied by Dr. Baker, acting superintendent of the Matteawan asylum, and a number of guards, left early today for Poughkeepsie, where Justice Morchauer will preside at the habeas corpus proceedings which are brought to have Thaw released from the asylum.

Rich Copper Deposits.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Santa Fe, N. M., May 4.—Eastern New Mexico and Roosevelt county in particular is excited over the discovery of a deposit of copper which may rival that of Michigan or Montana. A few days ago while drilling a well for water on a homestead claim 10 miles south of the town of La Llaneta the drill penetrated a vein of native copper of extraordinary richness. The news spread rapidly and within 24 hours after the discovery had become known, 500 claims were staked out in the immediate vicinity. The rush is still on.

MYSTERY OF HANDBAG WHICH WAS TAKEN FROM MYERS' LOAN OFFICE

Mystery: Who took Miss Caroline Myers' handbag from the desk of the Myers Loan company at 113 Third street at 10 o'clock this morning, took a new streetcar ticket book and the keys to the Myers shop and residence and then dropped the bag on Morrison street?

The theft occurred at 10 o'clock this morning while a clerk and several customers were in the shop. Shortly afterward a man stepped into the business office of The Journal and left the bag, saying that a woman had picked it up on the street, asked him what to do with it and he had taken it to the Journal office to be returned to its owner.

Miss Myers was not in the office at the time the theft occurred. She had left her leather bag on the counter near the rear of the store, but had taken out what money was in it and the keys to the safe. The keys to the iron grating before the front door, the front door itself and the door to the C. E. Myers residence were left in the bag together with a nickel watch worth a couple of dollars, some small toilet articles, handkerchief and cards and letters, the latter being of considerable importance.

The clerk in the store saw no one take the bag, and as there were several customers in the shop at the time he could not tell which one had been standing near where it lay. The first Miss Myers knew of the loss of her property was when she received a telephone message from The Journal notifying her that the bag was at The Journal office.

The clerk who received the bag at The Journal describes the man who brought it in as being rather tall, wearing a soft brown hat and a long, brown "raglan" overcoat. He was well dressed, and there is little doubt but that he secured the bag in the manner he said.

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