ISMAY DECLARES HE TOOK THE LAST LIFEBOAT LEAVING

Says White Star Line Has Nothing to Hide and That It Will Help U. S. Senate in the Investigation.

New York, April 19.—On the sorrow-stricken pier, where the company of the Carpathia was unloaded, J. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the White Star line, who was saved almost a physical wreck, declared he and his associates will aid every effort to investigate the disaster. Ismay made the following statement:

"My feelings are too deep for expression. I can say, however, that the White Star line officers and employes will do everything possible to alleviate the suffering and sorrows of the relatives and friends of those who perished.

"The Titanic was the last word in shipbuilding. Every regulation prescribed by the British Board of Trade was complied with. Officers and crew were the most skillful in the British service. I understand that a committee of the United States senate has been appointed to investigate the cause of the accident. I welcome the most complete inquiry. The company has nothing to conceal. Further than this I prefer to say nothing."

"Were there enough lifeboats on the Titanic to care for all her passengers?" was asked.

"I don't care to say."

Ismay was asked in which lifeboat, in the order of their leaving the Titanic, he made his escape.

"I took the last lifeboat which pulled out from the Titanic," he said.

"Were there any women or children on board when you left the Titanic?" he was asked.

"I am sure I can't say," replied the managing director of the company.

"The whole bilge was ripped out where the iceberg caught her," added Ismay. "We struck the berg a glancing blow on the starboard side. There was not much commotion. I was asleep and was awakened by the shock. It felt as if we were sliding up on something. We were. The vessel seemed to climb up on a submerged part of the berg."

Ismay said that the reason the Titanic's watertight compartments did not save her was because all the plates on her starboard side were loosened, and all of the compartments on that side flooded.

He said he sent a statement of the wreck to the White Star offices here on Monday at 10 p. m.

EXPLODING OF BOILERS IS BELIEVED TO HAVE SENT SHIP TO BOTTOM

Officer in Charge When Ship Struck Said to Have Killed Himself.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, April 19.—That there was an explosion of boilers in the boiler room of the Titanic, which tore out much of the double bottom soon after she smashed full tilt into a great mountain of ice off the Grand Banks Sunday night seemed a certainty today. It was caused by a sudden inrush of water after the keel plates on the great new liner had been torn away when she hit the "growler," or submerged portion of the big berg. This, experts said today, solved the problem of why the disabled liner did not remain floating. Her watertight compartments were rendered useless and she slowly sank beneath the surface.

The passengers of the Titanic refused at the outset to accept as a fact that there was danger. They thought the promises of the builders that they had constructed the "unsinkable ship" were true. The great floating hotel seemed much safer than the little cockleshell boats and it was not until the boat began to list and sink that realization of danger came.

Tales of heroism were frequent, with here and there a whisper of cowardice. Revolvers were fired, either directly or indirectly, at men who tried to trample women and children down so that they might be saved. Some stoking said these were in the steerage, others declared they were on the first cabin deck. But the horrors through which they had passed had so numbed most of the survivors that they were hardly responsible for their utterances.

First Officer Murdock was on the bridge when the wreck took place. Passengers say that he killed himself when he realized what had happened. He knew of the presence of the iceberg, but he had his orders and he obeyed them. But there was nothing left to live for and he tried the "easiest way."

Quartermaster Moody of the Titanic said that First Officer Wilde of the Titanic, who was on the bridge when the vessel struck the berg, killed himself. He said that Wilde drew his revolver and shot himself as if he realized that the accident was serious.

"We were running fully 23 knots an hour," said Moody, "when we struck. We encounted a rional of haze, probably running direct from the iceberg, and we probably could have been no more than one or two lengths into it before we hit. We struck the 'growler' first and the Titanic simply went over it and broke her back. There was no chance for the compartment doors to close."

Moody declared that on the day preceding the tragedy the Titanic had logged 545 miles.

SEVEN NAMELESS TOTS TENDERLY CARED FOR IN NEW YORK ASYLUMS

Two Children Suffer From Disease and May Not Recover; Parents Lost in Wreck.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, April 19.—Seven babies, who may never be identified and whose parents, or mothers at least, perished in the Titanic horror, were tenderly cared for in New York foundling asylums. The babies were thrown to lifeboats by their parents. No one knows their names and their clothing gives no clues as to their identity.

In addition to these seven infants, well and contented, are two other children, five and four years old, nameless so far as the other survivors know. One has scarlet fever. The other is suffering from spinal meningitis. Probably neither will live.

In the frenzy of the departure from the sinking Titanic, nobody remembers what parents gave their beloved babies to the water, hoping that they might be saved.

Steerage Passengers in Panic.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, April 19.—How steerage passengers stole to the life boats after the crash of the Titanic came and tried to hide under the seats was told by Daniel Buckley, of Cork, Ireland. He and Pat O'Connor and Mike and Pat O'Connell were in the steerage. All ran to the life boats to hide. Officers pulled them out and all save Buckley perished.

Lord Duff and Lady Gordon Live.

New York, April 19.—Despite statements by several eyewitnesses that Lord Cosmos Duff and Lady Gordon were drowned when a lifeboat overturned, both were rescued and both came safely ashore on the Carpathia. The couple, with Countess Rothes, J. Bruce Ismay and several other survivors, went direct to the Ritz Carlton hotel from the pier.

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