

ALASKA ON SAFE COURSE 15 MILES OUT, AT 4 O'CLOCK

Third Mate Puzzled by Change in Course, Say Two Portland Men Who Survived Sea Disaster.

When the steamer Alaska passed the steamer Rose City, it was shortly before 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and at that time the doomed ship was about eight and a half miles from the northbound vessel and approximately 15 miles from shore, according to F. J. Richards and C. A. Huff Jr., two victims of the wreck of Cape Mendocino, Cal. They arrived in Portland Saturday morning and are at 331 Ross street, the home of the former.

"After we had been rescued I was talking with the third mate," said Richards, "and he had papers showing that when he went off watch we were out far enough to miss the reef providing the same course was kept. He said that he could not understand how the Alaska had taken such a decided change, for there was not a strong current coming from the west, he said. The mate was relieved at 4 o'clock shortly following our passing the Rose City."

STRUCK ABOUT 9:30

"It seemed to me it was around 9:30 o'clock in the evening, when the Alaska struck that reef, and it was so misty that the decks were wet. It took only a few moments for the boat to list to the starboard and it was then that they began to load the life boats. The craft were launched from the port side because the passengers all seemed to be afraid to go to the other side for fear the boat would turn bottom up."

"There were no loud or hurried orders given. The only one I heard came from the captain and it was: 'Get ready to launch.' Women first, men second, steer to the lights, and he pointed in the direction of the ship. We were about five and one half miles from shore and it was pitch dark. There was not the confusion on board as one would imagine. Of course, there were yells and screaming occasionally, but for the most part things were taken calmly and everything was done to get everyone off."

CAPTAIN ON BRIDGE

"The captain of the Alaska certainly lived up to the traditions of his vocation. Several of the passengers begged him to put on a life preserver but he refused. He was calm and in the last time I saw him, which was about 10 seconds before the lights went out for good and the ship went down, he was wearing his overcoat and was standing with his hands in his pockets on the bridge. He did not move after he saw that all the boats had been cut adrift or launched."

Richards and Huff Jr. believe they were the last two to leave the Alaska. Richards had been ill and was in bed when the crash came. He was thrown to the floor. After he got outside he and his pal went to work getting the lifeboats and rafts ready along with the rest of the passengers. After things had settled and all the women had been taken off the boat, they went to the stern, where there were about six other men.

SLIDES INJO WATER

"Instead of being that far above the ocean I found to my surprise that it was only about three or four inches and all I did was slide into the water. Jim was standing near the cabin door and when he heard me hit the water, so close he started to get to the rail. His foot became tangled in a rope and he was taken down with the Alaska. Jim was about eight or 10 feet from deck, I jumped."

TWO BOYS ESCAPE

Lester Welsbarger, 13, and Billy Butcher, 12, escaped from the dormitory of the state training school for boys Friday night by climbing out of a window left open for ventilation. The Portland police were requested to help search for the boys.

CLOTHES RUINED

Contrary to the reports sent out, Betty was not the little girl who was in the water for six or eight hours. The girl who did remain in the cold sea for that length of time was about 6 years of age and the little thing is in the hospital now, the boys report, and has not regained the power of locomotion. They do not know whether or not the paralysis will be permanent.

The boys brought home some of their clothes which they wore during their escape. All are covered with crude oil and are ruined.

"We only brought what we did for souvenirs," they said.

"The captain of that Canadian steamer Anyox deserves great credit," they declare, "for he certainly did everything to rescue the helpless. After we were picked up several of the men from the Alaska went to the captain of the rescue ship and asked him if we couldn't launch a life boat and look for some of the passengers."

ALL DUMPED OUT

"He said, 'No, you have been in the water long enough. Don't worry. I'm not going to leave this place until I have taken aboard everyone in sight.' "Whereupon he picked some members of his crew and a lifeboat was launched. Three times did they come back with a boat load. The sea was not rough, thank

SAFE AGAIN IN PORTLAND



F. J. Richards (left) and C. A. Huff Jr., snapped on board the Alaska a few hours before the ship struck the reef near Cape Mendocino a week ago. They arrived in Portland yesterday morning and are at 331 Ross street, the former's home.

goodness, and that had a great deal to do with the large number saved.

"Little Betty Sanders was traveling with her grandmother who was lost and she was on her way to her home at 5501 Hollywood boulevard, Los Angeles, Cal.

"Two of the lifeboats were not launched successfully from the Alaska. Both had been filled and the first had about 20 women and one man in it. The man was put in to row, and just before it was lowered one of the mates asked for another man to get in to row. Just as a young fellow stepped over the side the boat was lowered. One end went down faster than the other and just then a swell came in, crushing the boat against the side of the Alaska and spilling everyone into the sea."

ALL TAKEN CARE OF

"The other one was being lowered and when one end went down faster than the other, one of the crew thought that the boat was about two feet from the water's edge and he cut the rope on his side. The result was that everyone was pitched headlong into the water, for the boat was about 10 feet above the waterline. It was so dark he couldn't see otherwise."

"The explosion came about 10 seconds after the lights went completely out and just as the upper deck was hitting the water."

Both Richards and Huff had colds and they say their lungs suffered considerably from the oil. When they reached Eureka they were taken in tow, along with other passengers and crew, by the Red Cross and the agent of the steamship line. Doctors and nurses were on hand to attend to the injured and all were taken to the stores and given complete new outfits. Then they were put on board a special train for San Francisco.

When a telegram was received by C. E. Richards of 331 Ross street, he immediately boarded a train for the Bay City and met his brother and Huff. Both Huff and Richards were on their way to Los Angeles, but the wreck altered their plans and they expect to remain in Portland for a while at least. Huff's home is at 337 1/2 East Burnside street.

"I climbed aboard and then began to search for them. I came across Jim and two others and they were put in the boat and before we were rescued by the Anyox we had about 10 passengers on board."

"Five lifeboats and two rafts were launched by the Alaska and the remaining 15 were cut adrift."

Huff was the hero of the rescue of little Betty Sanders, 4-year-old girl. He came across the little one as she was floating around with a life preserver on.

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BAKER FORMALLY CHARGED WITH KILLING PRIEST

Warrant Sworn Out for William Hightower After His Alibi Is Shattered by Girl's Story.

San Francisco, Aug. 13.—Undone by his "modest little brown-eyed girl," who this evening married another man, William Hightower, baker and poet, who "found" the body of Father Patrick E. Heslin, kidnaped Colima priest, tonight stood formally charged with the murder of the priest.

Doris Shirley, who came forward voluntarily with testimony which shattered the carefully framed alibi Hightower had built up for the night on which Father Heslin was kidnaped, so pleased District Attorney J. Franklin Swart of San Mateo county, with her straightforward story that he personally made the arrangements for her marriage to Lee Putnam and gave them a honeymoon trip.

MURDER CHARGE FILED

The testimony of Miss Shirley climaxed the case against Hightower. As soon as her statement that she did not accompany him on a ride to San Jose on the evening the priest was kidnaped had been checked and verified District Attorney Swart ordered a formal charge of murder preferred against Hightower. This was done at Daly City, where Constable S. A. Landini swore to the complaint.

"We have built up a substantial case against Hightower," Assistant District Attorney Isadore Golden of San Francisco county, announced this evening. "Hightower remains defiant and denied all connection with the crime. He is all of the type that confesses. I doubt whether he ever confesses."

ALIBI SHATTERED

But we have not built our case on a confession. We have established the groundwork on evidence upon which we expect to obtain his conviction. Aside from the shattering of Hightower's alibi story, the most important disclosure today in the case was the finding near the grave of the priest buried in the sand a set of clench blocks, tent pegs and a tent floor which matched up with a sand encrusted tent found in Hightower's room.

When Hightower told the police that on the night of August 2, had driven to San Jose with Doris Shirley, and had sought by this story to account for his whereabouts at the time that Father Patrick Heslin was lured from his house at Colma and foully murdered, he reckoned without the girl.

RODE WITH SUSPECT

Brown-eyed, petite, demure of countenance, monosyllabic in her conversation and giving evidence of a sophistication unusual in a girl of her years, Doris Shirley calmly shattered Hightower's alibi. She and Putnam were not questioned in Hightower's presence. He was removed from the office of Captain Matheson while the interrogators listened to her story.

"On Tuesday, August 2," she said, "I met Hightower shortly before 6 o'clock in the evening. He went to the Le Febvre garage and he got the Ford car. He took me as far as the Imperial restaurant, where I got out and had my dinner alone. He said that he had to attend to some important business connected with the perfecting of a food product which he was to patent and put upon the market. That is the last I saw of him that night."

"After I had had my dinner I met Mr. Putnam and we went together to Pantheatre."

Doris Shirley accurately described the program at the theatre that evening, and this was checked by the police, who declared that her statement was absolutely true.

DOESN'T KNOW GIRL

And Doris Shirley declared that she at no time had ridden with Hightower to San Jose, as he had asserted. "I once rode as far as Burlingame with him," she said. "That was in a Hudson car. On another occasion we rode to the beach in a closed Ford car. These rides occurred some time during the latter part of July."

And she does not know Dolly Mason, she told her questioners. Hightower had said that he had introduced the Shirley girl to Dolly Mason on Powell street.

"It's a lie," she said calmly. "I never met the girl in my life."

Hightower who caught a glimpse of Doris Shirley and Putnam as they were being brought into Captain Matheson's office, appeared greatly worried. When, after they had been questioned, he was told what the girl had said, he seemed to struggle to keep cool. Then he answered:

"I will not deny any statement that she has made, but I will say nothing else. You know, different persons are differently impressed by the same facts. And he assumed a mysterious air."

Man Complains About Check; He's Serving Time Now

Samuel Clark came to complain but remained to board. He told Deputy District Attorney Graham that he wanted to swear out a complaint for a man who passed a bad check on him.

Graham was more or less curious about the details of the transaction. The more curiously Graham exhibited the more reticent Clark became. Finally Graham expressed his suspicion and Clark displayed evident nervousness. The attorney began to investigate. Clark is now in the city jail serving a term of 30 days.

The investigation revealed that he was accused of stealing a leather brief case from an automobile. He pleaded guilty before Acting Judge Barge Leonard.

Kiwanis Editor to Be Portland Guest

O. Samuel Cummings, international secretary and editor in chief of the Kiwanis club magazine, will be the guest of honor at the luncheon of the Portland Kiwanis club this week. Instead of meeting Tuesday the club will meet at the Multnomah hotel Wednesday noon in order to accommodate the itinerary of Cummings, who is passing through Portland. In honor of the guest the board of directors has ordained the day as "ladies' day."

Brother of Police Captain Ends Visit

G. W. Moore, brother of Senior Captain John T. Moore of the Portland police, and Mrs. Moore, who have been visiting in the city recently, returned to the East Saturday night. Moore will first attend the national convention of monument dealers in St. Paul before returning to his home in Hamilton, Mo. After their short stay here both Mr. and Mrs. Moore say they would certainly have visited their relatives many times before if they had known about the summer weather in Oregon.

Nicholas Remlinger Buried Saturday at Vancouver Cemetery

Funeral services for Nicholas Remlinger, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Hauser, 1189 East Seventeenth street north, August 10, were conducted Saturday at the Vancouver cemetery.

Remlinger, a native of France, came to Clarke county in 1888 and had lived there since. At the time of his death he was 81 years of age. Marx Remlinger, Mrs. Anna Schmidt, Mrs. Edward Hauser and Louis Remlinger of Portland, are the surviving children.

Chinaman Didn't Leave Town, So He's in Jail Now

Ted Huey, Chinaman who was arrested for carrying concealed weapons Thursday night and discharged in the municipal court Friday on condition that he leave town immediately, appeared before Acting Judge Barge Leonard again Saturday.

Huey had been seen wandering about the streets early Saturday morning with no apparent business to be out at that time. The court refused to give him a second chance and ordered him to serve 30 days in the city jail.



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