Italian Steamship Florida Found and Crew Rescued by Yank Vessel

By W. W. CHAPLIN clated Press Writer NEW YORK, Jan. 24 .- (AP)drty-two men of the sea were pard bound tonight, snatchod from death after almost all

They were the crew of the Italian freighter Florida, storm wrecked 800 miles at sea, and they were alive only because the courge of seamen from the land their countryman, Columbus, dispovered was joined with the mysterious power of radio to deterwine the direction of an object out

Six of the crew were seriously injured, four others were very ill, were exhausted from their ht for life. But they were alive. would have thought could their lot who could have seen ir plight yesterday an Captain Fried of the rescue ship rice described it today in his first account of the rescue in a dispatch to the Associated Press. Fried Has Record

Three years ago Capt. Fried. then commander of the President ortal writer of sea epics when he from the foundering British skill and courage victorious over of life. the rampant forces of angry na-

The America, Capt. Fried said, was inbound from Europe when it sched up S O S calls from both the Florida and the American tanker Dannedalke last Tuceday morning. The America was 350 miles away, but when Capt. Fried determined that although other chips were nearer only one had a radio direction finder, he swung from his course and pushed toward the belt of windy fury in which the freighters lay disabled. Ship Badly Crippled

Dannedalke subsequently pulled off the Bermuda under a jury rig. jauntily reporting that it had apparently called the turn on Davy Jones this time: but the Fiorids was wounded by the storm beyond any chance of helping her-

She must have been in a bad way long before she swallowed a seaman's pride and called for help that she lost a man overboard last Sunday, two days before her S O S crackled from her wireless room.

Before the America reached her, ng through roaring seas by a snowy gale, the Florbridge had been washed away. She was listed so far her captain feared she would roll com-pletely over, and her crew had been practically stripped of their clothing by the waves that battered unceasingly and the wind that lashed them with ice and

Yorck, had proceeded on their way long before the America reached the scene and Capt. Fried revealed today why it was that they had failed.

Because of the list of the Florida, he said, her skipper felt that the only way to keep her afloat was to keep the engines turning over. And so while the Harrison and Yorck were approaching the position, he gave in his S O S. He was steadily steaming away from t, and they, without radio direction finding apparatus, were unable to locate him.

America Better Equipped misled at first by the difference to bid up a few specialties. between the Florida's given position and the direction indicated by the radio compass, it was the direction finder in the end that led to the Florida. They found the Florida 150 miles from the posilast night.

Capt. Fried well knew the danger of the next task to be attempted. When he directed the rescue of the crew of the Antinoe three years ago he lost two of his of a life boat and drowned. But month end, the law of the sea is ingrained in the men who follow its calling,

and he did not hesitate. Lifeboat number one was swung out and down, though a full gale was blowing and the wind carand that was almost more than ried a smother of snow to make things harder. Chief Officer Manning took command of the little oars.

Light Plays on Florida seas. Manning approached to with- fer was completed. in 50 feet and dared go no closer. evelt, proved himself a col- He got a rope on the Florida's last to leave his ship. He came sed to the Associated Press shivering sailors from the sinking like the rest was hauled aboard the story of the rescue of 25 men wreck hurled themselves into the the lifeboat. Capt. Fried said the ther Antinoe and today he over hand to the cockleshell that terical, practically naked, some told an equally stirring tale of was their one remaining hope were injured and others ill. They

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.- (AP)-The stock market approached the weekly brokerage loan announce-The America, however, had an ment today with marked uneasefficient radio compass, which is iness. The majority of important a sensative receiving set with a issues lost from 2 to 5 points, alrevolving loop antenna. Although though vigorous pools managed

It had been taken for granted that the loan total would reach a new high record, but revival of the gold movement from England this week tended to overtion it had given long after dark shadow this ominous prospect until today, when takings of the yellow metal in London dwindled to about \$1,500,000.

Call money held at 6 per cent. but the tone was firm. Banks called \$15,000,000 in loans and own men who were washed out tighter money is expected over the

Directors of he Bethlehem Steel company announced after the close of the market resumption of common dividends on a \$4 annual basis. Earnings for the last quarter of 1928 were on the ba-

There was one terrible moment boat and eight men sat at the during this time when the rope parted and some poor seaman. half way across, had to be hauled The America's searchlight was back to the sodden deck he had playing on the Fiorida as it tossed been glad to leave. But another broken and awash in tremendous rope was got across and the trans-

The captain of the Florida was deck and one after another the crawling through the waves and sea and pulled their way hand Florida's crew were dazed, hysmust all have been nearly frozen.



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Two Others Give Up
The two other craft besides the America that started to the rescue but could not find the Florida and had to abandon the search, the President Harrison and the Torck, had proceeded on their

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sis of 2.58 a share, against \$1,43 ("Kid") Wedge, Berkeley minis-living with you, even though the

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Holloway, Oakland divorcee, today made public by the bride-to-

The marriage was to be per- as a prizefighter. formed this evening in Oakland and the Berkeley divine had reserved the honeymoon suite at one P)-Official and private investiof Oakland's leading hotels for the gators will confer here tomorrow

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 24 .- riage," Wedge wrote. "While your and a bus which tonight had left (AP)—"Because the Bibles was first husband is still living I a toll of 19 deaths and 15 persons against it" Dr. Frederick R. would be breaking God's law by injured.

Wedge, a Harvard graduate, worked as a lumberjack in the north and later gained recognition

BELLEVUE, O., Jan. 23 .- (A to set a date for an inquest into George Fried proved today that a reporter, the Associated Press "The Bible is against our mar-the collision of an interurban car

NEW YORK, Jan. 24 .- (AP)-For the second time Captain he was a first rate reporter as inscribed watch commemorating well as a first rate rescuer. Three years ago, almost to the honorary reporter.

day, the 25 men of the crew of the British freighter Antinge were rescued by the United States lit. President Roosevelt, Captain Fried in command. After the recue was completed, Captain Fried sent a graphic account to the Associated Press.

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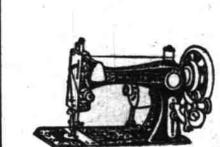
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