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**GOVERNMENT PROBES KENTUCKY WRECK**

**Government to Investigate Foundering of Steamer After Wireless Saved Lives of Her Crew.**

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Investigation into the causes leading to the foundering of the Alaska Coast company's vessel Kentucky on the high seas after wireless messages had saved the lives of her crew, was begun today by the government.

The government probe will be directed toward ascertaining whether this might have been criminal negligence in granting the Kentucky her clearance papers.

It is reported in shipping circles that the Kentucky, which was first commissioned 13 years ago, was not in shape for her intended voyage around Cape Horn. She left this port bound for Seattle, but on the way sprang a leak and was compelled to put in at Newport News for repairs.

At Newport News she was overhauled, given clearance papers and started southward. It is rumored here that it was impossible for the ship's captain to get a good crew to man the vessel, as sailors were afraid to ship in her. It is reported that the wireless operator who shipped from New York on the Kentucky left the vessel at Newport News, where Operator McGinness "took a chance," shipped for the Pacific coast run and later was instrumental in saving his comrades.

According to wireless operators, the seams began to let the water seep through shortly after the steamer had passed the Virginia Capes. As she went southward the leakage increased, the seams began to open and the water to rise in her hold.

The crew of the Kentucky, 47 in number, are aboard the Mallory liner Alamo, now speeding southward along the Florida coast to southern ports on her regular run.

**ADAMS SAYS HE IS NOT GUILTY OF KIDNAPING**

TUCSON, Ariz., Feb. 5.—Louis Adams, who is under arrest here, charged with kidnaping his 8-year-old son, John, from his divorced wife, reiterated today that he has as

much right to the youth as has Mrs. Adams.

"I notified her that I took the boy a few minutes after I had done so," said Adams. "I never knew that she was suing me for divorce until I read of the action in the newspapers. Let me tell you, it is going to be one big fight before Mrs. Adams gets possession of my boy."

Since Adams suddenly took out habeas corpus papers here yesterday while en route to San Francisco with a San Francisco police detective he has received a telegraphic draft for \$9000 sent him by his brother, Albert Adams, a New York attorney. This money will be used to supply any necessary bail and employ legal talent to resist the attempts of the officers to take him to San Francisco.

It is reported here that Detective Arthur McPhee of San Francisco is returning from Phoenix in an automobile with another warrant for the arrest of Adams. The distance is nearly 100 miles and McPhee will not be here before 10:30, when Adams' habeas corpus hearing is at that time. Since his arrest Adams has been confined to a room in a hotel, guarded by Detective Taylor of San Francisco.

**VICE-PRESIDENT STEEL TRUST ASKS DIVORCE**

RENO, Nev., Feb. 5.—Charges of desertion are contained in a suit pending today in the local court in which Charles H. Gayley, vice-president of the United Steel corporation, seeks divorce from his wife, Julia Gardner Gayley. The complaint in the suit is the briefest ever filed in a Nevada court.

Gayley alleges that his wife left him in July, 1908, and went to live with relatives. There are three children. One is Mary, the wife of Count Zemi of Rome. The other two, Agnes and Florence, probably will go to the custody of their mother, as Gayley's complaint signifies his willingness to assent to that plan. The couple have been married 26 years. Gayley is one of the foremost authorities on iron and steel production, and while here frequently lectured on those subjects before the University of Nevada.

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**LEAP FROM AUTO TO AVOID INSULT**

**Girls, at Risk of Lives, Escape From Machine, Which Was Rapidly Bearing Them Into Country.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 5.—Lured into an automobile and driven in the direction of Ocean Beach resorts, two sisters, Josephine and Martha Jensen, employees of the customs house, leaped from the machine at risk of their lives today to save themselves from insult.

Josephine, who is 18 years of age, sustained a fractured ankle, while her sister, two years older, escaped serious injury. Both girls are at their homes here suffering from the excitement of their misadventure, while the police are seeking their would-be abductor.

The girls were waiting for a street car to take them to their office when the unknown chauffeur drove up. He ascertained that they were going to work and offered to take them to the customs house.

As soon as they were seated in the automobile the machine headed out McAllister street toward the ocean beach. The girls remonstrated, threatened and then pleaded with the chauffeur. He responded by increasing the speed of the automobile.

The girls' screams were heard as the shouts of "joy riders," and no attention was paid to them by persons passing.

At Octavia street the driver was compelled to slow down in order to turn a corner. Josephine took advantage of this, sprang from the machine and rolled over and over on the pavement, where she lay unconscious. Undaunted, her sister followed and the chauffeur sped away before the number of his car was learned.

**WOMAN CONFINED AS INSANE, IS FREED**

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 5.—After five years in the asylum for the insane at Napa, Cal., Mrs. Chloe F. Tilton, widow of the late California pioneer, is free today, by order of Superior Judge Coffey, who, after a brief examination, pronounced the aged woman perfectly sane. Mrs. Tilton was placed under the

guardianship of Louis H. Hammersmith, who was instructed by the court to see that she has everything she desires from the income derived from her husband's estate.

The court removed Mrs. Ida A. Killely as guardian of Mrs. Tilton. She had testified on the stand that she had made no attempt to quiet title to the estate under the McEnery act, and told the court that she had no objection to the appointment of Hammersmith.

The proceeding which resulted in the release of Mrs. Tilton and the safeguarding of her estate from loss through failure to quiet title, was instituted by the Apollo Lodge, No. 3, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which Mrs. Tilton's husband had long been a member.

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**SKELETON PROVES MYSTERY TO POLICE**

**Unable to Determine Identity of Woman Found on Slopes of Mt. Tamalpais, near San Francisco.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 5.—The list of descriptions of missing persons on file at police headquarters is being searched today for a clue that may lead to the identification of the young woman whose skeleton, with its skull crushed in, was found on the slopes of Mt. Tamalpais two days ago.

Sheriff Taylor of Marion county visited police headquarters today, following the discovery of two slight clues which may lead to the identity of the murdered girl and of her slayer.

It has been learned that the watch the girl wore bore a jeweler's mark, "1089-W." It is believed to be that of a local jeweler, although it may be the mark of any jeweler in any part of the country. The number of the works is 49520, of the case, 2-161,149. The case bears an engraving of a cottage surrounded by a floral design.

Inside the case was originally a photograph, but the elements have worn away the likeness and a photographer at San Rafael today was unable to restore it.

The other clue, which may prove of value later, is the finding of an empty whisky flask a few yards from the body. The name "Elite Saloon, 21 Kearney street," is blown in the glass.

Investigation by District Attorney Boyd of San Rafael reveals that the girl probably rode to the Mt. Tamalpais tavern, at the mountain top, because her shoes were new and practically unused. It is believed that she was accompanied by a man to the spot where she met her death, the couple having set out from the tavern. Employees at the tavern, however, fail to recall a woman dressed

in the clothing found upon the skeleton.

**Chinese Thief Caught.**

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 5.—Four gold watches, nine rings, several chains, a box containing 23 gold nuggets and a lady's traveling case are among the articles recovered by the police today as a result of the arrest of a Chinese named Jung Pong Jung, who has resided here for several years, was caught redhanded by the occupants of a house he was looting. The police were summoned, and when the Celestial was searched a quantity of jewelry was found on him. He was taken to the police station and officers visited his home, where more jewelry was discovered. It is a varied assortment, ranging from watches, rings and bracelets to overcoats and buckskin gloves, and will run into hundreds of dollars.

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