

FIND WRECKAGE OF STEAMER

Wireless Reports Finding Lifeboats and Cabin of Missing St. Dennis Off North Coast of British Columbia—Carried Crew of Fourteen.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 27.—Wireless messages from the steamer Tees stated that they had found two lifeboats and the cabin of the missing steamer St. Dennis, which was formerly operated between Victoria and Northern British Columbia ports by the Boscowitz Steamship company of this city. The wreckage was found in the neighborhood of Clayoquot and confirms the many rumors that have been afloat during the last two days. The vessel carried a crew of 14. Their fate was not known up to 9 o'clock this forenoon.

The little vessel, which is now owned by the Lower California Development company, had completed her charter to the Boscowitz company and was returning south to her owners. She left Vancouver on November 10, and was reported passing Cape Flattery on November 21, since which time nothing has been heard of her. The St. Dennis was heavily laden with coal, taken on at Union Bay, sufficient to last her until she reached Salina Cruz, her destination. The majority of the officers on the St. Dennis were well known along the water route here. Captain Thomas D. Davis, her master, was sent north by the owners to take the vessel out. Chief Officer J. C. Gould, formerly of the Canadian-Mexican liner Lonsdale; Second Mate F. W. Eighton; William Dodds, chief engineer; Archie D. Street, second engineer; Edward Hunter, third engineer; A. C. Delpee, chief steward, formerly freight clerk on the Princess Victoria and widely known here; Fred Motley, cook; Geo. Evenson, cook, five deckhands and firemen were carried, making a total crew of 14.

The St. Dennis was a steamer of 516 tons gross, 302 tons net register, 161 feet long, 25.5 feet beam, 12.7 feet deep, with one iron deck. The steamer was formerly known as the General Men. She was released early in November by the Boscowitz company, when Captain Le Blanc turned her over to Captain Davis at Vancouver.

ORCHARDISTS WILL FIGHT SPRING FROSTS

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 27.—The Yakima fruitgrowers are beginning preparations to fight the frost this year by applying to the government for a weather forecaster. The good results obtained by the people of the Rogue River country through daily forecasts from Medford have induced John Morehead of Granger, and other orchardists, to write to Senator W. L. Jones asking for one in this field. While a goodly number of orchard heaters were used in the valley the past year, Mr. Morehead thinks there will be 120,000 or more this spring. Intelligent action against the frost is bound to meet with success, he thinks.

TRY SMASHING POWER TRUST

Suit to Dissolve Alleged Electrical Combine to Be Instituted as Soon as Papers Can Be Drawn Up by Department of Justice.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27.—A suit to dissolve the alleged "electrical trust" will be instituted as soon as the papers can be drawn up, it was semi-officially announced today. Wade H. Ellis, former assistant attorney-general, is handling the case for the department of justice.

Final action in the preparation of the suit will be taken at a conference between Attorney-General Wickersham, his associates, and Ellis, which is to take place this week. The government forces will not wait for the decisions in the Standard Oil and American Tobacco cases, it was stated, as a new issue in the electrical case will be raised.

The electrical companies will be charged with conspiracy in restraint of trade, through the operation of the patent laws. The General Electric company and the Westinghouse company are said to be the chief concerns in the trust.

Trainmen Perish in Wreck.

FARBER, Mo., Dec. 27.—Three trainmen were killed and several passengers are reported to have been injured when a passenger train on the Chicago & Alton railroad collided with a freight near here today. First reports indicated that the passenger train had crashed into the rear of the freight.

Advertised Letter List.

The following letters remain uncalled for at the postoffice at Medford, December 21:

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GUGGENHEIMS TO SELL FISHERIES

Ten Salmon Canneries in Alaska, Together With Ships and Gear, to Be Purchased by Libby, McNeill & Libby, According to Reports.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 27.—It is reported here today that the Guggenheims have under consideration a proposition to sell 10 of their salmon canneries in Alaska, along with ships, fishing gear and other component parts of the Northwestern Fisheries company, to Libby, McNeill & Libby, meat packers of Chicago. The price to be paid is \$1,000,000, it is said.

Captain Jarvis, secretary treasurer of the Northwestern Fisheries company just returned from New York. He said he had no knowledge of the reported deal, although he admitted that he had heard the rumor.

A number of Seattle business men are authentic for the statement that the deal is under way.

It is said that the Guggenheims have decided to withdraw from the fisheries business and concentrate their Alaskan operations on the completion and development of their copper properties in the interior.

THREE-QUARTER MILLION INCREASE STATE FUNDS

SALEM, Or., Dec. 27.—An increase of \$767,534.44 for the biennial period just closing over the biennial period two years preceding, is shown in a statement of receipts for the general state fund, which has just been prepared by the secretary of state. The receipts for the past years amount to \$3,752,939.87, against \$2,805,405.43 for the preceding biennial period.

This amount includes only general fund receipts, there being other receipts which are collected in the shape of licenses and special revenues, such as by the hatchery department, which receipts are all absorbed in the fund for which they are collected.

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POLE CAT FARM IS TO BE ESTABLISHED SOON

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 27.—Martin J. Wessels, superintendent of exhibits at the Spokane chamber of commerce, is negotiating with eastern parties for stock to establish a pole cat farm near Spokane, where the animals will be raised for their pelts. He has a tract of ten acres of land with virgin trees, which will be fenced to provide a habitat for the animals. He has received much encouragement in the enterprise from fur dealers in Chicago, New York, Boston, and points on the Atlantic coast, who say they will pay the highest cash market prices for all the pelts he can produce. Black hides are eagerly sought by collect-

ors, the price ranging from \$75 to \$150 each, according to size and color. He will begin with Indian-bred cats, crossing them with those of the north woods. Skunk-farming is being practiced in several middle-western and eastern states, where the owners are receiving dividends of from 100 to 300 per cent on the investment.

NEW YORK PLANS FOR GREAT CITY OF FUTURE

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—It is announced that the New York board of estimate and apportionment will on January 1 appoint a suitably equipped commission on a city plan, the duties of which will be to lay out a scheme for the entire future development of the city for many years to come, similar to the plan of Hausmann, to which all construction in

Paris still conforms, and that of Major L'Enfant in laying out the city of Washington.

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