

# 1492 LIVES LOST IN TITANIC DISASTER

## STRIKING OF ICEBERG BY TITANIC RESULTS IN GREATEST MARINE DISASTER IN HISTORY OF WORLD

Over 2300 Persons on Board When Liner Struck and of these 866 Were Saved and Are Now Speeding Toward New York—Believed Every Soul Could Have Been Saved Had Titanic Carried Enough Rafts and Life Boats for Her Passengers

Impossible to Give a Correct List of the Survivors—Women in Steerage Were Given Same Opportunity to Escape as Those in First Cabin—Only a Score of Male Passengers Were Saved.

NEW YORK, April 16.—Lives of 1492 persons, according to latest estimates here today, were lost when the Titanic sank after striking an iceberg off the Grand Banks.

According to the company, the White Star line, there were 2358 aboard the Titanic when she struck and of these 866 were saved in the ship's boats and are now speeding to New York aboard the Carpathia.

It is believed that nearly every soul aboard the Titanic could have been saved if the giant liner had carried lifeboats and life rafts enough to have accommodated her passengers. But only 20 modern lifeboats were aboard.

Vice President Franklin of the White Star line is stunned by the catastrophe. He said today that the Carpathia will arrive in New York on Thursday or early Friday morning. The Olympic, Franklin said, is believed to be searching the sea near the scene of the wreck. He declares the Anchor Liner California is also near the scene. Only one hope remains. It is believed the Titanic drifted over thirty miles from the time she struck to the time she sank and that possibly some of the lifeboats lowered early drifted away before the Carpathia arrived. The weather off Nova Scotia, however, was foggy last night and with a heavy thunder storm traveling eastward little hope is entertained for rescuing the survivors who may be still afloat.

The wireless stations today admit their inability to reach any of the vessels supposed to have been in the vicinity when the Titanic went down. They also have been unable to reach the Carpathia, but are endeavoring to reach her by a relay system.

### Mrs. Guggenheim Offers to Spend Any Amount.

Mrs. Benjamin Guggenheim, wife of the millionaire mining man who is reported among those drowned, today told Vice President Franklin that she was prepared to spend any amount to learn definitely of her husband's fate. She pleaded with him to charter all available steamers and send them out to meet the Carpathia. Franklin replied:

"We have spared no expense to get ships to the rescue. Vessels are standing by and searching in the vicinity where the Titanic is supposed to have gone down. We can only hope."

It is expected the stories to be told by the survivors will eclipse anything in fiction. It is likely that women and children suffered greatly while the lifeboats were floundering about in the sea prior to being picked up by the Carpathia.

The stock market was nervous early in the day because of the disaster, but the early depression was followed by a fair recovery. The tone this afternoon is buoyant.

### Survivors Number Eight Hundred.

The survivors, numbering 866 persons, mostly women and children, now steaming for New York on board the liner Carpathia, are all that remain of those, including passengers and crew, who sailed aboard the Titanic on its maiden voyage from Southampton last Wednesday.

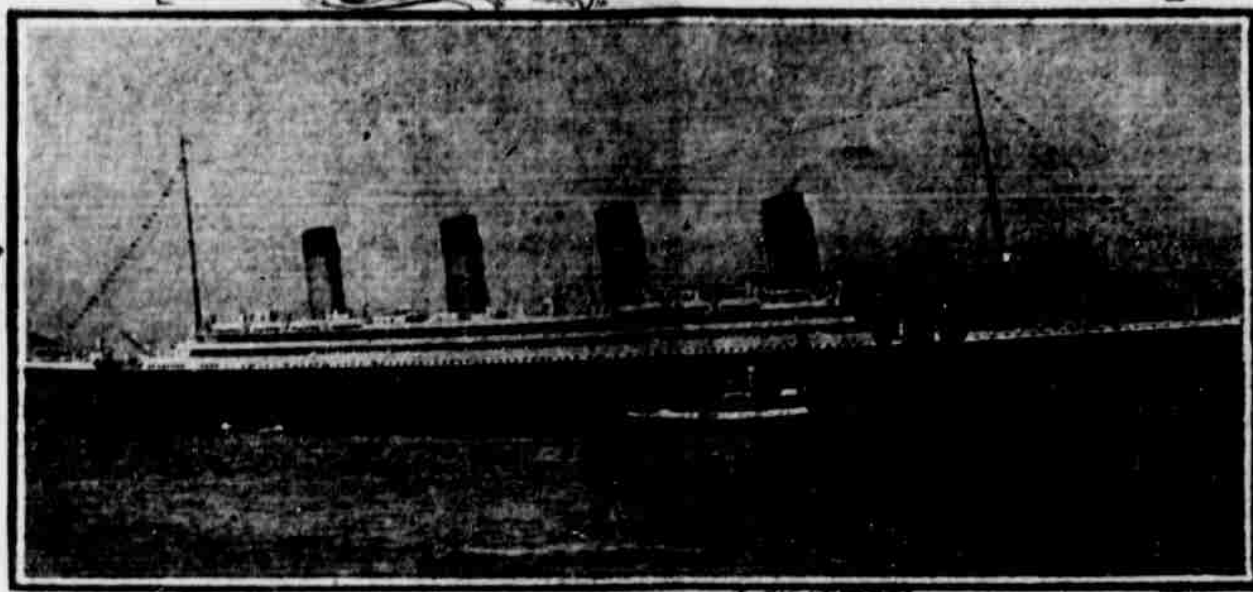
P. A. Franklin, vice president of the White Star company, admitted here today that it was impossible to give a correct list of the survivors, as it was evident that the Titanic's officers had shown no partiality in transferring women passengers to the Carpathia, the women in the steerage being given an equal chance with the women in the first cabin.

The hope that additional passengers had been picked up by the Virginian and Parisian was shattered today when wireless messages received here announced that these vessels had arrived on the scene too late to be of assistance.

Not more than a score of male passengers are believed to have been saved, the men evidently insisting that the women and children be transferred first to the Carpathia. The identity of those rescued, however, cannot be definitely determined until the Carpathia arrives here or sends a revised list of the survivors by wireless.

Colonel John Jacob Astor, Benjamin Guggenheim, Isidor Straus, Colonel Washington Roehling, J. B. Thayer and George B. Widener, all multimillionaires, are believed to have gone down with the Titanic.

## THE STEAMSHIP TITANIC LOST ON HER MAIDEN VOYAGE



SPECIFICATIONS OF THE TITANIC

Tonnage registered, 45,000 tons; tonnage, displacement, 66,000 tons; length over all, 882 1-2 feet; breadth over all, 92 1-2 feet; height from keel to cabin top, 195 feet; number of steel decks, 11; number of watertight bulkheads, 15; crew carried, 890; passenger capacity, 2500.

## STORM CHECKS RESCUE WORK

MONTREAL, Que., April 16.—All hope that any of the survivors of the Titanic who were still adrift in rafts and boats last night have been saved vanished today when a report reached here from the weather signal station on the Gulf of St. Lawrence that a heavy fog lay off the coast of Nova Scotia, and that a heavy thunderstorm broke in that vicinity last night and is traveling eastward.

## TAFT ANXIOUS AS TO BUTT'S FATE

WASHINGTON, April 16.—With President Taft keeping the wires hot between Washington and the New York offices of the White Star line in an effort to learn the fate of his military aide, Major Archibald W. Butt, believed to have perished in the wreck of the Titanic, while en route home from a semi-official trip through Europe, deep gloom pervades the White House today as a result of the steamship's catastrophe.

Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D. chaplain of the house of representatives, delivered a prayer at the day's session of the house for more stringent laws for the protection of those exposed to the dangers of working and traveling.

The house unanimously adopted a resolution of sympathy for the relatives of the victims of the Titanic disaster.

## REPORT, UNCONFIRMED, CUTS DEATH LIST

NEW YORK, April 16.—The New York News Bureau reports that a wireless message to Cape Race, relayed from the scene of the wreck, says: "All except 1237 of passengers aboard the Titanic had been accounted for." If the report is true it indicates that 155 persons in addition to the 866 reported aboard the Carpathia have been rescued. The report has not been confirmed.

## MARKET HIT BY DISASTER

NEW YORK, April 16.—At the opening of today's stock market the common shares of the International Mercantile Marine were off a point, and the preferred 2 1-2. United States Steel, Amalgamated Copper, Utah Copper and Erie lost a fraction. Northern Pacific, Union Pacific, International Harvester and American Smelting were comparatively strong. On a report that J. P. Morgan was on the lost Titanic the market in the second hour went off about 3 points. Later, on denial of these reports, the market rebounded, but closed about 1 1-2 points lower than last night.

## FIVE PORTLAND FOLK ON BOARD

PORTLAND, Ore., April 16.—It is believed that five or more residents of Portland were on board the liner Titanic when she sank. The Portland men and women who may have perished are:

Herman Klaber, wealthy operator in hope; F. M. Warren, president of the Warren Packing company, and Mrs. Warren; Mrs. James R. Watt, her 13 year old daughter Bertha.

J. B. Brady, vice president of the State Bank of Pomeroy, Wash., was a passenger.

## VIRGINIA HAS NO RESCUED

MONTREAL, Que., April 16.—The last hope that additional Titanic passengers were saved was dashed here today when Captain Gambel of the Virginian reported to the Allan line agents here that the Virginian's rescue trip was fruitless. His message said:

"We arrived too late to rescue any one and are proceeding to Liverpool."

## STEAMER IS TWO MILES UNDER SEA

HALIFAX, N. S., April 16.—The death bed of the \$10,000,000 steamer Titanic and of those dragged down with it is two miles below the surface of the sea. This calculation was made by an officer of the government marine department here, who finds that depth on the marine chart at that point where the Titanic went down.

## SHIP IN TOO DEEP TO SALVAGE

LONDON, April 16.—Captain James Parton, manager of the White Star company, to which the Titanic belonged, issued the following statement here today:

"The fact that the Titanic sank to such depths as are known to prevail where the accident occurred precludes all hope of salvage. The fact that most of those saved were women and children speaks volumes for the discipline aboard the vessel. I still hope that other liners beside the Carpathia assisted in the rescue, but possibly did not have wireless aboard or had wireless equipment which is not working. Of course, this is only a forlorn hope."

## CARPATHEA HAS 800 RESCUED

NEW YORK, April 16.—The following wireless, received from the line Carpathia, was issued today from the offices of the Cunard line here:

7:55 a. m. (New York time). Lat. 41.45 North, Long. 50.5; "I am proceeding to New York unless otherwise ordered with about 800 aboard. After having consulted Mr. Ismay and considering the circumstances with so much ice about I consider going to New York the best. There are a large number of icebergs and the sea for twenty miles is filled with ice, with bergs among it.—Rostron, commanding Carpathia."

## PARISIAN HAS NO RESCUED

HALIFAX, N. S., April 16.—The Sable Island wireless station reports: "We are now in communication with the Parisian. She has no Titanic passengers aboard."

## MONEY LOSS IS HEAVIEST IN MARINE ANNALS

Will Not Be Known for Several Days Whether Underwriters Will Be Able to Meet Their Obligations in Full. \$5,000,000 Diamonds Aboard.

When Vessel Was Launched It Represented an Outlay of \$12,000,000—Had Valuable Cargo.

LONDON, April 16.—"We have received no accurate news."

This was the only statement forthcoming here today from officials of the White Star line in response to the queries of a frenzied and tearful crowd of relatives of passengers who sailed from Southampton last Wednesday on the Titanic. All day long and well into the night a long stream of anxious persons besieged the offices but they were given no satisfaction, and tonight London is as much in the dark concerning the identity of the victims as it was last night. The White Star company would give out no information but occasionally an official would step outside his office and announce: "We have no news yet."

The financial loss to the White Star company will be staggering. Officials declared that when the vessel was launched it represented an outlay of \$12,000,000. In addition the Titanic carried a consignment of diamonds estimated to be worth \$5,000,000. This loss, however, is practically covered by insurance.

The loss of the Titanic is the greatest from a financial standpoint in the history of marine insurance. The vessel itself was insured for \$3,700,000. An enormous quantity of bonds also went down with the steamer but these eventually will be replaced. A tremendous sum is represented in the loss of baggage belonging to passengers, the loss from this source alone being placed at \$2,000,000.

It will not be known for several days whether the underwriters who carry the policies will be able to meet their obligations.

## HUNDREDS SEEK NEWS OF DEAR ONES ON BOARD

Long Line of Hysterical Men, Women and Children Besiege Offices of White Star Line Begging for Definite Information.

Company Officials Bitterly Denounced for Withholding First News of the Disaster.

NEW YORK, April 16.—All New York is stunned today by the appalling loss of life to passengers aboard the wrecked White Star liner Titanic, which was supposed to have been virtually unsinkable. A long line of hysterical men, women and children besieged the offices of the White Star line, begging for some definite information, the company officials, however, were unable to hold out hope, explaining that they are in the dark concerning the fatalities, and that nothing will be definitely known until the arrival here of the Virginian and the Carpathia, the two ocean liners first to reach the side of the ill-fated vessel.

Relatives of the missing passengers, as well as their friends, bitterly denounce the company, charging the officials with having deliberately withheld news of the disaster when they were reasonably certain that the Titanic had gone down with hundreds of passengers.

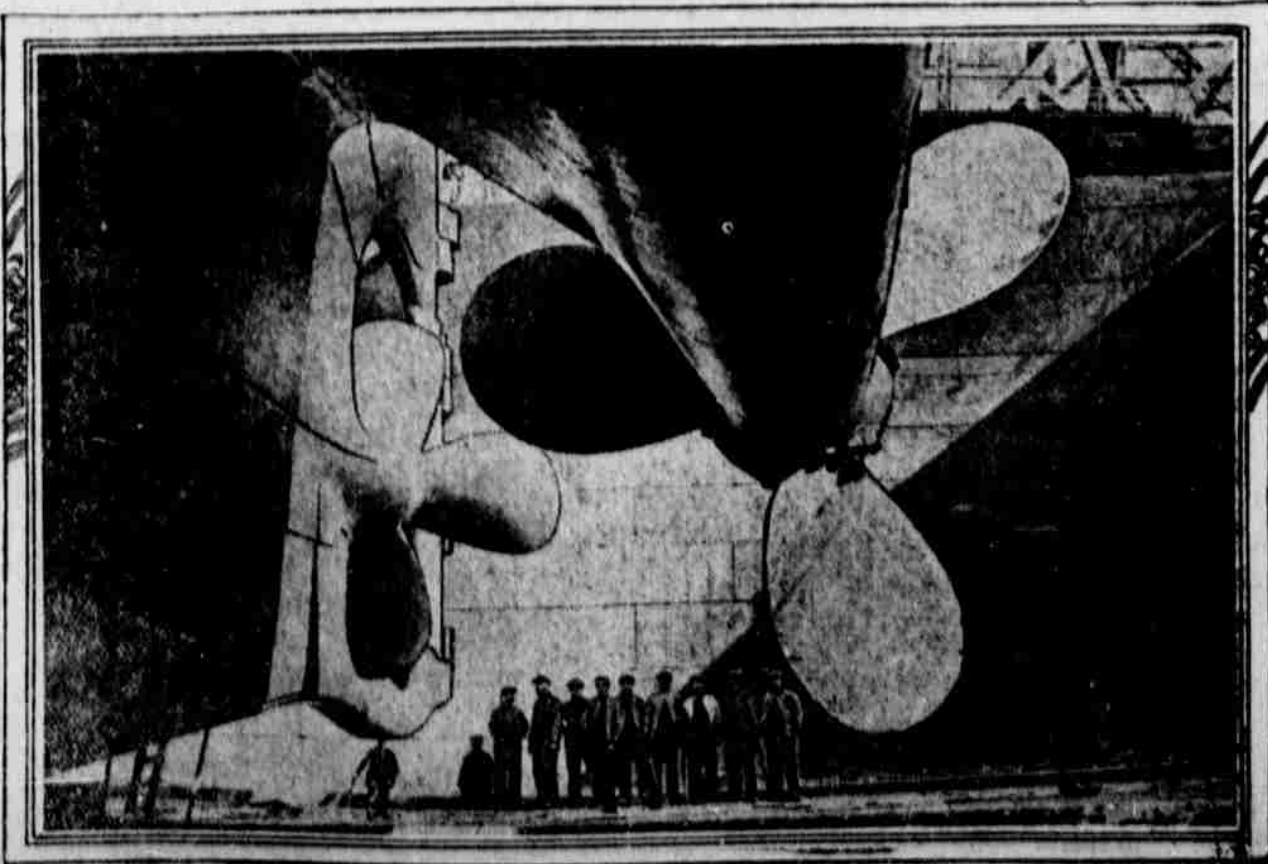
The White Star officials are bitterly censured for issuing false reports that all passengers had been transferred and that it was expected that the Titanic would be towed safely into port.

### Went Down Like Men.

Reports received here today indicated that the male passengers, millionaire and peasant alike, went to their doom like men. The publication of the list of survivors, now steaming to New York aboard the Carpathia, shows that there was no class distinction, the women in the steerage being given the same chance as the wives of the multi-millionaires in the first. The women and children—that is, all that could be cared for

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## GIANT PROPELLERS WHICH DROVE THE TITANIC



## MRS. ASTOR SAVED; COLONEL IS LOST



According to press despatches today Mrs. John Jacob Astor (nee Force) was saved from death when the Titanic sank. Her husband, Colonel Astor is believed to have been lost.