

## URGE MERCHANTS TO STAND BACK OF MERRICK FRIDAY

Declaring that the contest for the republican nomination for county judge had outstepped the ordinary bounds of politics and was now a struggle between progressives and reactionaries, Bert Anderson, W. H. Gore, and H. C. Garnett spoke to the Merchants' association last evening upon the necessity of Medford republicans standing together for Medford's candidate, F. E. Merrick.

Mr. Anderson charged that Ashland politicians and press were charging Medford with everything that was bad and that Ashland politicians were openly trying to injure Medford's credit and were making the issue solely upon the proposition to down Medford. "That being the case," he concluded, "it is emphatically up to us to stand together for our candidate, a man who spends his money here and who has devoted his services to the community without one cent of remuneration."

W. H. Gore told of open boasts in Ashland that at last that city had Medford on the run and H. C. Garnett spoke for a united Medford vote. "I am a democrat," he said "and can't vote for either Merrick or Dunn. Dunn is a personal friend of mine but I want to tell you if he is elected he will never do one thing for Medford. If you fellows don't stand together for Merrick we democrats are going to everlastingly beat you in the fall."

Aside from the political discussion there was the usual amount of routine business to be transacted. The dinner was served by the ladies of the Christian church, and was very highly complimented.

### HUNDREDS SEEK NEWS.

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were transferred to the vessels standing by. The men remained on the Titanic to die.

The announcement received here last night that the Titanic had foundered and that there "probably would be loss of life," brought thousands of persons from the theatres and restaurants, where relatives of passengers were celebrating their supposed escape from death. When the extra editions were put on the streets telling of the catastrophe, the gay parties in the amusement places immediately became silent and hurried to the steamship offices for official confirmation. The worst fears were there verified.

### Officials Stupefied.

The officers of the White Star line here today appeared stupefied over the disaster. Vice President Franklin became angered when a New York reporter not only charged him with responsibility for withholding the news from the public and with muzzling the wireless stations in order to secure insurance on the Titanic and its treasures.

"That's an absolute lie," he hotly replied. "You who make this charge know that you lie. I would not admit that the Titanic had sunk until I was absolutely sure of the fact. We are doing all we can to learn who was saved and who was lost."

When Franklin was asked why the company had given out for publication the wireless messages which its officials alleged had come from the wireless operator on the steamer Olympic, asserting that all the Titanic's passengers were safe aboard the Carpathia, he refused to reply. He said he knew nothing about the reported rescue of 400 other passengers.

### Captain Is Lost.

It is believed almost certain today that Captain E. J. Smith of the Titanic went down with his ship.

Alfred Gwynn Vanderbilt, head of the Vanderbilt family, who was supposed to have sailed on the Titanic, cabled his relatives from London today that he had decided at the last minute to postpone his departure.

The police reserves were scarcely able to control the crowds in front of the offices of the White Star line. Extra clerks were put on to handle the inquirers, each supplied with a certified copy of the list of survivors.

Magistrate Robert Cornell collapsed when told that his wife probably had perished, but that his sisters, Mrs. J. M. Brown and Mrs. Ed Appleton were saved.

### CASE AGAINST CONNERS IS DROPPED BY COURT

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 16.—The case of Bert H. Conners, union labor man charged with complicity in an alleged plot to dynamite the Los Angeles county hall of records, was dropped today at the order of the court. Conners was tried once on the charge, the jury disagreeing. Similar case against F. Ira Bender and A. B. Maple recently were dropped.

## Dunn in the Role of King Canute Bidding the Sea Retreat



## CONGRESS MAY TAKE ACTION

WASHINGTON, April 16.—That the duty of congress is to protect American passengers from danger by the passage of stricter laws for steamships entering or clearing from American ports, is the opinion expressed here today by Congressman Alexander of Missouri, chairman of the committee on merchant marine, discussing the wreck of the Titanic.

"If the Titanic had aboard lifeboats to accommodate only one-third of the passengers," said Alexander, "congress undoubtedly will pass more stringent laws. These laws should prevent the entrance to or clearing from an American port of any ship not sufficiently equipped to safeguard all passengers and crew."

"The house committee on merchant marine undoubtedly will take action. The trouble evidently is that the lifeboats occupy too much room. The steamers are chasing the almighty dollar. They must furnish absolute protection for everyone, no matter how crowded the liner is."

"It may become necessary to restrict the size of liners by international agreement."

### TWELVE YEARS AGO FIRST SHIP USED WIRELESS

NEW YORK, April 16.—Just 12 years and 5 months have elapsed since the first wireless message was sent from a ship at sea.

The first message was sent from the American liner St. Paul to the Needles, November 15, 1899, as it was completing its 52nd voyage across the Atlantic.

The White Star liners carry only "short distance" equipment, it was said here today. The Titanic was barely able to "talk" to the mainland—in other words, for when she struck the berg she was 900 miles southeast of Halifax.

### I. W. W.'S ARE RUSHED OUT OF ABERDEEN

ABERDEEN, Wn., April 16.—Rushed out of the city in automobiles by unknown parties last night, Bruce Rogers, representative of the I. W. W.'s and George Steed, member of the executive board, are today in Montesano threatened with their lives, it is charged, should they return to this city.

## MUCH WEALTH WAS REPRESENTED

NEW YORK, April 16.—Untold wealth was represented among the passengers on the Titanic, there being on board at least six men whose fortunes might be reckoned in tens of millions of dollars. A rough estimate of the total wealth represented in the first-class passenger list would exceed half a billion dollars. John Jacob Astor, estimated at 150,000,000, returning from a tour of Egypt, with his bride, who was Miss Madeleine Force, whom he married at Providence, September 9; Benjamin Guggenheim, \$95,000,000; James Seligman of New York, banker; George D. Widener of Philadelphia, \$50,000; Isidor Straus, New York, dry goods prince, notable philanthropist, \$50,000,000; J. Bruce Ismay, one of the founders of the International Mercantile Marine company, who made it a practice to be a passenger on every new ship built by the company, \$50,000,000; Colonel Washington Roebling, son of the builder of the Brooklyn bridge, \$25,000,000, and many millionaires of lesser fortunes.

## COLD WEATHER KILLS ALL HOPE

HALIFAX, N. S., April 16.—Although the liner Parisian cruised for several hours about the scene of the wreck of the Titanic it sighted no life rafts or bodies, according to wireless messages received here this afternoon from its captain. The Parisian, according to the message, is due in Halifax tomorrow. The captain said the weather was severely cold, adding that it was certain that if any passengers escaped on pieces of wreckage they perished from exposure before aid arrived. This confirms the belief that the survivors aboard the Carpathia suffered terribly before they were picked up.

### LA FOLLETTE STANDS IN RAIN TO ADDRESS FARMERS

M'INNIVILLE, Ore., April 16.—Riding 26 miles from Monmouth in a driving rainstorm with one stop at Amity, where he stood in the down-pour and addressed 600 farmers, Senator La Follette arrived here this afternoon and delivered an address before 800 persons in the auditorium. Arrangements had been made for an out of doors speech, but rain prevented.

Senator La Follette in his speeches today urged the reelection of United States Senator Bourne.

### VESSELS FLY FLAGS AT HALF MAST IN SORROW

CHERBOURG, April 16.—Every vessel in this harbor is flying flags at half mast today as a tribute to those who went down with the liner Titanic.

### SAN FRANCISCO ASSESSOR AMONG THE SURVIVORS

NEW YORK, April 16.—Dr. Washington Dodge, assessor of San Francisco, his wife and son, are among the survivors of the steamer Titanic disaster.

### ASQUITH PRAISES MEN WHO ACTED AS SUCH

LONDON, April 16.—Premier Asquith, in the house of commons today deplored the Titanic disaster. "While sorrowing," he said, "we must nevertheless express the deepest admiration in the carrying out of that best sea tradition—that of sav-

ing those least able to save themselves."

### HOOSIER MEETING.

The Hoosier club of the Rogue river valley will meet at the Odd Fellows' hall Wednesday evening, April 17. All Hoosiers and their families invited.

M. A. RADER, Pres.

# A Most Remarkable Sale of the Newest Spring Tailored Suits and Long Coats



The backward season brings on this very early special sale, as the merchandise is reasonably priced at regular, more so than you find in the city stores for like quality, but for this week we will offer the following very special prices on Tailored Suits and Long Coats. Comparison will prove that our prices at regular are less and at the following reductions you cannot afford to put off any longer getting that new garment.

### SUITS

About a dozen Tailored Suits that regularly sell at \$18.50 SPECIAL \$13.95  
About 40 Tailored Suits that regularly sell at \$27.50, \$30.00, and \$22.50 SPECIAL \$25.00  
Some of the \$35.00 and \$37.50 models SPECIAL \$29.50

### LONG COATS SPECIALLY PRICED

About 15 Long Coats, Junior and Small Women's sizes, regularly \$15.00 and \$16.50 value SPECIAL \$13.95  
About 20 Long Coats, all sizes and colors, regular values \$22.50 and \$23.50 SPECIAL \$19.50

Messaline, Foulard and Chiffon Dresses very specially priced.

### MEDIUM PRICED MILLINERY OF HIGH CLASS DISTINCTION

In presenting this excellent display, it has been our aim to lend every model the same air of high class distinction that always characterizes our styles, to give them the personal touch that will appeal to the woman who wants a hat that looks

### HOUSE DRESSES

No better assortment could be desired to choose from, special, our regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 dresses, which means \$2.00 in other stores SPECIAL \$1.35  
Also see our most varied line of street dresses in Linens, Ginghams, Lawns, etc.

Children's Dresses, "the better made," in Percales and Ginghams, sizes 6 to 14 years, at \$1.20, \$1.30, \$1.65, \$1.85 up

### PRINCESS SLIPS

Made of a good quality cambric trimmed with linen lace around yoke and sleeves and bottom of flounce, dainty hand embroidered, regularly priced \$1.69 SPECIAL \$1.25

as if it were intended for herself alone. This we have succeeded in doing to a marked degree and as yet have maintained a price standard that speaks volumes for the showing at \$3.95, \$4.50, \$5.75, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.50 up.

### SPECIALS—NIAGARA MAID SILK GLOVES 98c

Niagara Maid Silk Gloves, 16 button length, double tipped fingers, all colors, regular \$1.25 value SPECIAL at 98c  
Niagara Maid 2 button Silk Gloves, double tipped fingers, all colors SPECIAL A big value at 50c  
Chamsette Gloves, 2 button, all colors SPECIAL 25c and 50c

### HOSIERY

Wear Armour Plate Hose and Your Hosiery Troubles Will be Over  
Ladies' full fashioned Hose, a fine mace yarn, Harms Naut dye, absolutely the best; should sell at 35c a pair, special 25c  
For a better number extra wide ribbed garter top try our 50c number.  
Ladies' Silk Hose, our regular \$1.25 quality, SPECIAL, pair 98c

Princess Slips, made of a good quality cambric, more elaborately trimmed with valenciennes lace and embroidery; a good value at regular price \$2.19 SPECIAL \$1.69  
Princess Slips of a fine quality material, made with an 18-inch embroidery flounce, regularly priced at \$3.50 SPECIAL \$2.10

### SHIRT WAISTS VERY SPECIAL AT 50c

There are about eight dozen of excellent quality shirt waists, mostly tailored styles, in small figured percales, white lawns and linette. Some of these are slightly soiled but regular values run from \$1.50, \$1.95, \$2.25 up SPECIAL to close this lot 50c

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