

WILL MEDFORD PROGRESS TOMORROW?

If So, Merrick Must Be Nominated--A Vote for Dunn Is a Vote for Stagnation for Medford and Jackson County

IN PROGRESS ONLY IS HOPE --LA FOLLETTE

Senator from Wisconsin Declares That Man Cannot Obey God's Law and Not Progress--Speaks to Audience of 3000 People.

Urges Re-election of Senator Bourne --Declares He is Great Help to Progressives.

"You cannot obey God's law and not progress. It is essential. Your city shows that you are progressive. Never, never 'stand pat,' for that means to stagnate. Keep the faith, go forward constantly. Only in progress is there hope."--Senator La Follette.

Robert Marion La Follette, United States senator from Wisconsin, progressive republican candidate for the presidency of the United States, addressed an audience of 3000 people at the Natarotium in this city this morning. Fully 1000 people were turned away after all of the aisles and standing room in the auditorium was filled. Senator La Follette spoke for nearly two hours and afterward shook hundreds of hands. This reception was very enthusiastic on the part of the Medford people and he was given a veritable ovation when he appeared and when he concluded his remarks.

Senator La Follette opened his remarks with a tribute to this state in pointing the way toward a restoration of the government to the people. The popular laws adopted by this state are its greatest advertisement, he declared, and has caused Oregon to become a household word in every home throughout the nation. Senator La Follette followed his tribute to Oregon with a plea for the reelection of Senator Bourne.

"I was warned," stated Mr. La Follette, "that to speak of Senator Bourne would be to lose votes, but I want to tell you right here that Senator Bourne Oregon is indebted for her great and good laws. And I want right here to say that if Oregon does not return him to Washington the reactionary press will herald to the world that Oregon has gone back. And I would still make this statement even if I knew it would cost me every vote in your city. Don't let the nation say that Oregon has gone back. We need Bourne in Washington."

Senator La Follette then plunged into a description of the way Wisconsin has been reconstructed economically drawing a lesson from the improvement in conditions there 15 years ago and now.

"Wisconsin has solved the problem," declared Mr. La Follette, "There are three great powers held by the courts to be within the jurisdiction of a state in regard to railroads. First, to fix rates; second, to prevent discrimination, and third to enforce adequate service. This we have done in Wisconsin and I want to do for the nation. Wisconsin has saved her citizens \$15,000,000 in freight rates since this plan was worked out. It is a success. It can be made a success nationally."

Senator La Follette scored the great combinations of capital throughout the United States, declaring that when Theodore Roosevelt was elected in 1904 there were 149 combinations with a capitalization of \$3,784,000,000, in the United States. When he left office there were 10,020 combinations with a capitalization of \$31,000,000,000.

UNCLE SAM TO FORCE ISMAY TO DESCRIBE WRECK

President Taft Approves Appointment of Senate Committee Which Leaves for New York to Probe Titanic Disaster--Subpoena Officers.

No One Saved Except Those Aboard Carpathia--Colonel Astor Lost--Ismay Plans to Elude Inquiry.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—J. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the White Star Line, will tell the story of the Titanic disaster if the United States government can make him do it. This much was made certain today following a lengthy conference between President Taft and Senator Smith of Michigan, chairman of the senate subcommittee on commerce, appointed to probe the disaster. Accompanied by Sergeant-at-Arms Ransdell of the senate and Supervising Inspector Uhler of the steamboat inspection service, the subcommittee left for New York this afternoon with orders to start the Titanic inquiry immediately.

To Examine Ismay. Chairman Smith desires to examine Ismay and the officers of the Titanic upon their arrival, as it is feared these officers and Ismay plan to take the first ship back to England, which would place them beyond the jurisdiction of the committee.

President Taft heartily approved of Senator Smith's plan and has promised to cooperate with the committee in every possible way.

The Wall Street News Bureau today posted a copy of a message purporting to have been received from Captain Rostron of the Carpathia by wireless to Highland Point, declaring that no one was saved from the Titanic except those on board the Carpathia, and that of these survivors 100 are in the ship's hospital.

Colonel Astor Lost. The message states further that the body of Colonel John Jacob Astor is not aboard the Carpathia and that Mrs. Astor is dangerously ill.

Two hundred of the Titanic's sailors, asleep in their quarters at the time of the accident, were crushed to death, the message says. The vessel was in darkness for four minutes after the crash.

A similar story, reported at Norfolk last night, is unconfirmed.

Ismay to Skip. It is reported about the White Star offices here today that J. Bruce Ismay, director of that line, who was taken aboard the Carpathia with the passengers rescued from the Titanic, sent a wireless to the captain of the steamer Cedric, which is scheduled to sail from New York at noon today, to wait at the lower end of the bay until the Carpathia arrives tonight, take Ismay aboard, and sail with him to England.

Officials of the White Star Line say that the report is unconfirmed. It is reported that Ismay planned this move to escape interviewers when the Carpathia docks at New York.

CROWDS AWAIT NEWS OF WRECKED TITANIC

SOUTHAMPTON, England, April 18.—Terrible scenes prevailed here today at the offices of the White Star Line, which are being stormed by the wives, children and sweethearts of the crew of the Titanic.

Women and children pleaded pitifully for a list of the survivors of the crew. Many of the women are broken in mind and body as a result of the long suspense. One woman, shrieking for her husband, son, two brothers and four cousins, all members of the Titanic's crew, dropped unconscious in front of the company's offices, and was taken to a hospital.

CARPATHIA PASSING INTO NEW YORK BAY

NEW YORK, April 18.—The entrance to New York harbor is fogbound this afternoon and as it is becoming more dense hourly it is feared the Carpathia may be held off Sandy Hook during the night and may not be allowed to land the survivors until tomorrow. At 4:40 this afternoon the Cedric wireless the Seagate station: "We are now passing the Carpathia." Amateur wireless operators broke into all attempts made by the Carpathia to talk to the Seagate station.

FIRST WORD FROM WRECK SURVIVORS

NEW YORK, April 18.—The first word of the actual condition of the Titanic survivors aboard the Carpathia was received here this afternoon in an almost incoherent wireless message. It read:

"Survivors in distraction. We pray God for saving us. Helped by another boat with rescue. Men pat—"

Here the current failed and all additional the operator could gather was the signature, which seemed to be "Mabelle Thomas."

The statement that another boat helped in the rescue has renewed hope here, relatives of the passengers hoping that others may be rescued besides the survivors on the Carpathia.

SMALL PROFITS PREVENT INCREASE

NEW YORK, April 18.—Declaring that the profits of the railroads are too narrow to permit the increase in wages demanded by the locomotive engineers, the conference committee of the Railway Managers' association of the lines east of Chicago and north of the Ohio river, today notified Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, that the demand will not be granted, and appealed to the loyalty of the engineers not to strike at this time.

Stone has been authorized by the engineers to call a strike if the necessity arises. A week ago he said that if such a strike were called the roads would receive "only an hour's notice."

The reply of the conference committee today said: "Public interests demand immense improvements for safety and the margin of profit is now narrow."

CARPATHIA TO DOCK THURSDAY MORNING

NEW YORK, April 18.—The White Star Line announced at 3 o'clock this afternoon that the Carpathia will probably not dock before tomorrow morning. Officials of the line said the heavy weather probably would prevent the captain bringing his ship safely in through the tortuous Ambrose channel and they feared the difficulty of caring for the survivors in the night would be too great.

The Carpathia this afternoon continued to refuse all wireless calls.

GENERAL ADVANCES ON STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, April 18.—Today's stock market opened with general

A Sample of Dunn's Progressiveness



The barn and barnyard of George W. Dunn's home above Ashland—one of the finest farms in the Rogue River valley, a portion of the estate inherited from his father. This structure, unimproved since its erection in early pioneer days, is on the Pacific highway, and stands as a monument to the progressive, enterprising, up-to-date character of Judge Dunn.

ALL CONFIDENT OF WINNING OREGON

PORTLAND, April 18.—On the eve of the primary election in Oregon tomorrow, supporters of President Taft, Senator La Follette and Colonel Roosevelt all are optimistic and each faction expresses confidence that its candidate will receive the republican presidential nomination.

The contest for the democratic presidential nomination has developed into a great race between Speaker Champ Clark and Governor Woodrow Wilson. The New Jersey governor is receiving strong support and his adherents claim that he will receive the nomination.

The keenest interest also is felt in the fight between Senator Jonathan Bourne, junior, and Ben Selling, for the republican nomination for United States senator. Both factions assert they will win.

A tremendously heavy vote is expected.

80 LIVES LOST STEAMER WRECK

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—Eighty lives were lost in the wreck of the steamer Cachepole, off the west coast of Peru on the night of March 21, according to the British tramp steamer Queen Helena, in port here today.

The Cachepole was manned by British officers and a crew of fifty Chileans, with 30 passengers. It is believed that the vessel's engines blew up causing it to sink instantly, as no trace of the Cachepole was found, and not a soul was saved. The sea was as calm as glass at the time.

The wreck occurred on the Cachepole's regular run between Guayaquil, Ecuador and Paita, Peru.

advances, New York Central and United States Steel being particularly strong and American Smelting and Canadian Pacific were features. Bonds of the International Mercantile Marine company were up slightly. Great Northern, Southern Pacific, Lehigh Valley and Atchafon preferred were down fractionally. About noon heavy selling pressure wiped out virtually all the early gains. Union Pacific fell a point under yesterday's close.

The market closed steady. Bonds were irregular. A. J. Montague, former governor of Virginia, is a candidate for congress from the third Virginia district, the seat now held by Captain John Lamb.

ENGLAND PROBES TITANIC WRECK

LONDON, April 18.—Sydney Buxton, M. P., wresident of the board of trade, in the house of commons today promised an immediate and searching inquiry into the wreck of the liner Titanic. Buxton declared that the committee of the board of trade in charge of navigation recently recommended increased lifeboats, life preservers and rafts for the big liner, but that these requirements had been found unsatisfactory and had not been enforced.

The board of trade is unable to compel the liners to reduce their speed, and cannot compel them to take a southerly route across the Atlantic, said Buxton.

Postmaster General Samuels declared that his department is busy probing the false reports given out Monday that the Titanic was safe, in an effort to determine who is responsible for them.

BOILER BURSTING CAUSED DISASTER

HALIFAX, N. S., April 18.—It is persistently rumored here that Captain Haines of the liner Parisian learned from the Olympic that the Titanic's boilers exploded immediately after she struck the iceberg, tearing a hole in the vessel which caused it to founder.

Captain Haines is also credited with saying that the Titanic's wireless was put out of commission fifteen minutes after the smash.

TO EXHIBIT CREATIONS OF WIZARD BURBANK

OAKLAND, Cal., April 18.—The announcement is made public today that the syndicate of capitalists, represented by Rollo J. Hough and W. Garner Smith, who have taken over the handling of the creations of Luther Burbank, "plant wizard," will make this city the exhibition center of their vast enterprises. They have acquired a large tract of land at Boardman on the border of Oakland, where many acres are to be devoted to an exposition area and demonstrations station, open to the public without charge, which is to be made one of the show places of California and a special attraction for visitors to the Panama Pacific exposition in 1915.

ITALIAN FLEET AT DARDANELLS

LONDON, April 18.—Rumors that an Italian force is attacking the entrance to the Dardanelles to force its way into the Sea of Marmora and thence to Constantinople are current here today according to the receipt of a cable from an agent of Lloyds at Constantinople, giving an unconfirmed report that cannonading was heard near the entrance to the straits.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 18.—The Italian fleet, according to reports received here, is at the entrance to the Dardanelles and is believed to be preparing to force a passage. It is also reported that one of the Italian warships struck a submarine and went down.

I. W. W. PLANNING LUMBER STRIKE

PORTLAND, Ore., April 18.—Preparations have been completed by officers of the I. W. W. to call a general strike Friday, April 19, which if effective will prostrate the lumber industry of the state of Washington, throwing 15,000 loggers, shingle weavers, teamsters, yardmen, longshoremen and river men out of work, according to Ed J. Lewis, industrialist organizer, today.

Official sanction for the walkout has been wired to F. H. Allison, secretary of the lumber workers department of the I. W. W. at Seattle, by Vincent St. Johns, president of the organization.

NO NEWS CONCERNING MAJOR BUTT'S FATE

WASHINGTON, April 18.—That President Taft's suspense regarding the fate of Major Archibald W. Butt, his military aide, will not be relieved until the Carpathia docks in New York tonight, is indicated in the following wireless message received by Secretary of the Navy Meyer from Commander Chandler of the United States scout cruiser Salem.

"The inquiries concerning Major Butt and others were relayed to the Chester and acknowledged. Later I sent another inquiry. I just learned the Chester did not receive the original message. I am now trying to get the Carpathia direct, but conditions are unfavorable as many other stations are interfering."

1514 PERISHED 705 RESCUED IN TITANIC WRECK

Official Figures Given Out--Carpathia With Survivors Aboard Due Tonight--All Information Refused by Steamer Officials.

Conditions Bad for Wireless Working --Ismay Bitterly Criticized for Keeping Relatives in Suspense.

SAVED FROM TITANIC.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The following was given out here today by the White Star line as the final revised figures of those saved from the Titanic, and from them was deducted the number of the probably dead.

The saved: Cabin passengers, names unknown 381 Steerage, names known . . . 126 Steerage, names unknown . . 33 Crew who manned boats 165 Total 705

Missing, probably dead: First cabin passengers . . 172 Second cabin passengers 189 Steerage passengers . . . 453 Crew, including all but four officers 700 Total 1,514

NEW YORK, April 18.—The first official indication that some of the survivors of the Titanic wreck may be in a serious condition, resulting from exposure by being tossed about in lifeboats before being rescued came today when officials of the White Star accepted an offer from St. Luke's hospital to set aside its new addition for the Titanic survivors. It is reported here when seven of the survivors are insane from their experiences and many others seriously ill. The White Star officials positively refused to discuss the condition of the survivors.

Defies President. Open defiance of the president of the United States and flat refusal to relieve the agony of suspense of thousands of persons were voiced today by J. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the White Star line, when he curtly refused a wireless request from the United States scout cruiser Chester for details of the Titanic disaster.

Ismay's stand was reported to Washington by the Chester, which made it clear that the request to Ismay had been made in the name of the president. Ismay is censoring the Carpathia's wireless for the reason, it is believed, that the real story will show that criminal carelessness was responsible for the deaths of the thousand and more who went down when the Titanic struck.

Bitterly Criticized. Bitter criticism of Ismay and his action is hourly growing in intensity here. Not one word of the condition of the Titanic survivors has become known although untraceable rumors are current that many of the women survivors are verging on insanity.

It is evident that the Carpathia's story of the horror will eclipse anything in history. Arrangements were completed today to expedite the landing of the survivors when the Carpathia docks here at 9 o'clock tonight. Surveyor of the Port Henry and Immigration Commissioner Williams will personally supervise the arrival. The survivors will be grouped alphabetically on the dock and this will make the work of reuniting the survivors with relatives easy.

Titanic Relief Fund. LONDON, April 18.—Relief funds for the Titanic's victims had reached \$150,000 here at 4 o'clock tonight.

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