

PROBE LOSS OF THOUSAND LIVES UPON EMPRESS

Captain Kendall, Skipper of Ill-Fated Steamer, First Witness—Storstad Owners State Captain Signalled by Whistling That Vessel Was Going Ahead.

QUEBEC, June 16.—Captain Kendall, skipper of the Empress of Ireland, was the first witness called today at the opening of the government's investigation into the collision between his steamer and the Storstad, in the lower St. Lawrence river, and the loss of more than a thousand lives. Although Kendall still limped from the injuries he received in the disaster, he refused a seat and faced the court on his feet.

Kendall Tells of Wreck

Captain Kendall said when he was first notified of the presence of another steamer she was about six miles away, but that the weather was fine and clear and there was then no danger of a collision. When he noticed a big bank of mist coming off the south shore and the Storstad's lights getting dim, he said he stopped ship and ran full speed astern.

"Finally," he said, "I heard a prolonged blast from the other ship in the midst of my three blasts, from about two points on my starboard bow. I blew two long blasts to let the other ship know I had stopped, and in return I got one long blast from her. Then I gave two more, but got no reply.

"I sighted his forward mast ahead and green and red lights only about 100 feet away. She was bearing at right angles to my course and going fast, as the foam at her bow showed. Her captain must have cut her helm hard astern."

The examination of witnesses was preceded by the introduction of brief summaries of the facts by counsel representing the owners of the vessels.

Storstad's Statement

Counsel for the Storstad declared that when she first sighted the Empress the latter was off the Storstad's port. Two minutes later the fog shut down. The Storstad signalled by whistling she was under way and keeping her course, heading west by south. Their statement continues:

"When the captain got on deck later he saw the mast lights of the Empress three points to port. He immediately ordered full steam astern. The vessels were then about 800 feet apart. The green light of the Empress appeared. Three minutes later the vessels came together. The master of the Storstad heard a hail from the Empress telling him to keep going ahead. He had ordered this, but he could not keep the collier's nose in the Empress' wind.

Storstad Swung Around

"The Storstad was swung around until she was parallel with the liner, and the Storstad's master was afraid his ship would be struck on the starboard side. He made a complete circle and in the meantime Empress of Ireland disappeared. About ten minutes afterward the master of the Storstad heard a chorus of cries and proceeded toward them with care, his four boats ready to launch. The Storstad's boats saved several hundred of the Empress' survivors and manned entirely one Empress boat on its trip back to the scene of the wreck and another partially.

LOST CHILD'S BODY FOUND IN RIVER

PHILADELPHIA, June 16.—The body of Warren McCarriek, seven years old, who disappeared March 12, and for whose recovery a reward of \$5000 was offered, was found today in the Delaware river. An uncle of the boy made the identification. While the police hold the boy met death by accident, it was believed when he disappeared he was the victim of kidnapers. There was snow on the ground at the time the child vanished, and he wore hip boots when last seen. These were missing when the body was found today.

WILSON TUNES UP SENATE UP TO SPEEDY ACTION

President Hopes to Force Anti-Trust Program Through by First of August, So Congress May Adjourn—Appropriation Bills Are Rushed Through.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—President Wilson was hopeful today that the administration trust legislation program will be passed so congress may adjourn by the end of July. He was optimistic as a result of a conference today with Senator James of Kentucky and the conference last night with other senators and the chairman of working committees.

The president expects the railroad securities and the omnibus anti-trust bills to be reported out of committee within the next two weeks.

Leaders Rush Work

The president's attitude against any adjournment without enacting the trust bills had an immediate effect at the capitol. The leaders began hurrying work on the appropriation bills and tuning up the legislative machinery all along the line. Most of the senators are eager for a mid-summer adjournment. Democratic leader Kern said he thought the trust program could be disposed of so congress could adjourn before August 1, and he expected no opposition from the republicans.

The only measures on the program, the enactment of which will be insisted upon, are the anti-trust bills already passed by the house or similar measures.

Program Is Forced

It was generally agreed at the conference that congress should be kept in session until the anti-trust program is put through, despite the anxiety in congress for an early adjournment. The president in outlining his position told the senators that while he also was anxious for an early adjournment, yet he strongly felt that the anti-trust program should be enacted during the present session. That rapid progress was being made on the anti-trust bills now under consideration by senate committees was the report made to the president by the democratic leaders and it was generally conceded by the conferees that there should be little difficulty in getting these measures reported to the senate and passed by that body.

CAMDEN APPOINTED KENTUCKY SENATOR

FRANKFORT, Ky., June 16.—Governor McCreery today signed the commission of Johnson N. Camden of Versailles as United States senator from Kentucky, to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Senator W. O. Bradley.

JANE ADDAMS TELLS OF DEVIL BABY

CHICAGO, June 16.—The story of the "devil baby" of Hull House was told by the head of that social center, Jane Addams, to the convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs here today. The story was told in connection with a plea that clubwomen extend the hand of fellowship to immigrant women, especially the older women. Miss Addams said that the origin of fairy stories seems to have been with primitive women who invented them to influence to gentler ways their brutal lords and masters.

"There was, of course, no devil baby, but such currency did the story have that for six weeks the ordinary activities of Hull House were almost suspended, while we explained to hundreds of ignorant inquirers that it was all a fairy story," said Miss Addams. "Finally we placed detectives at work and we found two versions. The Italian version was that a Christian girl married an atheist, who, at the culmination of an assault on his wife, tore down a sacred picture and declared that he would rather have a devil in the house than

NO COMPROMISE WITH AGITATORS BY BUTTE UNION

Western Federation Throws Down the Gauntlet to Disaffected Miners—Says Contracts With Mine Owners Will Be Lived Up To—I. W. W. Blamed for Riots and Disorder.

BUTTE, Mont., June 16.—Declaring that he would have nothing to compromise and that the Butte miners' union No. 1 of the Western Federation of Miners was the only organization that would do business in Butte, John C. Lowney, member of the executive board of the Western Federation in a formal statement this afternoon threw down the gauntlet to the disaffected faction and declared an unrelenting warfare on the part of the federation against any faction of miners that attempted to set up an independent organization.

Live up to Agreements

Lowney said the union, holding the contract with the mining companies, would insist on a full carrying out of their agreement. He insisted that a lawless element from the outside was primarily responsible for the destruction of property and that the men who joined with the mob last Saturday was composed of miners who for months had failed to pay any dues into the union. He stated that the butchers, plumbers and several other unions in Butte had assessed themselves as much for the benefit of the striking copper miners in Michigan as had the miners' union, he statement declares that there was no action on the part of the union that could not be remedied from within its ranks.

This statement concludes with the declaration that the Western Federation of Miners and the Mineworkers of America, are about to merge into one great miners' organization and these organizations would tolerate union men here voting in favor of the open shop. Blame for the inflamed public sentiment among the miners is laid at the door of the Industrial Workers of the World leaders here.

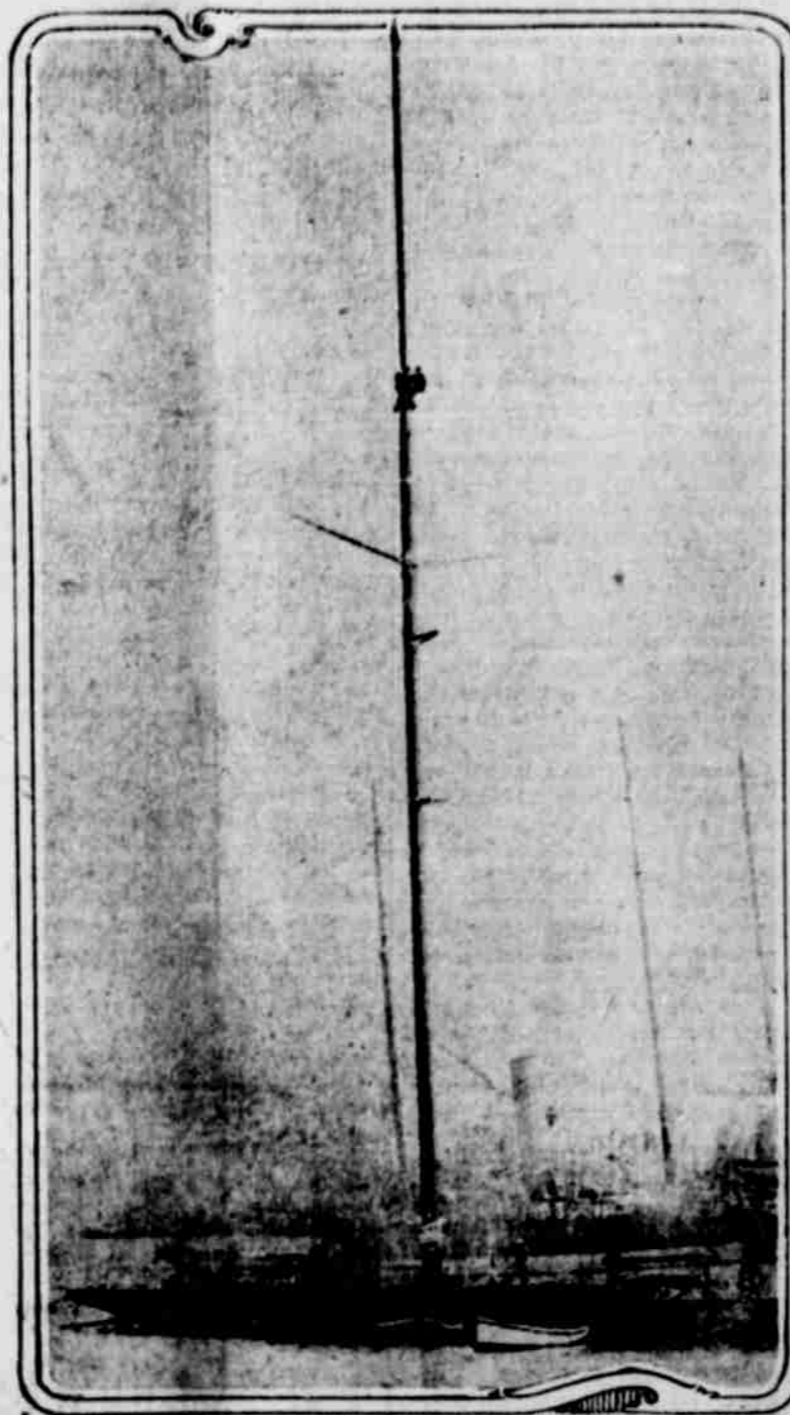
Crisis Expected Tonight

Lowney's statement, it is feared, may precipitate a tonight when the union will hold its regular meeting. Large numbers of men are being sworn in by Sheriff Driscoll as deputies for emergency duty. Mayor Duncan who has returned, is prepared again to close all saloons on a moment's notice. Governor Stewart departed for Helena before the Lowney statement was issued, under the impression that efforts were afoot to reach a compromise.

ADMIT FREE FOODSTUFFS TO VERA CRUZ DURING JUNE

WASHINGTON, June 16.—The state department has decided to admit all foodstuffs free to Vera Cruz until June 25. The exemption will apply to foodstuffs sent from foreign ports as well as from the United States.

BRITISH CHALLENGER SHOWS SPEED.



PHOTOGRAPH OF THE SHAMROCK IV. SHOWING HER ENORMOUS MAST (100 FEET)
This photograph of the Shamrock IV. shows the British challenger in her full rigging. In a race with the old Shamrock a few days ago the new yacht made a splendid showing and showed her superiority on all points.

WOMAN NAMED BY PRESIDENT TO LAND OFFICE JOB

WASHINGTON, June 16.—John B. Sanford of Ukiah, Cal., was nominated today by President Wilson to be register of the United States land office in San Francisco, and Mrs. Grace B. Calkin of Sopoma, was nominated receiver of public moneys, San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 16.

—John B. Sanford, nominated by the president to land register office here, is editor and proprietor of the Ukiah Dispatch-Democrat. In point of service he is the oldest member of the state legislature.

Mrs. Grace B. Calkin, nominated to be receiver of public moneys here, will be, if she is confirmed by the senate, the first woman in California to hold an appointive office under the Wilson administration. At present she is secretary of the democratic California central committee.

Mrs. Calkin is known as the original Wilson woman in northern California. She was organizer, secretary and general factotum of the Woman's Wilson league.

USED MARINES TO INFLUENCE ELECTION

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Charges that the United States kept its marines in Nicaragua to influence the recent presidential election and that the state department has been acting in the interests of American bankers, contained in a resolution introduced today by Senator Smith of Michigan were referred to the senate foreign relations committee.

The resolution charges that the state department through its control of Nicaraguan customs houses, has forced the republic to redeem at par \$6,250,000 of bonds issued by Zelaya, later repudiated and brought in at about 25 per cent of their face value, by Brown Brothers and Seligman and company. American bankers, interested in Nicaraguan financing.

COURT UPHOLDS EDITOR'S CONVICTION SILVERTON TRIAL

SALEM, Or., June 16.—The conviction of J. E. Hosmer, editor of the Silvertown Journal, in the state circuit court here several months ago for criminally libelling the prioress of the Benedictine convent of Mount Angel, was affirmed by the state supreme court here today. Hosmer's offense consisted in the publication of an article in a pamphlet with relation to an alleged escape from the convent of Miss Mary Lassenan. According to the article, Miss Lassenan came to the Christian church of Silvertown in June last year and told the pastor and four of his parishioners that she had been kidnaped in Portland and made a prisoner in the convent. During her incarceration, it was stated, she was abused by the priests and the mother superior.

ENGLAND AGAIN WINS AT POLO

MEADOWBROOK, June 16.—The throngs began to surge in after 3 o'clock and by 4 o'clock few seats were vacant. The American players began warming up shortly after 4 o'clock.

First period: The Americans defended the north goal. Milburn got the ball and ran it down the field until Cheape cut in and carried it back again. Cheape lost the sphere in midfield and Milburn drove for a goal but missed. Tomkinson picked it out from under La Montagne's pony and scored.

The English team scored a second goal almost immediately. This time Barrett drove it over.

Up and down the field the ball passed. It was evident that the cup defenders were using all that was in them. The ball rang without either side being able to score again.

Score at end of the first period: England, 2; America, 0.

Second period: It was announced that Larry Waterbury, had fouled Captain Barrett by hooking his mallet in the first period. This deducted half a point from any future score of the Americans.

Milburn drove the ball and La Montagne passed it on almost for a goal, but Lockett blocked it a few feet from the posts. The English team ran it up the field where Barrett scored a goal.

Milburn just saved another English goal by a brilliant backhand stroke. The Americans displayed better teamwork than on Saturday and were surer with the mallet. Milburn, being on his regular position at back, seemed to give the four more stamina.

Total score at end second period: England, 3; America, minus 1/4.

Third period: After the drive-in the players milled around the American goal until Milburn hit the ball to mid-field. Barrett lifted the ball over three American players. Cheape also lofting, just missed a goal. Milburn broke his mallet and left his team weakened while he rode to the boards for a new one. Milburn's defense of the goal was the feature of the game. Neither side had scored until the chucker ended.

Total score, end of third period: England, 3; America, minus 1/4.

EIGHT PERISH IN TERRIFIC STORM DELUGING PARIS

Buildings in Various Parts of City Collapse—Streets a Scene of Desolation and Ruin—Several Streets Sink With Buildings When Undermined by Floods.

PARIS, June 16.—Several more buildings collapsed in various parts of Paris today, owing to subsidence of the soil, caused by yesterday's terrific storm and a number of persons were injured. The list of dead known today was officially stated to be eight, but as more persons were reported missing, the search of the debris was continued.

Three bodies were recovered today from a deep hole at the junction of the Rue du Havre and the Boulevard Haussmann near the Saint Lazare station. The courtyard of a hotel in the Rue Pierre Ginier at Montmartre fell in today, but there was no casualties.

In another locality the walls of a building under construction collapsed and two workmen were injured severely.

Scenes of Devastation

Parts of Paris presented scenes of devastation today with gaping holes in some of the main thoroughfares as the result of yesterday's terrific storm. The population of the entire city was deprived of water, gas and electricity, cut off as a precautionary measure against floods, explosions and fires.

Several lives are known to have been lost through vehicles falling into cavities, but the exact number of dead was not known, as some bodies were believed to have disappeared into the sewers. Heavy rains today added to the difficulties of searching for bodies.

Street Collapses

A street collapsed early today in the northern district of Montmartre behind the great cemetery, not far from the other cave-in. People in the vicinity scurried away as the ground began to sink, and all managed to escape.

When communication with the suburbs had been partially restored today it was learned that fruit and vegetable growers had suffered enormous damage from the storm.

Rain ceased later in the day, but the weather continued threatening.

MULKEY ELECTED BY MAJORITY OF 509

Attorney B. F. Mulkey made a runaway race of the school election for director, polling 509 of the 513 votes cast. Dr. Keene, Mrs. J. E. Reddy, George E. Marsball and O. C. Boggs each received one. The vote was the largest cast in a Medford school election.

Officers for Coming Year

The nominating committee presented the following list for the state officers, and American Bankers' association officers, which was approved without a dissenting vote. W. H. Gore of the Medford National bank being named state vice-president of the American Bankers' association.

President, A. C. Shute of Hillsboro.
Vice-president, J. M. Poorman of Woodburn.
Secretary, J. L. Hartman of Portland, re-elected.
Treasurer, W. H. Bennett of Klamath Falls.

Executive council American Bankers' association, R. W. Schmitt of Portland.
Executive committee—F. L. Meyers of La Grande, W. G. Tait of Tillamook, William Bain of Albany, Max Vogt of The Dalles, and W. G. Vassall of Dallas.

No convention city was chosen for next year, an invitation being received from Klamath Falls.
The morning session of the convention also passed a resolution asking—

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SHUTE ELECTED PRESIDENT OF STATE BANKERS

Association Concludes Annual Session by Election of Officers—Reports of Prospects in State Optimistic—Bumper Crops and Good Prices in Prospect.

The State Bankers' association closed its ninth annual session at the Page theater this morning with the election of officers and the reading of the financial reports from six districts of the state of Oregon. The business of the year was closed and this afternoon the visiting delegates and southern Oregon bankers are basking in the shade and cool of Chautauqua park, Ashland, the guests of that city.

Optimism marked the report of the bankers on crop and financial conditions for the year, leavened with conservatism. One wail of pessimism was sounded from the district comprising Marion, Benton, Polk, Lincoln and Linn counties—the heart of the mossback belt. There the farms had maintained the business life, lumber was in a bad way, real estate was poor, mercantile business was just fair, the demand for money was active and the banks were holding down the loans.

The report makes note of the defeat of the good roads bonds and the wail of the farmers that taxes were the highest in the history of the state.

Prosperity Predicted

Reports from the two sections of eastern Oregon, where the principal products are wheat, wool and stock, show an active condition, with prospects for a bumper crop, good prices and plenty of money with which to move the crop. The reports show that those sections where lumber and dairying are the principal pursuits, there is a downward tendency in business and the spirits of the community.

E. V. Carter of Ashland reported on the condition in southern Oregon from the eastern boundary of Lake county to the Pacific, and north to Douglas county. Crops and business prospects were good, with development moves under way, and while conditions had not been up to expectations in some quarters there had been a steady increase, and the people were working on progressive ideas. The district embracing Hood River, the second largest fruit district in the state, also showed an optimistic tone for the coming fall.

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CABRAL SERVING AT MAZATLAN

NOGALES, Sonora, Mexico, June 16.—Colonel Juan Cabral, the constitutionalist army officer reported in federal dispatches to Mexico City, to have been captured and escorted to Mazatlan is serving with General Alfaró in front of Mazatlan, according to military authorities.