

## SAILORMEN WAGE TWO-DAY BATTLE WITH GIANT RAY

Monster Weighing Several Tons Attacks Freighter in 'Vermillion Sea'—Use Steam Winch in Fight

LONG BEACH, Calif., April 30.—(AP)—An ancient Mexican sea story, heretofore considered a legend, had official confirmation today when sailors on a freighter, heavily laden with steel, described a two-day battle with a giant stingray.

The story was told by Capt. F. Fink, skipper of the S. S. Lewis Luchenbach, and J. E. Ahern, first engineer. Off the southern coast of Mexico, in waters declared to nurture the most ferocious of all sea creatures, Capt. Fink said, the freighter suddenly slowed to a third her normal speed. At the same moment, the lookout saw a huge white surge of water roll over the bow.

Wrapped on Prow  
Sailors hurried forward. Peering into the blue-white depths, they saw the monster, wrapped around the prow.

They estimated it was 50 feet across and weighed several tons. Its pointed, razor-sharp tail was approximately 30 feet in length, and with it, the ray churned and thrashed the sea to foam, in a titanic drive against the direction of the ship.

Jabbing and prodding with boat-hooks, the crew attempted without success to dislodge the beast. Actually, they lost ground. It began working its way up the bow until it was able to strike at them with its tail.

Meanwhile, despite forced draught, the ship was falling behind schedule. When darkness fell, their efforts stopped. They no longer could see when it struck at them. Captain Fink said he warned his men that one sweep of the ray's tail might cut a person in half.

Machine Rigged  
The next morning, Ahern and the engineers rigged up a machine to fight it with. Heavy grappling hooks were attached to huge steel cables, and these were connected with a steam winch.

Not until late afternoon did they "raft." The steam was turned on. The cables creaked and groaned. The ship swung to.

It was nip-and-tuck for a moment. Then the monster was torn loose. Mortally wounded, it slipped

## Policeman Shows Keen Observation Of Lady's Dress

MINNEAPOLIS, April 30.—(AP)—While 67 policemen listened to a lecture on how to better policemen, a woman came in and handed Capt. L. E. Bowers, the speaker, a telegram.

Later he asked the officers to write a description of the woman. "She was about 20 years old," one wrote. "About 40" said another. "A light blonde," was one description, while another officer said she was "quite dark."

Only one got all the elements of the description right. He wound up with this line:

"She has a run in her right stocking."

off the hooks and sank beneath the waves.

For centuries, Mexican fishermen and pearl-divers in the "Vermillion Sea," the Gulf of Lower California, have told creeping stories of how the giant ray attacked their small boats. They said the boats either sank under the enormous weight or were smashed to pieces.

This story, Captain Fink said today, is no legend.

## NIGHT NURSE BURNED IN SANITARIUM FIRE

MILWAUKEE, April 30.—(AP)—Painfully burned about the hands, Isabel McDonald, night nurse at the Portland open air sanitarium leaped from a window of the nurses' home to escape a fire which totally destroyed the structure last night.

Mrs. McDonald said she awoke from a nap, smelled smoke, and burned her hands in an effort to shield her face from the flames as she fled from her room.

Other occupants of the building had previously escaped. Ethel Hughes, another nurse, and two cookhouse employees, Fred Busby and John Oester receiving minor burns.

## CAPITOL CORNERSTONE TO BE PLACED IN JUNE

SALEM, April 30.—(AP)—Laying the cornerstone of Oregon's new capitol, the next formal event in connection with construction of the \$2,500,000 building, will be held the first week in June. J. A. McLean, chairman of the capitol reconstruction commission, indicated here today.

Placing of the marble on the fast rising structure will start in about three weeks, and the cornerstone ceremony will be held during this work. Delivery of the marble and granite can be made upon demand and no delays were anticipated, McLean said.

Weather  
Northern California: Fair tonight and Saturday, but becoming cloudy in extreme north portion; little change in temperature; moderate northwest wind off coast, except southwest north of Cape Mendocino.

Oregon: Generally cloudy, probably with rain in northwest portion tonight and in west portion Saturday; cooler in interior of west portion Saturday; fresh southerly wind off coast.

Closing Time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 1:30 p. m.

## MEDFORD LODGE WILL RECEIVE 2 OFFICIAL VISITS

Two official visitations will be made in the next few days at the I.O.O.F. lodge on West 5th street and preparations were being made to receive the visiting executives.

An official visitation will be made here tomorrow night by Carl Engstrom of Salem, grand chief patriarch of the Oregon encampment. A meeting will be held in his honor at 8 o'clock by Rogue River encampment No. 30. All patriarchs are invited to be present.

Roy H. Gibbs of Graham, grand master of the I.O.O.F. for Oregon, will pay an official visitation here Tuesday night. As he is unable to make individual visitations in southern Oregon at this time, the lodges of Gold Hill, Jacksonville, Central Point and Ashland have been invited to meet with the Medford lodge at 8 o'clock in a joint welcome. Visiting members of the lodge also are invited to attend.

Mr. Engstrom paid an official visitation to the encampment in Ashland last night and will visit the encampment in Grants Pass tonight. Mr. and Mrs. Engstrom were overnight guests last night of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Rickett at their Capitol Hill home.

## Americans Pass Up Coronation Jaunt

NEW YORK, April 30.—(UP)—Hundreds of Americans with an opportunity to rub elbows with royalty are high-hatting the coronation of George VI by staying far from England. It was revealed today as steamship lines reported a wave of cancellations of reservations. Liners that had expected to carry full lists are sailing with many cabins empty.

Excessive ballyhoo, London profiteering and the fact that England had switched kings was given as the general reasons why many Americans are turning cold shoulders.

## OFFICIALS HONORED BY JOBS DAUGHTERS

PORTLAND, April 30.—(AP)—Mrs. Cora Jones of Roseburg, grand guardian, and Harold Parrott of Portland were honored last night at a banquet opening the 14th annual session of the grand guardian council, order of Job's Daughters.

Business sessions will start today with election of officers scheduled for late this afternoon. Installation ceremonies will take place Saturday night.

## Klamath Firebug Given 20 Years

KLAMATH FALLS, April 30.—(AP)—Robert Wellington McCarn was sentenced today to 20 years in the state penitentiary in connection with the burning of the Groves hotel in Merrill in December, 1935.

In a statement made to members of the Arson force of state police, McCarn allegedly also confessed setting fire to buildings at Tulelake and Etna, Calif., and to shooting himself through the foot "just to show somebody he could do it."

It was suggested in court that McCarn be kept in the observation ward at Salem for some time.

## Liner Smothers Blaze In Hold

KETCHIKAN, Alaska, April 30.—(AP)—Smothering fire in her No. 2 hold with steam, the crippled liner Cordova arrived here today after a battle with fire and heavy seas off the British Columbia coast yesterday.

The coast guard patrol boat Alert, one of three vessels sent to her aid, conveyed the Alaskan Steamship company vessel into port. The other ships, U. S. tender Swallow and steamer Northwestern, turned about after the Cordova messaged she had the fire under control.



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Corn, Royal Club Whole Kernel, 2 cans 29c  
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Artichokes, extra fcy. large . . . 3 for 10c  
Cabbage, new spring crop . . . lb. 5c  
Lg. Celery, Utah or white . . . ea. 9c  
Radishes or Onions, local . . . 2 bun. 5c  
Cauliflower, large white . . . ea. 9c  
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