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Nearly Two Hundred go Down at Sea

Steamships Collide in the Mediterranean

PASSENGERS CAUGHT LIKE RATS IN A TRAP

Under a Big Awning and Are Sucked Down to Death With the Sinking Vessel

Marseilles, June 8.—The latest report of the loss of life in the sinking of the steamer Liban yesterday places the dead at 187, of which 33 bodies have been recovered. The topmasts are visible, and this morning the divers are working. The captains of both vessels are blamed; the Liban's because he didn't direct his ship properly, and the Insulaire's because he didn't do more to assist the passengers on the sinking vessel. The latter claimed that he was afraid that his own ship would sink, so ran her ashore for fear of foundering.

One man who lost his wife and four children is now a raving maniac. Another rescued passenger, who has gone insane, is a woman who lost her husband and five children. It now appears that the Liban was running at a speed of 12 knots, and when she turned the Isle of Marie her speed was no great that when she saw the Insulaire she could not change her course and avoid the collision.

The Liban left Marseilles Sunday morning on its regular passenger trip to Bastia, Corsica, and was run down and sunk by the Insulaire, off the Marie Islands.

The collision was witnessed from the pilot-boat Blechamp, which was about two miles distant. The Blechamp immediately repaired to the spot to render assistance.

The force of the collision had cut a great hole in the Liban's side, and it already was making water rapidly. The captain saw that the only chance was to run the steamer aground, and the Liban was headed full speed for the shore, but within 17 minutes after the collision, and while still in deep water, the forepart of the steamer plunged beneath the waves, and a few minutes later had disappeared.

Efforts at Rescue.

In the meantime the Blechamp, the steamer Balkan, also belonging to the

Grasselet Company, and other vessels had drawn near the sinking ship and were making desperate efforts to rescue those on board. The Blechamp picked up 40 persons, many of whom were at the point of exhaustion. The Balkan rescued 37 passengers, and up to the present it is known that, in addition to the passengers, 17 of the crew were also saved.

Officers of the steamer Balkan describe the scene just before the Liban disappeared as a terrible one. As the vessel was sinking it was inclined to such an angle that the masts struck the water causing an eddy, making the work of rescue most difficult. A mass of human beings was clinging to the foundering vessel and uttering despairing cries as it went down.

Boilers of Sinking Vessel Explode.

At the same time the boilers exploded, intensifying the horrors. For a few minutes the victims were seen struggling in the sea, and the waves closed over them and all were silent. Of about 200 passengers who were aboard the Liban, it was feared that half were drowned.

The Balkan launched three boats, and the other vessels did all possible to save the victims in the short time that elapsed between the time of the collision and the sinking of the Liban.

Story of a Survivor.

"The weather was splendid when we steamed out of Marseilles harbor, and all the passengers were below at tables, when the shrieking of whistles gave the alarm. On coming on deck I saw the Insulaire approaching us at full speed. The captain gave orders, but no attempt apparently was made to change the steamer's course. Some of the passengers reproached the captain for his negligence in this matter.

"When the Insulaire crashed into

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RAGLANS LOSE TO ROSEBURG

Ball Tossers From the Umpqua Take Two Straight

Salem Team Weakened by Putting Lorimer on Short When His Place is the Field

Willamette Valley League.

Saturday's scores—Roseburg 10, Salem 7; Eugene 6, Albany 2.

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Standing of Teams.			
	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Roseburg	7	3	.700
Salem	6	4	.600
Eugene	4	6	.400
Albany	3	7	.300

There was no hooey in the last two games with Roseburg, unless poor playing can be charged to a hooey; it was a matter of errors. Saturday's game was lost on account of an error by Saunders, and Sunday's game by poor playing on the part of Lorimer. No ball player can be blamed for making errors when put in a position that is new to him, or that he can't play, and that he says he can't play; and there is no one to blame for the loss of the last two games but the management. Not the manager, but those directing him. Saunders is no first baseman, and would rather play in the outfield, where he is at home; and Lorimer is no shortstop, and should not have been asked to play without practice. It is a poor management that will attempt to strengthen a team at the eleventh hour with unpracticed players.

If Salem expects to win the next two games with Roseburg next Saturday and Sunday it will be necessary to strengthen at first and short, and the men who play these positions must be good batters.

Sunday's game was in reality a battle of pitchers, but, because of the poor support given, the score ran up.

Game in Detail.

Joergen, of Roseburg, was the first man to bat, and Ross gave him a base on balls, and he stole second. Corless and Ray both fanned. Baker drove one to Saunders who let him get to first. White handed one to Lorimer at short, letting Joergen score. Bradley nailed one into left field and Baker scored. Morrow made the third out by a fly to Sumner.

Si Davis was first to bat for Salem, and got to first on an error by Roseburg's short, but he was left on second, for Sumner. Teabo and Saunders all struck out.

Casey struck out for Roseburg. Van Lewin lifted a nice little fly to Downie on second, but he muffed it; Joergen made a two-bagger, Casey went out coming home, and Corless failed to get first. Score, Roseburg 2, Salem 0.

In the second inning Jerman got a free ticket to first, and got second on a passed ball. Moshberger, one of Salem's new men, made a hit into right field, letting Jerman score. Ross advanced him to third by a hit into left field, and he scored by an error by Roseburg's third baseman. Davis struck out. This tied the score, and there was nothing interesting until the last half of the third inning. Teabo had fanned, Sumner was on first. Saunders met the ball for an infield fly; of course Sumner hugged first but the fly was muffed. Saunders had reached first, but thinking he was out, left the bag; the ball was thrown to the first baseman, who put Rube out, and the umpire declared both men out. There was some rag-chewing, but the umpire refused to change his decision.

In the fourth canto Ross did some very good work, pitching himself out of a bad hole. Moshberger made a hit in this inning, but died on first. By a wild throw by Downie to Davis in the fifth, Roseburg managed to get another run.

In the seventh inning Davis hit a two-bagger, but was put out coming home; however, it gave Sumner a chance to score, tying the score again.

Roseburg, by a series of errors on the part of Lorimer made three runs in the eighth, and, again in the ninth, by Lorimer's errors, they made two more, making the score 8 to 3.

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PASSED A BOGUS CHECK

Young Man From New York Gets Himself Into Trouble

Not Accustomed to Western Ways He Issues Checks a Little Too Freely

One E. B. Hoeninghaus was arrested at Portland and brought to Salem Sunday on the 8 a. m. train by Chief of Police Gibson, on a warrant of J. Conner, for obtaining money on false pretenses. He was taken to the city jail to await trial. He left Salem on Memorial day, after enjoying the luxuries of Hotel Willamette for a week or ten days. He dressed well—kicked a great deal, wanted the best of everything, pretended to be a representative of the Washington Life Insurance Company, and, on departing, got a check cashed that was worthless. It was for \$25 on the Ladd & Tilton bank, of Portland, partially paying his bill, and netting him about \$12 of Lanford Conner's money. Conner was wroth at the way the fellow treated him, in fact, treated everybody about the house, and to wind up with a bogus check was too much for even his easy-going good-nature.

The Portland Telegram has this: So far as can be learned the prosecution of E. B. Hoeninghaus, now a guest at the city jail, on a charge of forgery, preferred by Fritz Stroebel, proprietor of the Belvedere hotel, will depend on the advice received from his family connections in New York.

An information has been filed against the young man by the district attorney, but no steps have been taken toward his arraignment. It is stated by Hoeninghaus' attorney, W. T. Hume, that preliminary examination will be waived. Mr. Hume has notified Fritz W. Hoeninghaus, an attorney of New York City, and a brother of the accused, of the trouble which his prodigal relative is in, with the purpose of getting funds that may assist in relieving him from the unpleasant predicament in which he now finds himself.

There appears to be no other defense for the accused than that when the spurious checks were uttered he was in the midst of a hilarious and prolonged spree, which left him at the verge of delirium tremens. Young Hoeninghaus has made the statement that he has been so drunk for the past week that he did not realize what he was doing. When he first saw Mr. Hume he was in bad shape physically, and, as a matter of course, is deeply distressed over the impending criminal prosecution, which was sure to follow his act. The victim of the forgery, Mr. Stroebel, is not inclined to prosecute the case in the event that his loss is made good, but, on the other hand, it is possible for the district attorney's office to force the case to a conviction if it can be established that the proprietor of the Belvedere was induced to part with his money by reason of good faith in the validity of the forged check.

The trial of Hoeninghaus was, on motion of his counsel, Carson & Adams, continued for a few days, until they could get into communication with his people in New York.

Charges Cruelty in Philippines.

Washington, June 8.—Complaints have been made at the war department, through unofficial channels, alleging that cruelty is practiced on the inmates of Malahi military prison, at Laguna de Bay, near Manila. Six prisoners, it is alleged, refused to work, because the food was improper. They were finally chained to posts in the sun. When they again refused to work they were again chained to posts until one man dropped exhausted.

Chase Family Lined.

Fowler, Ind., June 8.—Evidence was introduced on the Chase side, in the fight over the estate of the young millionaire today showing insanity in the family. Three other members of the family were in the insane asylums at various times. Another committed suicide in San Francisco several years ago.

The weather bureau predicts cooler weather for Tuesday.

Missouri Pours Out Her Flood

Raging Torrent Sweeps Into the Mississippi

WAVES HOLD REVELS OVER RUINED FIELDS

Torrent Breaks Over the Levees at St. Louis and Thousands are Homeless

St. Louis, June 8.—The flood stood at 37 feet 6 inches at 10 o'clock this morning, and is still rising. The water broke over the old granite levee this morning, and is pouring down on west Venice in torrents, the inhabitants barely having time to escape. By 10 o'clock it had reached the roofs of the greater number of dwellings, adding thousands more to the homeless. Hundreds are now finding shelter in the Granite City school house, which, so far, is above the water.

Practically all railway transportation has been cut off, and only a few trains are running irregularly westward over the Missouri Pacific. Thousands of excursionists are detained in the city, being unable to get out. Two steamers went to Madison at 10 o'clock this morning, in answer to a call for help. Twelve hundred people there are prisoners in their homes, and refugees from the tri-cities are being brought in here by thousands. Immense industries are idle, throwing thousands temporarily out of employment.

St. Louis, June 8.—Like a mill race the swollen Mississippi is surging past St. Louis with a stage of 36.9 feet at 9 o'clock tonight, making a rise of 14 feet since the same hour last night.

No word was received today from the 200 people imprisoned on a low island at Black Walnut, northwest from St. Louis about 25 miles, and in peril of their lives from the rising waters of the Mississippi river. Word was received last night at that time that the rescue must be effected immediately or they would probably be swept away by morning. The river has spread out around the island until

it is a veritable sea with a swift current, and although every effort has been made to reach them nothing was accomplished today, and there has been no means of communication with them.

Between Black Walnut and St. Louis the Bellefontaine bridge stretches across the Missouri, and the high stage of the river precludes any large steamer passing underneath. No steamer is available at St. Charles to go down the river to them. The Spread Eagle, moored at Alton, Ill., above St. Louis, was hurriedly manned and started for the imperiled colony late last night, but was forced to turn back at the Bellefontaine bridge. A private yacht was manned by a company of policemen today and started for Black Walnut. All steam was turned on, but the yacht made no headway against the current, and after vainly stemming the flood for several hours, without making 100 yards, the yacht was returned to shore, and the venture abandoned.

Black Walnut is located in a broad and fertile valley opposite the Missouri, and the land surrounding it is said to be the richest wheat land in the state.

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