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FORTY-NINE DROWN WHEN SHIP GOES DOWN

MONROE SINKS LIKE LEAD SOON AFTER COLLISION

Survivors Are Thrown in Water and Struggle Desperately Until Rescued by Nantucket and Other Ships--Have Only Night Clothing on and It Is Feared Some Will Die of Exposure--Crash Comes in Dense Fog--Many Die in State Rooms.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 30.—The 85 survivors out of the 134 passengers and crew who put to sea from here last night on the Old Dominion liner Monroe landed in Norfolk again this afternoon.

The other 49 all perished beyond a doubt when the Monroe went down like lead at 1:40 a. m., after the steamship Nantucket, of the Merchants and Miners line, had rammed and cut her nearly in two off the Delaware-Maryland-Virginia peninsula coast.

None of Them Are Clad. The rescued included 30 passengers and 55 members of the crew. Of the passengers not one was clad. The women were in night dresses; the men mostly in pajamas. James O'Connor, of the federal industrial commission, was picked up in his underclothes. He rushed to a telephone in a borrowed overcoat as soon as he could get down the gang plank to let his wife in Washington know he was safe.

The majority of the survivors were ill and it was feared several of them would die from the shock and exposure they had undergone.

The Monroe and Nantucket crashed in a dense fog. The Nantucket was steaming at half speed, its siren sounding dimly at half minute intervals. The shrieks of the Monroe's siren, too, could be heard plainly but in the smothering mist Captain Berry of the Nantucket mistook the other ship's position.

Both captains were on their own respective ship's bridges at the moment of the collision.

Suddenly those on the Nantucket's deck saw the Monroe loom out of the fog barely a ship's length away. Captain Berry reversed his engines and strove to get by astern of the other vessel. It was too late. The Nantucket crashed into the Monroe amidships, crunched her way deeply into the bow of the liner's side and then stopped, her own bows badly crumpled, for a moment wedged fast.

An instant later the powerful screw dragged her backward and she drew off from the Monroe, which heeled over at once and began taking in water in cataraacts.

screams, Prayers and Curses. With hysterical screams, prayers, curses and cries for aid the night-clad passengers came rushing on deck. Some were cut by splinters. All had been aroused from slumber, without a second's warning, to face death in the waves.

Or those who died, the majority probably did not even have time to get out of their state rooms, so quickly did the ship go down.

With the collision the boat drill signal had sounded. The crew worked like mad men but they only got one boat overside before the ship's hull rolled over and she went down. As she disappeared beneath the surface their sounded first a fierce hissing and then her boilers blew up with a muffled roar.

Struggle in Sea. In the vortex the surviving passengers and sailors were left struggling for their lives. Some had seized life-belts and these, in most instances, were the ones who were saved. More than half of them were unconscious when they were dragged into the Nantucket's boats.

Collision in Fog. The collision occurred in a dense fog. The Monroe left Norfolk for New York at 7 o'clock last evening. It carried a crew of about 60 men, 46 first cabin passengers and came in the steerage. The Nantucket, from Boston, steamed near the Winter quarter lightship, 23 miles south of Hogg Island. The Monroe sank in 20 minutes. The Monroe, built at Newport News

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PORTLAND HAS HEARING TO SUPPORT CLAIM FOR U.S. REGIONAL BANK

Little Oratory Is Indulged in and Facts Presented to Committee

FOR NORTHWEST BANK

Arguments Presented to Show Portland Is Best Fitted as to Location and Other Facilities.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Portland, Ore., Jan. 30.—Primed with salient facts and figures relative to the diversity of industries of which Portland is the center, banking statistics, maps and charts, bankers and professional men of Oregon and a few from southwestern Washington appeared before Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Secretary of Agriculture Houston, members of the organization committee of the regional bank board, at 10 o'clock this morning in the federal building, to advance this city's claims for the establishment of a federal reserve bank here.

Eighteen prominent men were scheduled to address the committee at the hearing which will conclude this afternoon.

The narrow quarters of the United States district court in the postoffice building was packed to the utmost. Earnestness is feature.

Earnestness stamped the whole meeting. There was not a sky rocket, not an iota of perfervid oratory. The whole tone of the hearing was business-like. Barely had the two visiting members of the organization committee, Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Secretary of Agriculture Houston, taken their seats at the long table before, like a piece of well-oiled machinery the hearing was on, and the committee was well in the midst of Portland's claims for a regional bank.

Secretary McAdoo opened the meeting by describing briefly the purposes of the federal reserve act, and explaining the function of the organization committee. "This meeting is held," he said, "for the purpose of eliciting facts. The committee wants facts, and not orations. We don't object, necessarily to oratory, but, as a rule, oratory is not based on facts." Secretary McAdoo appealed to the patriotism of the American people to assist the committee in getting this system of currency reform in running order.

Both members of the committee should have been gratified, for Portland showed anything but oratory. From the moment A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank, president of the Portland clearing house committee and chairman of the joint committee on regional bank for Portland, started his argument it was to be seen that the city would exhaust every available resource for the presentation of facts in support of her claim to a federal reserve bank center.

President Mills spoke for the Portland clearing house and Portland bankers. He was first asked to give his name and occupation, and whom he represented at the hearing. He plunged directly in to his argument.

"Nature," he said, "has set apart the Northwest to be a district by itself. If it is not qualified to receive a bank of its own now, there is no doubt but that it will be soon in the future. We stand alone, cut off on the south by mountain ranges from California, and on the east by the Rocky mountains."

Portland in Lead.

Then he explained the Portland Clearing House association's plan of campaign in gathering figures that, he said, would demonstrate Portland's financial supremacy in the Northwest. Letters, he explained, had been sent to 960 banks in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Western Montana, asking them with which cities of their banking business was done. Of the number 663 replies had been received. Of this last number 279 replied that most of their banking transactions was with Portland.

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Bundy's Fate is in Jury's Hands

Youth Who Slew Boy to Get His Money Is Bitterly Denounced as Fiend. by Prosecutor.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 30.—The fate of Lewis Bundy, youthful slayer of Harold Ziesche, was given into the hands of a jury shortly after noon today. The closing arguments of the attorneys occupied but little time when the trial was resumed, and the jury had retired before the crowd in the court room was aware that the trial was over.

For the state Deputy District Attorney Veitch branded Bundy a fiend, and declared that the murder of Ziesch was premeditated and inhuman. Earl Rogers, for the defense, held society responsible for the crime, arguing that Bundy had been made mentally unbalanced by cigarette and over-indulgence in athletics. He demanded a second degree verdict.

Bundy, who is 19 years old, killed Ziesch, who was 15, on Christmas eve. By means of a telephone call for medicine at the pharmacy, where Ziesch was employed as a messenger, he lured the boy, with \$20 change to a lonely spot, and beat him to death with a pick handle and a rock. He wanted the money, he said, to buy a Christmas present for a girl.

LABORER BLOWS SAFE OF PORTLAND FIRM TO PIECES

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Portland, Or., Jan. 30.—An hour after the safe in the Farguhar Machinery company's office on the East side was blown open with giant powder, Milton McDonald, aged 53, a laborer, was arrested while hiding under a wagon cover on the water front by a squad of Patrolmen and is said to have admitted the crime, claiming it was due to insanity. A warrant charging felony was issued.

Four sticks of giant powder were placed on top of the safe and it was torn to pieces. The office was damaged to the extent of \$300. No money was secured from the safe but the desks in the office were looted of stamps.

Officers summoned by neighbors aroused by the explosion surprised McDonald while he was searching the debris in the office, but he escaped by a rear door, only to be found later on the water front. Four sticks of dynamite were found hidden in McDonald's room in the Kevera hotel.

CHARLTON TRIAL IS PUT OFF TO INVESTIGATE SOME CHARGES

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Como, Italy, Jan. 30.—The trial of Porter Charlton was today postponed in court. Charlton is accused of murdering his wife and dismembering the body.

It was understood that the postponement was due to the courts belief in Charlton's declaration that his wife was sexually abnormal and possessed a dual nature. Sensational revelations were expected from the investigation ordered by the judges. Public sentiment is with Charlton.

STORY HOUR AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The stories this week will follow the plan of last. The Indian group have a new story teller, Miss Wolfner from high school. Miss Case will tell "Coadad and his brothers" and "City of Brass," to the Arabian nights group. The doors are open from 9:20 to 9:35 Saturday morning.

The "pen" is mightier than the county jail.

GOMPERS AND OTHER HEADS OF LABOR ARE ATTACKED AS BOOZERS

Delegates to Mine Workers' Convention Calls Them Reactionaries

GOMPERS GIVES HIM LIE

Denies He Was With Bunch at Seattle Howling Drunk and That Federation Is Machine-Controlled.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Indianapolis, Jan. 30.—Sensational charges were made at the session of the United Mine Workers of America today.

Delegate McDonald declared all the executive of the American Federation of Labor are hard drinkers.

"They are a bunch of reactionary and fossilized booze fighters," he said. McDonald declared that during the labor convention at Seattle a resolutions committee, headed by Gompers, made so much noise that he and his wife who occupied the next room, were unable to sleep. After a futile complaint to the hotel management, McDonald said he opened the door to the room and "saw a bunch sitting around the table, with Gompers at its head, howling drunk."

Gompers Calls Him Liar.

Gompers answered McDonald by calling him "a liar and a slanderer." He also denied McDonald's charge that the American Federation is machine controlled and that socialists were barred from all responsible and effective positions.

Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, also denounced Gompers.

Drunk on Several Occasions.

McDonald also charged that Gompers was intoxicated on several occasions during the Seattle convention. He also asserted that \$250 was voted to each member of the federation's executive council with nothing to show what the money was for. He charged that Gompers and other officials of the organization disliked the Western Federation of Miners, and for that reason refused to lend aid to the strike of copper miners now in progress in Michigan.

Story Probably False.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 30.—The manager of the New Richmond hotel, occupied by Gompers and McDonald during the convention of the American Federation of Labor last summer, says that he heard nothing of any such trouble as described by McDonald at Indianapolis. He says the rooms occupied by the two men were on floors two stories apart and that as far as he knew nothing of the sort had taken place.

HUSBAND LET HER WASH.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 30.—"He was so sure that the Lord would provide that I had to take in washing," complained Mrs. Amelia Prout, who was granted a divorce from James Prout.

Late News Bulletins

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

New York, Jan. 30.—Sentence was not imposed today upon Angelo Sylvestro, convicted by a jury here last night of placing a bomb at the entrance of a tenement house in Houston street. Just as sentence was about to be pronounced District Attorney Whitman announced in court that the prisoner stood ready to give information which, it was said, would lead to the apprehension of the leaders of the black hand gang to which he belonged. The court, therefore deferred passing sentence pending an investigation.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

New York, Jan. 30.—Part of yesterday's losses were made up at the opening of the stock market today. The leaders were in good demand, and many issues were quoted nearly a point higher. Pressed steel car jumped 2 1/2 points, Canadian Pacific 1 3/4, Texas company 1 and Reading a good fraction. Bumble common dropped to 9 and the preferred to 26 1/2. Bonds were firm. The market closed strong.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Washington, Jan. 30.—The Burnett-Dillingham immigration bill was considered by the house of representatives today. Debate on the measure was expected to continue this afternoon and tonight, with the bill scheduled to come to a final vote on passage tomorrow.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Kansas City, Jan. 30.—Federal Judge McPherson dismissed here today the injunction which restrained the state of Missouri from putting into effect its two-cent railroad passenger fare and prevented Attorney-General Baker from suing for \$24,000,000 overcharges he asserts the roads made while the law was in litigation. It was understood Barker will begin the suits immediately in the state courts.

JANITORS TO BE CUSTODIANS.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Oakland, Cal., Jan. 30.—Because he considers the title derogatory to the department's dignity, A. C. Barker, superintendent of city schools, announced that hereafter, all janitors will be called "school custodians."

SHOULD HAVE BEEN SPANKED.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 30.—Married at 13, Mrs. Mary Small, 16 years old, was refused a divorce by Judge Monroe. "You should have been spanked instead of married," said the judge. "Go get a legal guardian and then we will talk about a divorce."

The Weather

THEY SAY THE TURKEY TROT IS GOING OUT. The Dickey Bird says: Oregon, generally fair tonight and Saturday except rain tonight or Saturday north west portion; and winds in southwest.

Closing Arguments Being Made in Trial of Leah Alexander

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

San Francisco, Jan. 30.—Counsel's closing arguments were in progress today at the trial of Leah Alexander, who killed J. D. Van Baalen here last October, because, after inducing her to live with him as his wife, on his promise to marry her later, she found he was already married.

There was no dispute as to the killing and Prosecutor Berry called it murder. Attorney Thomas O'Conner, for the defense, maintained that Miss Alexander's mind was temporarily unbalanced by her troubles, and by an attempt she had made, in her misery, to end her

life, and that she was not responsible for her act.

Slapped Girl's Face.

Van Baalen's widow was on the witness stand yesterday afternoon, after Miss Alexander had left it. She was handsomely dressed, pale and sad looking, but calm. Her testimony was not of great importance, relating merely to a few attempts made by Miss Alexander to see Van Baalen in his apartments when his wife was present, and to one occasion when, she said, angered by the girl's visit, she slapped the latter's face.

Collapse Stops Trial.

The trial was interrupted for a time late yesterday when Miss Alexander collapsed on the witness stand, and had to be carried shrieking hysterically, from the court room until she could regain her composure.

EIGHT-HOUR CASE IS ARGUED HERE BEFORE STATE SUPREME COURT

Widespread Interest in Action Which May Mean More Expense for Cities.

WOULD AFFECT SALEM

Portland Especially Interested, as Many More Firemen and Policemen Would Be Needed.

The supreme court this morning heard arguments in the suit against Mayor Albee over the eight-hour law in which it is sought to settle just who are within, or without the operation of the law. The suit was brought, or rather a complaint was filed on the criminal side accusing Mayor Albee and the officials of Portland of violating the law against employing labor more than 8 hours in any one day. It is a friendly suit to get the opinion of the supreme court on the matter, the city of Portland contending that its firemen and policemen are not laborers within the intent of the law, and that they therefore can work longer than eight hours. It is claimed that the expense of running the city would be increased enormously should the court hold the law applied to city employes such as named. All the cities of the state are interested in the case as they will all be compelled to make new and costly arrangements for policing and governing their people fire protection if the case goes against Albee. The decision will also settle the matter of employes at the state institutions, which has been giving the board of control considerable trouble. Col. C. E. S. Wood is appearing with Attorney General Crawford in the prosecution of the case.

ELKS HAVE ENJOYABLE MUSICAL PROGRAM AT THEIR HOME

The Elks had a very enjoyable social session last evening and the numbers furnished by the pupils of Prof. Langenberg were very pleasing. Those who participated in the program were: Misses Alice Skiff, Gladys Cartwright, Nellie Schwab and Grace Lilly, Mrs. Bert K. Lawson and Carl Schwab. The accompanists were Mrs. E. J. Cox and Miss Lella Slater. It was one of the most enjoyable occasions in the history of the lodge, and those who took part were warmly praised.

An incident which was also much enjoyed was the presentation of a unique walking stick to Judge P. H. D'Arcy, who recently returned from a trip to California. The judge was taken wholly by surprise but called and his response was very affecting.