

NEVER HEARD OF "PIRATE SLOOP"

Midshipman Jackson Denies Knowledge of Henry A. Jackson and the Yacht Doroda.

CARDS FOUND WITH PLUNDER

Names of Young Naval Officer on Battleship Missouri and Miss Olga Maxwell Connected With Gang of Alleged Thieves Who Escaped From Vessel Loaded With Plunder.

"I never heard of the 'pirate sloop' Doroda and if Henry A. Jackson is a relative of mine it's news to me," said Midshipman Robert L. Jackson to a Daily Press reporter on the quarter-deck of the battleship Missouri yesterday afternoon.

The young officer made the above statement after frowning and smiling in an apparently much puzzled manner over a special dispatch from New York announcing that his cards and cards of a Miss Maxwell had been found with plunder from Long Island homes on a pirate sloop Doroda at Newport.

"What does it all mean?" he asked. "You know as much as I do," replied the reporter.

Just a Newspaper Sensation.

"Then I don't know anything at all," declared the midshipman good naturedly. "I suppose it is just another newspaper sensation. I'm getting tired of seeing my name in the papers anyhow. I think I'll go to China or somewhere else to get out of their reach," he continued, laughingly.

"Do you know Miss Maxwell?" queried the reporter.

"I know a Miss Maxwell," was the reply.

"Were you and Miss Maxwell at Newport at the same time recently?"

"No. I saw her last in New York. Maybe she has been to Newport, but I didn't see her there."

"Have you any idea how your cards could have gotten with stolen goods found on the yacht?" urged the newspaper man.

His Cards Well Distributed.

"Not the slightest," replied the officer quickly. "It might have gotten there in a thousand ways, but I can't guess how. Perhaps Miss Maxwell visited at some place on Long Island and left the cards there. My cards are pretty well distributed all along the coast and they are liable to turn up anywhere."

Calling a Japanese servant, Jackson sent for paper and made a copy of the New York dispatch, saying that he wanted to "do a little investigating on his own hook."

"But I suppose there's no use troubling myself. I'll see all about 'how I did it' in the papers tomorrow," said the midshipman, and he put an end to the interview by walking away.

Capture of the Pirate.

The following dispatch to the New York Herald from Newport tells the story of the capture of the "pirate sloop" Doroda, and explains the interview with young Jackson:

NEWPORT, R. I., Oct. 22.—In the capture of the yacht Doroda, which was seized by the authorities here yesterday, the police believe they have caught the craft which has long been used by thieves to carry away property stolen along the coast and the Sound.

Warrant for H. A. Jackson.

After an examination of the property found on board the Doroda, Sheriff Anthony issued a warrant for the arrest of her supposed owner, Henry Allison Jackson, of Taunton, Mass., for whom search is now being made. Letters addressed to Jackson from his mother were found in the yacht's cabin.

The Doroda was seen going up the bay yesterday afternoon, with a naphtha launch belonging to a citizen of Newport in tow. Sheriff Frank L. Deiblers and Sidney D. Harvey pursued the yacht in J. K. Sullivan's tug Sollicitor. When they approached two men on the sloop tried to stand them off with guns. As the sheriff headed close to them they took a small boat and escaped to the shore.

Among other things found on the Doroda were visiting cards of Olga Maxwell, of No. 207 West Forty-sixth street, New York, and clippings from newspapers giving accounts of the escapades of Robert L. Jackson, a midshipman on the battleship Missouri who left that war ship and was afterward found by his father in Canada.

Two car loads of supposed stolen property were taken from the Doroda this morning by Deputy Sheriff King. There were many silver spoons, forks and ice cream knives, some of which were marked "E. H. A." Others were marked "Arbuckle," and one large silver piece was marked "Withers." Several silk skirts and a breastpin ornamented with coral were among the goods, which included almost everything that could be thought of. There were also a bottle of nitroglycerine and a bottle of choliform. A motor found in the boat has been identified as one stolen recently from the Edgewood Yacht Club, of Providence.

"By numerous bills found the course of the pirate craft during the summer could be traced. The Doroda was early in the season at Atlantic City, N. J., where her commander appears to have been an agent for a kind of cordial. Then the vessel worked up the coast and along the Sound. In order to escape identification her name was changed often.

There were also found several tickets for various articles pawned in New York and elsewhere. It is believed the pirate has been operating all along the coast. Sheriff Anthony

has asked the police of neighboring cities to arrest Jackson."

Dispatch From Taunton. TAUNTON, MASS., Oct. 22.—Henry Allison Jackson, whose mother, Mrs. Ruth Jackson, lives in this city and who is owner of the sloop Doroda, spent last winter at Annapolis, Md., where his sloop was frozen in. He may have obtained there the cards found in the cabin of the Doroda for some reason of his own.

Henry Allison Jackson was sent to the reformatory from this city for the theft of a launch while a boy. He is now thirty-three years old and is a sailor. He was in Bristol on Thursday last, according to a letter received by his mother.

Midshipman Deserted.

Midshipman Jackson acquired considerable notoriety last summer by deserting from the battleship Missouri while the ship was in New York harbor. He went up into Canada, where he was captured by his father and returned to the ship. A court-martial found him guilty of desertion, but recommended leniency. President Roosevelt reinstated the offender with a reduction in rank of two points.

The young man is a well made, handsome fellow with dark eyes and hair, bronzed complexion and a knowing smile.

He is back at duty on the Missouri, which is at anchor off Old Point, with the other ships of Rear Admiral Evans' battleship squadron.

CURIOUS SHAPED STEAMER IN PORT

"Turret" Ship Meridian, Which Stopped Here for Coal Was Japanese Supply Vessel During War.

The British steamship Meridian, which arrived at this port Sunday morning from Galveston and sailed yesterday for Hamburg after loading 300 tons of bunker coal, is one of the most peculiar shaped vessels ever seen at this port. The steamer is of the "turret" ship type and her hull above the waterline is not unlike that of a whaleback steamer. Under the waterline the Meridian's hull is shaped like an ordinary steamship but about three feet above the "dead" waterline both sides of the hull are turned inward in the shape of an arc, giving the outer hull of the vessel the appearance of a whaleback. The most peculiar part of the vessel's construction is that on top of and riveted to the rounding hull, running from stem to stern, is another hull about fifteen feet wide and extending upward about eight feet. At the bow and stern the upper hull tapers to a point, becoming a part of her main hull.

On the deck of the upper hull the vessel's cabins, three masts and one smokestack are situated, as are her boats and life boats.

Because of her peculiar shape the Meridian was employed by the Japanese government as a supply ship during the recent Japanese-Russian war and it is said that the steamer had several narrow escapes from capture by the Russians. On one occasion she was chased by a Russian cruiser, but escaped by hoisting the Russian flag astern and the red cross flag on her forward masthead. Another time the steamer was pursued by Russian warships at night and she escaped by changing her lights, making it appear as if she had changed her course.

The Meridian is now employed in the trans-Atlantic freight trade between Galveston and Hamburg, and when she arrived here Sunday she had a large cargo of exports on board, co-signed to Hamburg.

SEEMS TO BE "WHITE ELEPHANT"

Merritt-Chapman Company Sends Steamer Eureka Here for Painting.

The American steamship Eureka, formerly the Spanish steamship of the same name, arrived at the shipyard yesterday afternoon from Norfolk to have her hull cleaned and painted.

The Euskaro was repaired at the local shipyard several years ago after she had been sunk in Southern waters and raised by the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company, which towed her to Norfolk. After the repairs were completed the wrecking company libeled the ship and she was sold at public auction to satisfy the claim against her. The bids on the steamer were so low that the Merritt-Chapman company was compelled to buy her in.

Since that time the Euskaro has remained at Norfolk. She was admitted to American registry soon after she was repaired, but has not been to sea since the wrecking company bought her. Just what disposition the owners of the ship will make of her is not known, but after being cleaned and painted here the steamer will return to her berth at Norfolk.

Coaling Armored Cruisers.

The United States naval collier Hannibal, which sailed from this port for Pensacola with a cargo of coal several weeks ago, is now coaling the armored cruisers West Virginia, Colorado and Pennsylvania, at Sandy Key Light, Fla., preparatory to the race up the coast between the ships, with President Roosevelt on the flagship West Virginia.

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FINAL CONFERENCE RESULTS AMICABLY

Labor and Exposition Representatives Reach Agreement Which Promised to Settle Trouble.

ALL WILL HAVE JURISDICTION

Newport News and Hampton Organizations Have Same Rights as Those of Norfolk and Portsmouth—Exposition Directors Meet Today to Receive and Act Upon Report.

An agreement, which, if approved by the Jamestown Exposition directors, will settle finally all differences between organized labor and the exposition company, was reached last night after a lengthy conference in which committees representing the unions of Norfolk, Portsmouth, this city and Hampton, and a special committee of exposition directors. The conference was held in Norfolk last night and a partial report of the result was given out about midnight.

Equal Jurisdiction.

The exact nature of the agreement will not be made public until after it has been presented to the exposition directors at a special meeting to be held this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. It is known, however, that the labor unions of this city and Hampton are to have equal jurisdiction on the grounds of the exposition with the Norfolk and Portsmouth organizations. This was one of the principal points causing contention and it came near bringing about war between the union men themselves.

Labor Leaders on Hand.

Several of the most prominent labor men in the country were present during the conference. They were: James Kirby, general president of the Structural Trades Alliance of United States and Canada; B. Griffin, general vice-president and general organizer of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners; J. E. Smith, general vice-president and general organizer of the Electrical Workers of America.

Those participating in the conference were:

Representing the exposition company—Messrs. S. Barton Meyers, T. J. Wool, C. Brooks Johnstone and Major Nottingham.

Newport News unions—Messrs. J. B. Clinedinst, C. C. Snapp and F. R. Abrams.

Hampton unions—Messrs. John Young, Vernon Daugherty and Wilson.

Portsmouth unions—Messrs. Manns and Williams.

Norfolk unions—Messrs. Perry, Davis, Moses, Scott, Barton and Wilson.

Speaking Here Tonight.

There will be a special meeting of the Building Trades Council of this city tonight at 8 o'clock at the Central Labor Union hall. All of the general officers who attended the conference last night will be on hand and address the meeting. The presence of such prominent leaders is expected to draw a capacity crowd to the hall.

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