

LAUNCHES COLLIDE WITH FATAL RESULT

Two Belonging to Battleships Virginia and Connecticut Ran Each Other Off Old Point

GOXSWIN STEIN LOSES HIS LIFE

Four Seamen of the Virginia Were Picked Up by the Connecticut's Launch After the Accident—Virginia's Launch Goes to Bottom—Accident Occurred Early Yesterday.

(Hampton Bureau, Daily Press). OLD POINT, VA., April 20.—As a result of a collision between the launches of the battleships Virginia and Connecticut in Hampton Roads yesterday morning, Chief Coxswain Karl Gustave Stein, of the Virginia, was drowned, and four other sailors had narrow escapes.

The Virginia's launch was sent to the bottom of Hampton Roads, while the launch from the Connecticut was only slightly damaged. The chief engineer of the Virginia is missing, but it is not positively known that he was in the launch when the collision occurred.

According to the best obtainable information the launch from the Virginia containing the chief coxswain and four seamen started from Old Point wharf at midnight Friday to go to the Virginia. The Connecticut's launch left a few minutes later and it is said that the Virginia's boat was run into amidship when within a few hundred yards of the battleship Connecticut.

The Connecticut's launch as soon as the accident occurred put out her search lights and succeeded in picking up four of the men, before the Virginia's launch sank. The rescued men were in bad condition and it was said yesterday that two of them may not recover.

It was also said that Admiral Evans is going to order an official investigation of the accident and it is possible that Coxswain Cassidy, who was in charge of the Connecticut's boat, will have to stand trial by court-martial.

No attempt was made yesterday to raise the sunken launch of the Virginia and therefore it will be several days before it is positively known whether or not the chief engineer of the Virginia was drowned with Coxswain Stein.

Believing that the collision was due to carelessness upon the part of the coxswain, Admiral Davis yesterday detailed a special guard for the wharf at the fort to see that the sailors and seamen are in the proper condition to sail the launches.

This is the first serious accident that has occurred among the ships of the North Atlantic Squadron since the fighters came into Hampton Roads and from the manner in which the commanding admiral has taken charge of this one it is not expected that any more collisions will take place while the ships are here.

The drowning of Chief Coxswain Stein caused much sorrow among the men on the Virginia, as he was a very popular young man and highly esteemed by his comrades. The crew is hopeful that the chief engineer will show up today or tomorrow.

As the accident occurred at midnight, it was not reported until early yesterday morning.

GLOVERSVILLE POLICE HAVE THE MARVIN BOY?

They Believe That They Have Son of the Dover Doctor and the Abductors.

(By Associated Press.) GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y., April 20.—The latest developments in the case of A. H. Allen held here suspected of having in custody the son of Dr. Horace E. Marvin of Dover, Del., is the receipt of a message at police headquarters stating that Miles Standish, nephew of Mr. Marvin will arrive in Gloversville Sunday and reiterated the request made yesterday and several times today to hold the boy for identification by Standish. Deputy Sheriff Hubbs at Mechanicville, Saratoga county, this state, who with Detective Murphy of Delaware has been investigating a clue at Mechanicville for the past month visited Gloverville today and saw the suspected man, the woman alleged to be his wife, and the boy. He stated late tonight that no doubt that the police had the right man in custody.

GRAVES LAUDS BOTH ROOSEVELT AND BRYAN

He Says That They Are the Two Greatest Men in the World—Still a Democrat.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, ILL., April 20.—"Bryan and Roosevelt, the two greatest men in all the world."

John Temple Graves, of Atlanta, Ga., thus approached the conclusion of his speech tonight at the 27th annual banquet of the Iriquois club, on "The Regeneration of Parties." The address' keynote was the speaker's assertion that party lines in general had never been so light as today.

Mr. Graves spoke from the standpoint of a Democrat, and declared, "I have never been a better Democrat than I am tonight and I have never been more hopeful of the ultimate success of Democracy."

Following the tribute paid to Mr. Bryan and President Roosevelt the speaker said: "One word from Bryan would send Roosevelt omnipotent to the White House. One word from Roosevelt would just as surely make Bryan president and clothe him with the power for reform."

Other speakers of the evening were Gilbert M. Hitchcock of Omaha; H. R. Sively of South Bend, Ind., and Edwin M. Grout of Brooklyn.

BOLD HIGHWAYMEN GETS \$1,000 BY DESPERATE ACT

Man With Money Struck Down in the Street and the Robber Made His Escape.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, April 20.—A highway robbery which for audacious boldness has few parallels in this vicinity, was executed in Hoboken, N. J., today. The victim was Frank Schrenk, superintendent of Schrenk glass works. The robber struck Schrenk down in the street, seized a package containing \$1,000, which was to be used to pay the men in the glass works, and escaped from several hundred pursuers. To accomplish this he commanded a horse and wagon which chanced to be standing nearby, and with a revolver pointed at the head of the driver forced him to urge the horse across the city, away from the crowd, at top speed.

15,000 OUT ON STRIKE

Coal Miners' Trouble in British Columbia Grows More Serious.

IT MAY TIE UP BIG RAILROADS

Only Two Week's Supply of Fuel on Hand and Many Industries Will Have to Shut Down—Union Accused of Trickery.

(By Associated Press.) TORONTO, April 20.—A special to the Mail and Empire from Calgary says that 5,000 miners at Frank Coleman's, Lethbridge, are out. Friday all the men at Gammore and a majority at Bankhead mines quit. There is only two weeks' supply of coal in Alberta and Western Saskatchewan. Two of Calgary's largest industries have closed and the municipal lighting and water works plants are on the eve of shutting down. The operators in an official statement accuse President Sherman of the union of issuing a secret strike order after a conference had been arranged.

MANILA FIRE SWEEPS AREA OF 100 ACRES

Fifteen Hundred Natives Rendered Homeless and the Property Loss Amounts to \$100,000.

ILOILO CONFLAGRATION CHECKED

The Entire Native Quarter of the City Was Destroyed With a Loss of \$100,000 in Gold—There Was No Loss of Life by Earthquake.

(By Associated Press.) MANILA, April 20.—Fire destroyed 1,100 Nifa houses and parts of the district of Singalong, Pao and Bambang, in Manila this afternoon. The American settlements at Ermita and Malte escaped through the hard work of the firemen, assisted by soldiers and citizens. The flames, fanned by a heavy gale, swept an area of 100 acres clean, within two hours and destroyed the homes of 100 residents and one thousand natives. The native refugees are now sheltered in the schools and other public buildings while many are camping in open spaces. The damage is conservatively estimated at \$200,000 in gold.

No casualties are reported. The officials of the health department do not agree with the estimates of the damage given above which was made by the police and firemen. They assert that 269 houses were destroyed and 1,500 natives rendered homeless. Their estimates of the financial loss is the same as that of the other municipal departments.

It is thought that the figures given by the health officers are nearer correct. The districts of Singalong, Pao and Bambang lie to the east of the walled city of Manila and just behind the residential districts of Malay and Ermita which face the bay. Nearly all of the native houses in the fire swept district are huts of comparatively small value.

Fire in Iloilo Checked. The latest reports from Iloilo say that the fire there has been checked. The native quarter of the city was destroyed. The property loss is estimated at \$100,000 in gold. The business section of the city was untouched, it being saved by the military and constabulary.

Several hundred houses were destroyed and 8,000 to 10,000 natives made homeless. Adequate relief measures have been taken. The homeless have been housed in schools and other buildings. The province and the city will provide for the refugees and no unusual suffering is feared.

There was no loss of life by the earthquakes. The shocks, while the most severe experienced in 15 years, were not violent enough to cause much destruction. Dispatches from points in several provinces report severe shocks but little damage.

The total damage caused by the earthquake in the entire archipelago will not exceed \$10,000.

Gen. Funston Going to California. (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.—Brigadier General Frederick Funston has been relieved from the command of the Southwestern Department to take up on the expiration of his present leave of absence and will then proceed to San Francisco and assume command of the Department of California.

Gimbel Will Recover. (By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, April 20.—At St. Mary's hospital, Hoboken, this evening, it was reported that Benedict Gimbel, of Philadelphia, who attempted suicide yesterday after being released on bail from an arrest brought on charges of assault and attempted bribery, was resting quietly and doing nicely. It is now expected that he will recover.

Want the Marine Band. (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.—Governor Glenn of North Carolina, called on Secretary Metcalf today with a request that he order the marine band to attend the exercises attendant on the unveiling of a statue at Raleigh, N. C., erected to the memory of Ensign Worth H. Bagley. The ceremonies will be held on May 20.

Thirteen Seriously Injured. (By Associated Press.) PITTSBURG, PA., April 20.—Thirteen persons were seriously injured tonight, three of whom will die, when a large car on the East Liberty Express line of the Pittsburgh railway company crashed into a wagon heavily loaded with wooden blocks on a steep grade in Liberty avenue between 24th and 36th streets in the Lawrenceville district.

ANOTHER BIG STORM SWEEPS WIDE AREA

Denver, Col., Has Eighteen Inches of Snow and Cold Weather Threatened.

RAILROAD TRAFFIC IS DELAYED

Most of Texas Hit by the Storm and the Greater Part of the State is Covered by a White Mantle—Much Damage Done in Pennsylvania to the Fruit Crops.

(By Associated Press.) PUEBLO, COLO., April 20.—The snow storm that began at noon yesterday continued throughout the night. Today, with six inches of snow on the ground, there was no immediate prospect of cessation. The storm extended east to Dodge City, Kansas, and South into Texas. The snow drifted badly, crippling railroad and street car traffic. The thermometer registered 25 degrees above zero this morning. Fruit and vegetables are badly damaged.

DENVER, COL., April 20.—According to the local weather bureau's measurements, 18 inches of snow, equivalent to 1.44 inches of rain fell here during the storm which came from the north yesterday and passed off to the southeast today. A heavy precipitation was general in Colorado, benefitting the grain crops which were threatened by drought. Freezing weather is anticipated, but little damage will be done as vegetation is covered with snow.

Hail in Parts of Texas. HOUSTON, TEXAS, April 20.—Reports received here today tell of a terrific hailstorm which passed over Cathage, Yorktown and Clayton late yesterday doing enormous damage to crops, houses and livestock. Telegraphic advices state that hailstones as large as eggs fell and at Yorktown the ground was covered to a depth of 12 inches. The path of the storm was 12 miles wide and crops will have to be replanted. Fruit trees were shattered by the force of the storm and hailstones crashed through roofs of frail houses. South Texas today experienced unprecedented weather, the conditions pointing to snow.

Pan Handle Has White Mantle. AMARILLO, TEXAS, April 20.—Rain last night was followed by snow today. The precipitation is general over the Pan Handle country and is of great benefit. As early fruit was killed in the recent freeze, no damage is done by the present storm.

Storm in Kansas. TOPEKA, KAN., April 20.—Snow was reported today at Phillipsburg, in the northern portion of Kansas, and at Garden City and other Southwestern points.

Damage in Pennsylvania. HARRISBURG, PA., April 20.—H. A. Surface, the state zoologist said today that the cold weather of the last ten days has badly damaged the fruit crop in Pennsylvania. The cherry and peach yield, he said will be short.

SAILOR'S UNIFORM FAILS TO SECURE RECOGNITION

Rhode Island Justice of Higher Court Says That There is No Redress for Yeoman.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 20.—Chief Yeoman Fred J. Bueuzle, who was barred from a dance hall in Newport, claims he was wearing the uniform of the United States navy, can recover at law only the price of his admission ticket, according to a decision handed down by William H. Sweetland, chief presiding officer of the Rhode Island upper court. The decision says the legal rights of a man wearing the United States uniform are not different from those of any well behaved person who possesses a ticket of admission to any place of amusement. Judge Sweetland rules that Bueuzle, excluded because he was wearing a naval uniform is in no different position legally from one who is excluded because he is not in evening dress or for any other reason though it may have been the whim of the defendant. The motives of the defendant are held immaterial. In other words the judge said the proprietors of a place of amusement are not under any obligations to admit any person whom they may choose to exclude. Later suit was brought against the Newport Amusement Association, proprietors of a dancing pavilion at Newport from which Bueuzle claimed he was excluded last September because he

WILL MAKE EXHAUSTIVE IMMIGRATION INQUIRY

Federal Commission Will Probably Take Extended Tour of Many Foreign Countries.

THEIR SCOPE IS UNLIMITED

Will Go into All Phases of Question as it Affects the United States—Will Hold First Meeting in Washington Tomorrow—Representative Men on Commission.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.—An exhaustive investigation into all phases of the problem of immigration, as it affects the United States, is about to be begun by a national commission created for the purpose. The commission will meet in the room of the Senate committee on Philippines next Monday morning to perfect its organization and to discuss plans for, and consider the scope of its work. The probabilities are that the body may be in session in Washington for several days, and perhaps a week or two in the elaboration of its plans. It already has been decided tentatively, that the members of the commission will visit many of the countries of Europe, either as a body or, if all the members cannot go, as a subcommittee for the study of the emigration of aliens at close range. The commission consists of nine members, appointed under the immigration act passed by Congress last winter. Three of them, Senator Dillingham, of Vermont, chairman of the immigration committee; Lodge, of Massachusetts and Latimer of South Carolina, were named by Vice-President Fairbank.

Three Representatives Howell, of New Jersey, chairman of the House committee on Immigration and Naturalization; Bennett, of New York, and Burnett, of Alabama, by Speaker Cannon; and three, Professor Charles P. Nell, Commissioner of Labor; Professor J. W. Jenks, of Cornell and William R. Wheeler, of Oakland, Cal., by President Roosevelt.

No Limit on Commission. The law places no limit on the time the commission shall consume in making its inquiries or on the expense it may incur. The work of the committee will be only fairly begun when it returns to America. "Every possible source of information bearing on the subject will be sought. Reports from all parts of the world to the bureau of immigration will be placed at the disposal of the commission any experts on immigration may be employed by the commission to collect data.

It is the purpose of the commission to inquire into the conditions placed upon Chinese and Japanese immigration, but it is not probable that the commission will visit either China or Japan.

The commission will report its findings and recommendations to Congress and they will be used as a basis for legislation. It is regarded as likely that, out of the work of the commission will grow an international conference to deal with the whole general subject.

Accused of Killing Black Woman. (By Associated Press.) DANVILLE, VA., April 20.—Six young white men, Tom Walker, John Toibert, Temple Young, Joe Baugh, Derby Weatherford and Oscar Neathery, were arrested late tonight charged with the murder of Ellen Elliot, a negro woman, who was stabbed to death about 9:20 o'clock tonight.

Original White Ribbon Dead. (By Associated Press.) DUNKIRK, N. Y., April 20.—Mrs. Esther McNeil, the founder of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Columbia, Tenn., for alleged intoxication, died at her home in Fredonia today. She was born at Carlisle, N. Y., 94 years ago and was widely known throughout the United States as a temperance worker.

John Wesley Gaines Protests. (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.—Representative John Wesley Gaines, of Tennessee, has filed a protest with the President against the removal of Arch M. Hughes, postmaster of Columbia, Tenn., for alleged inattention to his duties. The protest was sent by Secretary Loeb to the postoffice department.

Did Not Kill Her Husband. (By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, ILL., April 20.—A coroner's jury today exonerated Mrs. Margaret Smalley from all blame in connection with the suicide of her husband, Joseph Smalley, who jumped to his death from a window of his home. The women had been arrested on suspicion that she pushed her husband out of the window.

DOUBLE MURDER OVER SMALL MATTER.

OWENSBORO, KY., April 20.—William Gooch and Harry Springler, union miners, killed each other in a pistol duel in Sturgis, near here, last night. Gooch borrowed a dollar from Winn Moore, a non-union guard, and Springler remonstrated with him. Angry words followed and both men pulled revolvers and began firing.

Refused to Endorse Roosevelt. (By Associated Press.) ST. PAUL, MINN., April 20.—The senate today laid on the table the house resolution, passed about ten days ago, endorsing President Roosevelt in his recent controversy with E. H. Harriman. The vote to lay on the table was 37 to 10.

Three Children Burned to Death. (By Associated Press.) PORT HURON, MICH., April 20.—Ethel Hicks, aged seven, her brother Paul, aged six and their ten months old baby sister were burned to death in their home today by the explosion of a gasoline stove which the two older children had attempted to light in the absence of their parents.

\$60,000 Fire in Frederick, Md. (By Associated Press.) FREDERICK, MD., April 20.—Two business houses were destroyed and three others damaged by fire today entailing an estimated aggregate loss of \$60,000.

TO TIE-UP COAST LINES

First, Second and Third Officers Will Strike Unless Get More Pay.

THEY WILL QUIT PLACES ON MAY 1

Old Dominion and Merchants' & Miners' Steamship Companies Are Among the Lines That Will Be Effected—Companies Will Fight.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, April 20.—Unless a 10 percent increase in pay for first, second and third officers on coastwise steamers running out of New York is granted by May 1 there will be a strike. This was the ultimatum sent tonight to the representatives of eighteen steamship lines by Luther H. Dow, general manager of the United Harbor No. 1 American Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots. Mr. Dow stated tonight that the men are thoroughly organized and unless the increase is granted will surely strike. The officers in question today sent their resignations to the lines by which they are employed, their contracts calling for ten days' notice before leaving their employment. For several weeks the companies have been advertising for men and it is expected that they will fight the strike.

The companies involved are: The Porto Rico Line, Mallory Line, City Line, Red D Line, Panama Line, Southern Pacific, Ocean Steamship Company, Old Dominion Line, Metropolitan Line, Brunswick Steamship Company, Ward Line, A. H. Bull Steamship Company, American Hawaiian Steamship Company, Atlantic Coast Company, Standard Oil Company, Luchenbach Steamship Company, Guffey Oil Company and the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company of Baltimore.

No Union for This Presbytery. (By Associated Press.) RALEIGH, N. C., April 20.—The Fayetteville Presbytery in session at Maxton, N. C., indulged in an extended and heated debate on the subject of closer relations with other Presbyterian bodies. The result of the vote on the proposition was a decided majority in the negative.