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HEROISM OF BOATSWAIN SAVES BOAT

A Member of Crew of Naval Tug Braves Raging Sea to Carry Line to Vessels Drifting Helpless.

Swims With Line to Disabled Craft Hauling Hawser Through Sea After Him.

TORPEDO BOATS IN DANGER

Adder and Moccasin Come Nearly Foundering While in Tow of Peoria, but Are Rescued.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 4.—The naval tug Peoria, towing the submarine torpedo boat Adder has arrived at the navy yard here. The Adder was saved by the heroism of Boatswain Deery, who responded to the call for volunteers and swam 100 yards with a line to the Adder from the tug and pulled the hawser after him. The Adder is leaking badly. The Peoria left tonight for Currituck to aid the Yankton and Vixen in floating the Moccasin, which is now high and dry upon the beach.

When Boatswain Deery responded to the call for volunteers to swim to the Adder a 24-mile gale, with mountainous seas, was crashing over the Peoria and burying the drifting submarine boat beneath tons of water.

According to Lieutenant English, commander of the Peoria, the little boat towed well for a time. The Adder first and the Moccasin last. When off Virginia capes the gale became too strong for the hawser between the Adder and Peoria and it suddenly gave way, leaving the two submarine boats fastened together, but drifting. The seas were running too high for the Peoria to run alongside and all she could do was to keep the two boats from bumping into each other. Finally the line between the Adder and the Moccasin separated and it was at this moment that Boatswain Deery performed his heroic act.

TO EXTERMINATE THE MAFIA

Secret Service Form Plan to Stop Blackmailing.

New York, Dec. 4.—A complete plan for the extermination of Sicilian and Italian blackmailing societies is reported to have been mapped out. Agents of the secret service branch of the treasury department, postoffice department inspectors and police operatives of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and two or three other cities will participate and it is proposed that a death blow shall be dealt the foreign bands who have grown remarkably bold in their operations during recent weeks.

While Chicago and Philadelphia are known to have powerful societies, it is believed by the secret service whose detectives are most familiar with the workings of the Mafia that there exists at present in this city the most powerful and desperate Mafia band that has ever been organized in America. Its operations include many atrocious and mysterious murders, kidnappings and thousands of successful attempts to blackmail and extort money from wealthy and respectable Italians. For this reason the most vigorous prosecution is expected to take place in and about New York.

CAR SHOPS SUFFER FIRE

Saginaw, Mich., Dec. 4.—Fire early today destroyed the brick building occupied by the wood working department of the Pere Marquette car shops. Two freight cars in process of construction and a quantity of lumber was lost. One hundred and fifty men are thrown out of employment. Loss \$50,000.

STRANGER FOULY MURDERED.

Baltimore, Dec. 4.—The body of a well dressed man, supposed from letters found on his person, to be Michael J. Fitzpatrick of New York, has been washed ashore in St. Mary's county. The throat was cut from ear to ear and there were two bullet holes in the chest. The point is remote and particulars are meager. If the man was murdered the crime must have been committed on a steamer plying on the Chesapeake. The authorities are investigating.

BODY IS IDENTIFIED.

New York, Dec. 4.—A report from Baltimore made that the body of a man had been washed up from Chesapeake Bay showing evidence of murder, has been made clear by the receipt of a telegram in this city which identifies the murdered man as Matthew J. Fitzpatrick. He left his home here October 25 to answer an advertisement offering a position and has not since been heard from by his relatives. It appears the body came ashore Nov. 27 and that the inquest just held by the Maryland authorities disclosed evidence of murder. Fitzpatrick's throat

had been cut and there were wounds in many parts of the body. Letters in the clothing gave a clue to his relatives in this city. Fitzpatrick was to have been married in a few weeks. When he failed to return home after leaving a vigorous search was instituted and just before news of his death arrived, it was learned he had joined the crew of an oyster smack bound for the Chesapeake beds.

THE DOWIES ABROAD.

New York, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Dowie, wife of John Alexander Dowie of Zion City, left Paris a few days ago for Cannes, according to a Herald dispatch from the French capital. She arrived in Paris from London, accompanied by her son. The party left Sunday evening for Cannes, where they are still supposed to be.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Prof. Frederick Starr of the University of Chicago has had a silver medal struck which he offers to any person in the United States who each year most distinguishes himself in research work among the American Indians. The medal is to be called the "Corn Planter" medal in honor of Chief Corn Planter, a great Indian chief, head of the Longhouse, the great council of the Five Nations.

Prof. Starr is having six of the medals made which he will present to the six most prominent workers in Indian Research at the present time. Hereafter the medal will be awarded annually.

Will Madison yesterday received a telegraphic message from independence announcing the death there of his father, Isaac Madison. Deceased was a well known resident of Polk county, where he had resided for many years, and where his death, at a ripe old age, is genuinely regretted. Mr. Madison will leave this morning for independence to attend the funeral.

Next Monday morning Mr. J. C. Clark who has been in the employ of Mr. Charles Rogers, the druggist, for several years, will enter upon the discharge of his duties in the new drug store of Mr. T. F. Laurin, in the Pfeiffer building. By the change Mr. Rogers loses a valuable assistant, and one whose place can not readily be filled. Possessed of a thorough knowledge of the drug business in all its branches, painstaking and conscientious, Mr. Clark will prove an unsatisfactory value to his new employer. Mr. Laurin can now be congratulated on having in his employ in the person of Mr. Clark and Mr. Everett two of the best druggists to be found anywhere.

TO AFFECT REPRESENTATION

Republican Leader Has Plan That He Will Submit.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 4.—A plan under which the representation from the southern states in the national republican convention would be decreased and that of the north added to, is proposed by Charles E. Brayton, member of the Republican National Committee from Rhode Island and a party leader in this state.

General Brayton has sent a letter to each member of the national committee accompanied by a resolution which he will report to that body at Washington, December 11, recommending a change in the present basis of representation in the convention, which would more nearly represent the republican voting strength of the different states. The resolution provides that each state, territory and the district of Columbia be entitled to four delegates at large and one for each ten thousand voters or majority fraction thereof, casting their ballots for the republican electors in the preceding presidential election.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

FIRST LUTHERAN—Rev. Oscar Ostrom will conduct the regular services. Sunday school at 9:30.

PRESBYTERIAN—Tomorrow will be held the last services in the old church. The pastor will conduct the services both morning and evening.

BAPTIST—All the usual services will be observed tomorrow. "Opinions of Christ," and "The Marriage Feast," will be the subjects of the sermons.

NORWEGIAN-DANISH—East Astoria Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. C. L. Hansen, presiding elder, followed by the Lord's supper. Rev. C. J. Larsen will preach in the evening at 7:30.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Sermon and communion service, 11 a. m. Sunday school at 12:15 p. m. Epworth League, led by Mrs. S. C. Turner, 6:30 p. m., subject, "Lost and Helpless—A Man Without Christ." The sermon at 7:30 p. m. will on the subject, "The Value of a Man."

Because he took French leave of his vessel, the revenue cutter Perry, Quartermaster Joe McCurdy is kept in double irons, in which condition he will remain until the 15th of the month when he will be reduced to the rank of ordinary seaman. McCurdy is the man who deserted some days ago, and was found by the officers of the ship hiding on a lumber laden schooner in the lower harbor. The punishment is severe, but it is what a deserter undergoes under such circumstances can expect.

FLORA MAY BE HAULED OFF ROCKS

Stranded British Cruiser Now Believed to Be Less Badly Damaged Than Was at First Supposed.

Warships Grafton and Egeria Will Be Employed to Rescue Her From Rocks.

OFFICERS HAD CLOSE CALL

Water Flooded Through Open Scuppers Aft and Captain Salisbury Was Almost Drowned.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 4.—Rear-Admiral Rickford returned from the scene of the wreck of H. M. S. Flora, at Village island, this afternoon, and, after securing powerful steam pumps and wrecking gear, returned to the wreck on H. M. S. Grafton. He said the Flora is hard and fast, dry from her mainmast forward at low water, with the after part submerged to the deck and with the deck from her funnels aft 10 feet below water at high tide, the vessel remaining in the same position since she crashed on the rocks. He hopes to be able to save the ship but says salvage will be difficult, as the cruiser is high up on the rock, having obviously run ashore at high speed.

Some of the officers had a narrow escape, Chaplain Salisbury having a very close call. He was in bed when the shock awakened him and a few seconds later the water flooded into the cabin through the open scuppers and he was almost drowned.

The crew is living ashore in tents. The ship is not making water through her plates, and her injuries, other than the damage to the false keel and at the bow, are not as great as was expected. The Grafton and Egeria will salvage the vessel, the admiral not seeking the assistance of merchant vessels. After she has been pumped dry they will endeavor to haul her off.

At last night's monthly meeting of the water commission rates were fixed for the ensuing year. Domestic rates will be the same as last year, and the mercantile plants will be accorded the meter rates. A resolution allowing payment of interest on bonds, passed. All other business was the forming of estimates for the coming year and the going through of routine matters.

A deal was closed yesterday by which the three-story brick building on the south side of Commercial street between Eleventh and Twelfth passes in-

to the possession of W. H. Barker. The building was owned by M. J. Kinney. An option filed in County Clerk Clinton's office deals with this transaction. The option on the property is given to Harrison L. Hamblet for 10 days, it being stipulated that a payment of \$4500 shall be made before 10 days and a balance of \$5000 paid in five years. A reporter was told yesterday that the price paid was in excess of the \$12,500 stipulated in the instrument filed in Mr. Clinton's office. Whether or not the transfer is anything more than an investment could not be learned.

The statement was made yesterday by one of the officers of the Chinook that there was a full complement of men aboard, and that no additional men would be needed. Some of the local longshoremen yesterday stated to an Astorian reporter that they were very much dissatisfied with the treatment accorded them by Mr. Dunbar, the officer at present in charge of the Chinook. Mr. Dunbar was the first officer of the dredge when Captain Lyman left for San Francisco to join the transport Thomas. Some of the men yesterday stated that Mr. Dunbar had been very unkind to them, but inquiry elsewhere elicited a flat contradiction of this story. The men seen yesterday by an Astorian man were longshoremen and said they had left the vessel because of the attitude of the commanding officer toward them. They also expressed the belief that the Chinook was unseaworthy, as the dredge has a big list when filled with sand, and that they were fearful an accident might result in their death.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank Hart returned last night from an extended visit to southern California.

A. Marxen was in the city yesterday from his home at Green mountain.

Chester Jordan has returned home after spending a year in Chicago. The young man was employed in a sewing machine house and did well. The changeable weather of the east proved too much for Mr. Jordan, and he is glad to be in Astoria again.

J. T. Healey was over from Grays river yesterday.

W. M. Larson and W. J. Ingalls were in the city yesterday from the Lewis and Clark.

MADE A GOOD IMPRESSION

Met Senator Fulton in New York—Considers Him Bright Man.

While in Portland the other day Herman Wise met the representative of Messrs. Alfred Benjamin & Co., the great New York wholesale tailors, who said that he had met Senator Fulton who was introduced to that firm by another gentleman from the west. The senator wanted a fine overcoat to go to Washington in and as his friend knew the best make of gentlemen's clothing he took him to Alfred Benjamin & Co. Mr. Wise was much pleased to learn this because he is Astoria agent for that brand of clothing and as an Astorian he was also pleased to learn that Senator Fulton made such a good impression.

Offers Opened Yesterday at Captain Goodale's Office.

Captain Goodale, constructing quartermaster, U. S. A., yesterday opened offers for sinking five wells at Port Stevens and also for testing the wells. The bids for testing are for 24 hours' work per day. The following offers were received:

Sinking Test
C. G. Palmberg \$255 00 232 50
N. Clinton 2740 00 21 25
Jacobson-Bade Co. 2300 00 25 00
L. Lebeck 2800 00 50 00

The offer of Mr. Palmberg was the lowest presented and Captain Goodale has recommended to the department that it be accepted. It is hoped that work can be commenced within 30 days.

PRESIDENT AND HANNA HAVE TALK

Party Leaders Get Together at the White House and Discuss Matters of Vital Interest at This Time.

Both Gentlemen Decline to Discuss in Detail the Range of the Conference.

POLITICS IS TOUCHED UPON

President Anxious to Have Hanna Remain at Head of the Committee, but His Health Is Bad.

Washington, Dec. 4.—A conference was held at the White House tonight between the president and Senator Hanna. The conference was perfectly satisfactory to both the participants. At the conclusion of the conference, which, it can be said, was marked by evidence of sincere friendship on both sides, neither the president nor Senator Hanna cared to discuss for publication its details. The conference took wide range, but it dealt principally with pending and prospective legislation before congress, particularly with that relating to the isthmian canal, and with general political conditions. The contested confirmation of General Wood was not considered, though incidental reference to it was made.

Likewise it can be said that no discussion took place concerning the changes in the national republican committee. President Roosevelt has expressed to Mr. Hanna his desire that he shall retain the chairmanship. It may be said that the state of Hanna's health is involved in the decision.

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