Have you a right to be honorably alive? Maj. Arthur Peuchon, Canadian financier and yachtsman, survivor of the Titanic wreck, has. Ordered by a chief officer of the Titanic into one of the lifeboats, which was manned by but two sailors, Peuchon demanded a written order. He will keep that order as long as he lives. It is his certificate, he says, of his right to be alive. Ismay hasn't any such certificate.

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OFFICER CURSED ISMAY AND ORDERED HIM OUT OF BOAT

LINCOLN AND TAFT; PINCHOT RETELLS BALLINGER STORY

Dr. John Wesley Hill, ardent defender of Taft, has just left us. He put the president on a pedestal with Washington and Lincoln.

Lest we forget, let's look at the Ballinger case again. Amos Pinchot, attorney connected with the case on the people's side, and brother of ex-Forester Pinchot, has just written a comprehensive statement of the whole affair for Pearson's magazine, out today.

It is a plain lawyer's statement, written without dramatics, and **based on the records on file in Washington.** Here's the summary:

Aug. 18, 1909, Louis Glavis went to Beverly and made a personal report to Taft, charging that the secretary of the interior, and some of his subordinates, were in league with the Guggenheims to acquire a coal monopoly in Alaska.

Sept. 6, Ballinger arrived from Seattle with Oscar Lawler, bitter personal enemy of Glavis, and legal adviser of interior department. Spent evening talking over situation with Taft.

Sept. 7 (evening)—Went over records up to 3 a. m.

Then Taft's own statement, published much later, that as he was to leave for a two months' trip and had six or seven speeches to prepare, he didn't have time to draw up his **decision,** so he requested Mr. Lawler, to prepare a report **as if he were president.**

Sept. 7 to 10—Lawler and Ballinger draw up "whitewash report," burning up preliminary drafts.

Sept. 11—Lawler finished report and goes over it on train to Beverly with Atty. Gen. Wickersham.

Sept. 12—Taft receives report; re-writes a few paragraphs.

Sept. 13—Lawler's report published under Taft's signature. Begins: **"I have examined the whole record most carefully and have reached a most definite conclusion."**

Now those records, says Pinchot, occupied 2,000 pages of closely typewritten pages of reports. No human being could have read them through in a few hours. Louis D. Brandeis, one of the best lawyers in the country and the man who defended Glavis, says that it took every minute of his time for 12 solid days to go through them.

Rumors began to get out. Finally congress, on Dec. 2, adopted an extraordinary resolution, demanding from Taft all the papers in the case.

Jan. 6—Taft answers congress. Sends 40,000-word summary of the evidence, signed by Wickersham, and **DATED BACK to Sept. 11, as if the attorney general had reported to him at that time** and that this had been the basis of his whitewash of Ballinger.

The president's answer did not make any reference to the Lawler report, which he had copied almost verbatim.

Wickersham twice denied that the Lawler report was in his files.

Two months after this and during the congressional investigation that followed, after he had seen both the president and the attorney general deny by implication that Lawler had anything to do with it, Frederick Kerby, the stenographer, employed by the United States, who had taken down the Lawler report, told his full story to the Scripps representatives at Washington.

Kerby, of course, was fired. But the exposure that he had made and the subsequent admissions of President Taft that his story was true, caused the retirement of Ballinger from the cabinet and blocked the coal barons from Alaska.

Such is the story of the Ballinger affair, and the part President Taft played in it. The report is taken from files and reports now at Washington. The facts are beyond question.

Dr. John Wesley Hill compared Taft with Lincoln.

In 1836, says Pinchot, when Lincoln was a candidate for the legislature, one Col. Robert Allen stated that he was in possession of facts that bore unfavorably on Lincoln's fitness to hold office.

Did Lincoln resort to evasions and predated letters and the like? His answer to Allen and the people was:

"That I once held the confidence of the people of Sangamon county is sufficiently evident; and if I have done anything since, either by misadventure or design, that if known would subject me to a forfeiture of that confidence, he that knows that thing and conceals it is a traitor to his country.

The comparison of Taft to Lincoln doesn't bear out very well, doctor.

Single Taxer To Debate With Socialist

Will the single tax settle the evils of the present wage system which the socialists are fighting?

W. H. Kaufman of Bellingham, candidate for governor, and follower of Henry George, will try to prove this tonight at the labor headquarters, 1137 1-2 Commerce street, in debate with Joseph Jervis, socialist.

Kaufman asked permission to address the labor men. They came back with a challenge. The single taxer accepted.

The debate is open to the public.

MAURETANA HITS PIER

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, April 24—Smashing into the pier as she left New York harbor for England, the big Cunard liner Mauretania created consternation among 1,200 passengers aboard today. The bridge rail was twisted by the impact, but no one was hurt.

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Refused Aid To Struggling Men Says Survivor

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—The testimony of Maj. Arthur Peuchen yesterday that the Titanic quartermaster refused to aid men swimming in the water caused a sensation. Peuchen said:

"I helped to get ready the first lifeboat on the port side. Only women were allowed in. I did not see a male passenger attempt to enter. It could have taken more. There were about 36 in the boat. One or two women refused to get in because they would not leave their husbands.

"The boat was lowered parallel with the sea deck. Here the quartermaster in charge cried: 'We can't manage that boat with only one seaman.'

"An officer called for more men. I was standing nearby and asked if I could help, telling him that I was a yachtsman. The captain told me to enter. I got out an oar and rowed with Fleet, the look-out."

Cursed Survivors.

An Italian stowaway, Peuchen said, tried to help to row with a broken arm. The quartermaster swore and cursed and refused to row, he said.

"Soon we heard sounds of the breaking of the Titanic and then dreadful cries—calls for assistance, moaning and crying. I asked the quartermaster to go back but he answered:

"'It's no use. There are only a lot of stiffs back there.' The Titanic was still afloat."

LET BRIDGE CONTRACT

The council this morning authorized the letting of the contract to the American Bridge company for the steel for the lower deck of the 11th street bridge. The International Contract company will do the work.

Testimony of Oi Sen Is Fatal To Wong Si San

OI SEN.

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

PORTLAND, Ore., April 24.—Wong Si Sam today has been found guilty of murder in the second degree for killing Seid Wah Bing, whose dismembered body was shipped from Portland to Seattle and not found till some days after the crime.

The case of the state depended largely on the testimony of Oi Sen, a Chinese woman who swore Wong Si Sam and Woo Long, whose trial on a murder charge is to be instituted immediately, killed Seid Wah Bing in her room.

The killing is supposed to have been prompted through jealousy over the woman.

WILSON-BRYAN MEN TO RUN DEM CONVENTION

"Three for Clark, all the rest for Wilson but the whole crowd really Bryan men."

That is the way Sixth Ward Chairman R. V. Leonard says the delegates to the county democratic convention Saturday lined up last night in his ward.

The same comes pretty near being true in most wards.

The Sixth and Eighth ward caucuses endorsed Maurice Langhorne and J. D. Fletcher for national delegates—a Wilson or Bryan combination.

The Third and Seventh endorsed Langhorne and Hugh Wallace.

It is conceded that Langhorne will be first choice Saturday for delegate to the national convention. He will also be endorsed as national committeeman. Langhorne is a Bryan man at heart.

If Tacoma gets two delegates then it will be a fight between Fletcher, the Wilson man, and Hugh Wallace, the reactionary, for the other place.

In most of the ward caucuses last night no contest was apparent.

It promises to develop at the convention Saturday, however, for there is a good sprinkling of Wallace men among the delegates.

Played Cards As Titanic Sunk to Check Big Panic

NEW YORK, April 24.—"We were playing bridge when the Titanic struck," said George Bradley, describing the accident. "Henry B. Harris was a member of the party. He went on deck, saw his wife into a lifeboat and returned. We went on with the game.

"'There is danger, but for the sake of the women and children make no sigh,' he said. Every man knew the stake we were playing for. We played on. The band struck up Alexander's Ragtime Band. We knew what it was for.

"People crowded around and watched us, thinking surely there could be no danger. Then the band struck up "Nearer My God to Thee," and we knew the time had come—that it was no use to bluff longer. I got into a lifeboat between decks as it was being lowered. There was plenty of room.

"It was less than 100 yards away when the Titanic went down."

Baby Romps While Neighbors Attack Mothers Good Name

With little Rosie, 17 months old, romping and laughing about the court room while her mother's reputation was under pitiless fire, the divorce suit of Florida vs John Beaudin, held the limelight at the court house today.

Mrs. Beaudin alleged desertion and non-support. Beaudin came back with a cross complaint. Neighbors today told of two joy ride parties followed by singing and noise till late at night at the Beaudin home.

Mrs. Beaudin said she had never been in an auto in her life.

GET ALLEGED YEGGS.

City Detectives Recob, Harkins and Ellison, Monday night arrested six mens, living in a house at 21st and D streets. A charge of vagrancy was placed against them. The detectives allege that the men are all first class "moochers" and some of them are alleged to be be yeggmen.

LAURA WANTS DIVORCE

Laura M. Tourpin has filed a divorce suit against Sidney L. Tourpin for desertion and incompatibility. They were married in 1895 and have one child, a boy of 15.

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DID VESSEL REFUSE TO HELP?

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—Acting on an anonmous tip, Senator Smith, investigating the Titanic wreck, today asked Premier Borden of Canada to hold the steamer Mount Temple at Montreal.

Smith is seeking verification of a report that the Mount Temple was only 50 miles from the Titanic when the liner struck the iceberg, and that one of her passengers, said to be a Dr. Quinzan, saw the Titanic go down.

INSANE RUSSIAN SHOOTS EDITOR

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

SPOKANE, April 24.—Believed to be insane as a result of brooding over the Titanic disaster Richard Aleck, a Russian, 37 years old, entered the editorial rooms of the Spokane Chronicle today and shot and instantly killed E. H. Rothrock, the city editor.

Al[illegible] without a word, raised his r[illegible]lver and shot Rothrock, who was approaching the door as Aleck entered. It is believed that Aleck, who approached the editorial rooms quietly and with weapon concealed, had not singled out Rothrock in particular, but intended to shoot the first person he encountered.

Aleck was arrested and taken to the police station where he told a rambling story, constantly referring to the Titanic disaster.

After the shooting Aleck was overpowered by members of the Chronicle staff. He mumbled something about the Titanic wreck. He was under the influence of liquor when taken to the police station.

"I was just preparing to leave the office," said John Dewitt, a reporter on the Chronicle, "and noticed Rothrock standing in front of a poorly dressed man. I heard no conversatiin.

"The man had his hand in his pocket. He withdrew it suddenly and shot Rothrock with a revolver he had concealed. The latter fell to the floor and his assailant, leaning over him, shot him again.

"He then threw the gun away and I picked it up. I believe the murderer is crazy as the crime was entirely unprovoked."

Hubby Mere Child But Able To Spank Her

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—Though he was a "mere child," W. W. Woodward was generally intoxicated and able to administer corporal chastisement on her, said Mrs. Woodward here, a pretty Seattle girl who was divorced today.

Woodward is employed in a San Francisco bank. The couple were married in Seattle in 1906.

Congress Will Regulate Boats

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—Four bills, relating respectively to wireless telegraphy at sea, equipment of vessels with lifeboats, manning of lifeboats and regulations regarding seamen, are being prepared today by the house committee on merchant marine.

Women Crowd Hearing.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—A long line of fashionably dressed women stood waiting two hours today for the opening of the Titanic investigation. When the door was finally opened the women took possession of every seat, including those reserved for the committee. It required ten policement to eject them.

Wife Ill, Ismay Wants To Return Home At Once

J. BRUCE ISMAY.

MRS. J. B. ISMAY.

LONDON, April 24.—Passing from utter colapse to hysterical efforts to call her husband, Mrs. J. Bruce Ismay is a nervous wreck here today.

Mrs. Ismay feels keenly the criticism directed against her husband, and declares that he has been judged unfairly. She sent cable after cable to America begging him to come to her. Mrs. Ismay is the daughter of a prominent New York family.

Ismay to Return.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—J. Bruce Ismay appeared early at the Titanic investigation today and asked that his testimony be taken immediately, explaining that his wife is ill in London and he wishes to return home.

Ismay promised to return whenever summoned.

Chairman Smith refused to release Ismay or to call for his testimony immediately.

Olympic Stokers Quit When Demand For More Boats Is Refused

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

SOUTHAMPTON, Eng., April 24.—Three hundred stokers struck today on the big White Star liner Olympic, declaring they would not leave port with the vessel until the life protecting facilities were augmented.

The stokeholds of the Olympic were partially filled from other ships and tugs towed the vessel out of the harbor.

The White Star line declared that enough stokers were secured to enable the Olympic to proceed, but officers held the liner outside the harbor while the attempted to recruit more men.

SOUTHAMPTON, April 24. — Because the firemen refused to stay with the ship unless its lifesaving apparatus were augmented, the steamer Olympic of the White Star line, sister ship of the ill-fated Titanic, scheduled to sail for New York today, failed to leave its berth.

Officials of the company endeavored to appease the firemen by putting about 14 wooden lifeboats and 44 metal lifeboats of the collapsible kind, enough to accommodate 3,000 persons. The firemen declared, however, that the collapsible boats were unsafe and could not be handled quickly enough to insure the saving of lives in the event of a disaster. They demanded that the company replace the metal boats with wooden ones.

After a long delay caused by the refusal of 100 firemen to sail unless the liner's life-saving apparatus were augmented, the steamer Olympic left her berth here for New York today.

Sixteen wooden lifeboats and forty metal collapsible boats were put aboard, enough to accommodate 3,000 persons.

Millionaire Is Home To Face Grave Charge

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, April 4.—Frederick O. Beach, millionaire club and societ man, accused of having slashed his wife's throat last February, arrived here today from England accompanied by Mrs. Beach.

Beach announced his intention of fighting the warrant.

Mrs. Beach, it is asserted, was assaulted with a knife and a fence rail in the yard of her home. A negro prowler was blamed at the time.

Play Cattle Rustlers And Brand Little Girl

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 24.—Branded on the back with a hot iron in the hands of three small boys, Cesira Bolery, a 13-year-old girl, is under a physician's care here today. The branding was done last Friday, but the plucky girl bore her sufferings for five days before her parents learned the truth.

The boys had been watching at a Wild West show a band of desperadoes brand stolen cattle and decided to try it themselves, making little Miss Bolery their victim. The three boys were arrested and bound over to the juvenile court. The girl will be marked for life.

ISMAY ANXIOUS TO LEAVE SHIP

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—Chairman Smith of the senate investigation committee issued a caustic statement today, believed to be aimed at J. Bruce Ismay, director of the White Star line.

Senator Smith exonerated the officers and crew of the Titanic from attempting to block a full expose of the shipwreck and in a veiled way hinted that he had reference to Ismay.

After making his statement, Smith refused to call Ismay to the stand calling instead Fifth Officer Lowe of the Titanic.

"From the very beginning of the investigation there has been a meddlesome attempt by certain persons to influence the course of this committee and to stop its procedure. I also have heard that misrepresentations have been made. I do not wish to subpoena witnesses whose only story is based on bias and prejudice.

"I wish it distinctly understood that this committee will not tolerate the attempts of anyone to shape its course."

Harold Lowe, fifth officer of the Titanic, gave his age as 29 and stated that he had followed the sea since he was 14.

No Lifeboat Drills.

Lowe declared that no fire or life drills occurred after the Titanic left Southampton.

"I never took a drink in my life," declared the young officer hotly when asked if he drank.

Lowe was asleep when the crash came.

"I got my revolver—you know what is needed. I helped load lifeboat No. 5 and lowered it away.

Ordered Ismay Away.

"I ordered Mr. Ismay away from the boat. When he got in the Carpathia the steward asked me what I said to Mr. Ismay. I replied that I had used pretty strong language.

"Ismay was over-anxious and a trifle excited, saying constantly 'lower away; lower away.'"

At this juncture Lowe paused in his narrative and glanced at Ismay, who appeared visibly nervous.

"Shall I say what I said?" the witness asked.

"Write it on a piece of paper," suggested Chairman Smith.

Lowe took paper and pencil and wrote:

"You get to h—l out of that."

Resuming, Lowe said that Ismay was excited until he had been sworn at, when he went away to help lower boat No. 3.

Anxious to Leave.

Lowe declared that Ismay "appeared very anxious to get off the Titanic."

"I didnt know who he was so used strong language in the heat of the moment, sir,' added Lowe.

MRS. ASTOR IS VERY ILL

NEW YORK, April 24.—Mrs. Madeline Force Astor, widow of Colonel Astor, is under the constant care of physicians and nurses here today as a result of a second collapse.

Mrs. Astor was seriously ill the day after her arrival on the Carpathia, but rallied Sunday and Monday. Now her condition is causing grave alarm.

Saw 100 Bodies Afloat In Sea

NEW YORK, April 24.—Declaration that he had seen at least 100 bodies of victims of the Titanic disaster, as well as much wreckage and the iceberg which caused the horror, was made here by the captain of the liner Bremen, which arrived today.

MORE TIME FOR GILLIES

The council this morning extended the time for A. P. Gillies to begin work on his subway and terminal scheme for 90 days and then if things look like business will give him until 1915.

J. M. Ashton told the council he was going to take the matter up.