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STORM BEATEN SAILORS RESCUED

JUNEAU, Feb. 16.—Among the passengers on the steamer Northwest when she arrived here last evening were five survivors of the schooner Nuggett. They were picked up by the big boat near Lituya Bay, having been at the mercy of the elements for nearly a week. The names of the survivors are Chas. Byron, captain of the wrecked vessel, Daniel Wagner, John Finley and L. Lukan and wife, passengers. Louis Jordan, a brother of Mrs. Lukan was lost.

The party of six left this city last summer in the gasoline schooner Magellan, accompanied by Howard Magellan, accompanied by Howard Malone and other Juneau people, who returned on the same vessel. The remainder of the party stayed at Lituya

bay until their provisions became so short that they were compelled to start for some settlement. They embarked on the Nuggett a small boat of less than five tons capacity. They were able to make no progress in the storm which prevailed and were finally picked up by the Northwestern. Louis Jordan, one of the party started to ascend the rope ladder of the big ship and fell into the water and was lost.

The weather was very rough at the time and the engineer of the Northwestern, while aiding the members of the party was struck by the mast of the plunging schooner and was quite severely injured. He was removed to the Sisters hospital on his arrival here.—Juneau Dispatch.

GAS EXPLOSION CAUSES FATAL PANIC IN SCHOOL

(United Press Telegraph-Cable Service.)

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 19.—A terrific explosion of gas in the big Central high school building today caused the loss of many lives. The whole interior of the building was wrecked and fire afterwards aided the destruction of the explosion.

Many pupils jumped from the second and third story windows, breaking arms and legs; while others were fatally crushed while striving to force their way through the crowded exits. Several of the injured students will die. The exact cause of the explosion is not known.

SOLONS SLAM SECRET SERVICE

(United Press Telegraph-Cable Service.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The sundry appropriations bill was reported in the House of Representatives today. It contains a clause strictly defining and limiting the activities of the secret service. This is a direct rebuff of President Roosevelt's recom-

mendations. The largest item in the bill was an appropriation of \$23,000,000 for the construction of the Panama Canal. The attorney general of the United States was allowed \$1,000,000 to prosecute the land fraud cases.

CHILD LABOR BILL KILLED

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The bill introduced by Senator Albert Beveridge of Indiana, which absolutely prohibits child labor in factories and mines, has been killed in the committee room. Senator Beveridge's bill provides that no child under 16 years of age could be employed in a factory or mine. The reason given for killing the bill was that it was unconstitutional. The southern factories and eastern mines have made a hard fight on the bill. The senators responsible for the demise of the measure state that the regulation of child labor lies with the separate states.

ASKS SUPPORT FOR ORPHANS

Miss Clair, superintendent of the Children's Home of Juneau, an institution for destitute children, spoke at the Penial Mission Wednesday night on the work done by the Home. She said it was started three months ago under the auspices of the Juneau Penial mission. Seven orphaned children are now being supported and educated by the Home. Any orphaned child in southeastern Alaska will be taken care of by the institution if application is made. The City Relief corps of Juneau co-operates in the support of the Home and the donations come from the public. Miss Clair is anxious that Skagway contribute something to the institution.

FLEET MAKING FAST VOYAGE

(By United Press.)

HAMPTON ROADS, Va., Feb. 18.—This morning the United States battleship fleet was 780 miles off the eastern coast of America and proceeding under forced draught. The fleet should arrive here Sunday if no mishaps occur. The squadron of cruisers dispatched from here to meet the fleet and accompany it to Hampton Roads met and joined the fleet this morning.

TAFT PUT OVER BURNING SANDS

(By United Press.)

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 19.—The local Masonic lodge made William H. Taft a Mason on sight last night, the second time this ceremony has ever been performed, despite the fact that this week are protests by Masons all over the world were written and telegraphed to the local lodge. Most of the protestants had no objection to Taft becoming a Mason, but wanted him admitted under the regular ritual.

MORE EARTHQUAKES FELT

A series of slight earthquake shocks were felt in Skagway at exactly 12:21 o'clock this morning. The earth tremors lasted for about seven minutes and at no time were severe. The severest shock was so light that an electric light bulb, which was suspended from a ceiling, only swung about one inch out of perpendicular. The direction of the earth waves seemed to be from west to east.

The light earthquakes which have been felt in Skagway during the last week are probably caused by a "fault" in the mountains to the west of us. That means that the mountains are slipping down slightly on their base. A "fault" of one-quarter of an inch is often sufficient to cause earthquakes.

There is no cause for alarm; though the recent disastrous earthquakes in all quarters of the world have made some people apprehensive.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIAL

The Christian Endeavor society will give a Valentine party this evening at the Presbyterian parsonage. The committee in charge have spared no pains to make the affair a success and some decidedly novel features will be given during the evening's entertainment. A large number of invitations have been issued and the social should be enjoyed by all.

FINE PROSPECT FOR FAIRBANKS

S. W. Taggart, the representative of the Swift Packing company, who is now in Skagway, has received a letter from his brother-in-law, Richard Wood, a banker and mining man of Fairbanks, in which he states that the prospects for Fairbanks were never better and that quartz mining is being rapidly developed. The letter is as follows:

"There is going to be something doing in quartz in this vicinity and I would not be surprised to see this camp turn out to be the richest quartz camp in the country. It is too early yet to tell definitely but by what prospecting has been done, and there has been a lot of it, it certainly does show up well. Everyone here is interested and money for development work is easily obtained.

"I understand that a stamp mill has been ordered, part of which will be shipped over the ice. The ores are of enormous values, running from \$100 to \$5,000 a ton. The ledges seem well defined and there is little question of their permanency. One prospect sold for \$10,000. Property is going up and everything looks encouraging."

ASK MORE COIN FOR BARRACKS

WASHINGTON.—The secretary of the treasury sent to congress a request that the appropriation of \$5,000 made last year for the installation of electric lighting and heating systems in the marine barracks at Sitka, be increased to \$10,000, as it has been found impossible to secure bids within the former appropriation. The lowest bid received exceeded \$9,000.

LANGDON GETS BAD BEATING

(By United Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 16.—Owen Moran, the clever English featherweight, outclassed Tommy Langdon in six fast rounds of fighting at the National athletic club last night. Moran was too fast and shifty for his opponent and handed him a severe beating.

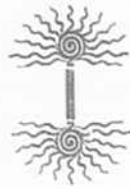
TRIP BACKED BY CARNEGIE

(By United Press.)

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Andrew Carnegie, the millionaire steel king, is backing financially a polar expedition which will make a trip to the far north to investigate the phenomena of the magnetic pole.

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HORSES GO TO WHITEHORSE

Dr. R. B. Coutts of Whitehorse, veterinary surgeon for the White Pass stage route, arrived in Skagway on the Jefferson with 29 horses which he purchased in Seattle for the White Pass stages. Dr. Coutts took the horses over to Whitehorse yesterday on the train. The horses were a nice looking lot of animals and speak well for Dr. Coutts' judgement in horse flesh.

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