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COAST GUARD BOAT, STEAMER IN COLLISION

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CALM SEA SAVES LIVES

Cutter Hears Radio Calls
for Aid and Rushes
to Help.

By United Press
BOSTON, July 8.—Another thrilling adventure of the open sea has been written, in the matter-of-fact phraseology of marine records, into the log of the United States coast guard.

It concerns the rescue of 249 passengers from the coastal steamer Prince George, carried out without the loss of a single life after a collision fifty miles off Cape Ann.

The accident was described officially today as unavoidable, although investigations were going forward both on the part of the owner of the Prince George and of the coast guard, whose 125-foot patrol boat Agassiz figured in the crash.

It was reported by some of the Prince George passengers that the Agassiz was running at full speed through a heavy fog when it tore into the Prince George, Boston-bound from Yarmouth, N. S.

The passenger vessel was ripped open above and below the water line while the nose of the Agassiz was flattened.

Passengers Are Saved

An S.O.S. was sent out immediately by the Prince George and the work of transferring her passengers to the Agassiz, which seemed the more seaworthy of the two ships, was begun.

The 249 men, women and children clambered to safety in the murky light of early morning over a gangplank that lurched and swayed over the gently heaving seas.

The Agassiz sent out radio calls for assistance and the cutter Mohave, which last winter rescued the disabled steamers West Hika and Silver Maple, sped to the scene. The Mohave took the passengers aboard and brought them here.

The Agassiz returned to the coast guard base at East Boston and the Prince George, every pump in operation to save her from sinking, arrived safely at her berth here Sunday evening. She was escorted in by the destroyer Tucaroma and the cutter Wainwright.

The Prince George was placed in dry dock today and company officials hoped to have her in service again this week.

Tells Story of Collision

A story of the collision and rescue was related by Miss Bessie Hayes of Lynnfield, one of the passengers, upon her arrival.

"I was in a stateroom with my sister and her daughter," she said. "The crash awakened me. The ship rocked from side to side. I aroused my sister and as we hastily were dressing a member of the crew knocked on the stateroom door and told us to take life preservers and go on deck. He said not to be alarmed.

"On deck we saw men, women and children, some clad in pajamas, some half-dressed and others fully dressed and carrying baggage. All had life preservers on.

"There was terrible excitement for a few minutes. But much of this was allayed by coolness of the crew.

"At a distance of what seemed to be only a few yards we could see the Agassiz. The fog was very thick.

"Pretty soon the Agassiz drew alongside and two gangplanks were placed from our ship to the coast guard boat. Double lines of passengers were formed on all decks, with women and children first and then the men.

Calm Sea Prevents Disaster

"Perfect order prevailed while the transfer took place. The words, 'women and children first,' echoed often as the passengers were being transferred.

"The coast guard crew must have been well drilled for just such an emergency, because the rescue was effected like clockwork.

"Their courage, skill and gentlemanly actions were a credit to the service."

The Misses Melva MacNeil and Helen McCarthy of Roxbury, other passengers, told a different story and complained that all was not orderly; that men grabbed for live preservers and that for some time many of the women were unable to obtain them.

It was the consensus of shipping men that only the calmness of the sea prevented a disaster.

10,000 DOCTORS GATHER

American Medical Association Meets at Portland, Ore.

By United Press
PORTLAND, Ore., July 8.—Portland today became the medical capital of the United States, with one physician to each thirty-five inhabitants, as medical men from the United States and foreign countries assembled for the opening of the eightieth convention of the American Medical Association.

Nearly 10,000 physicians and surgeons will attend the five-day session.

Grows 61 Varieties of Iris.
UKIAH, Cal., June 21.—Every known variety of iris is growing in the home garden of Mrs. J. Q. White of his city. Mrs. White has specialized in collection of this flower for years and now has sixty-one varieties in bloom simultaneously.

New Air Garb



TRY TO CHANGE WHEEL IN AIR; NEARLY CRASH

Flier Replaces Landing
Gear as Disabled
Plane Glides.

By United Press

ATLANTA, Ga., July 8.—Atlanta fliers told a story today of a hairbreadth escape 1,000 feet above the ground.

Somebody remarked to Pilot Beeler Blevins and Bonnie Rowe, paragliding artist, that there was one thing you couldn't change in the air, and that was a landing gear.

So Blevins and Rowe went aloft Sunday in an old Curtiss "Jenny" to show that the trick merely hadn't yet been done.

Above them as assistants, flew Mackay Sleinberger and W. C. Striplin in another plane.

Wind Acts Up

A thousand feet up, Rowe climbed out of the cockpit of the Jenny and, hanging by his feet from a wing, pulled off a wheel and heaved it back into the cockpit. He then signalled Striplin in the plane to lower another wheel.

Striplin lifted the wheel over the side of the plane on a rope and began to lower it.

A gust of wind caught the rope and flung it into the propeller of the plane beneath, smashing the blades and dragging the plane together.

Propeller Wrecked

Striplin, hanging head down, cut the rope with his pocket knife, the planes veered apart again, leaving Blevins at the stick of a propellerless plane, on the wing of which he hung.

Blevins headed for a cotton field gliding slowly. Rowe climbed up, pulled the wheel out of the cockpit and worked desperately to replace it.

A hundred feet above the ground, he finished replacing the wheel and slid back on the wing as Blevins glided to a perfect landing.

CITY YOUTH DROWNS

Drag Sugar Creek for Body
of John E. Filcer.

By United Press

INDIANAPOLIS, July 8.—Indianapolis police today continued dragging rain-swollen Sugar Creek, five miles north of Edinburgh, Ind., for the body of John Edward Filcer, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Filcer, 209 Hoyt avenue, who was drowned while swimming Sunday afternoon.

The youth was a member of St. Patrick's H. and S. baseball team, that left Indianapolis Sunday to play an Edinburgh team.

Apparently he was the victim of cramps, for he was an experienced swimmer.

The youth's parents, who went with the team to see their son play, were witnesses to the rescue efforts.

Filcer had attended Cathedral and Arsenal Technical high schools, where he was first baseman on the baseball team.

Surviving are his parents, and three sisters, Dorothy, Frances and Helen Filcer.

GAS COMPANY TO ADD 40 MORE COKE OVENS

Expansion at Prospect Street Plant
to Cost \$75,000.

ERETION of forty new coke ovens, installation of a new compressor and extension of the compressor house at the Prospect street plant of the Citizens Gas Company, at a cost of \$75,000, will begin this week, according to C. L. Kirk, vice-president and general manager.

With the new ovens there will be 120 ovens at the Prospect street plant, with a coal capacity of 1,520 tons a day. The Langsdale avenue plant has a daily capacity of 445 tons of coal, bringing the total consumption to approximately 2,000 tons daily.

Increase in gas consumers, from 11,000 in 1912 to 78,375 in 1928, was given as the reason for the expansion.

ELKS OPEN PARLEY

120,000 Attend National
Session at Los Angeles.

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 8.—Elkdom turned its attention to the transactions of nationally important affairs today.

Registration headquarters announced that most of the expected 120,000 delegates to the annual convention here this week already have arrived.

A series of business meetings was scheduled to intersperse the program of amusement.

Governor C. G. Young of California, Mayor John C. Porter, Grand Exalted Ruler Murray Hulbert, Exalted ruler Edward Gibbs and other dignitaries were to deliver addresses at a public session to be held at Philharmonic auditorium today.

CAR BURNS, OWNER HEL

Auto Alleged to Have Been
Saturated with Gasoline.

Alleged discovery that a blazing automobile in a wooded lot on the Graveyard road, near Maywood, had been saturated with kerosene was responsible for Bluford Sturgeon, 25, of 508 Bird street, being held by deputy sheriffs today on vagrancy charges, under \$5,000 bond. Sturgeon was owner of the car.

A short time before deputy sheriffs were called to put out the fire, Sturgeon had reported the car stolen.

AIMEE LEAVES DEFICIT

By United Press
DETROIT, July 8.—Leaving a deficit for her fifteen-day campaign of "between \$2,000 and \$8,000," Aimee Semple McPherson left Detroit by automobile today for her birthplace, Ingersoll, Ontario. She plans to leave the Canadian city tonight by train for Los Angeles.

During her stay here the evangelist told how she had healed a boy in Jacksonville, Fla., after he had his arm broken in three places, but she did not practice any healing in Detroit.

WENNERSTEN'S
Rich Malt Extract
M. O'CONNOR COMPANY, Wholesale Distributors
Kentucky and Oliver Avenues, Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Tag! You're It
Motorist Gets Ticket Due
to Obstruction of
Officer's Car.

WHEN Charles Howard, 138 West Twenty-first street, tried to park his motor truck in front of 211 East Washington street Saturday he found an automobile in the space.

Howard waited two hours, double parked, for the owner to show up and move the car, and then got a tag himself for overtime parking.

Today Howard stood before Municipal Judge Paul C. Wetter to answer charges of the tag. He told the judge he had discovered that the car had obstructed him for the two hours belonged to Captain Eugene O'Sullivan.

Judge Wetter took the case under advisement.

KIDNAPED BOY IS FOUND SLAIN

Missing 18 Days; Parents
Had Received Threats.
By United Press

SACUS, Mass., July 8.—Kidnapped and slain, the body of 10-year-old Salvatore De Mona of Boston was discovered in a creek on the Pine river marshes here Sunday night after he had been missing eighteen days, police revealed today.

The body was identified this morning by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Santini De Mona, who disclosed they had received two "black mail" letters demanding \$5,000 and threatening that the boy would be killed if the money were not forthcoming.

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SAN FRANCISCO, July 8.—William B. Hamilton, customs inspector, admitted today that seven trunks, belonging to Mrs. Ying Kao, wife of the Chinese vice-consul here, were being held for examination.

It was rumored that the seizure was made because of suspicions that the trunks contained opium.

Hamilton said the entire matter was being handled in Washington, D. C., by special agents of the treasury department.

The trunks arrived here last Friday after a voyage from Honolulu.

War Veteran, 83, Dies

MARION, Ind., July 8.—Robert William Bird, 83, pioneer resident of Van Buren township, and a Civil war veteran, is dead at his home near here. He was a member of the Van Buren Masonic Lodge more than fifty years. He leaves the widow.

STOPS ASTHMA OR NO PAY

D. J. Lane, a druggist at 1413 Lane Building, St. Mary's, Kan., manufactures a remedy for Asthma in which he has so much confidence that he sends a \$1.25 bottle by mail to anyone who will write him for it. His offer is that he is to be paid for it after you are satisfied with results, and the one taking the treatment to be the judge. Send your name and address today.—Advertisement.

MONEY TO LOAN ON MORTGAGES STATE LIFE Insurance Co.

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