

HELD PASSENGERS WITH HIS PISTOL

Gallant Captain Masters Situation While Flames Destroy His Ship.

ALL ON BOARD ARE SAVED

WITH HIS DRAWN REVOLVER HE MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO GET INTO LIFE BOATS.

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 22.—The passengers and crew of the steamship St. Croix, of the Schubach-Hamilton Line, after a miraculous escape from death, camped Saturday night in houses and barns on the Malibu Ranch, 25 miles north of Santa Monica, and a short distance from Point Duma, where the vessel was burned to the water's edge Saturday afternoon.

The fire started in the ship's engine room at noon while the passengers and officers were at dinner. No notice was given the passengers at first, as it was believed that the flames could be checked.

While flames were issuing from all parts of the vessel and when it was no longer safe to attempt to save the ship, Captain Warner, of the St. Croix, swung over his ship's side into a waiting boat below, the last man to leave the ship.

Enveloped in Flames.

Fifteen minutes after the captain left the smoking hull an explosion rent the ship and the St. Croix was enveloped in flames. Every one of the 150 men, women and children had been saved.

With drawn pistol Captain Warner took his place opposite each boat and allowed only the women and children to take their places. When they were all cared for the men were given a chance.

Captain Warner lingered after every man had left, and was loth to abandon his ship.

The work of rescue progressed rapidly, according to Fred Dahm, the man who first discovered the fire, and who praises Captain Warner for his presence of mind. When ever any one threatened to upset matters the pistol came into evidence.

All the women were off the vessel by 1:30 o'clock. Some one survived and the boat was swung out too quickly. A block broke and the women were thrown into the water. One carried a tiny baby and the child was hurled overboard.

Only One Injured.

The steward of the ship jumped in and saved the baby. He was crushed against the side of the ship as he brought the child to the other life boat which had been lowered successfully. His arm was broken and he was lifted into the boat with difficulty.

AT THE THEATRES!

"Girl from U. S. A."

Evolution is the keynote of progress and it affects the theatrical business the same as any other field of endeavor, and producing managers have been forced to work their brains overtime to supply suitable plays for the fickle public's ever changing tastes.

The Harry Scott Company feel that "The Girl from the "U. S. A." which will appear at the Gennett Saturday matinee and night, Nov. 27, is the vehicle which will carry them into public favor, as well as separate the amusement going population from their hard earned dollars. It is from the pen of the well known writer, Eugene Fitch, and is said to contain a story of unusual interest, bright comedy and a powerful dramatic plot, which is enlivened by several catchy musical numbers, and the stage settings are elaborate and correct in every detail.

Vaudeville at Gennett.

Tonight is the opening night of the great Vaudeville Bill which has been secured as the Thanksgiving week attraction at the Gennett. Having the advantage of being booked through the Western Vaudeville Managers' Association, the bill includes several well known headliners of the Orpheum circuit which is said to have some of the most entertaining acts on the vaudeville stage. Happy Jack Gardner, who is no stranger to Richmond, will be heard in some of the latest songs and stories which no one can tell better than he, and others on the bill are Gardner and Revere, Girdleas' Dogs, and Castellotti and Hall.

Time, Place and Girl."

In the case of "The Time, the Place and the Girl," which comes to the Gennett Wednesday evening, there is a little girl who tips the scale at about 100 pounds. She is Vivian Allen and she has a most important part.

Two years ago Miss Allen was in the chorus. She was ambitious and a hard worker; she watched every line and every move; she received good notices from the critics, she wanted to be a star. That was the height of her ambition. Everyone said she was full of talent. One night one of the principals fell and sprained her ankle. "Now is my chance," said Miss Allen, and running up to the stage manager said, "I'll play the part," and without a moment's hesitation she jumped in and made good, got the best notices in the show, and today she plays the "Girl."

"All I can say," said Miss Allen, "is, it's fate. I wanted to be great, and this is my beginning." The seats are now on sale.

California Girls."

A large house will witness the show at the Phillips Theater next Tuesday night. The company carries 30 people, 20 girls and 10 comedians. The first part, called "Girls of the U. S. A." is pleasing in every respect, pretty girls, good comedians, handsome wardrobe and tuneful music. "The King of Koko," a lively burlesque, closes the show in fine shape.

The specialties introduced by the Bell Sisters, Baldwin and Wallace and Trueheart, Dillon and Burke, are all first-class and score hits.

Skating at Coliseum.

The Coliseum, another one of our places of amusement, will open to lovers of skating, Wednesday evening the 24th, also all day Thursday and Saturday the floor has been resurfaced and put in fine shape for skating and everything is in readiness for the large crowds who enjoy this healthy sport.

At the Murray.

One seldom sees an act in vaudeville possessing such a decided and well defined plot as Mr. Burnett has brought out in "Country Cousins." The story is simple, but showing a beautiful little drama of every day life in New York city and told in such a humorous way that it compels one to laugh even at the serious side of life.

"Country Cousins" is interpreted by a competent company of players chief of whom is Mr. W. J. Woods, the intial comedians as Zachariah Obediah Watkins. This act is really a rare treat.

Miss Edith Earl and company, with little Eva Prout, "the pocket edition of Elsie Janis" will make their first appearance before the Richmond audience this week. This is a musical offering that is of a new and novel nature and involves a new idea in the singing line. A light sketch is used from which the offering derives its title, "The Last Rehearsal." Miss Edith Earl, who is at the head of this company, is the possessor of a clear mezzo-soprano voice of wonderful strength.

When you see or hear of "Walter's Buckwheat," see no further. Ask your grocer. He knows it's the best.

Raising the Hat.

When a knight of old entered a company of ladies he removed his helmet to indicate that he considered himself among his friends and that there was no need to protect himself. This practice has survived in the custom of raising the hat when saluting a lady.

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