

MISTAKE CAUSES DEATH OF TWELVE

Errors in Orders Aboard Mississippi River Packet Responsible for Drownings.

LIVES LOST CLOSE TO SHORE

Command to Hurry Caused Gangplank to Tilt and Throw People.

CHIVALRY COSTS SIX LIVES

Men Permit Women to Go First and Helpless Ones Are Lost.

SURVIVORS REACH ST. LOUIS

Many of Them Suffered from Exposure and Are Unable to Give Connected Account of Night of Terror.

ST. LOUIS, May 12.—Federal investigation of the sinking of the packet City of Saltillo in the Mississippi river at Glen Park, Mo., last night, which cost twelve lives, will begin as soon as the crew of the ill-fated vessel arrives here. The seven passengers and five of the crew were drowned by the tilting of the gangplank when it hit a tree. That the loss of lives was due to the mistake of ordering the passengers to hurry from the sinking boat when it was near the shore was the assertion of Captain Crane.

"It was a bad mistake," he said. "Had we caused the passengers to wait a minute before trying to cross the gangplank none would have been drowned."

"At the time the order was given, however, no human power could tell that the boat was not going to roll over into the river and drown every soul on board. It is easy to look back and see what we might have done."

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One of the two bodies recovered was that of Mrs. Isaac T. Hines of Nashville, Tenn., wife of the president of the St. Louis & Tennessee River Packet company, owners of the boat. The other was that of a negro porter, Daniel C. Taylor. Search for the remaining ten bodies was prosecuted all day.

Late today D. J. Garrigan, second mate, said the alarm on the boat was greatly increased by the cry of fire. Flames were seen to shoot up from the furnace, but the fire was extinguished by the water when the vessel listed.

Smoke from the lime kiln on the river bank and the high water prevented the pilot from getting the channel. The boat struck a rock concealed by the water. In packing off the vessel turned completely around. The steamer tonight is on its side almost against the bank.

Nineteen survivors arrived here today with little baggage. Many of them suffered from exposure and were unable to give an account of the night of terror which they passed through.

The dead:

MISS ANN RHEA, Nashville, Tenn.; MARY E. RHEA, Nashville, Tenn.; now recovered.

S. C. BAKER, first clerk of the steamer; MRS. JOSEPH HARRIS, Nashville, Tenn.; ARTHIE PATTERSON, Savannah, Tenn.

ARCHIE PATTERSON, JR., 2 years old; WILLIAM J. PICKETT, salesman; STEPHEN H. POWELL, third clerk.

MISS LENA WALL, Nashville.

DANIEL C. TAYLOR, St. Louis, negro porter; recovered.

LEO COLLINS, St. Louis, negro cabin boy.

DANIEL HOGAN, St. Louis, negro roaster.

The witnesses all paid tribute to the heroism of S. C. Baker, clerk of the Saltillo, who was swept overboard and drowned. The coroner adjourned the inquest until tomorrow.

The boat carried twenty-seven passengers, most of whom were women and children, and a crew of thirty. It left St. Louis at 1 o'clock with a heavy cargo, including a number of cattle and live stock, and the voyage was considered precarious because of the great amount of driftwood floating in the river, due to the annual spring rise.

Mrs. Rhea was dragged from the water alive, but died within an hour. The body of Miss Ann Rhea was not recovered. Miss Louise Rhea, another daughter, escaped.

They were enroute to their home in Nashville after visiting friends in St. Louis.

Glen Park, the scene of the accident, is a river landing, the chief buildings of which are a general store, a boarding house and a cement plant. The place is almost inaccessible to telegraph lines and the news of the disaster came to St. Louis in a roundabout way from Kinnickinnic and Sulphur Springs.

Vessel Driven on Rock.

Shortly before reaching Glen Park the Saltillo encountered a shoreward draw, which was fought frantically by the pilots. The engines were reversed, but the efforts to prevent the collision were unavailing. As the big boat swung from the current inshore despite the reversed engines and the rudder thrown hard over, it was driven with increasing speed toward land and turned completely around.

With the noise of rending timbers and the shrieks of women and children, passengers, the cries of the crew and the bellowing of the cattle, the vessel struck a hidden rock and sank almost in reach of the water at a point where the water was twenty feet deep.

Passengers and members of the crew clinging to the timbers while those more fortunate lent their aid immediately to the rescue of the helpless. The majority of the passengers were in their cabins. The collision came so suddenly they were plunged into the water before they knew what had happened.

Some of the survivors of the wreck of the City of Saltillo arrived here this morning by train. They were without baggage and some had few clothes. They were sent to hotels and their homes.

Miss Louise Rhea, who lost her mother and sister, could not walk unsupported. Coroner Henley of Pevely, Mo., began an inquest into Mrs. Rhea's death today. Several of the survivors remained at Glen Park to testify.

The City of Saltillo was built at Jeffersonville, Ind., in 1882 and was 200 feet long, thirty-seven feet wide and drew six and a half feet. The tonnage was 372. The vessel is entered in the government bureau of navigation as a passenger boat. It was bound for Waterloo, Ala., on the Tennessee river.

Jurors Weep as Attorney Pleads for Dr. B. C. Hyde

Address of Attorney Walsh Moves Two of Panel to Tears—Strong Denunciation of State Witnesses.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 12.—Jurors wept today as Frank P. Walsh delivered his address in behalf of Dr. B. C. Hyde, accused of drowning his wife.

Mr. Walsh, of the Commercial club, was called to the witness stand to save her husband's life. This he did, practically painting the woman's wife as an accomplice to her husband in the crime he committed. The attorney spoke several times of taking the doctor from his wife's side to "choke him like a dog on the gallows."

Members of the Swope family and other persons who testified for the state, charged the speaker had twisted their testimony to suit the needs of the prosecution. The whole case, in fact, he said, was based upon suspicions, rumors and conjecture.

As for Dr. Hyde, Mr. Walsh insisted he never wronged any man.

"Do you want to take the filthy suggestion that it was a pleasure to this man to see Colonel Swope die that he might get his dirty money?" asked Mr. Walsh.

"If Dr. Hyde is hanged," continued the attorney, "it will be on the word of Mrs. Logan O. Swope, the only witness who testifies that the physician knew of the residuary portion of the Swope estate, the explanation the state gives for the physician's reason for wanting to get rid of the millionaire."

Mr. Walsh took up the history of the case in greater detail in the afternoon session. He followed out each event from the death of Colonel Swope up to the present.

The attorney estimated he would talk for two hours. John S. Atwood, for the state announced, would speak for the state when Attorney Walsh closed.

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Fresh Blood to Save Child's Life

Twelve Persons Respond to Appeal for Little Girl Waiting Away in Hospital.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Generous response to a child's appeal for aid of a sort requiring great sacrifice brought courage today to the relatives and friends of little Dorothy Blumenthal to save whose life infusions of fresh, healthy blood are required.

Twelve persons announced themselves ready to make the sacrifice and permit their veins to be opened in an effort to restore vitality to the wasted body and bring health back to a frame shrunken by the sapping process of a dangerous malady.

An advertisement appealing for help brought the gratifying response recorded.

Farmer Accuses Girl of Robbery

H. Baughn of Harlan, Ia., Causes Arrest of Young Woman He Met on Train.

SHILOH CITY, Ia., May 12.—(Special Telegram)—H. Baughn of Harlan, a rich retired farmer, appeared in police court this morning against Miss Jessie Coleman of Huron, S. D., and Dennisson, Ia. She sat across from him in a Pullman sleeper from Council Bluffs. Wednesday night she took a seat beside him to talk with him. A little later he missed her from his purse containing \$2 and a draft for \$300. The girl was held to the grand jury for larceny.

Sensation in Heinze Trial

Defendant's Brother Elected from Court for Passing Lie to District Attorney Wise.

NEW YORK, May 12.—A sensation was created during the summing up in the trial of F. Augustus Heinze this afternoon when Arthur P. Heinze, brother of the defendant, was elected from the court room for having, it was alleged, disturbed the proceedings by passing the lie to United States District Attorney Wise during the latter's arguments.

FERDINAND COHEN RELEASED

Grand Jury Ignores Charges Against Alleged Kidnaper of Roberta D. Jaws.

PHILADELPHIA, May 12.—The grand jury today ignored a bill of indictment charging Ferdinand Cohen, the hotel waiter, with kidnaping and running away with Roberta De Janon, 18 years old. It is understood the action of the grand jury today was agreeable to Robert Buis, the millionaire grandfather of Miss De Janon.

General Charles F. Manderson and wife are in Washington, guests at the Arlington. Mrs. Manderson comes to Washington to attend the annual meeting of the board of regents of the Mount Vernon association.

J. R. Hays, postmaster at Norfolk, Neb., and wife of Norfolk, Neb., are in Washington. Mr. Hays comes to Washington upon routine business in connection with his office.

Postmasters appointed are as follows:

Nebraska: Marshall, Dixon county; Ray F. Snyder vice E. L. Cook, resigned.

Iowa: Plainview, Bremer county; Amos A. Lynes vice G. E. Kreiger, resigned.

South Dakota: Novak, Lawrence county; Nellie Cindel vice L. B. Lynn, resigned.

Officer Corneau picked himself up out of the dust at Sixteenth and Farnam streets. He looked to the westward and saw the tall lights of an automobile fast disappearing over the hill. He swore a deep sea oath and hailed a passing motor car.

"Give her full sail, Yon villains must not live to tell the tale," he shouted, taking command of the craft.

The trusty pilot, soon on high gear, advanced the spark and leaped over in the seat until his manly chest hugged the steering post. Then as the mighty machine commenced to bore into the distance, he eased the throttle open.

Far into the vista of "gasoline row" a whiff of dust betrayed the presence of the fleeing machine.

Skinner Corneau looked at the speed in-

OMAHA PROTESTS COME TO HEARING

Number of Cases Involving Rail Rates Reached by Interstate Commerce Commission.

ARGUMENT ON LUMBER CHARGES

Cases Involving Traffic to Common Points West.

CHOLERA SERUM EXPERIMENTS

South Omaha Stock Yards Willing to Aid Department X.

PLANS ARE BEING PERFECTED

Iowa Senators Back in Washington Again After Flying Trip to Des Moines for Speech.

(From a Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(Special Telegram)—E. J. McVann, traffic commissioner of the Omaha Commercial club and J. L. Kelley, general manager of the Burlington, are in Washington to participate in the argument of a number of cases pending before the interstate commerce commission and instituted by the Omaha Commercial club against the Burlington and other railroads.

Argued was begun in the first of the commercial club cases today, involving rates on lumber from Omaha to Wyoming, Colorado and Kansas common points. There are two cases under this caption. Two other cases filed by the Commercial club of Omaha against the Burlington and other roads, relate to rates on yellow pine lumber from southern points to northern points to so-called "combination territory in Nebraska." The "combination" includes nearly the whole of the prairie state and extending west to the point where Colorado borders obtain.

Still another case which the Burlington is interested as well as a number of western roads, is that of the Louisiana Central Lumber company, which involves rates on yellow pine lumber from southern points to northern points to so-called "combination territory in Nebraska."

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