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ONLY 705 PEOPLE OUT OF 2180 ON THE WRECKED LINER TITANIC ARE ACCOUNTED FOR

(BY UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS)

NEW YORK, April 17.—With the latest wireless messages, although unconfirmed, stating that but 705 survivors are aboard the Carpathia, 1475 were lost when the Titanic sank, if the company's estimates of the number aboard are correct. The tension here has increased hourly tonight as the Carpathia drew nearer to the wireless radius. It is believed the worst will be known tonight. Halifax dispatches have reported the sailing of the steamer Mackay-Bennett with a score of undertakers and 200 coffins aboard to search for bodies. Excitement following the disaster is increasing instead of diminishing and crowds at the company's offices are growing hourly.

A sensational story emanating from St. Johns, N. F., says that the Titanic dashed on to the iceberg when speeding at twenty knots an hour, and split amidships, while the confusion prevented the launching of all the boats. This story is believed to have originated from the steamer Bruce, bound for Sydney. Marine experts declare it impossible to find bodies and that the gulf stream would carry them out into the Atlantic before the searchers arrived at the scene of the disaster.

rive, where they probably would be eaten by sharks or otherwise mutilated or sink before they reach the other side. Halifax dispatches say the city is without undertakers, 20 being aboard the rescue ship.

Only 328 names of survivors have been sent ashore. Vice-President Franklin admits that he knows no reason why others are not sent if they survived, except that possibly the Carpathia's wireless operator is overtaxed. Despite the announcement of the number who were booked, it is pointed out that many might not have sailed at the last minute.

NEW YORK, April 17.—The first news from the vicinity of the wreck of the Titanic by any newspaper man came to the United Press today by a special wireless message from Roy W. Howard, chairman of the board of directors of the United Press Association, who was aboard the Olympic, bound for London, when the Olympic arrived at the scene of the disaster.

BY ROY W. HOWARD

[Copyright 1912 by the United Press] "Bodies of some of the victims of the Titanic disaster will be brought to Boston by the Leyland liner California. A wireless from the scene of the disaster says some bodies have been recovered.

"The Olympic is proceeding eastward, unable to give aid. Every one aboard is stunned. The captain's seat in the dining salon and everything about this great ship is a reminder of Captain Smith, the lost commander of the Olympic. There is little conversation among the passengers, and they are talking in whispers.

"When Captain Haddock received the first word of the disaster he went

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CITIZENS FORM AN ANTI-LIQUOR LEAGUE FOR EL CENTRO

An assemblage of representative citizens gathered in the State Street Christian Church last night to organize an aggressive movement against the encroachment of the liquor interests in Imperial valley. The outcome was the formation of the El Centro Anti-Liquor League.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. W. G. Conley, who was elected chairman, and Fred Ranson was elected secretary. The purpose of the meeting—a desire to formulate some plan to withstand and combat the encroachments of the liquor interests in Imperial valley—were fully explained by the chairman and the various points were generally discussed. It was voted to organize the El Centro Anti-Liquor League.

A committee consisting of Mrs. Violet S. Campbell, Rev. Oliver Saylor, Frederick Ranson and E. F. Howe was appointed to draft by-laws and a constitution for the league and was instructed to report at a meeting to be held the evening of April 23.

J. C. Hamilton, Mrs. Mary Garren and I. Mayfield were appointed a nominating committee to name candidates for a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, and were instructed to report on the date mentioned.

The matter of opening a reading and rest room for working men who do not make use of the public library, at some point in the business district, was presented in a forcible manner by Percy E. Thacker, and the idea met with much commendation.

Petitions will be circulated during the ensuing week for membership to the league, and several present volunteered to circulate these petitions. The meeting adjourned to convene Tuesday evening, April 22, in the State Street Christian Church.

THE BOOZE SITUATION AT IMPERIAL CITY

New Ordinance Goes Into Effect April Nineteenth and Saloons Must Be Outside Protected Zone

The ordinance authorizing saloons for Imperial will become effective April 19. It is said that the city trustees are proposing to establish a protected zone within which there may be no saloons located. This, in fact, has been accomplished by the prohibitory clause in the deeds to property within the original town site, which provides for the reversion of the property to the town company in case it is used for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

However, by going a half mile south or a half mile east, saloon men can secure locations on property that does not bear this prohibitory clause, and it is possible that the saloons may determine on one of these districts—in which case certain Imperial people fear that a new business district would spring up with the saloons as a nucleus.

The new board of city trustees has organized by the election of Trustee Clark as chairman. The number of licenses to be issued is at the discretion of the board of trustees.

THAYER CASE IS NOW BEFORE SUPREME COURT

(BY UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS) LOS ANGELES, April 17.—The state supreme court today is hearing the case of Thayer vs. Holabird, appealed from the superior court, where Thayer was victorious in a suit demanding the California Development Company a common carrier and demanding irrigation service without the application of water stock to the land. A decision will probably be given within one month.

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ROOSEVELT IN NEBRASKA

(BY UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS) HASTINGS, Neb., April 17.—Colonel Roosevelt today opened his Nebraska campaign by addressing 1500. He flayed Taft and Lorimer.

THE STEAMER OCCIDENT CRASHES INTO ICEBERG

(BY UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS) BREMEN, April 17.—A Flensburg dispatch says that the steamer Occident has crashed into an iceberg off Riga. It was reached in a sinking condition. The crew and passengers were taken off in life boats. There is no further confirmation of this report.

TEN THOUSAND CLUB WILL GIVE MUSICAL

Public Is Invited to Entertaining Program to Be Given in the Christian Church Tomorrow Afternoon

At 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon the Ten Thousand Club will give a musical to which the public is invited. The program includes numbers by some of the best known local musicians. It is as follows:

Instrumental solo, "Moonlight Sonata" (Beehoven), Miss G. De Forge. Vocal solo, "Roses in June" (Edward Guman), Miss Cremons.

Vocal solo, "Lullaby" (Jocelyn), Miss Grace Foncaunon. Vocal solo (Teresa Riego), Miss Collier.

Cornet solo, selected, Prof. Alger. Reading, selected, Miss Davis. Vocal solo, selected, Mrs. Atwood. Paper, "The Spiritual Influence of Music," Mr. Stover.

DIXIE LAND

IN THE COTTON BELT OF CALIFORNIA IMPERIAL VALLEY'S SELECT TOWNSITE

EL CENTRO MASONS TO BUILD \$20,000 TWO-STORY BLOCK

El Centro Masons will erect in this city a \$20,000 Masonic block. It will have the most modern features in architecture and equipment, and will be ready for occupancy by the first of next October.

This building will be located at the northeast corner of Sixth and State streets, on a lot 50 by 125 feet, which will be fully occupied by the structure. It will be of brick, with pressed brick frontages on both Sixth and State streets, and will conform to the arcade style of architecture over the sidewalk space so generally used in Imperial valley.

On the first floor will be two business rooms, one of which will be the offices of the Imperial Irrigation district. The entrance to the second floor will be on Sixth street. The second floor will contain a lodge room, ante rooms, banquet hall, buffet kitchen, etc., and the balance of the space will be used either for a general public hall or for office rooms.

Three Los Angeles architects are now working on plans for the building, which will be submitted to the building committee within a short time.

The Masonic Building Association, which is composed of members of the El Centro lodge, and which is maintained as a separate body simply as a matter of general convenience in handling the building project, has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$25,000. The directors are Dr. Virgil McCombs, Judge Franklin J. Cole, B. Salomon, W. O. Hamilton and Phil D. Swing.

These directors yesterday started out with their campaign for subscriptions to the capital stock of this building association, and in the one day secured subscriptions amounting to \$10,000. Today they expect to reach the \$15,000 mark, and they anticipate no trouble in securing the subscriptions for the entire \$20,000 required to carry through the project.

The building will be one of the best in El Centro and will be a credit to Masonry and to this city.

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