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Fair tonight and Friday, somewhat higher temperature tonight.



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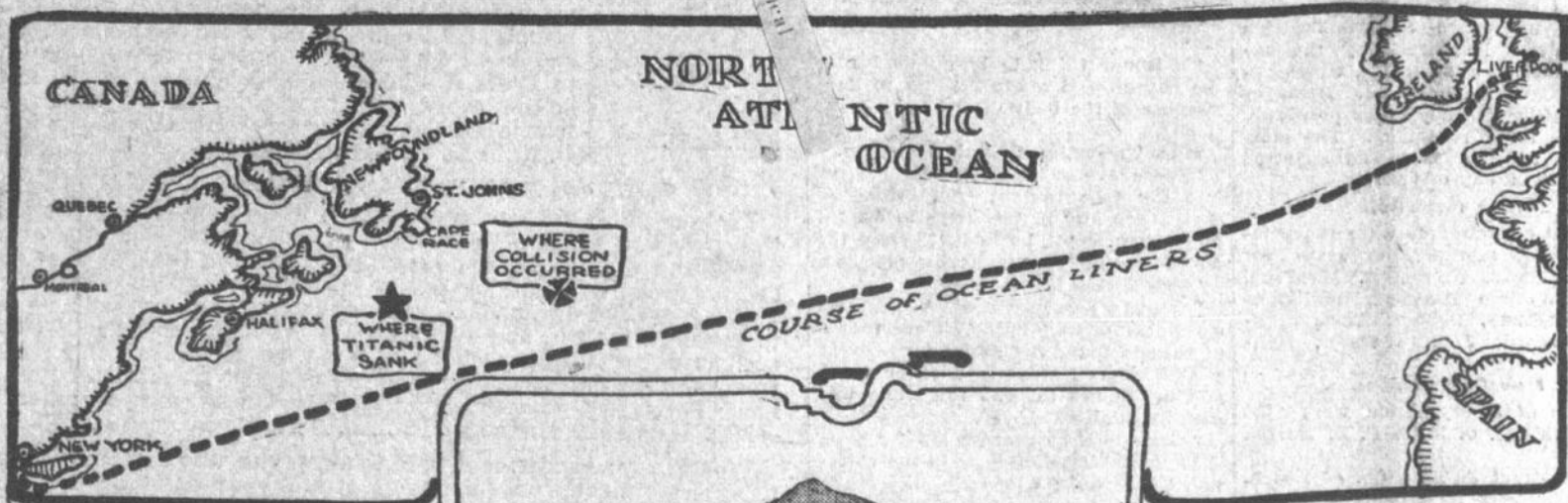
FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA, THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 18, 1912.

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## Reported That Operator on Parisian Was Asleep When Titanic Sent Out Piteous Appeals for Assistance

Managing Director Ismay of the White Star Line, One of the Survivors Aboard the Carpathia, Is Evidently Using Influence to Withhold Details of Disaster—Carpathia Slowly Creeping Through the Heavy Fog With the Wireless Silent

## Carpathia Still Maintains Silence—Refuses to Answer Taft



### ISMAI SENDING DE MESSAGES TO WHITE STAR PEOPLE.

Navy Yard Wireless Station, Newport, R. I., April 18.—Code messages sent from the Carpathia to the officials of the White Star line were picked up here today. They are believed to have contained details of Sunday night's tragedy and the fact that they were couched in private code shows how carefully Managing Director Ismay of the White Star line is guarding the details of what happened after the Titanic struck the iceberg.

### CAN'T GET WORD OF W. D. DOUGLAS.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 18.—A message was received here today by Mrs. T. W. Stevenson from Mrs. John Pillsbury Snyder, who with her husband were returning from a honeymoon trip on the Titanic that both were safe on the Carpathia. The attempts of relatives and the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce to get in connection with Mr. or Mrs. W. D. Douglas also of Minneapolis on the Carpathia have failed.

## ISMAI MUST TESTIFY IN BIG PROBE

Uncle Sam Wants to Know at Once, How it Happened

Chairman of Committee Goes to Get Witnesses

He Was Accompanied to N. Y. by Sergeant-at-Arms

Washington, April 18.—The task of investigating the Titanic wreck was begun today by the senate committee. The commerce committee appointed a subcommittee of seven, headed by William Alden Smith of Michigan. He leaves at once for New York, with the sergeant-at-arms to procure witnesses to attend immediate hearings. J. Bruce Ismay, an official of the White Star line will be among the first asked to testify.

Other members of the senate subcommittee are: Perkins, Burne, Burton, Simmons, Newlands and Fletcher. Cullen, announced today he would call a meeting of the foreign relations committee Saturday with a view to reporting out a maritime resolution requesting the president to open negotiations for an international agreement in regard to the safety of passengers at sea.

## STAR PLAYERS SERIOUSLY ILL

New York, April 18.—Two big league stars, Mgr. Charley Dooin, the Philadelphia Nationals and Birdie Cree of the New York Americans, are seriously ill here. Dooin has appendicitis and Cree has a fever that may keep him out a month.



ICEBERG 200 FEET HIGH

### PARISIAN OPERATOR ASLEEP.

Halifax, N. S., April 18.—It was learned today that when the Titanic sent out its first call for help Sunday night, the wireless operator on the Parisian, then less than 200 miles away, was asleep. This is the explanation given why the Parisian did not reach the scene of the wreck soon enough to be of assistance. At 10:30 Sunday night, the Parisian was in communication with the Titanic 150 miles away, and at that time the Titanic relayed a message from the Parisian to Montreal. The Parisian operator then went to bed. Half an hour later, the Titanic crashed into the iceberg and its call for aid was not heard by the Parisian.

### CARPATHIA REFUSES INFORMATION.

Washington, April 18.—Naval officials are suspending judgment upon the conduct of officers of the Carpathia who have treated with scant courtesy requests for information transmitted through the cruisers Salem and Chester by government officials, including Taft.

Whether the responsibility rests with the captain of the Carpathia or President Ismay of the White Star line, reported as a survivor of the Titanic aboard the Carpathia, is a matter of conjecture. Naval officials reject the insinuation by the Cunard people that the naval wireless operators are incapable of handling the messages with due celerity.

### WILL ISMAI GO BACK ON CEDRIC?

New York, April 18.—President Franklin of the White Star line, as the Cedric would sail as scheduled today and no arrangements to transfer Ismay from the Carpathia to the Cedric at sea so far as he knew had been made. The fog is very thick down the bay and if it continues it will delay the arrival of the Carpathia.

### CARPATHIA TO DOCK AT 11 P. M.

New York, April 18.—The following bulletin was made public by the White Star Line shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon: "The Carpathia is due at Sandy Hook at 9 p. m. and should dock at 11 p. m."

The New York Cunard liner, Carpathia, bearing the survivors of the sunken steamship, Titanic, is making her way slowly toward New York this afternoon groping through a fog, her wireless as silent as that of the stricken vessel, a small part of whose human cargo she carries.

According to the best reckoning, she will dock at shore before 1 o'clock after midnight tonight.

Wireless messages bombarded the Carpathia all night and this morning, but with little result. Even a message from Taft asking for news of his aide, Major Butt remained unanswered and the indications are that no details of disaster will be known until the Carpathia reaches port.

Judging from the nature of the few messages received from the survivors aboard the Carpathia, the inference is that most of them are unaware of the awful tragedy which occurred aboard the Titanic after she was abandoned, thus many wives are ignorant that their husbands perished and are hoping that they were picked up by some passing liner which subsequently rendered a service similar to the Carpathia.

In New York all preparations have been made to receive the survivors when they land. Food, clothing, ambulances and other necessities have been provided. The police protection will be ample and every measure has been taken to protect the unfortunate who have been under such a terrific strain.

For the women of the steerage, a committee of prominent New York women has been formed to house and take care of them until relatives abroad can be notified of their plight.

### Thayer Among Lost.

Philadelphia, April 18.—Grave doubt exists here regarding the safety of John B. Thayer, second vice president of the Pennsylvania railway, who with his wife and 14-year-old son were on the Titanic.

A wireless message was received here today signed by Mrs. Thayer reading: "Jack, Margaret and I are safe. No news of Mr. Thayer."

Margaret is Mrs. Thayer's maid and Jack her son. The message came from the Carpathia via Halifax, and is said to have been one of 300 received here. It is possible the message was filed before all the Titanic's boats had been picked up. Thayer's name was not in the list of survivors.

Denied by Penn. Officials.

New York, April 18.—Pennsylvania railway officials today issued a statement denying emphatically that a

the family who are on the Carpathia bound for New York. would probably be sent broadcast today by the Red Cross for funds to aid the destitute rescued from the Titanic.

### No News of Hays.

Montreal, April 18.—The Grand Trunk railway this morning received the following telegram, "Mrs. Hays and Mrs. Davidson saved. No news of husband. (Signed) Hays."

This message came from Woods-hole, Mass., and confirms the information thus far received to the effect that the president of the Grand Trunk is not among the survivors.

## ITALIAN WARSHIP REPORTED SUNK

Constantinople, April 18.—An Italian fleet is reported to have appeared at the entrance to the Dardanelles straits. One Italian warship is said to have been sunk.

London, April 18.—The bombardment of the Dardanelles began today according to a special received here from Constantinople. One Italian battleship has been damaged by shot from the land batteries.

### Boxcar Thieves Sentenced.

Hastings, Minn., April 18.—John Resler and Frank Daley, upon a charge of burglarizing freight cars of the Milwaukee road at Farmington, were sentenced by Justice W. A. Gray to sixty days each for petit larceny.

## STATISTICS OF COTTON SEED

Washington, April 18.—The census bureau issued a report today showing the cotton seed statistics of 1911 as follows: Cotton seed crushed, 4,918,987 tons; linters obtained, 558,460 bales of 500 pounds gross weight each. The number of establishments is 844.

## MURDERER LYNCHED AT GLENDIVE

200 Resolute Men Hanged Brute From Tree

Killed Woman at Lonely Ranch House

She Caught Him in the Act of Looting Place

Glendive, Mont., April 18.—At 2:30 this morning a mob of 200 men, each member thoroughly disguised, took Henry Hoenser, from the Rosebud county jail at Forsythe, and hanged him to a tree on the main street of the town in an expression of public condemnation for his cowardly murder of Mrs. William Merrill, at a lonely ranch house Tuesday evening. It was an orderly mob, but determined in its purpose to have revenge. There had been some talk of lynching, but the town was quiet throughout the evening. The mob seemed to have gathered at the jail by two's and three's. About 2:30 o'clock this morning Sheriff McMullen heard that a mob was forming, and hoping to head

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## SOON BE UP TO POLLOCK

Contest Action Hinges on Motion Before Court

ARGUMENTS NOT COMPLETE

IF THE COURT HOLDS THAT FIRST WARD VOTE MUST BE THROWN OUT AS SWEET'S ATTORNEYS CLAIM IT WOULD END THE CASE.

The majority contest has reached a critical stage. The motion which

## Bitter Invective Was Used by Billy Sunday to Portray Backslider

Hundreds of Business Women of City Filled Center Portion of Tabernacle—Between 4,000 and 5,000 Were Present

Nearly 5,000 people of Fargo and Moorhead learned from Rev. W. A. Sunday, last night, the definition, in the plainest of terms, the word backslider and they heard, too, that individual man or woman, put to the severest of tests. Mr. Sunday seemed to be rather hard on the men—he plainly disclosed the fact that he hated backsliders, especially men backsliders. Last night Mr. Sunday brought into play more than ever his inexhaustible fund of expressive adjectives. He is wonderful in the rapidity of his articulation when he gets to the point of wanting to force a striking passage upon his hearers.

Mr. Sunday read for his text, Jer. 17:9: "Thine own wickedness shall correct thee and thy backslidings shall reprove thee; know therefore and see that it is an evil thing and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the Lord, thy God, and that My fear is not in thee, saith the Lord God of hosts."

He branded "backsliders" as one of the worst of sins and added that he was astounded at the slight concern people gave to the subject. That God hated backsliding was shown because the Almighty used the strongest vocabulary in the expression of His indignation of it. Of one class of backsliders, men or women, Mr. Sunday seemed to have no use for were "the careless backsliders." He urged his hearers to carefully read the Pentateuch, or the first five books of the Bible and if the reader did not lose all patience with the continually grumbling Jews he would be surprised. "Read and read again, and every mother son of you will learn a whole lot—that is, if you read understandingly."

There was the backslider who started soberly on his journey for the right will soon be before Judge Pollock may mean the ending of the battle. The arguments for the attorneys took up the entire forenoon and at noon court was adjourned until 3 o'clock to give Judge Pollock time to transact some court business from Hillsboro.

This morning motion was amended to dismiss the case by withdrawing paragraph one and two, and the amended motion reads as follows: The plaintiff having rested his case the defendant moves that the court make an order at this time dismissing the plaintiff's action upon the following grounds:

Because, it appears affirmatively upon the evidence that the returns from the First ward must be excluded from consideration by the court.

Because, the same are unintelligible and that upon excluding same the defendant majority cannot on any theory be overcome.

Should Pollock decide in favor of throwing out the First ward it would end the contest.

Three Near Death by Asphyxiation. Cooperstown, N. D., April 18.—Woodman, Dode and Arthur Hare, sons of Mrs. Thomas Hare, living just south of Cooperstown, were discovered yesterday just in time to save them from death by asphyxiation by coal gas.

Duluth, Minn., April 18.—The steam-er Easton, the first to break the ice blockade in Duluth harbor, reached Grand Marais safely and is today on her way back carrying much needed food to the north shore villages.

## HEAVY SNOW AT MILWAUKEE AND CHICAGO TODAY

Milwaukee, April 18.—Six inches of snow fell here and in the vicinity during the night causing inconvenience to street railway and steam road travel.

Chicago, Ill., April 18.—Snow fell in Chicago during the night and early today, but later the storm developed into a light rain.

## FIRST VESSEL OUT OF DULUTH

### SOME OF THE WELL KNOWN PASSENGERS ON THE TITANIC



THE ABOVE ARE SOME OF THE PEOPLE OF INTERNATIONAL RENOWN WHO WERE ON BOARD THE INFATED TITANIC—MOST OF THE ABOVE ARE KNOWN TO HAVE GONE DOWN WITH THE SHIP.