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Worst Disaster In History Of Sea Travel

Largest Vessel Ever Floated, Titanic, Crashes into Iceberg and Goes to Burial in Ocean.

Millionaires and Famous Persons among the Many Hundreds Who Find Watery Graves in the Blue Depths.

New York, April 16.—What is believed to be one of the last messages sent from the Titanic before she struck the iceberg was received at the Hydrographic office in Washington on April 14, the day preceding the night on which the collision occurred, according to the advices received here tonight. The message as given read:

"April 14, German steamer Amerika reported by radio telegraph passing two large icebergs in latitude 41.27, longitude 50.08—Titanic."

This message indicates that the Titanic had knowledge of ice in her vicinity as her position when she struck was latitude 41.46; longitude 50.14.

More than 1,500 persons, it is feared, sank to death early yesterday when within four hours after she crashed into an iceberg, the mammoth White Star steamer Titanic, from Liverpool to New York on her maiden voyage, went to the bottom off the Newfoundland banks. Of 2,200 persons on board some of them of world-wide prominence, only 675 are known to have been saved.

The White Star offices in New York, while keeping hope to the last, freely admitted that there had been "horrible loss of life."

Accepting early estimates of the fatality list as accurate, the disaster is the greatest in marine history. Near-approaching it in magnitude were the disasters of the steamer Atlantic in 1873, when 547 lives were lost, and the La Bourgogne in 1898, with a fatality list of 571.

Should it prove that other liners, notably the Allen liners, Parisian and Virginian, known to have been in the vicinity of the Titanic, early yesterday, had picked up other of her passengers, the extent of the calamity would be greatly reduced. This hope remains.

News of the sinking of the liner and of the terrible loss of life came early last evening with all the greater shock because hope had been buoyed up all day by reports that the steamship, although badly damaged, was not sinking, and that all her passengers had been taken off safely.

The messages were mostly unofficial, however, and none came directly from the liner, so that a fear remained of possible bad news to come. Shortly after 7 o'clock last night there came flashing over the wires from Cape Race, within 400 miles of where the liner had struck the iceberg, word that at 2:30 o'clock Monday morning, three hours and 55 minutes after receiving her death blow, the Titanic had sunk.

The news came from the steamer Carpathia, relayed by the White Star liner Olympic and revealed that by the time the Carpathia, outward bound from New York and racing for the Titanic on a wireless call, reached the scene, the doomed vessel had sunk.

Left on the surface, however, were

Deathbed Of Titanic Is Two Miles Below Surface

Halifax, April 16.—The deathbed of the steamer Titanic and of probably many who have been dragged down is two miles below the surface of the sea.

The calculation was made by an official of the government marine department who finds this depth on the marine chart at a point 500 miles from Halifax and about 70 miles south of the grand banks, where he believed the Titanic went down.

This location is midway between Sable island and Cape Race and in line with those dangerous sands which, however, might have proved a place of safety had there been time to run the Titanic there and beach her.

San Francisco, April 16.—The greatest number of lives lost in any wreck on the Pacific coast is 198. In the 16 most disastrous wrecks on the Pacific coast the total loss of life was 1,370. This list covers a period of 60 years.

The Titanic catastrophe is the greatest marine disaster in the time of peace in the history of the world.

The loss of lives and money, according to the best obtainable reports, is as follows:

- Lives—About 1,500.
- Cost to build vessel—\$10,000,000.
- Estimated value of jewels aboard—\$5,000,000.
- Value of baggage and mail—\$2,000,000.
- Cost of probable litigation—\$5,000,000.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Office of the Board of County Commissioners, Dawson County, Montana. In special session April 8th, 1912.

The Board met in special session pursuant to call being duly made as required by law for the purpose of examining petitions filed for the granting of saloon licenses, considering bridge matters, and advertising for the construction of the same; the examination of road petitions and reports and establishing roads; confirming the appointment of Albert Anderson as County Attorney in and for Dawson County and the examination of County Bonds.

Present, Henry Dion, chairman; W. K. Adams and L. C. Faltermeyer, members, and R. L. Wyman, Clerk. The meeting was duly proclaimed by the sheriff.

The board at this time took up the matter of the application from Herb Williams for the granting of a license to sell liquor at Riverside or Riverview, and the board having considered all of the matters and read the protests filed against the issuing of said license, it was found that the board was divided as to the granting of said license. Whereupon a roll was called and Henry Dion voted for the granting of said license, and L. C. Faltermeyer and W. K. Adams against, therefore said petition was ordered denied.

On motion the Board granted licenses to the following named persons to sell liquor in Dawson County in less quantities than one quart as follows, to-wit:

Charles Morris, Jordan.
W. H. McNeal, Marsh.
Joe Kitchell, Savage.
Mike Shnellor, Jordan.
Wm. Nichols, Savage.
Appleton & Tripp, Intake.
A. J. Mercer, Crane.
Isadore Obergfell, Newlon.
Martin & Reimer, Yates.
Fred Spevecek, Yates.
J. E. Bazal & Co., Yates.
Messer & Koch, Yates.
Kennedy & Aradise, Lyman.
J. M. Johnson, Yates.

On motion the County Attorney is instructed to draw a contract between Orville McConaha and the County of Dawson for the grading of the Glendive-Mondak road from station 149 to 189, as per the terms of his proposal and specifications furnished at the March session of the Board of County Commissioners at ten and three-fourths cents per cu. yd. and the said Orville McConaha is instructed to file a bond in the sum equal to three-fourths of the contract price of the work to be performed as estimated by the County Surveyor.

The hour of noon having arrived the Board took a recess until 1:30. 1:30 the Board reconvened, all members and clerk present.

Road petition A-300 for a public

highway, beginning at the N. W. cor. of Sec. 16, T. 50, thence south on section line to the intersection of the road as now established between Secs. 16 and 17, in T. 14 R. 60 was read and R. T. Hurdle and E. F. Handforth and Chas. Hazeleton were duly appointed to view and report on said road as required by law.

Road petition A-301 for a public highway beginning at the N. W. corner of Sec. 1, T. 20, R. 58, E. thence running east to the S. E. corner on Sec. 33, T. 21, R. 58 E. thence north following the east line of Sec. 33 and the east line of Sec. 28 to intersect with the Glendive-Buford stage road, was read and R. T. Hurdle F. H. Handforth and David Stuart were duly appointed to view and report on said road.

On motion the bond of Jesse M. Kerr to furnish material and labor necessary for the grading or for necessary for the grading of twelve miles of road in Dawson County on the stage road between Glendive and Sidney and the portion of the said road extending between Bamber Hill and the Stone Quarry was examined, approved and ordered filed.

On motion the bonds of August Hamalau, Lewis B. Kollock and O. H. Marquis as road supervisors for their respective districts were read, approved and ordered filed.

On motion the Clerk is instructed to advertise for the erection of a steel bridge over and across Big Dry Creek near Jordan. Said bid to be made according to the plans and specifications as furnished by the County Surveyor and now on file in his office. All bidders are required to furnish a certified check in the sum of 5 per cent of the bid submitted. Bids to be opened at the June session of the board.

On motion the appointment of Albert Anderson, as County Attorney in and for Dawson County, during the March session of the Board of County Commissioners is hereby confirmed.

The minutes of the present session having been read and approved the Board adjourned, sine die.

State of Montana,

County of Dawson, ss.

I, R. L. Wyman, County Clerk and Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct report of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners in Special Session April 8th, 1912.

Witness my hand and seal of Dawson County this 8th day of April, A. D. 1912.

R. L. WYMAN,
Clerk of Board

Roosevelt Elated Over Victory

New York, April 15.—Colonel Roosevelt started today on what probably will be one of the most extensive trips of the campaign, going first to Chicago. According to the program he will spend Wednesday and Thursday in Nebraska and Friday and Saturday in Kansas. Beyond that no definite arrangements have been made. He was much elated over the victory in Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, April 15.—Latest returns from Saturday's primaries indicate that Roosevelt will have 65 of the Pennsylvania delegates to the Republican national convention, with a possibility of 67.

Roosevelt won 53 district delegates and his supporters claimed the convention, which will name 12 delegates at large.

Woodrow Wilson, according to figures at hand, will have 74 delegates in the Democratic convention. In the Twenty-eighth congressional district the two Democratic delegates elected are favorable to Champ Clark.

The significance of the Roosevelt victory can be realized when it is remembered that delegates in control of the state convention have power to elect the state chairman, and under the party rules the delegates to the national convention elect the national committeeman. At present Senator Penrose holds this position.

It is virtually certain that Congressman Dalzell has been defeated by M. Clyde Kelly for renomination in the Thirtieth district.

Cleanliness is next to godliness—try Houck's bath tubs for the right kind of a bath.

FAMOUS GENERAL PASSES BEYOND

Major General Grant Dies at Hotel in New York.

New York, April 12.—Maj.-Gen. Fredrick D. Grant, son of the famous general of the civil war, and himself commander of the east, died at the Hotel Buckingham in this city about 12:40 o'clock this morning.

Between 9:00 and 10:00 o'clock last night General Grant was brought to the Buckingham from St. Luke's hospital. He was accompanied by Lieutenant Howse, from Governors island, and General Grant's wife. He was attended by Dr. Robert Abbey and Dr. Edward B. Bench. The cause of the general's demise was not made known when word of his death was sent to the hotel desk. Later it was said it was heart failure following diabetes and digestive disturbances.

The following statement was made at 1:00 o'clock by General Grant's attending physicians, Dr. Abbey and Dr. Bench:

"Gen. Frederick Dent Grant died suddenly of heart failure, without premonition, at the Buckingham hotel, at midnight April 11, after retiring at 11:00 o'clock apparently in better condition than for several weeks. He had returned from his recent trip much improved and looking remarkably well and vigorous. His condition, since his return, had given no special anxiety to his physician, who had been with him in the afternoon and congratulated him on his good health. He expressed himself as feeling rejoiced at his renewed strength."

"General Grant had been suffering from diabetes and the attendant digestive disturbances which seemed, however, to be perfectly under control."

"This sudden fatal termination came as a great surprise."

"His wife and nurse were with him at the time his physicians were called and found his heart had stopped instantly."

Mrs. Grant and a nurse were with the general when he died, there having been no premonition of his sudden critical illness. The general had been removed to his hotel yesterday from St. Luke's hospital, where, unknown to the public generally, he had been taken for treatment. Previous announcement from his aids at Governors island, the headquarters of the western division of the army, had been made repeatedly that the leave of absence which had been granted to General Grant was not on account of serious illness, but only for a rest and it was said he was in the south.

The news flashed from the apartments of Maj.-Gen. Fredrick Dent Grant sent a shock through the city, much as that which startled the whole country upon the death of his father 27 years ago. The news was far more sudden. It came less than an hour after the first alarm had been sounded that General Grant was seriously ill. The alarm itself had come before it had been generally learned that General Grant was in the city, as his presence here had been kept a secret.

"Get a physician, the general is dying."

This message received at the night desk of the Buckingham at 11:30 o'clock last night was the first news.

A bell boy was dispatched to the office of Dr. Abbey nearby, but the physician was not there. Mrs. Grant was not informed, and chafing at the delay she cried back hysterically:

"Get an ambulance; get anybody!"

The alarm was sent to the police headquarters from which an ambulance was dispatched. Calls also were put in at random for physicians in the Fifth avenue district and within a few minutes a number had responded.

When the ambulance arrived, within four minutes of the alarm, it was seen that general Grant probably was dying. He was in too dangerous a condition to remove and the ambulance drove away.

The general died at midnight.

The alarm of his condition had aroused all the newspaper offices in most of which the reports were regarded with caution, in view of the fact that General Grant's presence here was not known. Many newspaper men were on the scene in a few minutes, however, but as none was allowed to go to the apartment the exact state of affairs was a matter of conjecture until an end was put to all doubt when the hotel clerk was heard to repeat at the telephone: "The general is dead!"

Contracts Let By City

At the city council meeting on Monday evening the contracts for cement work, sprinkling and team work, and tapping were all let, according to notices for bids previously published. Wm. Hurst got the cement work. His contract calls for sidewalks at 14 cents per foot; combination curb and gutter, 75 cents; private curb, 35 cents; and street and alley crossings, 22 cents. All other concrete work to be done at cost, plus 12 per cent.

H. M. Hanley received the tapping contract at \$33, and C. P. Johnson the sprinkling and street work at \$115.00 per month.

The question of a sewer to the railroad hospital was further discussed, but no definite decision arrived at.

Want Better Seed Corn

Billings, April 15.—To the end that the corn growing industry throughout Montana may be stimulated, efforts are being made here to secure the establishment in this locality of an experimental farm where the crop will be cultivated for seed purposes. Much difficulty is being experienced at present in getting a sufficient amount of corn for the spring planting and if the experiment station is established this trouble will be eliminated in the future. Notwithstanding that a large acreage of corn was cultivated last season, it was regarded with such favor in stock feeding that nearly all of it was so used and the surplus was sold at high prices for seed and shipped to other sections, so that at present few of the farmers have any to supply their needs.

Assault And Murder

Forsyth, April 16.—Charged with assaulting and killing Mrs. William Merrill, wife of a rancher at Joppa siding, 22 miles east of here, an employee of the Merrill ranch was arrested near Raebud yesterday evening and is now in jail here. Mr. Merrill was absent at the time of the crime and the woman's body was found in the yard by her young son.

WANTED.—To adopt male child between 18 months and four years of age. Apply at Monitor Office. 5t.