

FALSE TITANIC REPORTS COAL HOLD RAGED **NOT FROM THE CARPATHIA UNABATED 5 DAYS**

Wireless Heroes of Disaster Who Testified at Inquiry To-Day

"I Sent No Message That She Was in Tow," Wireless Operator Testifies Before the Senatorial **Investigating Committe.**

"I REMAINED ON DUTY FOR THREE FULL DAYS."

Surviving Operator of the Titanic Says Word of Icebergs Was Received at 4 P. M. Sunday.

The manner in which the news of the sinking of the Titanic was suppressed for twelve hours or more and the source of the false reassuring messages that percolated on Monday to the press through the While Star Line offices were the subjects of the investigation, resumed to-day at he Waldorf-Astoria by the Investigating Committee of the United States Senate, of which Senator Smith of Michigan is chairman. Harold Cottan the wireless operator on the Carpathia, and Harold S. Bride, second Manconi operator on the Titanic, who went aboard the Carpathia with the survivors, were questioned along those lines.

It was brought out by Cottam's testimony that definite news of the disaster was sent to the Baltic of the White Star Line at 10.30 o'clock on Monday morning. Both Cottam and Bride, the surviving assistant wireless operator of the Titanic, positively denied that they had sent any mes-Vessels of International Mercantile Marine Are sage that could be construed as meaning that the Titanic was not sunk and was being towed to Halifax.

MESSAGES WENT TO WHITE STAR LINE.

Cottam admitted there had been communication between the Carpathia and the White Star Line offices in New York during the period in which the Carpathia was steaming from the scene of the disaster to this

Government Wireless Caught His Message to Hold Outgoing Liner, and Investigators Came Here at Once From Washington.

ISMAY'S PLAN TO FLEE

WITH CREW ON CEDRIC

HURRIED SENATE PROBE

WHITE STAR LINE'S HEAD VIRTUALLY ADMITS ORDER

"We Have Need of Ismay," Says Senator Smith, "And He Will Remain to Answer Questions.

Wireless messages from J. Bruce Ismay to General Manager Frankin of the White Star line asking that the Cedric be stopped to take Ismay and the crew of the Titanic aboard, which were intercepted by a Government boat and sent to Washington, were the direct cause of the prompt arrival in New York of the Senate investigating committee which to-day resumed its inquiry into the disaster.

Senator William Alden Smith of Michigan, Chairman of the committee, said to-day:

"J. Bruce Ismay sent wireless messages to General Manager Franklin in which he urged that the outwardbound Cedric be stopped to take himself and the crew of the Titanic aboard and back to England. These messages were picked up by the wireless on a Government boat and Washington at once communicated with. That is why the Senate committee was so prompt in arriving in New York and why I was down on the pier when the Carpathia put in. "Not only was ismay eager to return to England on the Cedric, but he has been eager to get away on the Lapland since his arrival in New York. We have need of Ismay and he will remain here, for I have some more questions to ask him. The crew will also be held for a time, for many of them will be questioned."



White Star Officials Place Stokers in Relays Unable to

BOATS' CREWS REMAIN. TOLD TO KEEP SEORET.

FIRE IN TITANIC'S

Halt Blaze, Ready to Give

Up Sunday.

TITANIC'S SEAMEN

CLOSELY GUARDED

IN LAPLAND'S HOLD

Watch to Keep Interviewers

Away From Survivors.

alled from Pier No. 61 at 10 o'clock. know it, for they had fought the fire The sailors went as passengers in the steerage. Few of them wore uniforms.

the majority having been . furnished day by the survivors of the orew, who willars' clothing by the White Star Red Star liner Lapland, was only one of the many thrilling tales of the first Unusual efforts were made by the Red

that line officials to prevent the Titan-to's survivors from talking. The mo-ment the men were landed from the and last-voyage of the Titanic. "The Titanic salled from Bo ton on Wednesday, April 10, at not ment the men were landed trois the Carpathia, they were herded together and carried to a tug, which transferred them to the Lapland, where they were quartered until sailing time to-day. said J. Dilley, fireman on the Thanks, who lives at No. 21 Milton road, Newth 110 other members of th The Red Star line, owned by the Inrew to-day on the Lapland.

ternational Mercantile Marine, which also owns the White Star Jne, was eviwas assigned to the Titanio from the Oceanic, where I had served as dently acting nuder orders to prevent freman. From the day the men from being interviewed. Per-Titanic was on fire and my sole aission to enter the steerage was refused, the refusal being backed up by been to fight that fire. tationing a force of men about no headway against it

sangway to permit only steerage ticket A large number of the Titanio's sail-Do you think, sir, we'd have let them ors, however, refused to submit to the practical imprisonment and insisted on "The fire started coming ashore tils morning. Most of There were hundreds of tons of coal them were found in the waterfront eastored there. The coal on top of the loons drinking beer. They were willing

bunker was wet, as all th should to talk freely. have been, but down at the bottom of At 9.30 A. M. the Titanic's sailors were mustered in the steerage of the Lap-



Now Being Equipped So That Every Passenger and Sailor May Have Chance for Life.

J. Bruce Ismay, Chairman of the Directors of the International Mer-

ISMAY VIRTUALLY ADMITS IT.

Mr. Ismay virtually admitted sending the messages in question today. He was questioned about the matter before the session of the Senatorial Investigating Committee.

"The facts speak for themselves," he said. "The only reason I am anxious to get the survivors of the crew back to England as soon as Haddock of the Olympic to-day post-possible is because England is their home and they are anxious to get tively and emphatically denied that the home. It would be unwise to have them loafing around New York. It is for their own interest that I am anxious to get them back to their up by him, saying that the Virginian our tons and tons of water hadn't been families."

Mr. Ismay was questioned about a report that he told a Mrs. Ryerson, a passenger, on Sunday, when she spoke to him about the proximity of ice, that the Titanic would "go faster" to get past the ice. He made the Cape Race man is absolute injustice this comment : "Absurd."

NEW FRENCH LINER SAILS ON HER MAIDEN VOYAGE; TAKES SOUTHERN COURSE.

La France With Many Notables Aboard Will Avoid Ice Dangers

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of France, also sailed. J. Dal Pias, the general manager of the France, said to-day that orders had been given to the captain to take the southern course and to adopt every The disaster to the Titanic, except in very few cases, has not affected the

ver list of Le France.

150-FOOT HOLE TORN IN HULL OF TITANIC, DECLARES FIREMAN.

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and and the roll called. About 150 an-SPOKE OF EMPTYING COAL BUNKERS.

wered present. As the men answered their names they were told that sixteen men, who had been in command of the life boars, had been ordered to remain m America to appear before the Sena-torial investigating Committee. "The dry coal at the bottom of the plie took fire, sir, and smouldered for days. The wet coal on top kept the As they cauge from the vessel's hold, bringings with them their meagre be-longings, several of them were in tears. ames was a raging. One, who refused to give his name, broke away from the others and tried to re-onter the Lapland. "Two men from each watch of stokers

was tolled off, sir, to fight that fire. "I don't want to stay in America." The stokers, you know, sir, work four he wept. "I want to ge back to my hours at a time, so twelve of us was

He was led away from the ship weepof Southampton until we hit the damned ing. His fellows said he was one of the heroes of the wreak. iceberg.

"No, sir, we didn't get that fire out "TITANIC IN TOW" MESSAGE NEVER SENT gers off in New York, and then call on FROM THE OLYMPIC. fire-boats there to help us put ou the fire.

PLYMOUTH, England, April 20.-Capt. "But we didn't need such help. It was right under Bunker No. 6 that the wireless message which the operator at Titanic, and the flood of water leeberg tore the biggest hole in the the Cape Race station says was picked was towing the Titanic, was sent from able to get rid of.

his vessel. "The slokers were beginning to get "I never had any information to that alarmed over it, but the officers told us effect," said Capt. Haddock, "and the to keep our mouths shut-they didn't intimation that it was sent by me to want to alarm the passengers."

I do not know from whom he could TITANIC'S SEAMEN GET NOTHING AND PAY "The story that I sent it." Capt. Haddock added, "Is a flagrant invention. So soon as I heard of the disaster from STOPPED WITH WRECK.

the Carpathia I despatched the news by wireless to New York. That was on Except for furnishing clothing to An accurate idea of the damage dons to the Titanle by the actual impact with the lookerg was obtained to-day from William Sherry, first class fire-man, of No. 5 Brawhouse, Cork, one of crew who were picked up from the Ti- multi-millionaire sent his wife by his cablegrams to Europe for needy sur

cantile Marine, announced to-day that orders had been issued to equip all vessels of the lines embraced in that corporation with a sufficient number of equipment was already under way.

The lines affected by the order are the White Star, American, Red Star, in the bottom of the bunker, sir, the Atlantic Transportation, Leyland and Dominion. The order was prompted tanic operator, read: by the experience of the international Mercantile Marine in the foundering of the Titanic.

"We have learned by bitter experience," said Mr. Ismay, "although our ships have all been equipped with respect to life saving apparatus in full fighting flames from the day we put out compliance with the Admiralty Laws."

TITANIC'S STEERAGE.



Heroic End of Millionaire The New York Section, Council o Miner Told by Steward Who Jewish Women, a national organization, with headquarters at No. 448 Central Park West, announced to-day that Carried Message to Wife. it is prepared to furnish complete out-

fits of new clothing to all destitute Titanic steerage passengers. This organization usually confines its That Benjamin Guggenheim, who went down with the Titanic, died as bravely as the best, was definitely made known vivors no distinction will be made. to-day through a message the young The organization is also ready to send

of planting a tree one market placed .00,000 two-year-old clm trees on sale at one cent each. even-now six-brothers, world famous

TICKET OFFICE For all Coatains, Contral, South American and Bermuda Streambol Intes, Travellar's Chevic and In his statoroom just after the crash and one day and pick. The Worki Travel Burgan Armede, Philar (Worki) Suid Parks Streambol Intes, Tarvellar's Chevic I to the Tital In his statoroom just after the crash and print a special clinics deviced to the Tital and an order, Philar (Worki) Tarvel Burgan Armede, Philar (Worki) Suid Parks

port, but Senator Smith was unable to get from him the exact text of lifeboats to carry all passengers and every member of the crew. The orders any of these messages. The wireless men denied they played any part go into effect immediately and Mr. Ismay said the work of completing the whatsoever in keeping the dire news of the foundering of the Titanic secret during the long, anxious hours of Monday.

Cottam declared that his first message from Jack Phillips, the Ti-

"Come at once. It is a C. D. Q. old man."

Then Phillips sent the position of the Titanic. His last message, received by Cottam at 11.55, read:

"Come as quickly as possible. She's taking water and it's up to the boilers."

"I never heard from her after that," said Cottam. "Although several times I called the Titanic and sent Capt. Bostrom's reply to Phillips's last message, which read: "We are making your position speedily as possible. Have double watch in the engine room. We are making 15 to 16 knots an hour. Get your boats ready. We have ours ready." never got that message to the Titanic."

The horrors of the disaster grew very real before the committee when Harold S. Bride, the extra wireless operator of the Titanic, took the tand. Bride, a pale-faced, black-haired boy of eighteen, was carried into the room. Both of his feet, frozen in the terribe hours between the time he left the sinking Titanic and the time he feached the Carpathia,

were swathed in heavy bandages. His face was drawn with pain and bis big black eyes were red and sunken.

While Bride was testifying several newspaper photographers exploded flashlights. The report startled everyone in the room, and Bride's shaltered nerves almost gave way.

Yesterday's session lasted from forenoon until almost midnight. Its hief feature was the first official statement of the catastrophe-that of Second Officer Charles Lightoller, the senior officer surviving of the Titanic.

One of the things already brought out at the investigation is that at east 198 persons died needlessly on the Titanic because in six lifeboats that would have easily carried 390 persons only 192 persons were sent away. These boats were all that went on one side of the ship.

COMMITTEE AFTER DETAILS.

The committee began to-day to go into the details of the disaster from various angles. At yesterday's session J. Bruce Ismay told why he was en the Titanic and how he got off. Capt. Rostrom of the Carpathia told be he rescued the Titanic survivors, and Marconi, the wireless man, told the workings of the wireless system at sea.

Second Officer Lightoller told a long and clear story of the part played in the wreck at last night's session of the committee. He had a m markable experience in that he went down with the vessel, was to sucked under and twice blown to the surface by explosion in the hult of

have received that message."