

## MACKAY-BENNETT IN HALIFAX; CAPTAIN HAS THRILLING TALE

Says Bodies Floating in Sea  
Were Like Vast Flock  
of Gulls.

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before noon. Then the weather came on and in the afternoon we recovered only twenty-nine.

"We found no two bodies together. All floating separately. No two were clasped in each other's arms or anything like that. In one place we saw them scattered over the surface, looking like a flock of seagulls. They looked like gulls with the white ends of the life belts fluttering and flapping up and down with the rise and fall of the waves.

Many Injured.

"A great many of those recovered were injured when the Titanic went down. When the water swept her decks many must have been rushed before it and carried against stanchions, against spars, and other parts of the vessel. All of those we picked up wore life belts and they rode upright in the waves, the belts carrying them high above the water.

"All day Wednesday we were in thick fog, and it was blowing hard from the southwest. We saw nothing all day. About midnight the weather eased up and we shaped our course back for the bodies. At 5:30 o'clock Thursday morning we found one drifting near us. We let her drift until daylight and then commenced work. We picked up eighty-seven bodies that day. Thursday I got a message saying the Minia was coming out to assist us. She arrived about forty-five minutes after midnight Friday.

"At daylight the two ships started searching together. At noon I picked up fourteen more bodies and then started for Halifax, because we had as many on board as we could look after. We experienced bad weather all the way in.

Captain Larder outlined the method of caring for the bodies after they had been picked up.

"We had five men in each small boat," he said. "When they went to look for bodies they kept within sight of the bridge of the Mackay-Bennett, and we signaled them by wigwag. When they picked up four or five bodies, if the weather was heavy, we would bring them in. If the weather was calm they could handle seven or eight in a boat. The bodies were carried ashore and when they were searched, the contents of the pockets and their valuables were placed in bags, and a tag on them the same number as that on the body. In this way we made good identifications long after the bodies were taken aboard."

"We brought in the bags of all who were buried at sea, and some of those committed to the deep may yet be identified by the contents of these bags. We covered a square of sea about thirty miles long and thirty miles wide, about sixty miles northeast of the scene of the disaster. All of the bodies found were in the cold waters north of the gulf stream.

Three Burials.

"We had three burial services at sea. One Tuesday night, one Wednesday night, and one at noon on Thursday. The bodies were sent over the side three at a time.

"No bodies that we found contained any bullet wounds."

The captain then related the confusion in the identification of George D. Widener, of Philadelphia.

"We thought it was Widener, at first, because the body had letters addressed to Mrs. Widener, but the quality of the underclothing worn by the body was not such as would be worn by first class passengers yet it overrode the initials 'E. K.' The head was terribly crushed, and the body would not keep, so we buried it at sea. Mrs. Widener's son, after examining the envelope containing the possessions found on the body, said he was certain that the body was that of Edward Keating, his father's valet."

"I feel sure that all of the passengers picked up have already been identified, and that the unidentified were members of the ship's company. I feel sure that those buried at sea were practically all either seamen, stewards, or other employees of the White Star Company."

Forced to Wait.

Relatives who have waited patiently for the coming of the Mackay-Bennett, hoping that they would be able to claim the dead within a short time, are sorely disappointed this afternoon, when it was announced that many of the bodies would not be in a condition for examination until late tomorrow.

Many of the recovered forms were in such a terrible condition that three or four hours were required to embalm each of them. It was announced that no relatives would be permitted inside the morgue until late today, when a few of the bodies would be ready for the work of identification by relatives or their representatives.

Hundreds of curious people thronged the streets leading from the navy yard to the morgue, and many were attracted by the constant procession of hearses as they dashed to and from the pier. A few weeping relatives begged pitifully for an opportunity for one glance at the recovered forms, but the coroner urged them to return to their hotels until the bodies had been embalmed and dressed for burial.

Undertakers in charge insisted that if they were given plenty of time all of the bodies would be easily recognized.

Given Clear Track.

The Mackay-Bennett was given a clear track up the center of the bay. About the government dock, where she was to be berthed, a hundred blue-clad sailors, with mourning bands on their round caps and on the sleeves of their blouses, leaped into boats and rowed out to keep all craft away from the great naval dock where the vessel was to be tied up.

At the same time a detachment of British bluejackets from the cruiser Niobe marched on the pier and cleared it of every one not holding an official pass. They carried side arms and they were instructed to keep every one away.

They then placed an awning entirely about the portion of the dock assigned to the Mackay-Bennett and prepared the covered gang plank which was run out as soon as the death ship was berthed.

who were to care for the bodies. As the Mackay-Bennett came into sight down the harbor the undertakers, embalmers and ambulance helpers put on long brown coats and began to arrange the coffins, opening them and laying them out in great long rows.

Among the undertakers was a Miss O'Neill, of St. John's, brought over to Halifax to care for any bodies of women that might be aboard the Mackay-Bennett. She was the only woman on this dock just before the Mackay-Bennett hove in sight. The mourners after their long vigil did not hurry to the dock when the whispered word went through the city, "She's coming."

Warned by the White Star and government officials that a visit to the dock would be useless, they planned to go to the Mayflower curling rink, where the bodies were to be taken immediately upon being unloaded.

A squad of naval Red Cross men mixed a dozen buckets of thick, evil-smelling disinfectant, and with it sprinkled the entire dock, the covered gangplank and the pile of coffins. The atmosphere of a morgue pervaded the pier.

Undertakers Impatient.

As the time for the vessel to approach the dock came nearer the little group of undertakers grew impatient. The nervous tension rose to a high pitch, and more than 100 loud, lusty groans, incidents occurred. One gray-haired middle-aged undertaker with his accented duster, joined two of his friends in "jumping rope." Two turned a piece of rope while the gray-haired man skipped nimbly. The group laughed nervously at his antics.

Almost a roar of laughter went up as a little Red Cross man in a navy uniform sprinkling disinfectant with a squirt-gun accidentally turned the stream on himself, deluging his head and shoulders with the fluid.

The undertakers strolled nervously about testing coffins and rough boxes after time and conversing in low tones.

At 3:30 the Mackay-Bennett, conveyed by a tug hove in sight just about half a mile from the dock yard. Commander Martin of the yard immediately hurried to the pier and took active charge. The captain of the dock was dropped.

A dozen black draped hearses drove into the dock yard, and lined up behind a coal shed to await their load of death.

The steamer berthed at the naval pier at 4:30, and the work of unloading the bodies was at once started.

As she swung in she looked her part of morgue ship. She was seaworn and weatherbeaten after her long cruise, and piled high on her after deck were rows upon rows of darkened, dirty white pine boxes. Along her sides, given passes, ships were scores of loosely tied bundles of every imaginable color, evidently the clothing taken from the bodies picked up.

Bundles Marked.

Each bundle was marked with a large square of burlap, on which was printed a number. On board were representatives of the White Star line, who had boarded the vessel at the entrance to the harbor. They warned everyone on the dock against attempting to board the vessel and proceeded with the arrangements for taking off the bodies.

At that time only two mourners were on the dock. They were the maid of Mrs. William Augustus Spencer, Eliza Lettice, and J. A. Kenyon, of Connecticut, searching for his brother, Mrs. Spencer's husband was lost on the Titanic.

Outside the gate of the dockyard a group of mourners had been held up because they had not been given passes. They had passed to the morgue, but the dockyard authorities refused to honor them.

Besides these there were but few about the place. There was no crowd of idle curiosity seekers claiming for a glimpse of the gruesome freight. Half-wagons went on quietly about its business, passing with averted faces the death-faces that hurried through the streets.

Within ten minutes after the Mackay-Bennett docked, bodies were leaving the ship at the rate of one a minute. The unidentified bodies were taken off first.

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## Wireless Used for Surgical Operation

NEW ORLEANS, April 29.—Wireless telegraphy has been successfully used, for the first time, it is thought, to perform a surgical operation.

On Swan Island, in the Gulf of Mexico, is a wireless station, one of the link in the United Fruit chain to the tropics. When a laborer hurt his foot in a tramcar accident, the wireless operator concluded an operation was imperative and no one at the station ever had hacked at a fellow being.

Then the operator had an "inspiration." He called a fellow craftsman on a ship passing 40 miles below into the Caribbean Sea. The situation was explained to the ship's surgeon, and detail by detail he instructed just how the amputation should be handled. After the arteries had been tied and the wound dressed the patient recovered his strength and told the operator he wanted to express his thanks. At last accounts he was getting well.

## Amateur Minstrels Give Fine Performance

The "Law Dockstader's Junior Minstrels," composed mostly of young members of the Washington Hebrew Congregation, played a good crowd at the Eighth street temple last night. A fair-sized sum was realized for the charity fund of the organization. Following the minstrel performance a dance was given.

Among those taking part in the show were: M. Gudorf, Percy Schwartz, M. Schlossberg, H. Goldsmith, W. Rappaport, M. Abrahams, D. Davis, P. L. Schwartz, Charles Lulley, E. Lewis, L. Feizman, W. Roberts, L. Weinberg, J. Scher, R. Schmidt, P. Stein and H. Hirsch. L. J. Hurdle acted as director and Charles Lulley, Interlocutor.

## From the NATIONAL Roosevelt Committee, Washington, D. C.

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It is the wish of the National Roosevelt Committee that the general public take the opportunity to support this movement by small popular subscriptions to the fund as well as by the expression of their individual preference at the primaries and polls and in such other ways as opportunity may offer. It is of like importance that the laboring man and the man of means have the opportunity to contribute in this way to place Theodore Roosevelt where the rank and file of the people may look to him to conserve their interests as he has been careful to do in the past years of his leadership, just as he has proved a wise and farsighted conservator of the best interests of invested capital.

He is essentially a man of the people and understands their reasonable needs, as has no other leader of modern times. It is, therefore, appropriate that the people, as a whole, should be the source of funds to defray the necessary expense of publicity attendant upon a campaign for his nomination.

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## MEDALS FOR BOYS WHO SAVED MATES ARE ON EXHIBITION

Emblems to Be Given Anacostia Youths Placed on View.

The gold medals that are to be presented to W. Arthur Lusby and W. Marcellus Halderston, Anacostia boys, for bravery in rescuing four youngsters from drowning in the Anacostia river in January last, are today on exhibition in the show window of George B. Bury & Sons, at Nichols avenue and W street, Anacostia. They will remain there until the date of presentation, May 25, when in the Anacostia Mission hall, there will be an entertainment by the pupils of the Van Buren Public School, at which it is planned to bestow the medals on the boys.

Albert E. Beck, secretary of the Anacostia Citizens' Association, who was the treasurer of the popular subscription fund through which the medals were purchased, is in correspondence with a member of Congress, who will be asked to present the medals.

The large emblems in which the medals are displayed have been appropriately dressed by Mr. Bury for the exhibition, with electric lights and a number of photographs of the medals made by The Washington Times form an exhibit that has been looked at in admiration by the youngsters of the town, as well as their elders.

A general invitation has been issued to the people of Anacostia to attend the presentation ceremonies.

## Col. Scantling, Retired, Slowly Recovering

After a serious illness of ten days at his home, 167 R street northwest, Colonel J. C. Scantling, U. S. A., retired, the officer first put in command of Morro Castle, Havana, on the evacuation of that stronghold by the Spanish in the Spanish war, is slowly recovering, and today was pronounced out of danger.

Colonel Scantling was seized by an attack of acute indigestion, which later developed alarming complications. He is seventy-seven years old, and a veteran of both the civil war and the Spanish war, when he served with distinction.

## Michigan Second In Salt Production

Michigan is the second salt producing State in importance in the Union, being surpassed only by New York. The output of salt in the State in 1910, according to the United States Geological Survey, was 9,452,022 barrels, or 1,323,281 tons, valued at \$2,311,362. Our total salt production in 1910 was 20,266,644 barrels, against only 959,306 barrels imported, valued at \$20,922. At the same time we exported salt to the value of \$23,926.

The indications are that the salt production for 1911 will show an increase over the figures for the preceding year.

## VISIT FROM STORK ENDS PROSECUTION

Man Who Threatened Wife Was  
Laboring Under Nervous Strain.

With a baby boy in the house today Elmer V. Thompson, who was charged with threatening the life of his wife yesterday, calls himself one of the happiest men in Washington. The arrival of the young son put an end to a nervous condition that made Thompson fairly insane while Mrs. Thompson was suffering yesterday, police and court officers believe.

The charge of threats against Thompson were dismissed by Assistant United States Attorney Ralph Given in United States branch of Police Court today.

Dr. R. T. J. Barber, who was called to attend Mrs. Thompson yesterday, says that Thompson came home and threatened his wife's life and sought to drive away Dr. Barber and the nurse.

Hurrying to Police Court Dr. Barber secured a warrant charging Thompson with threats and Fredrick Detective E. O. Kleindinst hurried back to the house, 616 Seventh street southwest, with the physician. Detective Kleindinst says that Thompson said he would take a butcher knife and ease his wife's suffering, and that he would shoot any policeman who tried to come into the house.

Bringing open the door Detective Kleindinst found the man pacing back and forth in the room, he says, armed from a gatling gun shell.

Thompson, who is a street car conductor, bears an excellent reputation and is kind to his wife his friends say.

After learning of the man's changed condition today and hearing the other facts in the case the Assistant United States Attorney decided not to prosecute.

## Spanish-American Society to Organize

Preliminary steps for an organization to be known as the Spanish-American Literary Society, will be taken tonight at a meeting in the offices of the Spanish-American Publication Society, in the McChesney building, Tenth and G streets northwest, at 8 o'clock.

The objects of the society will be to promote the study of Spanish and Spanish-American literature, and to bring about a closer union among the Spanish American countries. The meeting will be called to order by the Rev. Charles Warren Currier, of the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions. At the meeting it is expected that Francisco J. Yanes, assistant director of the Pan-American Union, and Senator Gen. Pedro Nel Ospina, former minister from Colombia, will be present.

## Boat on the Rock.

LEWES, Del., April 30.—The schooner James Duffield, of Hartford, Conn., bound from Portland, Me., to Philadelphia, with a cargo of stone, is reported going to pieces on the point of Cape Henlopen. Her crew of five men were rescued today by the Cape Henlopen life-savers.

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## CHRISTIAN UNITY IS KEYNOTE OF ADDRESS TO CATHOLIC WOMEN

Father Doyle Chief Speaker  
at National Circle  
Banquet.

Representative Catholic women of America and many prominent members of the clergy gathered at the Shoreham Hotel last night for the fifth annual banquet of the National Catholic Women's Circle. More than 200 persons were present at the affair. Mr. T. J. Shanahan, of the Catholic University; Mr. William T. Russell, of St. Patrick's Church; the Rev. A. P. Doyle, rector of the Apostolic Mission House; the Rev. Dr. Charles Warren Currier, the Rev. Dr. John M. Cooper, and twelve members of the woman's circle made addresses.

The Rev. Father Doyle's address on the unity of Christian beliefs attracted much attention. He urged the conciliation of Christian forces.

Mrs. Raphael Lee Shanafelt acted as toastmistress, and Mrs. James J. Cooper, as presiding hostess.

## Birth Anniversary Of Colonel Heistand

Col. Henry O. S. Heistand, one of the best known men in the United States Army, who is stationed as an assistant to the Quartermaster General at the War Department, is celebrating his birthday anniversary today. Colonel Heistand was born on a farm near Richmond, Ohio, in 1856, and was graduated from West Point in 1878. The Princess Juliana, heir to the throne of the Netherlands, is three years old today. William H. Crane, one of the best known of American actors is also celebrating his birthday today. Mr. Crane is sixty-seven years old.

William Wainwright, senior vice president of the Grand Trunk, and second vice president of the Grand Trunk Pacific railroad, is seventy-two years old today. Lord Avebury, one of the greatest living authorities on finance, is seventy-eight years old today.

## Vedrines Improves.

PARIS, April 30.—Pierre Jules Vedrines, the famous aviator who was badly injured near Epernay, while flying from Douai to Madrid for the Pomery Cup, was reported to be slightly improved at the hospital today. Mrs. Vedrines, wife the bird-man, who hastened to the bedside of her husband, was so overcome that she could not face his suffering, and had to leave the hospital.



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