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EIGHT SAILORS BELIEVED DROWNED
IN CRASH OFF PARTRIDGE ISLAND

Former President Wilson Is Near Death

PHYSICIANS
SAY ILLNESS
IS SERIOUS

Weakened by Four Years
of Suffering, Disease
is Gaining.

CONDITION ALARMS

Restless Night is Followed
by Much Loss of
Strength.

(By Canadian Press.)

Washington, Feb. 1.—Wood-
row Wilson's illness has taken a
sudden turn for the worse and his
condition is regarded by his
physicians as very serious.

Already weakened by more
than four years of suffering, he
has sustained during the last
few days a digestive disorder,
at first regarded as more or less
harmless, but now threatening
to prove too much for him to
master.

Yesterday his condition showed
some improvement, and when
he retired for the night it was
hoped he might be on the road
to recovery. He slept little,
however, and his physician, Rear
Admiral Grayson, found toward
morning alarming indications of
a relapse.

Not Unexpected
The present complication, although
a surprise to those who have been
accustomed to see Mr. Wilson taking
his daily automobile ride through the city,
or his weekly trip to the theatre, was
not wholly unexpected to his physi-
cians.

Outwardly the former President had
appeared to be in large part his old
self, except for a deepening of the
lines of his face and the lingering af-
fection to his left leg, which prevented
him from walking except with evident
difficulty. He has gained in weight and
at a distance has the appearance of
having taken on a new robustness
during his long months of semi-
conclusion.

During the past weeks he has taken
an increasing part in public affairs
again. He has been very active in his
exchange of letters with old friends
and admirers over the country, and
many of his letters have been of
a nature of current political interest
and have been published.

Address by Radio

On Armistice eve he delivered his
first address by radio from his S
street home, and it was such a mil-
litant utterance on foreign affairs that
the whole country realized his illness
had not modified the intensity of his
old fighting spirit, whatever it may
have done to his physical alertness.
"Mr. Wilson had a restless night,"
said a bulletin issued by Dr. Grayson,
"and has lost strength. During the
night he took a sudden turn decidedly
for the worse."
"I regard his condition as very serious."

Dr. Grayson has attended Mr. Wilson
during and since the grave illness
which overcame him on his western
speaking tour in 1919.

"The attack is a recurrence of a
digestive trouble from time to time
during a number of years."
Dr. Grayson was in the Wilson
home attending the former president
throughout the night. He discovered
the seriousness of the situation on
going to the bedside to make one of his
periodical examinations.

May Die Today

Vance McCormick, former chairman
of the Democratic National Committee,
indicated that little hope remained to
Mr. Wilson's friends as he left the ex-
president's home after a brief stay to-
day.

"He may die today," Mr. McCorm-
ick said, "or he may linger over to-
morrow. Of course, where there is life
at all there is always some hope."

Seriously Ill



WOODROW WILSON

STEAMER BATTERED
BY ICE; GROUNDS

Twenty-Three People are Taken
Ashore; Three Lives Re-
ported.

Smithland, Ky., Feb. 1.—Twenty-
three persons, passengers and members
of the crew of the steamer Tom C.
Powell were taken off the top deck of
the vessel, which settled on a sand bar
in the Ohio River near here last night.
The Powell sank when her hull was
battered in by ice floes. Settling on a
cottonwood bar, in about twenty-five
feet of water, her top deck kept clear
and furnished refuge for those on board.
Eleven persons escaped early in the
yawl.

Paducah, Ky., Feb. 1.—Survivors of
the wreck of the river steamer Tom C.
Powell reported that three deck-
hands lost their lives.

ESKIMOS DIE TODAY

To Be Hung in Arctic—Long
Before the News
Comes Out.

Edmonton, Feb. 1.—(Canadian Press)
Today, two Eskimos, Alkomak and
Talamana, will go to the gallows at
Herschel Island, in the Arctic Ocean,
for the murder of Corporal
Doak, Royal Canadian Mounted
Police. Otto Binder of the Hudson's
Bay Company, and of native com-
patriots.

When the official news of the execu-
tion will reach the "outside" is purely
a matter of conjecture, but an immedi-
ate start for civilization will be made
by Sgt. Thorne, who, on reaching
Fort Yukon, Alaska, will have his
message dispatched from that point by
the wireless station maintained by the
U. S. Army.

OPPOSE NAVY CUT

London Press is Against Reduc-
tion of 5,000,000 Pounds in
Estimates.

London, Feb. 1.—Something like a
"hands off the navy" campaign is run-
ning in the newspapers in consequence
of reports that Philip Snowden, chair-
man of the exchequer, contemplates
a reduction of £5,000,000 in the budget
estimate of £28,000,000 submitted for
his department by Lieutenant Colonel
Amery, first lord of the admiralty under
Stanley Baldwin.

It has already been noted that Mr.
Snowden's budget to a great extent
must be identical to that prepared by
the recent government, but it is unques-
tionably true that efforts are being
made to reduce some of the items there-
in. Whether these attempts will go
beyond the treasury's usual custom of
combining out the departmental esti-
mates is still uncertain.

An outcry against tampering with
the efficiency of the navy is easily
raised here, and the Conservative news-
papers are not missing an opportunity
to make John Bull's half stand on end
by picturing the new ministers as
economizing at the expense of his tra-
ditional bulwark. As far as can be
ascertained, however, the cut in the
naval estimates, if any is contemplated,
is not likely to be very drastic.

HE RIVALS BRODIE

Rubinsky Leaps From New York
Bridge—Survives Though He
Meant Death.

New York, Feb. 1.—A suicidal leap
of 135 feet from Queensboro bridge
into the East River was said to have
been made by Peter Rubinsky, the dis-
tinction of being the only man to sur-
vive the feat. He was fished out un-
conscious. Doctors said he would re-
cover.

Magnus Starts Row
In Press Gallery

Washington, Feb. 1.—Magnus
Johnson, Farmer-Labor senator,
from Minnesota, invaded the senate
press gallery to make a personal,
but verbal attack on a correspond-
ent of a Minnesota newspaper.

Shaking his fist in the correspon-
dent's face, Senator Johnson used
strong adjectives in taking excep-
tion to an article written by the
correspondent concerning a measure
before the senate agriculture com-
mittee. Half a hundred correspond-
ents gathered around and there were
cries of "throw him out," before the
senator was escorted from the gal-
ery by the superintendent.

3 GO TO BRITISH
TRAINING SCHOOLS

Nova Scotia Officers Are Ap-
pointed to Take Special Navy
Courses.

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—(Canadian Press)
—Three officers of the Royal Canadian
Navy have been appointed to British
training schools for special courses.
Lt. C. R. H. Taylor of Yarmouth,
N. S., will specialize in gunnery at the
Chatham (England) Gunner School.
Lt. H. T. W. Grant of Halifax will
specialize in navigation at the Ports-
mouth (England) School of Naviga-
tion, and Surgeon Lieut. Commander
G. A. L. Irwin of Westville, N. S.,
will proceed overseas to report at the
Admiralty for appointment.

Wire Briefs

Doorn, Feb. 1.—Former Emperor
William of Germany is slightly
ill, but his condition is causing
no alarm.

London, Jan. 31.—Venizelos will
retain the premiership for the
time being, says a Reuter de-
spatch from Athens, although he
will not attend the assembly.

North Bay, Ont., Feb. 1.—More
than 6,000 mining claims involv-
ing 240,000 acres of land were
staked by mining men and pros-
pectors in Northern Ontario in
1923.

Farnham, Que., Feb. 1.—Mayor
Demers was re-elected by acclama-
tion as the town's chief magis-
trate. There will be contests to-
morrow for the four vacant seats
on the council.

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 1.—People
are listening in on the radio and
deserting the libraries, Earl W.
Browning, librarian, told the local
library board at the annual meet-
ing yesterday.

Moscow, Feb. 1.—Death sen-
tences carried out in Russia in
1923 numbered 686, as compared
with 819 in the previous year,
according to the annual report of
the Supreme Court.

Halifax, Feb. 1.—The Canadian
Pacific Line Empress of Canada,
which began a round-the-world
tour on January 4, when she sailed
from Vancouver, arrived in port
at 8 a. m. today and sailed again
at 1 p. m. for Madeira.

London, Feb. 1.—The British
Cabinet at its meeting today, it
was understood, would make de-
cisions upon various questions
which have been discussed in
committee during the last few
days, including that of recognis-
ing Russia.

Sherbrooke, Que., Feb. 1.—The
retail price of gasoline took a jump
of two cents a gallon here today,
following the action of the large
wholesalers in Toronto, who
raised the price of the Imperial
gallon two cents today. The
price today is quoted at 37 cents
a gallon.

Granby, Que., Feb. 1.—In the
elections in Granby Messrs. A. C.
Smith, for the east ward, and A.
C. Smith, for the centre ward, were
elected to the council by acclama-
tion, while in the contest in the
west ward Auguste Gravel de-
feated retiring Councillor J. B.
Langlois.

Halifax, Feb. 1.—Mrs. (Captain)
Leon Curry, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. John McKean, died here to-
day. She was predeceased by her
husband who was a son of Senator
and Mrs. Curry, formerly of An-
necook, N. S., now of Montreal, and
was killed in action during the
war.

CANADIANS
WIN; FINAL
ON SATURDAY

Granites Team Defeats Great
Britain by Score of
19 to 2.

WILL PLAY U. S.

Final Game for the World's
Championship Scheduled
for Sunday.

Chamonix, Feb. 1.—The Canadian
hockey team won its way into the
final of the Olympic competition to-
day by defeating Great Britain 19
to 2.

In the final the Canadians will play
the winners of today's game between
the U. S. and Sweden.

The U. S. hockey team was leading
Sweden by 5 to 0 at the end of the
first period in the semi-final match.
The United States team won the game
by a score of 20 to 0.

The Canadian and the United
States will play off Sunday morning
for the final game and the world's
hockey championship.

Finland yesterday again took
the lead in the nip and tuck battle with
Norway for first place among the na-
tions competing in the Olympic win-
ter sports, by winning second place
in the doubles figure skating competi-
tion.

Is Semi-Finals

In the first match of the semi-finals
the score at the end of the first period
was Canada 6 Great Britain 2. The
score at the end of the second period
was Canada 12 Great Britain 2.

Chamonix, Feb. 1.—The results of
the games in the upper half of the
draw in the hockey division of the
winter sports are as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Country, Won, Lost

Steamer Coronado
Reported Refloated

Kingsport, Va., Feb. 1.—The Elders
and Eyles steamer Coronado, which
went ashore on a reef near Morant
Point on the east end of Jamaica
Monday evening, was refloated early
today and was escorted to Kingsport
by the salvage steamer Willett.

The 40 passengers of the Coronado
were transferred to the S. S. Patuca
of the same line, and her cargo of
75,000 stems of bananas jettisoned.

Ford Supporters
Nominate Pointer

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 1.—Former ad-
vocates of Henry Ford, Detroit
manufacturer, as an independent candidate
for president, have perfected a per-
manent organization of the People's
Progressive Party and nominated R.
B. Pointer, of Dearborn, Mich., for
the presidency.

New York Man and
Wife Die in Fire

New York, Feb. 1.—Theodore Baury,
manager of a fashionable cabaret in
East Fifth street, and his wife,
Louise, died last night, overcome by
smoke fumes as they were attempting
to escape from a fire in their apart-
ment above the cabaret.

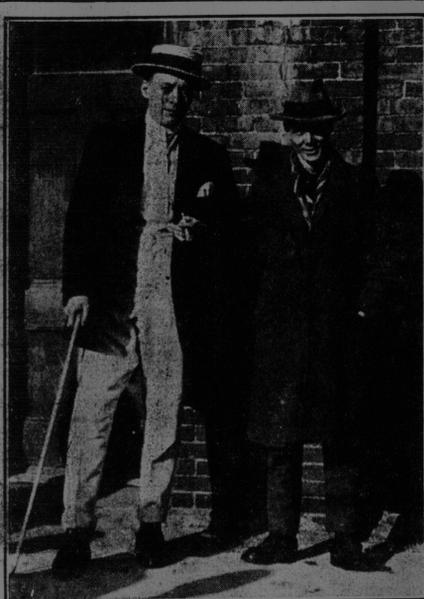
Turner Is Chosen
Opposition Leader

Regina, Sask., Feb. 1.—Harris
Turner, M. L. A. for Saskatchewan,
was unanimously elected House leader of
the opposition in the Saskatchewan
Assembly in place of Hon. J. A.
Maharg, who has resigned, at a meet-
ing of opposition members yesterday.

Ship Hits Barges;
Two Men Missing

New York, Feb. 1.—The Southern
Pacific freighter El Estero, bound for
New Orleans, yesterday crashed into
a string of barges off the Statue of
Liberty and sank two of them.
Two men from the barges are miss-
ing. The freighter was undamaged.

How's This For Winter Walk Here?



Well, here they are again, that pair of freak betters on sport events—
George Parker, Fairville barber, and Frank Whiting, also of Fairville.
Remember, Whiting lost a bet last summer and had to roll a peanut along
Douglas avenue?
Now the other has had his chance. Parker lost a bet on Gorman's
showing at the Olympics and paid it by a street parade yesterday in a
Palm Beach suit and "fixers," including cane and monocle. Here they
are, snapped for the Times as Mr. Parker prepared to start his journey to
the Union Depot to pay his bet.

Mother Walks Thousand Miles
To Be at Bedside of Her Son

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 1.—Mrs. Mary Hansen watches at the bedside of her
son Joseph here today, after walking more than 1,000 miles from Sioux
Falls, S. D., to take care of him.

Three weeks ago Mrs. Hansen received word that her son was ill
"somewhere in Detroit." She started out on foot to come to this city and,
with the aid of motorists along the way, arrived late on Tuesday. Mrs.
Hansen's eldest son was a lieutenant in the World War and was killed in
the Argonne Forest. American Legion posts and auxiliaries for this reason,
she said, helped her along the way.

This is the second trip Mrs. Hansen has made on foot for Joseph. Some
time ago she walked from Montana to Washington, D. C., to appeal to the
late President Harding in behalf of the young man when he was a pris-
oner at the Leavenworth, Kan., Federal prison. She says she was a former
resident of Marion, Ohio, and knew the late President when he was learn-
ing the printing trade.
"Walking wasn't so bad," she said today, commenting on her trip here.
"I met lots of nice girls hiking, and wherever I went American Legion
auxiliaries helped. Welfare boards are all right, but, after all, you have to
do things for yourself in this world."

MISS GREEN DENIES

No Engagement With Danish
Prince—Latter's Brother to
Wed in Ottawa.

New York, Feb. 1.—Dr. James O.
Green and his daughter, Eleanor, yes-
terday announced that no engagement
existed between Miss Green and Prince
Viggo of Denmark. The engagement
was announced in court circles in
Copenhagen last month and later de-
fied by Dr. Green. The Prince arrived
here yesterday on the Majestic en
route to Ottawa to attend the wedding
of his brother, Prince Eric, to Miss
Lois Booth.

FLY OVER CANADA

Aviators Sail for London to Ar-
range for Round the World
Flight.

Buenos Aires, Feb. 1.—Major Pedro
Lanni and Ensign Nelson T. Page,
the Argentine aviators who are to at-
tempt an airplane flight around the
world next summer, sailed for London
yesterday by Andes to begin their
preparations. On their arrival in Lon-
don they will obtain a plane and
equipment for the round-the-world
flight on which they plan to start,
probably in June, from Rome, Italy.
It is their purpose to fly eastward by
way of Japan and thence to Canada.

Weather Report

Toronto, Feb. 1.—Pressure is
high over the Rocky Mountain
states and New England and re-
latively low elsewhere. The weather
is moderately cold from the
Ottawa Valley eastward and mild
in the west.

Forecasts:—
Cloudy; warmer.

Maritime:—Moderate northwest
and west winds; fair. Saturday
moderate winds; mostly cloudy
with somewhat higher temperature.
Gulf and North Shore—North-
west winds; partly cloudy and
moderately cold today and Satur-
day.

New England:—Cloudy and
slightly warmer tonight. Satur-
day fair; moderate variable winds,
becoming fresh northwest.

Table with 3 columns: Station, 8 a.m. Yesterday, Highest during

STEAMER PERENE RAMS
SCHOONER WHICH SINKS;
2 SEAMEN ARE RESCUED

"Maid of Scotland" is Victim of Collision at
Early Hour This Morning—Chief Officer and
Three Members of Crew Who go to Rescue
Sailors on Schooner Are Believed to Have
Perished—"For God Sake Save Us," Is Last
Heard of Men.

What may prove to be one of the most appalling disas-
ters in the history of this port occurred between 3 and 4
o'clock this morning when the three-masted schooner
"Maid of Scotland" was sunk as a result of a collision with
the Peruvian steamer Perene, and four members of her
crew, it is feared, were drowned.

The chief officer and three members of the crew of the
steamer who took to a small boat and went to the rescue
of the unfortunate men also disappeared, and a fear is ex-
pressed that all eight are lost.

ABREAST OF FAIRWAY BUOY

The schooner was abreast of the Fairway buoy, which
is three miles off Partridge Island, and the crew were mus-
tered on the deck preparatory to bringing her to anchor,
when the Perene bore down on them and crashed through
her mizzen rigging. She sank a few minutes later.

It was dark at the time, but the weather was clear and
the water was comparatively calm, with a fair breeze blow-
ing. When the collision occurred two of the able-bodied
seamen of the schooner climbed up the rigging and suc-
ceeded in catching hold of the steamer, but Capt. Haughn,
Mate Robert Smith, the cook, a young Canadian, and an-
other seaman, were left to their fate.

HEARD CALLING FOR HELP

As the Perene backed away from her helpless victim, the cap-
tain and other unfortunate men left on her deck were heard calling
for help, and a few minutes later, while a small boat was being
lowered to go to their assistance, the schooner went down, and
then a piercing cry, "For God's sake save us," rent the air.

The small boat in command of the chief officer was quickly
launched and rowed with all speed in the direction of the cries,
but what occurred after that may never be known. The boat did
not return to the steamer and no sound was heard to indicate
that another catastrophe had occurred. When the dawn came the
steamer began a search for the missing members of her crew, but
there was not a sign of the boat. It was clear and ordinarily the
officer should not have, it is said, experienced any difficulty re-
turning to the steamer.

Search for the missing boat was continued and in addition when news
of the accident was learned in the port the tug Neptune was quickly
patched to the scene, as well as the pilot boat. All three kept up a contin-
uous search and up to 1 o'clock this afternoon had not succeeded in
finding any trace of it.

Just what happened to the small boat is a matter of speculation, some
express a fear that she was caught in the suction as the vessel sank, while
others fear she may have been capsized as the frenzied men tried to crawl
in from the lee waters.

The Perene was still cruising off the Island after noon and it was
reported that she would return to port before proceeding to sea.

The Perene was built in 1905 in Kiel and was commanded by E.
White. She was bound for Havana with a full cargo of potatoes and left
her dock at Sand Point shortly after 3 o'clock. She was taken out past the
Island by Pilot McKelvie, who left her and returned to port.

Captain Haughn in Command
The "Maid of Scotland" was a three masted schooner, owned by F.
K. Warren of Halifax. She was 371 tons registered. Captain Haughn was
in command, but it is not known at this port what his surname is, al-
though it was thought that he was Captain Wallace Haughn of Lunenburg,
N. S. As the ship cleared from New York it is not known who made
up her crew.

The Perene has no wireless on board and as a result it was impos-
sible to get in touch with her. David W. Ledingham, manager of the local
branch of the Furness Withy Company, boarded the tug Neptune at 12
o'clock and proceeded into the Bay where he planned on getting in touch
with the captain of the Perene.

The appalling disaster was one of the chief topics of conversation
throughout the city and recalled to mind the fate of the yacht Primrose,
which sank outside the Island several years ago.

Two Colored Men Saved.

The two men who were saved were Edward Todd, colored, aged 21
years, and Nathaniel Miskick, colored, aged 28 years, both natives of Turks
Island.

The story they narrated to the Times was as follows: "We were just
making the Fairway buoy about three miles off Partridge Island and were
standing by after having lowered our sails waiting to drop anchor when the
steamer loomed up in front of us. The captain seized a lantern, and rushing
forward began hollering at the top of his voice and at the same time waving
his lantern. In a very short time the bow of the steamer stuck us aff tearing
through the mizzen rigging and we immediately began to settle. All hands
with an exception of the cook, who was asleep in his bunk close to where
the steamer stove us in, were on deck."
Edward Todd said he joined the schooner in New York and then told how
he saved his life. He said he was in the bow of the schooner when the col-
lision occurred and as the vessel swung together he leaped up into the rig-
ging and scrambled on board the steamer.

Was Steering at Time.

Miskick, who also joined the steamer in New York, said he was steering
at the time. He saw the steamer running down and quickly threw the
helm over in an effort to clear her. He partly succeeded, but had not suffi-
cient time to swing her with the light head they had on and as a result the
heavy steel liner crashed into them near the mizzen rigging. He said he
made a rush for the rigging and scrambling up grabbed hold of the anchor
on the line. Realizing that he could not reach the deck he flung himself into
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