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DISASTERS AT SEA

At Penzance, Cornwall, the Liberian cargo-ship "Liberty" blows after three explosions. With 400 tons of coal in her bunkers, the ship looks doomed as firemen from Penzance, Falmouth and St. Just arrive to take a hand. Small portable pumps are run onboard. When the "Liberty" ran aground in a gale, Pathé showed dramatic exclusive rescue pictures. Salvage operations were in hand when the fire broke out, and one theory is that an oxygen cylinder exploded. As our pictures were being taken rescuers were in process of saving the ship's cat.

In the Atlantic off Cape Cod, the stern section of the tanker "Pendleton," (broken away from the bow in a furious storm) rolls helplessly. Thirty-two men were rescued, one was drowned. Nine stayed onboard.

Fifteen miles away our Coast Guard planes skim over the bow section wrecked on a shoal. There were eight men on this part when the stern ripped the "Pendleton" apart ... now all eight are believed to be dead.