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AIRSHIP DISASTER.

"MACON" WRECK.

Picture. :-

The wreck of the world's --

- -- largest air-ship 'Macon'. The American--
- -- press headline which crowds--
- --even Hauptmann's fate off the front--
- -- page. The career of the--
- -- American Navy's queen of the--
- --air has ended with a crown of disaster.

This amazing shy-giant--

- -- has been lost while returning from manoeuvres. Messages from ---
- -- Commander Wiley and --
- -- Lieutenant-Commander Jessie Kenworthy--
- -- have told the tale in cold official --
- --language. Even the nest of aeroplanes she carried sould not dave her. Radio messages --
- --read "ship is falling! We will abandon ship on landing" -- and later -- "the stern--
- -- is crumbling - ship abandoned.

All hands have taken to the rubber-boats". So the queen of the skies crashed--

- -- from her throne, as did her dister-ship--
- -- the ill-fated Akron.

Two of the 'Macon's' crew--

-- are missing. The rest are safe.