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LAST OF THE WINDJAMMERS:

The Pamir, one of the last of the great windjammers - is no more. For more than half a century, this gracious lady has been sailing the world's oceans - not as a mere museum-piece for tourists' cameras, but as a working vessel, earning her living - first as a merchant man, then as a training ship for German cadets.

All the world loved the Pamir; she recalled the days when seafaring held more beauty than today, and perhaps more excitement. All the world was horrified at the news of her loss in an Atlantic hurricane. Fifty-two of these lads, plus a crew of 35, were aboard her when she sailed from Hamburg on the last trip of her long life. Eighty-seven hands - and most of them will not come back.

And while rejoicing that some at least of her company have survived, all the world mourns a great ship and the men and boys who went down with her.