

Then and now: South Shore in the 1920s

Cherie Boulton, a *Lake Tahoe News* reader, is sharing her aunt's family album snapshots which were taken in the 1920s during trips to Lake Tahoe.

The slight yellowing is indicative of these 90-year-old prints. According to E. B. Scott's "The Saga of Lake Tahoe", all three steam ships shown below met their fates within a year of each other.



Photo/Cherie Boulton

The Meteor, launched in 1876, was an 80-foot-long steam tug, ultimately scuttled near Glenbrook in 1939.



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The 60-foot long Nevada (originally Tallac) cruised Lake Tahoe from 1890 to 1940.



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The 169-foot-long Tahoe still lies on the lake bottom near Glenbrook where she was scuttled after serving as a passenger ship and mail carrier from 1896 to 1940.



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Boulton's aunt and family members are seen on board the Nevada in the 1920s. Behind them, notice the highway trestle going around Cave Rock, before the first tunnel was bored.



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The family was onboard the Tahoe when they snapped this view of Lucky Baldwin's Hotel Tallac site at South Shore. Baldwin died in 1909, and his daughter Anita had the sizable hotel and most of its facilities razed in the late 1920s, partly because she rejected commercial development.



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The yellow X indicates that same beachfront today from an aerial view looking south, showing virtually no vestiges of Hotel Tallac. That's Camp Richardson Marina at far left and Kiva Beach at far right.

– *Bill Kingman*