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MERCY'S UPLIFT—When I said, my foot slippeth; Thy mercy, O Lord, held me up. Psalm 94:18.

The wild geese are heading south, but their human cousins are waiting for Henry's new flivvers.

Intolerance usually works out for the best. There's said to be a run on the Chicago library now for history books.

There is a row developing over whose picture shall go on the new currency to be issued next year. To most of us, any face looks good on a bank note.

There are usually two sides to every controversy. Schools are often too prone, in the excitement of athletic competition, to split hairs on the question of sportsmanship. Winning isn't everything, and the furtherance of friendly, pleasant relationships between schools and between communities is far more to be desired under most circumstances. Right and wrong in football games is often dependent on the point of view. And the school that is big enough to overlook either a real or fancied wrong is a school to be envied. That is a point worth pondering, a goal worth seeking.

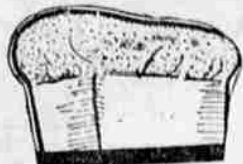
### FREEDOM OF LIBRARIES

The Chicago Public Library, after staggering a little from Mayor Thompson's onslaught, has recovered its self-control and come out with a clean-cut statement which might serve as a sort of declaration of rights for libraries in general.

The directors say, with reference to a history study course outlined in a certain pamphlet denounced by the mayor: "This is only one of a series of pamphlets on various subjects issued by the American Library Association and circulated in almost every public library in the United States. We do not sponsor these pamphlet study courses any more than we sponsor the opinions expressed in the million and a half other volumes on the shelves of the library."

Then they make this admirable statement of their general position: "The Chicago Public library is, like all other libraries in the world, a depository of human thought; consequently much of its contents are contradictory. This exchange and freedom of thought we consider the primary function of a library, and in keeping with the American ideal of a free press. Any other course would lead to an arbitrary censorship as detrimental to American political liberty as to American academic thought."

There is no danger, we are sure, of any other policy becoming permanent in spite of Mayor Bill's campaign. If the opinions dealing with the British point of view of government or the stories of history as the English see it are so terribly convincing as to become a menace to American versions, censorship won't stop it. In the modern age ideals of national government, of international relations, change rapidly. Neither in the past nor in the present have we closely approached perfection. But we hope we are progressing, and true progress is possible only with the interchange of ideas, the broadening of human minds, and breaking down the barriers of prejudice and intolerance.



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## SUCCESS IN TEN OCEAN FLIGHTS

### Season Of 1927 Witnesses Great Feats in Long, Non-Stop Flights

NEW YORK (AP)—The curtain has descended upon the transoceanic flying season of 1927, and as a turned to tabulation of the gains and losses of a historic summer.

Ten ocean flights have succeeded; four have failed. Twenty-one men have ridden the wings of the air to safety across the two great oceans; 20 have lost their lives in flight and five more in preparation for flight.

The Atlantic has been spanned five times from America to Europe, and once from Africa to South America. The Pacific has been crossed to Hawaii four times.

Five planes attempting Atlantic flights have gone down, three planes have perished on Pacific flights, and Paul Rodgers, Georgia-to-Brazil flyer, vanished above the Caribbean.

In addition to human lives there has been a loss in airplanes, in flights of American origin, which aviation experts seat at about half a million dollars.

The cost of using naval vessels in searching for lost flyers is reckoned at another half million dollars. The total does not include losses to backers of ill-fated flights, or to the sponsors of transoceanic ventures which never progressed to a take-off. In searching for the missing Dole prize flyers, the navy estimates it consumed \$125,000 in fuel; that the 3,000 men employed consumed \$40,000 in rations; and that naval equipment valued at \$50,000 was used. As many as 12 naval vessels were employed in the search at one time, as well as naval planes.

Summing up the American activities of the season, government air experts declare that the flights have given birth to a new era in aviation and have laid a carefully constructed foundation for the development of air traffic as safe as rail, motor or steamship transportation.

They deem that long flights, even when attended by directors, demonstrate amply that the airplanes will play a bigger role in wars of the future.

One effect of the year's flying has been the shaking off generally, they said, of the feeling of danger and sensationalism once attached to aerial ventures, and the substitution of a national "air-mindedness."

"If progress in the past year or so in air aviation, as well as in other fields of air activity, is an index to what the future may hold, America will soon be ahead of the rest of the world in aviation," said Secretary of War E. T. Truett, head of the army aviation department, said.

He gave the opinion that while long non-stop flights of extra hazardous nature should be discouraged unless conducted under the most favorable auspices, nothing should be done "to interfere with the efforts of the military authorities to extend the usefulness of military planes."

A psychological rather than a mechanical change in aviation is seen by Assistant Secretary of Navy Edward F. Warner, head of naval air activities. From a navy viewpoint the activities "proved the real usefulness of the application of aircraft." A reawakened interest in the flying boat is also forthcoming, he said, and the navy will continue to purchase new machines of this type as replacements for wartime craft.

Increased production of airplanes to meet a growing demand, and development of airports landing fields, and a network of airways as plentiful as the radio wave channels, he foresees by Clarence M. Young, director of aeronautics of the department of commerce. While believing that pioneering in any field is expensive in lives and material, Captain E. S. Land, assistant chief of the naval aviation command, declares "stunt flying for stunt flying's sake" a "poor business." But he foresees a future in which aviation will be "a vitally important item, not only to American commerce, but also to American defense."

### RECORD RAINFALL

ELGHES, Ore., Nov. 7 (AP)—Record rainfall was reported Sunday by Gerard M. Debrockert, local weather man, when 1.13 inches fell during the day. Sunday night another .04 of an inch was added, to bring the total precipitation for the 24 hours period to 1.22 inches. The Willamette river rose from zero stage to 3 of a foot. A low maximum temperature

## ABE MARTIN



Lots o' folks are too proud t' beg, but they seem t' enjoy bein' dunned. I'd rather be wrong than th' president o' Mexico.

## Ludlow States Coolidge Will Be Renominated

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 7 (AP)—Louis Ludlow, president of the National Press club, and a Washington correspondent, believes President Coolidge will be renominated unless he issues another statement positively forbidding the use of his name. Mr. Ludlow spoke today before the Women's Press club of Indiana.

"The master politicians of the republican party already have picked the next republican presidential candidate; they chosen Charles Coolidge," he said. "There may not be a hard and fast understanding among the master politicians, but they are driving ahead with a common inspiration and a common purpose."

"Their plan is to fill the convention with a large number of uninstructed delegates," he said. "The plan contemplates that as far as possible, all delegates shall be sent to the convention uninstructed but who were an active presidential candidate invader, or threatens to invade a state, the master politicians who are supporting Coolidge will bring out a favorite son of that state who will hold the state delegation intact. At such time as Coolidge's name is proposed in the convention when the delegation will flip to Coolidge."

"The activities of the rival insurgents for the republican presidential nomination will subside when they learn that there is no Coolidge political entity to be administered. The corpse isn't dead, President Coolidge will be renominated as surely as tomorrow succeeds today unless—mark this word unless—he takes himself out of it by a positive statement that he will not accept if nominated."

also was reported Sunday, the mercury stopping at the 54 degree mark.



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## Lorena Trickey Goes on Trial in Lakeview, Ore.

LAKEVIEW, Ore., Nov. 7 (AP)—Even the rodeo in which she and her late lover featured failed to draw a crowd as large as that which has assembled in Lakeview and which plans to cram into the little courtroom today to hear the closing of the trial of Lorena Trickey, famed rodeo rider, on the charge of murdering her paramour, J. P. (Smiling Slim) Harris on the night of Sept. 2 near the outskirts of Lakeview.

Hotels of the thriving little city of south central Oregon all are filled with a strange collection of humanity—cow punchers with their leather chaps and bright bandanas; wiry and ruddy faced women who have ridden with Lorena in many rodeos; and the usual group of curiously seekers who are attracted to a trial of interest as moths are attracted to a bright light.

There is but one topic of conversation on the streets of Lakeview. Was Lorena Trickey actuated by motives of self defense when she stabbed her lover through the heart as they were returning from the rodeo grounds or did a fit of jealous rage guide the dagger as it rose and fell?

Little of interest is anticipated in the first day of the trial. It is expected by defense and state at-

## ACCUSE OIL PROSECUTION OF TAMPERING

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jurors under a subpoena served on him in New York.

Denies "Approach" Asserting that his operatives had a perfect right to shadow members of the jury, Burns said their investigation had shown that the only approach made to a juror was made by a representative of the government itself.

"Of course my men had no right to approach the jurors," Burns said, "and if any of them did we will be glad to assist the government in their prosecution."

The detective declared the only other person who had been found "tampering with a juror," was a newspaper man who tried to get information from Edward J. Kidwell, juror No. 11. His reference

to the juror was made in a letter to attorneys that it will take most of the day to obtain a jury.

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was to Donald T. King, a Washington reporter.

"A newspaper man had no right to ask the juror questions and should have been brought before the court," Burns declared. He added that none of his men had done anything in violation of the law; that the defense had just as much right to keep track of the jurors as the government.

After Burns left the grand jury room—and he was questioned there for more than half an hour—his son W. Sherman Burns, was called, son W. Sherman Burns, was called, son W. Sherman Burns, was called.

### KIDWELL APPEARS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7 (AP)—Edward J. Kidwell, famous as "Juror No. 11" appeared today in the District of Columbia supreme court to ask Justice Siddons for a hearing to clear him of charges that he talked indiscreetly about the Fall-Sinclair conspiracy case before a mistrial was ordered last Tuesday.

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