

PLANS AEROPLANE FLEET FOR ARMY

Chief of Signal Corps Says All
Depends on Tests of
Wright Machine.

ASK CONGRESS FOR MONEY

General Allen Certain That Law-
makers Will Be Liberal Toward
Scheme of Ohio Aviators
Make Good.

DE LA GRANGE BREAKS ALL AEROPLANE RECORDS.

PARIS, Sept. 6.—Leon de la Grange, president of the Aviator Club of France, established a new world's record with his aeroplane at Issy this morning, both for length and duration of flight. He remained in the air for 29 minutes, 54.4 seconds, and circled the field 154 times, covering a distance of 24,727 metres or about 15 1/2 miles. He thus beat the longest flight previously made, that by Henri Farman in July, by nine minutes and 13 seconds, and exceeded the distance covered by Wilbur Wright yesterday by about 1 1/2 miles. The new records have been accepted officially. De la Grange came down only because the fuel used for his motor became exhausted. A dead calm prevailed during the flight.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—Should the tests of the Wright brothers' aeroplane prove successful, it is probable that within one year the War Department will have a fleet of aeroplanes as well as a fleet of dirigibles as an adjunct for military warfare. Brigadier-General Allen, chief of the Signal Corps, believes Congress will be liberal in its appropriations if the tests are a success. A full report of the tests will be made by the Signal Corps and will be ready for submission when the \$1,000,000 appropriation for aeronautics comes up for discussion.

It is now fully realized by Army officers that the United States is far behind other countries in aeronautics. While demonstrations have been made abroad that aeroplanes are an absolute necessity in future warfare, no steps have been taken here, and Army experts are now anxious to make up for lost time by quickly assembling an aerial fleet.

When, on September 27, 1907, it was announced that the War Department would buy a dirigible, some persons believed the plan would never materialize. Only several Army officers who knew of the future plans realized that an effort was to be made to establish an aerial fleet for the United States Government.

Exhibit Baldwin Airship.
It is said at Fort Myer that Secretary of War Wright has approved the request of Brigadier-General Allen that Captain Thomas S. Baldwin, who sold dirigible No. 1 to the Army, be hired to supervise the construction and exhibition of the airship and the hydrogen plant, which Captain Baldwin also supplied to the Government to the military expedition of General Joseph, Mo., which began on September 21.

From St. Joseph the dirigible will be taken to the Aeronautical and Signal Corps School at Fort Leavenworth, in command of the transportation and exhibition of the modern balloon house at Fort Omaha, about the middle of next October, it will be taken there permanently.

It is of considerable interest in connection with the Government aerial trials to know that there was at least one officer of the Government who was the witness of a successful man-carrying helicopter trial about 30 years ago. The officer in question is Captain Richard Usher, now the assistant chief of the Bureau of Navigation. In speaking of the subject the other day he said that the experience was so many years ago that he is rather hazy on the details, but the main facts were about as follows:

Flying Machine of Long Ago.

He was at that time an ensign in the Navy and happened to be in San Francisco. There was an amusement park on the outskirts of the city, something on the line of the modern Luna Park. It was known as Woodward's Gardens, a name familiar to old residents of San Francisco, though the place has now passed out of existence. Captain Usher says he does not recollect even the name of the man who operated the machine, but does remember that there was an engine, driven, though, by just what power he is not certain. It was before the days of gasoline engines, as we are now familiar with them, but he says he thinks this was some sort of an internal combustion engine and not a steam engine.

The flying machine had neither a gas bag like the Baldwin dirigible nor planes like the Wright machine, but depended for its ascensional force on an overhead fan, the same helicopter type that is now being experimented with both in this country and abroad. Captain Usher says that to the best of his recollection it was a very broad-bladed fan, which would make it something of the slow-moving type that do Luytens is now experimenting with in Berlin. One screw was used to raise the skeleton framework in the air, and the horizontal propeller drove it forward. The device was shown in rather a small arena, but it got up off the ground with its engine actually running for some time. It was regarded simply as a curiosity at the time, and apparently there is no record of what became of it.

Waterfront Notes of Victoria.

VICTORIA, Sept. 6.—After loading bunker coal at Comox, the Norwegian steamer Mashida will be brought to Esquimalt to be surveyed to ascertain what injury was sustained by the grounding at Gray Harbor.

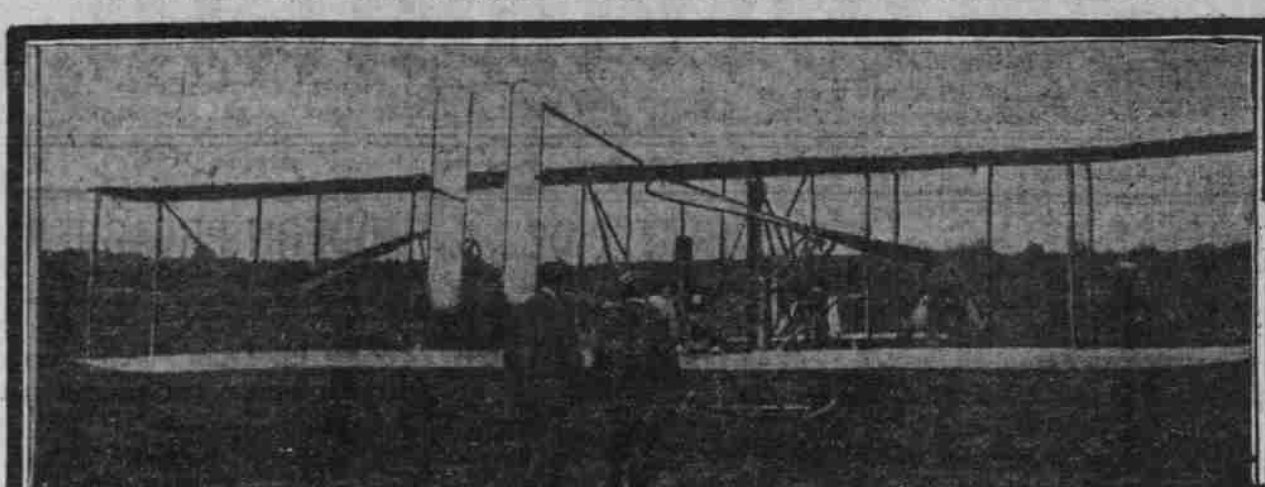
The steamer Netherlands, returning from the west coast of South America, passed up to Comox tonight for bunker coal.

The steamer Ganfa, of the Blue Funnel Line, delayed since last Monday making repairs to the main steam valve of her port engine, proceeded this morning on her way to Liverpool.

Accused of Embezzlement.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Sept. 6.—(Special.)—J. H. Beach was bound over to the Circuit Court yesterday on a charge of larceny by embezzlement. Bail was placed at \$500.

PHOTOGRAPH OF WRIGHT BROS.' AEROPLANE AND PORTRAITS OF INVENTORS



A REAR VIEW OF THE
MACHINE, SHOWING THE
TWO PROPELLERS AND
THE FISH-TAIL RUDDER

ASKS LARGER ARMY

Roosevelt's Final Annual Mes-
sage Will Make Appeal.

INCREASE TO 100,000 MEN

President Believes With General
Staff That Present Force of 60,-
000 Is Too Small—Hawaii
Needs Protection.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—President Roosevelt, in his final annual message to Congress, probably will recommend an increase in the numerical strength of the Army to at least 100,000 men. At present the Army is on a footing of 60,000 men, the number provided for in its peace. To the general staff it has become evident, in the last five years, that 60,000 men are too few properly to garrison the posts at which it is necessary to maintain an Army force. These posts include the garrisons in the insular possessions of America.

The law provides that the Army may be increased to 100,000 men in time of need. This provision, in the opinion of military experts, is likely to prove a serious handicap to the Army if absolute necessity should arise for a larger force.

Danger in Raw Recruits.

It is pointed out that the recruiting of the Army from 60,000 to 100,000 men would bring into the service an addition of approximately two inexperienced men to every three experienced soldiers. The injection of so considerable a force of raw recruits, it is said by military experts, would detract seriously from the efficiency of the Army.

Japanese Are Menace.

Just now there are approximately 10,000 Japanese in Hawaii. In the remote event of war between America and Japan or some other power with which Japan on friendly terms, it would be impossible for the comparatively small force of United States troops now in the islands to prevent the landing of arms and ammunition to supply the Japanese in the islands.

REVOLT AGAINST GOMPERTS

DISRUPTION OF FEDERATION OF LABOR THREATENED.

"Steam-Roller" Political Methods of President Destroy Harmony in Organization.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 6.—(Special.)—Rival political cliques in the Federation of Labor threaten to disrupt the organization. The last meeting was marked by a free-for-all fight which, instead of clearing the atmosphere, has only accentuated the bitterness. The trouble arises over the "steam-roller" methods of Samuel Gompers in his effort to force an endorsement of Bryan, and it was announced today that a number of unions would withdraw before they would submit to Gompers' dictation. These independents are adding to their numbers constantly, and the revolt has assumed formidable proportions.

ENGLISH ROADS COMBINE

Form Two Great Groups to Reduce Operating Expenses.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—(Special.)—The British railways are all beginning to combine in self-defense. The Great Northern, Great Eastern and Great Central have formed a group for co-operation which, it is stated, will give increased facilities to the public will also ensure large economies. It is supposed to seek large-

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Regards Taft's Decision to
Make Tour as Vindication.

FLATTERED BY IMITATION

CUTS HIS VACATION SHORT

President Decides to Return to
Washington on September 22.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Sept. 6.—President Roosevelt's vacation, according to present plans, will come to an end September 22, when the Chief Executive and his family will depart from Sagamore Hill to take up their residence in the White House, Washington, for the coming Winter and Spring.

With the close of the present vacation of the President Oyster Bay will cease to be known as the Summer capital of the United States. The residents of the little village regret that the honor their quaint little town has held is to be taken away.

This Summer's rest will have been the shortest vacation the President has taken in some years. While it has been a shorter holiday, it has been one unprecedented in point of the amount of work done. During the last month it has not been an uncommon occurrence to have the President's secretary make a night visit to Sagamore Hill in addition to the regular morning call and the executive office in the village has sometimes remained open until 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning.

YOUNG TURKS CELEBRATE

Letter From Roosevelt Read at Car- negie Hall Meeting.

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—A mass meeting was held tonight in Carnegie Hall, under the auspices of the Young Turk party, the American Revolutionary Federation and the Huncukli Society, to celebrate the establishment of the Turkish Republic.

President Roosevelt sent a letter of regret and the reading of it evoked applause. The letter said: "All men all over the world who believe in liberty and order and who believe in a liberal government under which justice shall be done to every man without regard to his creed or race, must feel the keenest interest in and sympathy with the movement now on foot in Turkey for the establishment of a new government which is now taking place in the Turkish Empire."

TWO KILLED BY BLAST

Premature Explosion in Nevada Quarry Injures Three Others.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Sept. 6.—Deputy Sheriff Edward Poppert brought in news this evening from Otis of a shocking disaster that occurred yesterday at the Arden Plaster Works, 10 miles north of Las Vegas, Nev.

Two men have been killed and three are seriously injured as the result of the premature explosion of a blast in the quarry. The dead and injured have all been taken to Las Vegas. Their names were not learned.

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS MEET

Chicago to Be Their Mecca for Next Two Days.

CHICAGO, Sept. 6.—Chicago will be the Mecca of the Democratic leaders of the country for the next two days. National Chairman N. E. Mack arrived here today and W. J. Bryan and John W. Kern, the standard-bearers of the party, will reach the city tomorrow. On Tuesday the Democratic National Committee will meet and the committee's political plans for the Presidential campaign will be submitted for final adoption. There will be numerous conferences tomorrow between the National Committee and the heads of the various bureaus.

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LADIES' HOME JOURNAL PATTERNS 10c-15c

OLDS WORTHMAN & KING
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Our Store Closed All Day Today — Labor Day

Tomorrow

This will be the busiest place in Portland. Fall goods are arriving for all departments on every express, and all the aisles are show places of the choicest merchandise.

Special Sale of Children's School Needs

Mothers will make it a point to outfit the youngsters this week—They'll save money by doing so now. Everything needed in attire and small notions for use in the school-room are to be found in our store, and this week they're on sale at reduced prices.

BANK WOULD OPEN

Closing Needless, Say Cosmo- politan Directors.

Only 1000 were given beds in private homes and hotels last night, as most of Chisholm's population was too excited to seek a place of rest. There are many destitute persons. Many men who were rated as well-to-do are without funds to buy a meal today. In most instances these misfortunes are only temporary, as many will soon receive their insurance money. However, some merchants lost everything that they had except the clothes on their backs and there will be much suffering and financial embarrassment.

GOVERNOR APPEALS FOR AID

Calls on People of Minnesota to As- sist Fire Sufferers.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 6.—Governor Johnson today issued the following proclamation: "A great disaster has come to North-eastern Minnesota. Chisholm, one of the splendid cities of the Mesaba Range, has been totally destroyed by a destructive forest fire which swept over a large portion of St. Louis County. Every home and business house of that community is burned and 6000 people are suddenly rendered homeless, the property loss amounting to millions of dollars. Early reports indicate also the total destruction of the mining locations at Shenandoah, Hartley and Pillsbury. The total number of people rendered homeless will reach 12,000 and vast tracts of agriculture have also been devastated.

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BANK EXAMINER IS BLAMED

Appeal From His Order to Be Taken to Controller of Currency.

Examiner Defends His Own Course.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 6.—(Special.)—Directors of the Cosmopolitan National Bank, which was closed yesterday morning under instructions from Bank Examiner Cunningham, will hold a meeting Tuesday, at which time an appeal will be made to the Controller of the Currency for permission to reopen the bank on the ground that there was no cause for its being closed.

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place for a nervous person. Electricity

is employed everywhere, and some of the things that happen seem a direct result of witchcraft. A lady was overheard on the "L" the other day telling her experience at a friend's home. "When I was ready to go," said she, "Marie took me to the elevator, kissed me good-bye, pushed me in, closed the door. Then the thing began to go down, and I was alone in it. I was always nervous about such things, and have no mechanical sense at all. So, of course, I began to try, in a panic-stricken way, to stop it. The first button I touched just clicked. The second turned on the lights, and there I was in an automatic elevator, going smoothly down. It stopped in the basement. That is what the first button I touched did for me. In the darkness I dared not fumble around for any more buttons, and no one happened to need the elevator for ages. Finally one of the maids summoned me to the top of the house, and when she opened it and I stepped out of a dark box with a gasp of thanksgiving, I don't know which of us was nearest nervous prostration. She thought I was a shoplifter and I thought she was an angel. 'Madame forgets her guests do not understand,' said the maids with a smile, when it had been explained, and she escorted me to the door. Thank heaven I live in an old-fashioned house with real stairs and no modern device!"

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