

PROTEST AGAINST GIVING CUP TO MIX

Rivals Say Balloon Touched
Earth Before Finally
Landing in Russia.

MIX EXPLAINS INCIDENT

Says Bohemians Dragged Gasbag to
Earth by Guide-Rope, Despite
Protests, and He Lost, Not
Gained, by Their Act.

BERLIN, Oct. 8.—Edgar W. Mix, the American aeronaut, winner of the Gordon Bennett trophy in the balloon race, which started from Zurich last Sunday, arrived here today from Ostrolenko, Russian Poland, and left for Paris tonight.

While in Berlin Mr. Mix received a telegram informing him that a protest had been lodged against his being declared the winner of the trophy on the ground that he had made a landing with the America II before he finally came down in the forest of Guelovna.

"This protest," said Mr. Mix, "probably is founded on an incident that happened at some place the name of which is unknown to me, about three miles northeast of Prague. Several persons caught hold of the guide rope, notwithstanding my protest and despite my efforts to make them let go, and dragged the balloon to earth. The basket touched the ground, rested there probably between five and seven minutes, until I was able to persuade the people to let go, and had also written a dispatch. Instead of being of advantage to me, I lost three bags of ballast before I resumed the voyage."

Mr. Mix said he desired to have the committee make the fullest investigation of the incident. He said he was treated with the greatest courtesy by the police of Ostrolenko, but was detained by them for 24 hours, when his release was ordered by telegram from St. Petersburg or Warsaw.

FAMILY BURNS TO DEATH

Five Cremated When Home Goes Up
in Smoke at Nashville.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 8.—Five persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a brick dwelling-house here today. Several others were injured after narrow escapes. Two negroes were arrested as suspicious characters, in connection with the origin of the fire.

Mrs. Dora Fishman, his wife, aged 24, Rosie Fishman, aged 14 years, Rachael Markeson, aged 16 years, Mrs. Rosie A. Fishman, aged 10 years, and Mrs. Fishman, aged 7 years, was taken out, but he is seriously burned.

The fire broke out at 721-723 Jefferson street, while the inmates were asleep. A ladder was placed against the windows of an apartment occupied by W. H. Mustaine, assistant city ticket agent of the Louisville Nashville Railroad, and Mustaine, his wife and two children were assisted out.

It was then discovered that three members of the Fishman family had not been accounted for. Efforts to enter the apartment were frustrated by the flames.

OLD PLAN GOOD ENOUGH

Women Church Workers Decline
Australian Ballot.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 8.—The general plan of the Women's Home Missionary Society, of electing the National officers, will not be changed. After a discussion lasting more than two hours the delegates this morning voted to retain the old plan with such modifications as the society may see fit to make.

A committee appointed to report on a new plan had recommended one fashioned on the Australian ballot system.

At the general session in the afternoon Mrs. Helen E. Lincoln, of San Francisco, spoke on "The Essential Qualifications of a Deaconess," which she said were "grit, grace and gumption."

GASOLINE BURNS FATAL

Boatman Tries to Refill Tank With
Lighted Lantern in Hand.

EVERETT, Wash., Oct. 8.—While gasolene was being transferred from one fishing launch to another here yesterday, a fire broke out, and the flames were ignited by a lantern and Eldon Graham was burned to death.

His companion, J. Everett Graham, and F. Francis Aikys, were burned, but escaped death by leaping into the water. Graham is in a hospital here. All the men are from Seattle.

COAST MEN NEAR SHORE

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representing the Northern Pacific, on cross-examination attempted to offset this showing by securing admissions that in most instances the rates from Missouri River points west had been forced on the railroads by state commissions, and were now in litigation.

W. W. Cotton, representing the O. R. & N., also sought to show the effect of the state commissions by offering for record the order of the Oregon Commission of April, 1908, which reduced the class rates in Oregon of 16 2-3 per cent.

In addition, the complainants scored an important point in securing the admission as evidence of the effect of the Washington Railroad Commission on valuations and net earnings percentages on state and interstate business. These figures, taken at their face value, show that for the last four years the Northern Pacific has earned in state business on the valuation of the road 11.17 per cent, 12.17 per cent, 12.05 per cent and 18.51 per cent, respectively. As the valuations and earnings are segregated into state and interstate, they were considerably applicable to the present controversy.

Railroads Supply Figures.

Then the question as to how the results were reached became an issue, and O. R. & N. called rate expert for the Washington Commission, was called and entered into an extended technical explanation. It was shown that in some particulars the results were obtained from figures furnished by the railroads themselves, but W. W. Cotton declared it to be a matter of extreme importance, brought out the ad-

mission from Mr. Calderhead that the statement as to a division of its state and interstate earnings and expenses except upon a formula furnished by the commission.

Astoria Not Yet Recognized.

Throughout the hearing today the Spokane attorney, H. L. Stephens, maintained his attitude of favoring a reduction in carload rates from the coast to Spokane, and cross-questioned witnesses only when it appeared that the evidence affected the less-than-carload rates from Seattle eastward through Spokane to the extent that they would be equal to Spokane plus Spokane's distributive rate in less than carload lots.

Astoria is still an unknown quantity in the hearing. F. H. Murray presented the petition for intervention in behalf of the Chamber of Commerce of that city, raising also the point, now in issue, that Astoria is entitled to recognition as a terminal city on west-bound rates. Westbound rates are not in issue in the main case. The Commission did not announce today whether or not it would recognize Astoria as an intervenor.

POLITICS CAUSE OF FALL

MAN WHO DESERTED WIFE AND
CHILDREN SURRENDERS.

Rather Go to Penitentiary Than
Fight Conscience—Short in Ac-
counts With Affinity on Hands.

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 8.—Declaring that he would go to the penitentiary rather than be alone with his conscience any longer, Walter J. Walker, a former County School Superintendent at Tecumseh, Okla., surrendered today to the police of this city.

Walker disappeared from Tecumseh two years ago and according to his confession to the Denver police, was \$400 short in his accounts. He deserted a wife and six children at Earl, Okla., to run away with a pretty school teacher.

Walker says they came to Colorado, and he obtained a situation as teacher at Bailey's. He was appointed superintendent at Yuma, Ariz., last year and taught there until last Friday, when he decided to surrender today a restitution as far as possible and take his punishment.

"Politics did it," said Walker today. "I was prosperous and contented. I fell into the hands of politicians and agreed to make the race for County Superintendent. I was elected and became a 'good fellow.' Then I became short in my accounts."

Walker is held pending word from the Oklahoma authorities.

ENJOIN BUILDING OF DAM

Colorado Railroads Say Irrigation
Work Would Flood Tracks.

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo., Oct. 8.—On application of the D. & R. G. and Colorado & Midland Railroads, Judge Shackelford in the District Court issued today a temporary restraining order against the Orchard Construction Company, forbidding the construction of a dam now being built across the Grande River in connection with the \$1,000,000 Orchard Mesa irrigation project.

The railroads allege that the dam would result in annual inundation of the tracks at Fallside, 12 miles east of this city. As a result of the temporary restraining order, 300 men working on the dam were laid off today. The court will hear arguments October 12.

RAILROAD TAX INCREASED

Douglas County Gets Quarter of
Revenue From Southern Pacific.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—County Assessor Calkins has finished the assessment for Douglas County for this year, and places the valuation of all tax-able property at \$27,261,225, as against \$23,885,500 for 1908, or a gain of \$3,375,725.

In accordance with the plan agreed upon by the assessors of Western Oregon, the valuation of the Southern Pacific railroad and the rolling stock has been raised this year, that company being assessed \$3,000 per mile in this county, as against \$2,000 in 1908.

The Southern Pacific has heretofore and will this year pay about 25 per cent of the taxes collected in this county.

Glee Club Men Selected.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—Sam Davidson, leader of the University Mandolin Club, announced tonight the selection of the following men for this year's club: Joe Rothchild, Harold Bean, G. Curran and Samuel Davidson, of Portland; Harry Devereaux, Frank Breeding, Mike Gross and Roscoe Lyons, of Eugene; Ralph Moore, of Salem; William Stevens, of Covey, and Edward Flynn, of Baker City.

Branch to Woodburn Begun.

WOODBURN, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—Work on the Valley Electric Railway began at West Woodburn yesterday and will be pushed to completion. This line will be a spur of the Oregon Electric from West Woodburn to Woodburn, a distance of three miles. It is fully expected that the road will soon be extended eastward. Frank Robertson, of Portland, is the promoter. Woodburn gave him a subsidy of \$500 and a \$1000 cash site.

Roseburg, Too, Is Growing.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—The rapidity of Roseburg's growth from the influx of Eastern people is shown in the report of the receipts of the Roseburg Postoffice for the three months ending September 30, 1909, which were \$241,417, as against \$221,048 for the corresponding period in 1908, which is a gain of nearly 10 per cent.

Actor Accused of Theft.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Oct. 8.—Richard Lonsdale, a member of the McKenzie Merry-makers' troupe, which is playing at the Masonic Opera House in this city, has been arrested by Sheriff Gage on a warrant from Mount Vernon, Wash. Larceny is charged. Lonsdale is accused of stealing a suit of clothes.

If anything is wrong with your skin, try Santaligo, the new scientific Antiseptic Lotion. It does wonders—the results will surprise you.

WRIGHT TEACHES OFFICERS TO FLY

Signal Corps Men Soar With
Him in First Airship
of Government.

ALMOST MILE IN MINUTE

After Two Test Flights Alone Wright
Takes Lieutenants Lahm and
Humphreys 150 Feet in Air
at a Great Speed.

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Oct. 8.—For the first time in the history of America, an aeroplane owned by the United States Government soared in the air today. Guided by Wilbur Wright, it flew five times in the dedication of the Government's tract of land here as an aviation ground.

With almost ideal conditions for spectators and a breeze blowing scarcely at the rate of a mile an hour, Mr. Wright began the flights to teach the officers of the Signal Corps how to handle the machine. Off the starting rail at 3:10, he circled the field for three minutes. Again at 4:30 Mr. Wright was off for another flight. This time he was in the air five minutes. At 4:51 o'clock he soared away to return after about five minutes. Each time he had kept to the reservation ground.

Then Lieutenant Lahm took his place in the extra seat. At 5:15 P. M. the two rose probably 150 feet. They went a mile and a half toward Washington in hardly more than a few minutes. In about five minutes after they had left they landed within 20 feet of the starting rail. In another short flight, Mr. Wright took Lieutenant Humphreys with him.

CURTIS THRILLS THOUSANDS

Flies in 15-Mile Wind, So as Not to
Disappoint Crowd.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 8.—Under adverse conditions, Glenn H. Curtiss, by a flight in his biplane late today in Forest Park, received the applause and cheers of many thousands of persons who had waited for hours for the wind to slacken.

George Francois Osmont and Hugh Robinson, of St. Louis, attended the flight to make their machines fly but failed.

Curtiss, facing a 15-mile wind, rose in his machine 30 feet from the ground and flew the length of the aero field. He covered a quarter of a mile and was aloft 45 seconds.

The flight, which was his second of the day, was made so as not to disappoint the multitude that surrounded the arena. Curtiss said he wanted the people to see him fly but he would not be able to make any evolutions. Tonight he announced he would make a flight early Saturday morning and would remain in the air a long time.

HOOD RIVER TEAM WINS

Defeats Dalles High School in Track
Athletics.

THE DALLES, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—Dalles drew the largest crowd of the week at the District Fair here, and should have been called "District Day," for every place in this part of the state was represented.

Hood River sent a large delegation, and the principal business of the day was the track race. The regular racing programme was carried out at the racetrack. Hood River High School cleared the track, and the meet this afternoon, thereby becoming permanent possessors of the silver cup which the same team won at last year's meet. The cup was donated by the Fair Association last year.

A baby show will be a feature of tomorrow's programme.

Electric Iron Starts Fire.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—Neglect to turn off the power from an electric iron in use at the F. A. Miller store resulted in a blaze last night that must have proved disastrous but for the fortuitous discovery of the fire by the nightwatchman, Williamson. He sent in an alarm to the fire department and with others kicked in the glass door and smothered the flames. The Miller store is one of the largest in the city.

Veteran Dies at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—Francis A. James, aged 65, a veteran of the Civil War, died this morning at his home east of the city. James enlisted in an Indiana regiment during the Civil War. Later he lived 20 years in San Diego, Cal., where he was prominent in the State Guard. Five years ago he removed to Vancouver. He is survived by a widow.

Student Board Chosen.

ALBANY, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—The classes of Albany College today elected their representatives as follows on the board of control of the student body: Seniors, Annette Burch, Juniors, Buena Bicknell; sophomores, Lucille Hart; freshmen, Kenneth McLennan; preparatory classes, Arthur Hodge; commercial department, Frank Boise and Veva Archibald.

Fish and Game Plentiful.

WALLULA, Wash., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—W. F. De Lang and son, who have just returned from a fishing trip up the Columbia River, brought with them a sturgeon caught near the mouth of the Yakima River and weighing 125 pounds. Local sportsmen report unusual success in Fall fishing. Ducks and geese are also plentiful.

Eats Salmon, Is Poisoned.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—W. K. Wiseman, a business man of Marshfield, has been critically ill of ptomaine poisoning which it is believed was caused from eating salmon. For a time he was unconscious, but it is thought he will recover.

Petty Thief Convicted.

WALLULA, Wash., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—Fred Nelson, charged with the larceny of some clothing from Sam Larson, was convicted last evening before Judge J. V. Lewis and paid a fine of \$25 and costs of prosecution.

Skinner's Satin THE GUARANTEED LINING—WEARS TWO FULL SEASONS—At Silk Counter \$1.50 Yard

Olds, Wortman & King

Saturday, Children's Day

Bargains A Plenty



Coats for Girls from 6 to 14 Yrs.

We've never had a stock nearly so large as it is this season, and we've never had our friends pay us so many compliments on the completeness of the assortment and the lowness of the prices, as well as the excellence of the styles. All the best models in great assortment. Plain colored fabrics or fancy effects in long or short models, coats for girls of all sizes and tastes. Make it a point to see the new ones today and see if you can't buy a better and more stylish coat here than you can elsewhere for the same money.

Hats for Elderly Women \$5 and \$10.00

A very special purchase enables us to give unheard of values on this particular line of goods. The shapes are small and light, they come in toques or turbans, neat and stylish—the proper hat to wear with plainly dressed hair. They are all in black, made of velvet, silk and velvet, or braids. Little trimming is used, but that is well applied. Best small hats for the money ever produced. \$5 to \$10



PORTLAND AGENTS LADIES' HOME JOURNAL PATTERNS—10c and 15c Ea.

Girls' \$9.00 Fall Dresses \$6.98 Today

\$2 Gloves \$1.29

Women's Kid Gloves, in Fall shades, styles, two or three-clasp, black, navy, tan, gray, green, reg. \$2.00 values, pr. \$1.29

Valenciennes Laces, in dozen

yard pieces, 3/4 to 1 1/2 inches wide, edges and insertions, regular values to \$1.50 the piece, on sale at... 69c

Valenciennes Laces, for fancy

work for trimming aprons, cushions, etc., 1 to 3 1/2 inches wide, regular values to 15c yard, at... 9c

Values to 25c the yard. 15c

Handkerchiefs, for women,

with embroidered corner, also in plain hemstitched edges—This, worth 12 1/2c to 20c, on sale for... 12 1/2c

Ribbon Combs

A very tasteful hair ornament—celluloid rim with ribbon; all colors of ribbons and combs. Regular values to 25c ea.,

10c

NOTIONS

Back Combs, of shell, neat shapes. Extra special for today's selling, only... 10c

Hair Brushes,

with wire bristles, and ebonoid back—extra special value, each 33c

Hair Pins, 12 on card, extra fine finish, card 15c

They are new and up-to-date

styles, made of good woolen materials and the colors are white, navy, light blue, or cardinal. Ages 6 to 14 years and values up to \$9. Special today at... \$6.98

Knickerb'cker

Suits for Boys

\$9.50 Vals. \$6.98

Boys' Knickerb'cker

Suits, fine wool materials, colors tan, gray or navy blue, ages 2 to 6 years. Regular values to \$9.50, special at... \$6.98



Children's

Rompers

at 29c Each

Children's Rompers, chambray or gingham materials, made in the best possible manner and in a variety of colors. Ages 6 months to 6 years, just the ages wanted as well as the make. Good values at regular price, reduced as follows: Values 29c

Values to 65c, sp'l... 48c

Values to 85c, sp'l... 67c

Values to \$1, sp'l... 88c

Child's Hose 11c

Children's Hose, fast black cotton; sizes 6 to 9 1/2; 20c values at, the pair... 11c

Women's Elastic Hose Supporters, with velvet grip. Regular values to 50c, special sale price... 19c

Women's Silk Hosiery, in all leading shades. Regular \$1.25 values, pair... 95c

Women's Hose, fast black with ribbed top, seamless, medium weight; sizes 8 1/2 to 10; 25c values, at only 15c

Boys' Underwear, shirts and drawers, sizes 24 to 34; values up to 75c, at... 47c

Boys' Winter Weight Underwear, cotton fleeced; sizes 24 to 34; values to 65c garment, at... 47c

Tooth Brushes

The bristles are soft, medium or very stiff, and the regular values are up to 25c each. This is a special lot,

10c

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Side Combs, wide or narrow, plain shell, special today, pair... 15c

Clothes Brushes, with good solid backs and medium bristles, strongly drawn; well made, well finished; a special value, on sale at, each... 25c

Young Women's Shoes--Low Heel Style

These are the sensible models for girls to wear and they are stylish now, too. They are modeled on the very newest lasts, but made with low heels. Let the foot grow naturally, prevent corns and many foot troubles later on and give good wear, as well as good looks.

STYLE B-107—8-Button Shoe of Patent colt, made on the famous Turk last with dull kid top and medium extension sole, 1 1/4-inch heel. This Shoe is a great favorite, the pair... \$4.00

Style B 453—10-button gun

metal calf shoe, with heavy welt sewed extension sole, dull kid tops. These are made on the splendid "Feel Easy" last, very low priced for this sale at, pair... \$3.50

Style 126—a patent leather

shoe, made on the "Feel Easy" last, and made with dull kid top. Low heels, very neat and stylish, and an unusual value at the remarkably low price of, the pair... \$5.00

Style B 401—10-button patent

kid shoes, with black cloth top and plain toe. Low broad heel, and marked at fully \$1.50 less than they are worth, on sale at the very low price, the pair... \$3.50

Style B 451—11-button shoe,

made by Dugan and Hudson, dongola kid vamp, patent tip, dull top, hand-welted sole. A wonderful value in good shoes at the remarkably low price of, pair... \$3.50

TRIES TO "FIX" WITNESS

CREEL ACCUSED OF CONTEMPT

IN LAND FRAUD CASE.

Prosecutor in Imperial Valley Trial

Insists on Quick Action and Wins.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 8.—A sensation

was added to the Imperial Valley land fraud case today just before court adjourned when District Attorney McCormick demanded that Charles E. Creel, who had been cited to appear before Judge Welborn tomorrow morning on a contempt charge, be given a speedy hearing.

Creel is accused of having approached Fred M. Bevis, one of the Government's chief witnesses, and of having asked him to change his testimony so that it would be favorable to the defense.

Creel was cited for contempt and the citation was made returnable tomorrow.

Because Judge Welborn has some other

pressing business he explains that he probably would not be able to hear the contempt case until a later date. This caused Judge Welborn to request that the hearing be postponed.

"This man Creel is not the only man who is attempting to tamper with witnesses," said Mr. McCormick.

Judge Welborn finally ordered Creel to appear in court tomorrow morning. Creel is the father-in-law of Bert Chaplain, a son of Frank Chaplain, one of the defendants.

Oscar Lawler, Assistant Attorney-General of the United States, who has been assisting the prosecution, announced he would leave for San Francisco to confer with Secretary of the Interior Ballinger all next week. Mr. Lawler refused to state the nature of the conference.

Births Greatly Exceed Deaths.

ALBANY, Ore., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—There were eight deaths and 15 births in Linn County in September, according to the report of the County Health Officer, Dr. W. H. Davis.

Eller in Finance Costly.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—For obtaining \$2.75, under false pre-

tense, Edward Brown, of Camas,

was sentenced to spend six months in the County Jail. Last week Brown placed on deposit to his credit \$2 in the Camas State Bank. He received a checkbook and Tuesday issued a check for \$4.75 and left for Portland.