



HAWKER AND HIS COMPANION SAVED

Airman Given Up for Lost Picked Up at Sea.

DANISH STEAMER RESCUER

News of Fliers Who Week Ago Started Across Atlantic Electrifies Britain.

MRS. HAWKER IS OVERJOYED

London Daily Mail, Which Offered \$50,000 for Flight, to Give Consolation Prize.

LONDON, May 25.—Missing for six days and virtually given up for lost, Harry G. Hawker and his navigator, Lieutenant-Commander Mackenzie Grieve, British airmen, who essayed a flight across the Atlantic ocean, without protection against disaster, save what their frail airplane afforded, are safe tonight aboard a British warship off the Orkneys.

Tomorrow they will reach the mainland and proceed to London, where they will be acclaimed as men returned to life.

Airplane Engine Fails.

Some 1100 miles out from Newfoundland and 800 miles from the Irish coast, Monday, May 19, the aviators, making the best of an engine which was failing to function properly, were forced to alight on the water. The little Danish steamer Mary, bound from New Orleans and Norfolk for Aarhus, Denmark, picked the wayfarers up and continued on her voyage.

Lacking a wireless outfit, the captain of the steamer was obliged to withhold tidings of the rescue until he was opposite Butt of Lewis, where the information was signalled by means of flags that Hawker and Grieve were aboard his ship.

Destroyers Are Dispatched.

Immediately word was flashed to the British admiralty which sent out destroyers to overtake the Danish vessel and obtain confirmation. This was done and one of the destroyers took the airmen off and later transferred them to the flagship Revenge.

From this safe haven Hawker sent a message that his machine had stopped owing to the blocking of the water circulation system.

When the airplane sped away from her starting point Pilot Hawker let loose his wheels and under gear, thereby lightening the weight of the machine by a considerable amount, but making a possible landing in Ireland a more hazardous venture.

All England Is Stirred.

This probably proved of much advantage when it became necessary to alight on the water. The airplane remained afloat without difficulty during the hour and a half it took the Danish steamer to effect a rescue.

All England is stirred by the news of the safety of the two aviators, but owing to the difficulties of communication some time must pass before the full details of the voyage are known.

The one person in England who had always held hope was Mrs. Hawker. She always maintained that providence would protect her man, and, though she received condolences from all classes of people, including the king, she said today that she had never ceased to believe that sometime and in some way her husband would come back.

Hawker and Grieve were in the water an hour and a half before being taken aboard the steamer Mary.

The Sopwith airplane was not salvaged.

Wigwagged Report Welcome.

The first report of the aviators since their "jump off" last Sunday came when the Mary, which was bound from Norfolk to Aarhus, rounded the Butt of Lewis today and wigwagged the fact that she had Hawker and Grieve aboard.

"Saved hands of Sopwith airplane," was the signal.

"Is it Hawker?" was the question sent out by the flags from the Butt, which is the most northwesterly point of the Hebrides group off Scotland.

"Yes," laconically replied the Mary. The admiralty immediately sent out a fast torpedo boat destroyer in an

MARCH VEToes MEDAL ON CRITIC OF BAKER

COLONEL KENLY GETS NO DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL.

Latest Action of Chief of Staff Assures Early and Scathing Investigation of Case.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 25.—Another storm broke around the war department today when it was learned that General Peyton C. March, chief of staff, had disapproved an award of a distinguished service medal to Colonel William L. Kenly, former chief of the air service. The recommendation was made by General Charles T. Menzies, who succeeded Kenly at the head of the air service, but when it reached General March he wrote across the face "Disapproved."

In this connection it was learned also that decorations for distinguished service conferred on Colonel Kenly and six fellow officers by the French high command have never been received, although they reached the war department long ago.

General Kenly, who was commended by Senator Chamberlain of Oregon as the man who built up the United States air service, testified frankly at the aircraft investigation, telling the truth about the war department inefficiency under a promise from Secretary Baker that no officer need fear reprisals because of such testimony. The first move thereafter was to demote Kenly from major-general to colonel and transfer him to the field artillery.

The action of General March disclosed today assures an early and searching investigation of the war department.

Colonel Kenly was stationed at Vancouver barracks, Washington, for several years.

LEAGUE GROUNDS COSTLY

\$3,000,000 Paid for 500 Acres; Work on Buildings to Start.

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PARIS, May 25.—(Special Cable.)—Before returning to America after the work of the peace conference is over, E. M. House is to visit Geneva, capital of the league of nations, to lay the final plans for the erection of the buildings which will harbor the various offices of the league. Ground necessary for the installation of the league already has been acquired and, it is said, covers roughly 500 acres and cost \$3,000,000.

It is situated near Lake Geneva at a place called Creux de Genette. A huge park will surround the various mansions, while lower in the valley lies the lake near which airdromes are to be built. On the plateau one of the most powerful of wireless stations will be installed.

BILLY SUNDAY PROTESTS

Evangelist Opposes Wilson's Request for Lifting Liquor Ban.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 25.—(Special.)—Dismissing from a sermon, mainly an arraignment of the hypocritical, "lightweight" type of churchgoer, Billy Sunday found time today to protest against President Wilson's request for lifting the ban on war prohibition.

"I have been with Wilson four-square and from the heart out," declared Mr. Sunday, "until his announcement on the prohibition measure. But with booze I cannot parley or grant any reprieve. I'm ready to fight the lifting of the ban."

Numerous out-of-town motor parties were here to hear the sermon at the Riverside Congregational church.

LAX SOLDIERS PROTECTED

Discharged Men Who Let Insurance Lapse May Get Benefits.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Soldiers who fail to pay their premiums on government insurance after discharge will have a nine-month period in which the policy may be reinstated, under a war risk bureau ruling announced yesterday by Secretary Glass.

Insurance on which premiums are not paid will be classed as lapsed after 90 days, but at any time during the six months following the lapse may be reinstated by the insured if he furnishes a physician's certificate to the effect that he is in good health and pays up back premiums.

FILIPINOS WELCOMED HOME

Mission to United States Is Hopeful of Independence.

MANILA, May 24.—The Philippine mission which went to the United States in the interest of independence of the islands returned today and was given an enthusiastic welcome by a crowd of thousands of persons who greeted the party as it landed.

The members of the mission declared themselves hopeful that independence would be granted.

DRYS ARE AHEAD IN TEXAS

Returns From 283 Towns Also Indicate Suffrage Will Carry.

DALLAS, Texas, May 25.—Returns from 283 towns in the state from yesterday's general election gives: For prohibition 52,994; against 43,990. For woman suffrage 51,751; against 48,513.

AFGHAN HAS HAD ENOUGH

Request for Armistice Is Sent to British Agent.

SIMLA, May 15.—(Delayed.)—The Afghan commander in chief has written the British political agent at Khyber asking for an armistice.

ALL HUN REQUESTS BUT ONE REJECTED

Minor Concession on Saar Basin Is Granted.

ORAL DEBATE PLEA IS IGNORED

New Foe Note Admits Plea for Invading Belgium

OTHER SINS ARE DENIED

Germans Declare All Powers at Fault for War and for Material Damage Which Was Done.

COBLENZ, May 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—Orders issued 10 days ago relieving the fourth and fifth divisions from the third army have been suspended because of the present uncertain conditions in the peace situation. The suspension orders reached Coblenz Tuesday, but have just been made public.

PARIS, May 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—With the exception of a minor concession, all suggestions and counter proposals by Germany for the disposition of the Saar basin have been rejected by the reply of the allied and associated powers.

Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau's appeal for an oral discussion of the points at issue on this subject was ignored. The concession agreed to is that Germany might create a prior charge upon her assets or revenues for the payment of the mines in the Saar region, if the plebiscite goes against France.

If, however, the sum agreed upon is not paid within a year from the date it is due, the reparation commission shall effect payment under instructions from the league of nations.

Another Note Delivered.

This alteration was made in view of Germany's declaration that it was impossible for her to accumulate a sufficient sum of gold with which to pay for the mines in the 15 years before the plebiscite is taken since other reparations would constitute a constant drain.

Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau's 13th note to the allied council was delivered this morning. It is a rejoinder to the council's reply to the German note regarding responsibilities.

Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau insists that Germany's only responsibility is for the violation of Belgian neutrality, which it is ready to make reparations for, and declares that all the powers were responsible for the war.

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CREW, CLOTHES AFIRE, JUMP INTO WATER

LEAKING GASOLINE EXPLODES ON DISTRESSE DSCHOONER.

Engineer Suffers Burns; Eliza Ann, With Propeller Shaft Broken, Is Towed to Newport.

NEWPORT, Or., May 25.—(Special.)—The fishing schooner Eliza Ann, which left here Friday for Coos Bay, broke her propeller shaft when off Hecla Head and returned under sail. Upon arriving off Yaquina Bay entrance yesterday she sent up distress signals, which were picked up by the government life-saving crew here.

Captain Hunt immediately ordered his crew to the rescue of the Eliza Ann, and the power boat was lowered. When Henry Bower, the engineer, opened the engine room door to start the engine, leaking gasoline caused an explosion so strong that the clothing of the members of the crew was set on fire and they jumped overboard to quench the flames. Bower's burns on hands and face were especially severe, but to prevent the boat from being destroyed he returned to the engine room and shut the door.

Later, when the flames had subsided, the power boat went out with Assistant Engineer Charles Harwood and brought in the Eliza Ann.

Bower was taken by train to Portland today for treatment at a hospital. His injuries were mainly burns on hands and face and were considered very serious.

REVENUE OFFICER IS SLAIN

Alleged Draft Evaders Battle Men in Pursuit in Kentucky.

WHITESBURG, Ky., May 25.—A. P. Hurt, United States deputy collector of internal revenue, was shot and killed and two members of his posse were wounded near Pond Gap on the Virginia-Kentucky border today while attempting to arrest 12 mountaineers accused of evading the selective service law.

A trail of blood led in the wake of the fleeing mountaineers indicated one or more of them had been wounded.

ITALY STILL DETERMINED

Claims on Fiume Are Pressed as Resolutely as Ever.

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PARIS, May 25.—(Special Cable.)—Italy's claims on Fiume are still being pressed doggedly and comprises offer little hope at this time, but the work is continuing to find an avenue that all parties can travel.

President Wilson may visit Belgium next week, depending upon the German programme.

Governor Lister Better.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 25.—Governor Ernest Lister's condition was reported at the Swedish hospital, where he is under treatment, to be considerably improved today. His personal physician stated that the governor was in much better spirits this evening.

LINE-UP FOR WOOD STEADILY GROWING

Republican Support Seen in All Quarters.

HARDING FORCES WEAKENING

Important Ohio Papers Come Out for General.

LANE'S NAME MENTIONED

But as Candidate for Democrats Secretary Has Handicap: He Isn't Partisan Enough.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 25.—General Leonard Wood is making a sort of non-stop flight for the presidency, in the opinion of many republicans here from all parts of the country for the extra session of congress.

Whenever republicans get together now the presidential contest of next year is the topic of conversation and the strength of General Wood is always apparent. It developed the other day at a conference of republican leaders at Trenton, N. J., that 16 of the 19 present, representing all sections of the state, were for Wood, two for Senator Harding and one for former President Taft.

In response to popular sentiment in the rank and file of republicans, influential newspapers of that party are lining up for Wood. The Harding forces suffered a severe setback recently when the Toledo Blade and the Cleveland News, the two strongest republican papers in Senator Harding's home state, came out for General Wood.

The action of the Toledo Blade came in with its two sister papers, the Detroit (Mich.) News and the Newark (N. J.) Star-Eagle.

Some talk has been heard recently of a democratic candidate which, by reason of the high type of man mentioned, could well be taken seriously. The proposed candidate is Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, who might be regarded as excellent timber. As the one man in Mr. Wilson's cabinet who has made good consistently from the start, the secretary of the interior stands well before the country. His entire course since he took office in 1913 has marked him as a constructive genius. He worked all the time and has done but little talking.

He is the one member of the cabinet who has remained in his office while the others were almost constantly on

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VICTORY LOAN CANNON TO REWARD PORTLAND

CITY LEADS DISTRICT FOR OVERSUBSCRIPTION.

Purchases Compiled Total \$15,700,000, With Quota Fixed at \$14,800,000.

As a trophy of the conquests in which her sons participated, and of her own driving annihilation of the victory liberty loan quota, in the fifth and last campaign, Portland is soon to possess a captured German cannon—one of the few awarded to cities which led the loan in the several districts.

Such is the message received from Robert E. Smith, state executive manager of the liberty loan for Oregon, who is now in San Francisco, headquarters of the 12th federal reserve district, checking up the latest returns of the tremendous patriotic task in which Oregon bore so prominent a part.

"From incomplete returns," telegraphed Mr. Smith last night, "Portland has the largest over-subscription of any city in the 12th federal reserve district having populations over 200,000. The city will therefore win, in all probability, the captured German cannon which is to reward such success."

Portland's quota was \$14,800,000, and the actual subscription compiled to date is \$15,700,000, or an over-subscription percentage of 6 and 13-100 per cent. Seattle, with a quota of \$18,300,000, has subscribed \$19,250,000, reaching an over-subscription of 5 and 14-100 per cent.

Spokane has won in the district contest between cities of 75,000 to 200,000, advises Mr. Smith, in which no Oregon city figured, owing to limitations of population.

As Oregon is undoubtedly the first state to attain its quota, it should be entitled to a cannon of its own, comments Mr. Smith, but the rules of the contest forbid two awards when the principal city "cops" a cannon.

"I am unable to obtain definite information concerning the character of the cannon to be presented," telegraphed Mr. Smith, "but am assured it will be of sufficient size fittingly to commemorate Portland's unequalled patriotic record."

"While we cannot secure two cannon for the state, I feel that Oregon's record of being the first state with its quota, in addition to having the largest over-subscription, is sufficient honor."

LINER STRIKES ICEBERG

Cassandra, Slightly Damaged, Arrives at St. Johns, Nfld.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., May 25.—The Donaldson liner Cassandra, which struck an iceberg 160 miles off Cape Race, arrived here tonight. Her forefoot was stove in by a low-lying berg. The 400 passengers aboard are well.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., May 25.—Wireless calls for assistance were received today from the Donaldson liner Cassandra, which reported that she had struck an iceberg 160 miles off Cape Race.

MONTREAL, May 25.—The Donaldson liner Cassandra, which is reported to have struck an iceberg 160 miles off Cape Race, is not seriously damaged and is putting into St. Johns under her own power, according to advices received here by agents of the line from the Camerdown wireless station.

The advices added that the officers and crew had been able to make temporary repairs at sea. The Cassandra left here for Glasgow last Wednesday with 210 cabin and 217 steerage passengers. The vessel also carried a large general cargo.

NEW YORK, May 25.—The Cassandra sailed from Montreal last Wednesday for Glasgow. She is a vessel of 8100 gross tons, with a length of 455 feet and was built in Greenock, Scotland.

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Lenine Asks to Talk Peace With Admiral Kolchak.

BOLSHEVIK FORCES DESERT

Enemy Morale Shattered by Powerful Advances of Siberians; Moscow Is Objective.

LONDON, May 25.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Copenhagen says it is reported on good authority that the Estonians have captured Peterhof, 19 miles west of Petrograd.

A Helsinki newspaper prints a Moscow dispatch saying that Nikolai Lenine, the bolshevik leader, has offered an armistice to Admiral Kolchak, commanding the anti-bolshevik forces, in order to consider peace terms.

PARIS, May 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—The impression in French circles today was that the council of four had decided unanimously to recognize the government of Admiral Kolchak in Russia.

At American headquarters, however, it was said no decision had been reached.

OMSK, May 25.—(Russian Telegraphic Agency.)—Reports received by the general staff of the Siberian army indicate disintegration of the morale of the bolshevik. Mobilized workmen and peasants are deserting at the first opportunity and even the bolshevik commissaries are reported to be deserting.

Siberian newspapers print resolutions adopted at recent meetings of peasants in the district of Samara, who decided to expel all those with bolshevik sympathies, to organize special peasant detachments to fight the bolshevik and to arm all men between 18 and 50.

Bolsheviks Admit Successes. The bolshevik organ Nashput acknowledges that it is impossible to stop the Siberian offensive, saying:

"The army against us is more powerful than the army we had to face last year. In spite of all our efforts the army moves swiftly toward the heart of our positions."

The Siberian troops, as they move toward the front, are greeted enthusiastically by the population. The railroad cars bear this inscription: "We Are Going to Moscow."

Zemstvos Forces Unite. The Moscow Narodny bank, financial center of the Russian co-operative organizations, has issued new stock to the amount of 65,000,000 rubles. The bank, which now has its main office in Siberia, has opened a series of branches between the Urals and Vladivostok. More than 50 per cent of the new stock already has been taken.

It is announced the Zemstvos forces in Siberia have united in one organization similar to the former Russian Zemstvos union.

M. Antonev, a representative of the North Russian government at Archangel, has arrived here with a mission to organize the sending of supplies from Siberia to Archangel.

TOKIO, May 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—It is understood it has been officially suggested that recognition by the powers of the Omsk government be on condition the government satisfactorily treat and arrangements entered into by Russia prior to the bolshevik revolution.

200-FOOT FALL IS FATAL

Pilot of Mail Airplane Drops to Death as Hundreds Watch.

CLEVELAND, O., May 25.—Hundreds of persons saw Frank McCusker of New York, pilot of a mail airplane, leap 200 feet to his death from a burning machine here today. Fifteen minutes before he had announced that he would attempt to establish a record on his flight to Chicago.

The cause of the accident is not known. When the machine was at a height of between 300 and 400 feet McCusker was seen to climb to the frame. Then the airplane plunged and the pilot was seen to leap.

McCusker was alive when picked up. He died in a police patrol while being taken to a hospital.

DRY ORATOR RAPS WILSON

Ex-Governor of Ohio Takes Fling at President's Action.

DENVER, May 25.—"Since President Wilson made his declaration in favor of beer and light wines, brewery stock has advanced 40 per cent and the president's stock has gone down just that much," declared Frank E. Willis, ex-governor and ex-representative of Ohio, in an address at an anti-saloon league meeting here last night.

The ex-governor also ridiculed the federal court ruling that 3 per cent beer is not intoxicating, declaring that if 6 per cent is intoxicating one can get the same effect by drinking twice as much 3 per cent beer. He also declared that the dry amendment "was forced on an unwilling people."

