BIG NAVY BALLOON EXPLODES; 60 BURNED

Dirigible Lands Near Baltimore and Catches Fire.

WATCHING THRONGS HURT

Army Hospital Used for Relief of Sufferers After Blast That Shakes Entire District.

BALTIMORE, July 1.—The big navy dirigible C-8, commanded by Lieutenant N. J. Learned, with a crew of six men and two passengers, bound from Cape May, N. J., to Washington, exploded with terrific force just after the landing at Camp Holabird, near this city, at 12:30 today, to adjust rudder trouble.

The explosion shook the cantonment and the eastern section of the city like an earthquake. The great balloon instantly became a mass of flames.

Shooting flames and bits of blazing fragments scattered over the crowd of nearly 200 men, women and children who had gathered on the camp field to see the monster flier, and many of whom were blown partly across the field. Seventy-five persons, mostly women and children, were burned or otherwise injured. None of the officers or crew of the C-8 were hurt except suffering shock.

The explosion is believed to have been caused by rapid expansion caused by heat.

Houses a mile away were shaken and windows broken by the shock. The air was filled with gas fumes.

Relief was organized immediately from the Camp Holabird hospital and 60 persons went there to have their wounds dressed.

Joseph Stacks, 14 years old, and Joseph Kudek, 13, who were burned about the face and body, figured in one of the freakish effects which the explosion produced. They were driving near the balloon in a little cart behind a pony. The explosion blew them out of their cart and threw them some distance. It threw the pony to the earth violently.

EXPLOSION INQUIRY CALLED

Naval Aviators Think Careless Spectator Caused Big Blast.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—A naval court of inquiry will be convened, it was announced at the navy department tonight, to determine, if possible, the cause of the explosion which wrecked the huge naval dirigible C-8 at Camp Holabird, near Baltimore, today. A thorough investigation will be made with a view to preventing similar accidents.

Naval aviation officials expressed the belief that the explosion must have been the result of the careless use of a lighted match or cigarette or cigar by a spectator who approached too near the big hydrogen-filled bag.

The C-8, a sister dirigible to the C-5, which broke from its moorings at St. Johns, N. F., and drifted out to sea after making a record-breaking flight from Rockaway to the Newfoundland city, was one of 30 similar dirigibles contracted for by the navy during the war. After the armistice was signed the contract was reduced to 15, seven of which have been delivered. The C-8 was the latest of the class to be accepted, and was 200 feet long. It had a total lifting power of more than six tons, carried a crew of five men and cost complete, with all equipment, about $80,000. Hispano-Suiza motors of 150 horse power furnished the power.

DEATH MYSTERY UNSOLVED

DUNCAN McNICOL DEAD FROM GUNSHOT WOUND.

Coroner's Jury Sifts Evidence at Oregon City and Returns an Open Verdict.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 1.—Very little was learned of the murder of Duncan McNicol at the coroner's inquest held Tuesday afternoon and the verdict was that McNicol came to his death by a gunshot wound at the hand of a person or persons unknown.

John Hoffman, a near neighbor, testified that between 11:15 and 11:30 his wife heard a shot and awoke him. Immediately afterward they heard a large automobile start and leave the place. They thought nothing of the shot as McNicol was in the habit of shooting at all times of the day and night at stray dogs bothering his stock.

The body was discovered Monday morning by Art Berner, who called at the place on business. He immediately notified Hoffman and they sent in a call for the sheriff. Monday afternoon Joe Keller, of Salem, arrived with his bloodhounds but it was impossible to pick up the trail.

McNicol has been in the United States for about 28 years, having been employed at the Lass farm at Broadmead, Yamhill county, before coming here. He has been caretaker for the farm of D. B. McBride of Portland, and also owned an eight-acre tract adjoining the larger farm. He was 62 years of age and well and favorably known in this country.

The funeral will be held today at Clackamas and the interment will be in the cemetery at that place.

McLOUGHLIN HOME OPENED

W. P. Hawley, the Donor, Chosen Member of Association.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 1.—(Special.)—W. P. Hawley, who donated to the city the historic home of Dr. John McLoughlin, founder of Oregon City, was elected to honorary membership in the McLoughlin Memorial association at the annual meeting Monday. The home has been restored and is located in a sightly spot in a city park block overlooking the Willamette river.

All of the directors of the association were re-elected, and an invitation was given to the various churches, lodges and organizations having service flags to place them in the McLoughlin home for preservation.

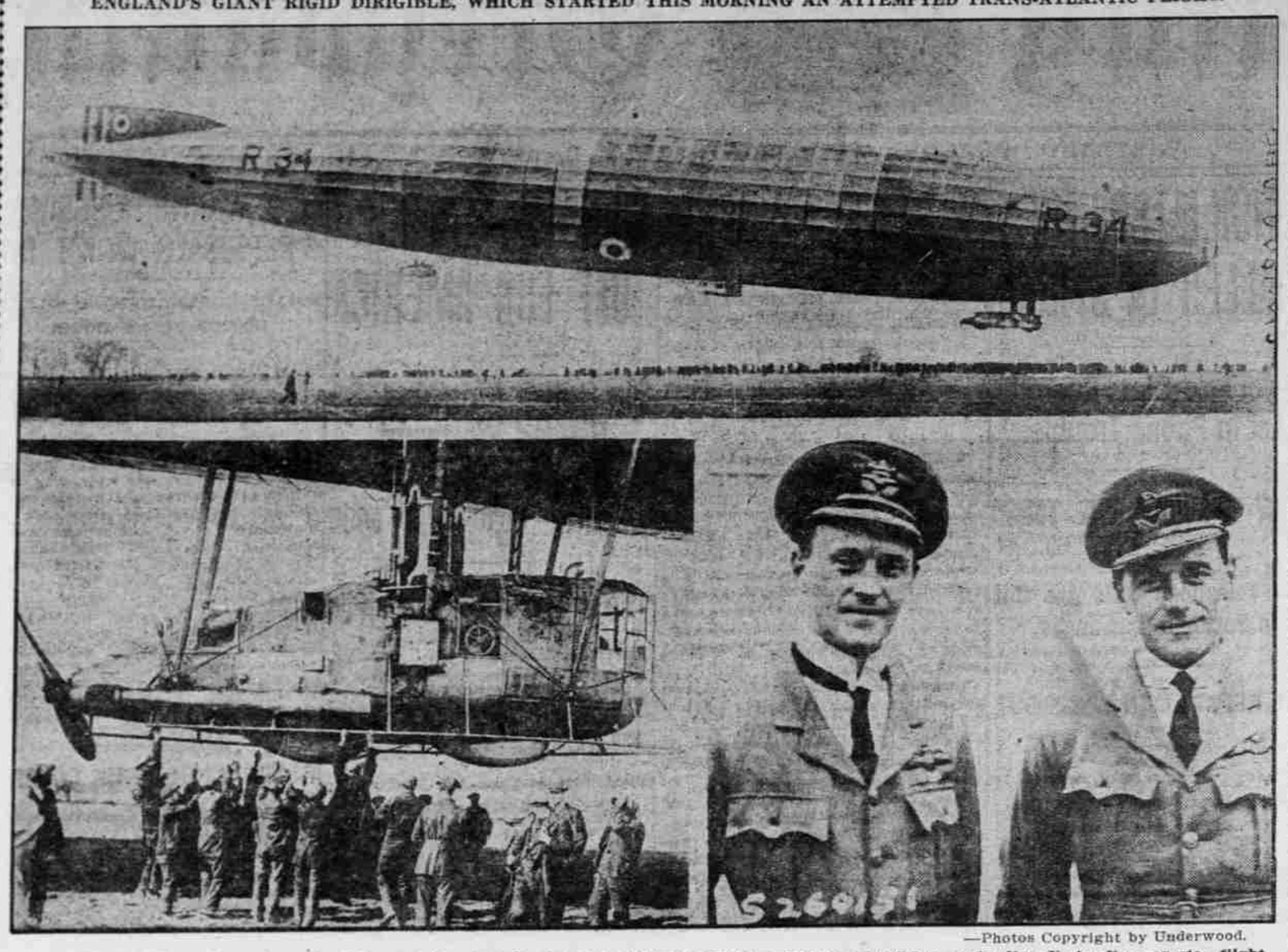
REDS CANNOT BE EJECTED

Law for Deportation of Martens et al. Reported Lacking.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—Secretary Wilson wrote Senator King, democrat, Utah, today that there was no law under L. C. A. K. Martens and other aliens of the Russian soviet bureau at New York could be deported.

The secretary said, however, that the activities of the bureau were being closely watched.

ENGLAND'S GIANT RIGID DIRIGIBLE, WHICH STARTED THIS MORNING AN ATTEMPTED TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT.



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Upper—Most edifying view yet recei ved here of the giant English rigid dirigible "R-34," which is expected to make New York after non-stop flight from England. Compare the tre mendous bulk of the airship with the people on the ground. Note the three separate gondolas, which are connected by passageway inside gas bag. D irigible will return to England after short stay. Lower, left—Close-up, showing construction of "gondola" of British R-34. Many windovs allow fu ll view. Note ladder leading to passageway inside gas bag, which connects with other two "gondolas." Lower, right—Lieutenant-Colonel Luccas and Major Fuller, who are in America preparing for arrival of R-34.

BRITISH AIRSHIP STARTS

DIRIGIBLE R-34 LEAVES EAST FORTUNE, SCOTLAND.

Weather Conditions Reported Favorable for Long Flight; Craft Big One and of Latest Design.

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200,000 persons to witness the landing have been provided.

The R-34 recently made a 56-hour trip into the Baltic, during which she covered approximately 2000 miles.

FIVE MONEY BILLS WAIT

CONGRESS FAILS IN PLAN TO PASS APPROPRIATION.

Naval Measure Carrying $616,000,000 Put Througs and Conference Agreements Reached on Others.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 1.—Congress failed yesterday in its aim to enact the remaining appropriation bills before adjournment and to recess until Monday.

It is expected house opposition to the conference agreement on the $766,000,000 army appropriation bill and obstruction by house democrats to other measures forced adjournment of both the senate and house until today after the senate had listened most of the day to debate on the league of nations.

With all the appropriation measures needed July 1 to provide funds for many government agencies beginning the new fiscal year, leaders hoped to clear up all of the bills today and then adjourn until July 7, when President Wilson is expected to arrive with the German peace treaty.

Of the five money bills left over the naval appropriation measure carrying $616,000,000 and providing a naval personal of 170,000 men, was the only one completed yesterday. Conference agreements were reached on all others, including reduction of the sundry civil bill from $775,000,000 to $605,000,000.

The house worked on conference reports all day, with several hours of spirited debate on the army report, which was returned to conference with its representatives instructed to insist that appropriation for the air service be limited to $15,000,000. The house conferees previously had agreed to compromise the senate's $65,000,000 appropriation for that purpose at $40,000,000.

The senate planned a night session to carry through the supply bills, but the handful of senators who returned at 8 o'clock agreed to adjournment upon learning of the blockade in the house, where democratic objection to consideration of the sundry civil and the District of Columbia conference reports forced postponement of final action until today.

Two important bills, the $26,000,000 agricultural appropriation measure, carrying the rider repealing the daylight saving law October 26 and that ending government control of wires, expected to be effective July 31, were sent late yesterday to the White House.

CASUALS WILL BE GREETED

Girls to Entertain Returning Artillerymen at Dance.

Casuals of the 148th field artillery, due to arrive in Portland today on the way to Camp Lewis for demobilization, will be the guests of the victory chorus and its friends at a "sing" and dance in the city auditorium at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Jane Burns Albert, leader of the chorus, will conduct an hour's sing, using songs and ballads popular with service men during the recent war. Every girl in Portland is invited to participate in the sing and dance, the only requisite being that cards be obtained from the War Camp Community Service, on the fourth floor of the Northwestern bank building.

PUBLISHER FINED $4500

President of Butte Bulletin Sentenced on Sedition Charge.

HELENA, Mont., July 1.—A fine of $4500 was imposed by Judge R. Lee Word upon R. B. Smith, president of the Butte Daily Bulletin company, who was convicted of sedition by a jury in district court last week. Smith has been granted his liberty upon $6000 bail pending an appeal of his case to the supreme court.

The charge was based on publication in the Bulletin of an editorial in which it was alleged the authority of the state council of defense was questioned. W. F. Dunn, editorial writer of the Bulletin, was fined $5000 recently upon his conviction of sedition in connection with the same case.

BANK SYNDICATE FORMING

Big Project to Finance California Fruit Crop Announced.

NEW YORK, July 1.—A syndicate of prominent bankers and banking concerns throughout the United States is being formed to extend acceptance credits, which may run as high as $20,000,000, to finance the California dried fruit crop, it was announced here today.

Approval of the transaction has been given by the federal reserve board, according to the announcement. This will be the first time, it was said, that the western fruit crop has been handled by the credit medium of bank acceptances, as heretofore the crops have been moved with the assistance of straight bank loans.

Although olive oil as a food and medicinal oil can be replaced very largely by other vegetable oils, there are one or two technical uses, wool spinning, for instance, for which no entirely satisfactory substitute has yet been found.

PIER SEATED IN OFFICE

CITY COMMISSIONER TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

First Day of Term Spent in Receiving Congratulations of Friends; Some Bring Flowers.

Without ceremony of any kind S. C. Pier yesterday assumed office as city commissioner for a term of four years. Mr. Pier was elected to office at the city election last November at which time Dr. T. L. Perkins was elected to succeed Dan Kellaher for a short term of six months, which expired on June 30.

Commissioner Pier has been assigned to the department of finance and parks. The parks and playgrounds department has been handled by Mayor Baker but in line with Mayor Baker's policy of eliminating from his office general departmental work, the park bureau was shifted to Mr. Pier.

The first day of Commissioner Pier's term was spent mainly in accepting the congratulations of his friends, many of whom brought flowers as an expression of well wishing.

FLEET COMMAND CHANGED

Admiral Wilson Is New Commander of Atlantic Squadron.

NEW YORK, July 1.—To the bombing of salutes from the big guns on the flagship Pennsylvania, lying at anchor in the North river, command of the Atlantic fleet changed hands yesterday when Admiral Henry T. Mayo, its wartime commander, "was piped over the side" and Admiral Henry B. Wilson, who commanded the naval patrol forces overseas during the war, succeeded him as senior admiral of the fleet.

As Admiral Mayo went over the side of the Pennsylvania, 17 guns roared out the salute, and his four-starred flag was run down from the masthead.

Admiral Wilson then stepped forward, read his orders and assumed command of the fleet as 17 more guns roared out the salute again, and his flag was run up. The transfer of the command of the Atlantic fleet followed official creation of the new Pacific fleet.

DENVER GETS 5-CENT FARE

Street-Car Men Threaten Strike if Wages Are Reduced.

DENVER, July 1.—Five cent fare will go into effect in Denver next Saturday, under an ordinance passed by the city council last night repealing the 6 cent tramway fare ordinance.

A strike of street car employes is a possible result of an announced cut in wages that will follow the return to a 5 cent fare.

The tramway company has announced it will return to the 1916 wage scale when the fare is cut and trainmen have declared they will not consent to a wage reduction.

CHICAGO STRIKERS BACK

Municipal Clerical Workers and Firemen Return to Jobs.

CHICAGO, July 1.—Strike troubles of city employes were greatly reduced today when approximately half the firemen voted to accept the $300 a year increase granted by the city council last night, and 800 city hall clerical workers returned to their desks.

Engineers, including those of the fire department, still held out for higher pay.

The street department remained tied up, the 5000 workers who struck a week ago refusing to accept the council's increase of 50 cents a day instead of $1 demanded.

Death valley is a narrow valley between the Panamint and Funeral mountains in California. It is traversed by the Amargara river, which is usually a dry channel, though probably if was formerly full of water. The level of the valley is covered with salt supposed to have been brought by the torrents from the surrounding desert and left on the evaporation of the water. Death valley is considered to be the hottest and driest place in the United States. A temperature of 122 degrees has been observed.

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