

AMBULANCE PLANE FALLS; 7 KILLED

Two Civilians and 5 Army Men Lose Lives.

CRAFT IS HIT BY STORM

Terrific Wind and Electrical Demonstration Fatal.

DEATH OF ALL INSTANT

Accident Declared to Be Worst in History of Aviation in United States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Seven men, five of the army and two civilians, were killed in the wreck of an army Curtiss-Eagle ambulance airplane near Indian Head, Md., 40 miles southeast of Washington, last night in a terrific wind and electrical storm.

The Dead.
Lieutenant Colonel Archie Miller, U. S. A., M. H., Washington, D. C. Maurice Connolly of Dubuque, Ia., ex-representative in congress.
A. G. Batchelder of Washington, D. C., chairman of the board of the American Automobile association.
Lieutenant S. M. Ames of Washington, pilot.
Lieutenant C. W. McDermott, Langley field, Virginia.
Lieutenant J. M. Pennewill, Langley field, Virginia.
Sergeant Mechanic Richard Blumentrans, Washington, D. C.

Army air officers said the accident was the worst in the history of aviation in the United States, and one of the few in which all passengers in a plane had been killed almost instantly.

Plane Hits Nose First.
The ship struck nose first and the force of the impact was so great that the 400-horse power Liberty motor was thrown back into the cockpit on top of the pilot and the passengers. All bodies were badly mutilated.

The Curtiss-Eagle was returning from Langley field, near Newburg, Va., and had just crossed the Potomac when it ran into the storm. The exact cause of the accident probably never will be known, as those in the machine were dead when witnesses from Morgantown, a village near Indian Head, reached the scene.

Investigation to Be Made.
An official investigation will be ordered. Air service officers said that when the plane left it was apparently in perfect condition.

Captain De Laverge, military attaché of the French embassy, who went in the Eagle from Washington, said tonight that in his opinion the Eagle was unbalanced.

"It had a small motor," he said, "of only 400-horsepower. The weight was too much; the pilot could not control it."

Brigadier-General Mitchell, assistant chief of the army air service, who accompanied the Eagle to Langley field, and who had a battle with the storm during his return, said Lieutenant Ames, piloting the Eagle, was considered a very good pilot.

Trees Prevent Landing.
When the Eagle circled over the field a couple of times before straightening out for Washington, it was running perfectly, he said.

The Eagle left Langley field at about 5:30 P. M. yesterday. The time of the wreck was placed at 6:25 P. M., the hour at which Mr. Connolly's watch stopped. Naval officers at Indian Head who saw the plane go down declared Pilot Ames tried to bring his machine down before the full force of the storm struck, but that he was prevented from landing by trees. The airship crossed the trees safely and appeared to put on power to reach a nearby field.

Plane Turns Over.
Apparently the motor either failed to respond or the high wind checked the ship, for it was seen to turn over and fall nose first when only a few hundred feet up. Officers at Indian Head said that the plane got down in a field near Indian Head until 11 o'clock last night.

16 HURT WHEN PLANE AND AUTO TANGLE UP

ATTEMPT TO CHANGE FROM RACING CAR FAILS.

Flier's Ladder Hooks Car and Sends It Into Fence; Aircraft Plunges Into Grandstand.

SEARCH OF LAKE GOES ON

Man Accused of Murder Is Said to Have Had Lime.

TRUNK NOT YET LOCATED

Ex-Convict Declared to Have Purchased 6 Pounds of Powerful Corrosive Agent.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 29.—Sixteen persons were injured, one perhaps fatally, when an airplane crashed into crowded box seats at state fair park today during a stunt flight.

A. L. Wilson was to transfer from a racing automobile, driven by Louis Diabrow, to an airplane operated by D. M. Speers.

As the automobile, going 75 miles an hour, rounded a curve on the race-track near the southwest end, Speers dropped a rope ladder by which Wilson was to effect the transfer.

Wilson was said to have grasped the ladder by its fourth rung, when the first rung became caught on the automobile.

The aviator, in attempting to disengage the ladder, rose in his machine, lifting the rear end of the automobile several feet.

Wilson, in the careening automobile, attempted to release the ladder. He was thrown, landing near the grandstand.

Efforts of Diabrow to control the automobile proved futile and the heavy machine, crashing into the fence, caused the airplane to overturn. It fell into the box section, nose downward.

DARE CAUSES DROWNING
Daughter of Bend Pastor Falls Off Log in Deschutes River.

BEND, Or., May 29.—(Special.)—Nine-year-old Dorcas Stenseth, daughter of S. A. Stenseth, pastor of the Scandinavian Lutheran church of this city, was drowned in the Deschutes river here late today when she fell from a log while playing on the water's edge at the Stevin-Hixon loading dock near the outskirts of the city.

With two playmates about her own age, Lillian and Bernice Holk, the Stenseth girl was dared by older girls to walk out on the logs, it was said. The last one on which the little girls stepped turned under her and they were precipitated into the water.

J. C. Mayer, lying nearby, rushed to the rescue, saving Bernice, while Lillian crawled out on a log. Not until later did he learn that a third child had gone down. One little girl informed him a few minutes later that their companion was still in the river. He located the body, but the chance for saving the child's life was gone.

The father, who is attending a conference at the church of Silverton, was advised of the tragedy.

WIG IS HELD CLEW TO MISSING BRIDE

Find in Mahoney Case Revealed by Police.

DEBT MONEY IS EN ROUTE

German Courier on Way to Paris With Last of First Payment.

POSSE KILLS ASSASSIN

Porto Rican, Alleged to Have Shot Woman, Wounds Pursuer.

BERLIN, May 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—If the train carrying the German couriers reaches Paris on schedule time, the reparations commission about noon tomorrow will come into possession of the equivalent of \$40,000,000 gold marks, the balance due from Germany on the first billion reparations payment.

Each of the notes, 20 in number, bears the indorsement of the four leading banks of Greater Berlin, who volunteered that joint guarantee in return for the government's assurance that the notes would be redeemed at maturity.

ESTATE IS \$10,000,000
Letters of Administration Asked for James A. Murray Property.

BUTTE, Mont., May 29.—Marcus Murray has filed a petition in the district court of Silver Bow county for letters of administration of the estate of the late James A. Murray, Montana millionaire.

In asking that letters of administration be given here the petition alleged that James A. Murray, who died May 11 at his home in Monterey, Cal., was a citizen of Montana, and that the bulk of his estate, valued at between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000, is in Montana.

AMERICA BECOMES DRIER
State Enforcement Laws Said to Aid Volstead Act.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29.—The country gradually is becoming drier and the Volstead law easier to enforce, John F. Kramer, prohibition enforcement commissioner, said today.

Passage of enforcement laws by several states, he said, had improved the situation.

GERMAN RABBITS DUE FRANCE DODGE TRAPS

PEACE PACT UNFULFILLED AS BUNNIES ARE TOO WARY.

Thousands of Partridges Pledged Away in Versailles Treaty Also Escape Capture.

EXPOSURE OF PONZI WINS PULITZER PRIZE

BOSTON POST'S SERVICE HELD MOST MERITORIOUS.

CITY TO OBSERVE MEMORIAL RITUAL

Soldier Dead Objects of Special Tribute

NEW YORK, May 29.—The Boston Post's exposure of the Charles Ponzi scheme of quick wealth is considered by Columbia university the most meritorious public service rendered by any American newspaper during the last year. As a result the Pulitzer prize in journalism, a gold medal costing \$500, has been awarded to that newspaper.

Other Pulitzer prize awards announced today include \$1000 to Louis Seibold for his interview with ex-President Wilson. Seibold is a writer for the New York World and The Oregonian. The requirements for winning this prize are strict accuracy, terseness and accomplishment of some public good.

One thousand dollars was awarded to Edith Wharton for her novel, "The Age of Innocence," which the prize committee considered the best American novel published during the year.

For the original American play, performed in New York, which best represents the educational value and standard of good morals, good taste and good manners, \$1000 was awarded "Miss Lulu Bett" by Zona Gale.

For the best book on the history of the United States, \$2000 was awarded the "Victory at Sea," by Rear Admiral William S. Sims, in collaboration with Burton J. Hendrick.

"The Americanization of Edward Bok," by Edward Bok, received a prize of \$1000 as the best American biography.

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VETERANS ARE IN CHARGE

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MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAMME IN PORTLAND

Patriotic organizations will decorate graves of soldier dead in city cemeteries starting at 8:30 A. M.

Memorial services for sailors and marines at Stark street dock at 9:30 A. M.

Ritualistic services at Grand Army cemetery (Greenwood), at 9:30 A. M.

Memorial service at Reed college at 10 A. M.

Memorial services at Oddfellows' hall, Lents, at 10:30 A. M.

Lone Fir cemetery service and services at Milwaukie cemetery at 10:30 A. M.

Parade of patriotic organizations forms at county courthouse at 2 o'clock and moves promptly at 2:30.

General exercises at auditorium at 3 P. M.

Paraded flags of peace after the flying banners of war, and a wilderness of flowers that will to sweeten sleep the heroes of the nation's wars who rest in honored graves—these symbolize Memorial day as the tributes of ex-comrades and citizens.

The day will be observed generally in Portland. Business will be almost at a standstill, and every cemetery will be a shrine today.

Parade of various organizations participating in the day's celebration, General George White, grand marshal, will start at 2:30 this afternoon from Sixth and Main streets, moving west on Main street to Sixth, north on Sixth to Pine, back on Sixth to Morrison, east on Morrison to third, and south on third to the auditorium. There the following programme will be given:

Assembly, bugle corps, Wallace Smith, Frederic Hatley, Edward Holzwood, Thomas Rowka, Donald Bowker, George Peacock, organ, "Pipers, Mahony (Chopin), Professor Frederic W. Goodrich, invocation, Rev. J. Bronchetti, reading "Memorial Orders," Adjutant C. A. Williams, Lincoln's Gettysburg address, Roland Mason, organ, "American Phantoms" (Victor Herbert), Professor Frederic W. Goodrich, address, Rev. Major William S. Gilbert, introduced by Commodore T. H. Stevens, "Star-Spangled Banner," Mrs. Fred L. Olson, benediction, Chaplain T. H. Galsinger, tape, bugle corps, Daughters of Veterans will act as ushers.

Public offices generally will be closed today. The postoffice will keep one stamp window open as a matter of accommodation. The central library will keep open for reading from 2 to 3:30 P. M., but there will be no books issued or exchanged. All branch libraries will be closed all day.

TRIP WEST OFFERED TO REPRESENTATIVES

ARID LAND STATES TO INVITE PARTY ON VISIT.

All Members of Congress Will Be Asked to Come and Inspect Reclamation Projects.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29.—Consideration is being given to a plan for taking as many members of congress as will accept the invitation west this summer to see first-hand the advantages and possibilities of irrigation. The proposal is expected to gain the support of 23 commercial bodies in 13 arid land states, to whom letters outlining the plan will be mailed tomorrow by E. F. Blaine of Seattle, representing the Western States Reclamation association.

The plan is to include invitations to every one of the 425 house members to make the trip. As tentatively planned, the representatives would move in two sections. One party would go through the northwest, visiting the irrigation projects of California, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. The other would go to the southwest, seeing the projects in Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Nevada.

The two parties would finally join in California. The plan grew out of the results attained by the trip made last summer by the house committee on appropriations. Influential members of that committee came back from the west converted to the possibilities of irrigation, and enthusiastic in their support of reclamation legislation.

Western congressional delegations have endorsed the proposed trip of inspection, and Representatives Sinnott, Oregon; Summers, Washington, and French and Smith of Idaho are active in the plans to make it a success. They hope to have several scores of representatives pay the west a visit. It is believed that the McNary-Smith reclamation bill can be passed at the present session of congress. Representative French of Idaho has been named chairman of a committee of western states representatives to press for action.

SALZBURG FAVORS FUSION
Vote on Union With Germany Is Almost Unanimous.

SALZBURG, Austria, May 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—In the referendum held today the vote was virtually unanimous in favor of fusion with Germany.

With 80 per cent of the returns recorded, only a few hundred votes were recorded against fusion.

BERNE, Switzerland, May 29.—Latest advices concerning the Salzburg plebiscite indicate that 83 towns and villages cast 62,500 votes, or 92 per cent of the population, in favor of fusion with Germany, as against only 1000 in opposition.

RED CROSS MAN IN CELL
Russians Said to Have Transferred American to Dungeon.

RIGA, May 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Confirmation of the report that Captain Emmet Kilpatrick, American Red Cross worker in the hands of the Bolsheviks, had been transferred from a camp to a dungeon in the Tcheka prison has been received through Terijoki, Finland.

From the same sources advices state Corporal Hazelwood, formerly of the Siberian expedition, is imprisoned in Moscow and seriously affected mentally.

All Americans imprisoned in Russia are now said to be receiving food.

ENGINEERS ACCEPT WAGE REDUCTION

Portland Union Ratifies Ship Board Proposal.

SECRET CONFERENCE IS HELD

FAILURE OF STRIKE LEADS TO REVERSAL OF ATTITUDE

SETTLEMENT IS NEARER

ATTEMPT TO WIN DEMANDS WEAKENS

When Number of Workers Become Anxious to Take Jobs.

Portland engineers, members of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial association, voted to accept the new proposals of the shipping board for a settlement of the strike, at a meeting held at their headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce building Saturday night, it was learned yesterday.

The vote was said to have been 56 for acceptance of the terms, which include a 15 per cent reduction in wages, to five against.

Officials of the organization denied that the question had been settled locally.

15 Per Cent Cut Provided.
The vote was said to have been on the agreement reached Friday between representatives of the national organization of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial association and Chairman Benson of the shipping board, which had been submitted in all the local unions for ratification. The agreement, which was made Friday, was said to provide for a 15 per cent reduction in wages and the payment of overtime on a pro rata basis instead of a fixed sum.

The belief was expressed yesterday that the strike, which has been in effect since May 1, is practically settled, particularly as it affects the controversy between the unions and the shipping board. The agreement reached Friday at Washington did not include local operators of ships, but it is believed that if a settlement is made with Germany, the local operators will agree to similar terms. The agreement is to run one year.

Secret Conference Held.
Local officials of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial association were in secret conference yesterday afternoon at the headquarters of the association and their attitude clearly indicated they were perturbed over the situation. During the afternoon they received a telegram which did not add to their serenity, although they refused to divulge the nature of the message.

Failure of the strikers to tie up vessels is believed to be the principal cause for the reversal of attitude of local engineers on the question of continuing the strike. The vote is a complete reversal of the previous vote taken by the local engineers, when they urged that the proposed wage reduction be not accepted. Some of the engineers are said to have been offered jobs and they are anxious to end the strike, as they can return to work. It is declared there has been a change in the attitude of some of the local engineer officials which has resulted in a loss of confidence on the part of the striking engineers.

Vessels Get Crews.
The failure of the strike locally is shown by the fact that no ships are held up in the harbor at the present time for lack of men. Vessels temporarily held up have managed to secure crews and get away.

"We have nothing to give out for publication," said Barney Dionne, secretary of the local Marine Engineers' Beneficial association, when questioned as to the local situation yesterday. He denied that any action had been taken here and said that a meeting probably would be held today.

SAN FRANCISCO VOTES "NO"
Rejection of Ship Board Proposals Nearly Unanimous.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 29.—San Francisco members of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial association today voted to reject the United States shipping board's new proposals offered as a means of settling the maritime strike.

J. J. Seary, secretary of the organization, said the vote was practically unanimous.

IMMIGRANT INFLUX SET

Number of Entries to Be Allowed During June Announced.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29.—The number of immigrants who will be allowed to enter this country under the new 3 per cent law during June was announced for some countries last night by Commissioner-General Hubbard as follows: United Kingdom 5223, Norway 920, Sweden 1531, Denmark 483, Netherlands 276, Belgium 119, Luxembourg 7, France 487, Switzerland 287, Germany 2219, Denmark 22, Finland 29, Africa 9.

