

AIRSHIP WRECKED BY BROKEN RUDDER

Accident to Controls Blamed
for Crash.

GENERAL GIVES VIEWS

Explosion of Craft Is Declared Not
to Have Occurred Until After
Wires Were Hit.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 22.—A statement by Major General Mason M. Patrick, head of the army air service, that he believed the destruction of the airship Roma was due to an accident to the controls regulating the altitude of the craft stood out tonight as the only official announcement from any of those investigating the accident which yesterday caused the death of 24 persons, the injury of eight others and the demolition of the world's largest semi-rigid airship.

Meanwhile, the army investigation board, called into session today, continued its sessions tonight behind closed doors. None of the proceedings could be learned.

Elevating Rudder Buckles.
General Patrick expressed his opinion on the basis of testimony he had heard thus far and substantiated statements previously made unofficially by survivors, that the elevating rudder, a contrivance resembling the wings of an airplane and attached to the stern of the Roma, buckled and fell forward, forcing the craft into a nose dive, which caused it to crash into a high-power electric transmission line, caught fire and burned, with the great number of her crew and passengers pined beneath.

It was reiterated by army officers today that there was no explosion or fire while the Roma was in the air. General Patrick, who came here by airplane from Washington, immediately upon being advised of the accident, declared there had been none.

Fire Comes After Crash.
Army officers also emphasized that the rudder had given way and that the fire did not occur until the ship struck the electric wires.

Just how long the official investigation will require was not indicated tonight, although every effort will be made to complete it as quickly as consistent with a thorough probe of the entire situation.

Five of the 11 men injured, who were first taken to the public health service hospital, have now been found strong enough to be removed to Langley field. They are Major J. D. Reardon, Captain Walter J. Reed, Lieutenant C. H. Welch, Sergeant Biedenbach and Corporal Flores.

30 Dead Are Identified.
A small morgue in Newport News housed the dead, 30 of whom had been identified tonight. None were allowed to see them except for identification, but wives, mothers and sweethearts gathered about and a crowd was in attendance all day. The bodies were badly burned and identification in many cases was made by watches or articles of jewelry recovered with them.

HELIUM USE HELD LIKELY

Aircraft Development Must Be
Pressed, Despite Disaster, View.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—In the future helium, a non-explosive gas, no doubt will be used for airships instead of dangerous hydrogen, said a statement issued tonight by the aeronautics chamber of commerce of America. It added that the Roma disaster "should be regarded the same as an accident in a laboratory."

The chamber asserted that the development of the airship must be pressed, despite the disaster. "The loss of the Roma should not be regarded as a reflection on the operating personnel or the safety of the war department in having purchased it from Italy," said the statement. "It was the obvious thing to do, because we have not developed lighter than air craft in this country to the extent that other governments have developed it with public funds."

The potentiality of the airship is such that it is bound to be developed. Despite an accident or a series of accidents it is so important and its promise is so far-reaching in transportation and national defense that it must continue.

"We do not abandon our laboratories, mines, researches, steamships when accident befalls them. The accident to the Roma may indicate our future course of procedure."

"There are now several important airship projects in the United States. They are being developed with all possible care. We are advised today that they will be abandoned. Our airships will be built in this country and our personnel organized and trained in their construction, from the drafting board to the navigation of the finished product."

LIST OF DEAD IS ISSUED

Air Service Reports Also Survivors
of Crash With Roma.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—The air service issued today a list of the dead in the crash of the Roma.

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of dead in the Roma disaster, with home addresses, as follows:
Major John G. Thorneil, Sydney, Ia.
Major Walter W. Vautsmeier, Freeport, Ill.
Captain Dale Mabry, Tampa, Fla.
Captain George D. Watts, Indianapolis.
Captain Allen P. McFarland, Indianapolis.
Captain Frederick J. Durschmidt, Derby, Conn.
First Lieutenant John R. Hall, Kingsville, Mo.
First Lieutenant Wallace C. Burns, Brandon, Miss.
First Lieutenant William E. Riley, New York.
First Lieutenant Clifford Smythe, Chicago.
First Lieutenant Wallace C. Cummings, Springfield, Tenn.
First Lieutenant Ambrose V. Clinton, Savannah, Ga.
First Lieutenant Harold K. Hines, Bridgeport, Conn.
Corporal Irby B. Hevron, Elwood, Ind.
Private John E. Thomason, Bentonville, N. C.
Private Marion Hill, Newton, Ill.
Private Gus Kinkston, Louisville, Kentucky.
Master Sergeant Roger B. McNally, Philadelphia.
Master Sergeant James Murray, New York.
Master Sergeant William J. Ryan, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Staff Sergeant Edward M. Schumaker, Red Bank, N. J.
Staff Sergeant James M. Holmes, Ashland, Ky.
Sergeant V. C. Hoffman, Eaton Rapids, Mich.
Master Sergeant Gorby, Raymond City, W. Va.
Technical Sergeant Lee M. Harris, Langley field, Virginia.
Staff Sergeant Louis Hillard, Coldwater, Kan.
Staff Sergeant Marion Z. Beall, La Platte, Mo.
Sergeant Thomas Yarbrough, Selma, Ala.
Private Theron M. Blakely, San Francisco, Cal.

Civilians.
Walter W. Stryker, McCook field, Dayton, O.
Robert J. Hanson, McCook field.
William O. Loughlin, McCook field.
Charles N. Shulenberg, McCook field.
T. W. Harriman, McCook field.
Survivors.
Charles D. Dvorach, McCook field, Dayton, O.
Walter A. McNair, bureau of standards, Washington, D. C.
Major John D. Reardon, Washington, D. C.
Captain Walter J. Reed, Scarsdale, N. Y.
First Lieutenant Clarence H. Welch, Fannin, Neb.
Master Sergeant Harry A. Chapman, St. Louis, Mo.
Corporal Albert O. Flores, Norfolk, Va.
Sergeant Joseph M. Biedenbach, Akron, O.

Injured.
Ray Hurley, McCook field, Dayton, Ohio.
First Lieutenant Byron T. Burt Jr., New York.
Sergeant Birken T. Peck, 2344 Lafayette avenue, Terre Haute, Ind.

FRANCE UNABLE TO PAY
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ness man, who in a sense has been drafted by the French government to handle the foreign debts, should be a high minded and the Americans who had relations with him during the peace conference have the highest regard for him. As a business man, he is of the trading type, who asks rather more at the beginning of a deal than he expects to get at the end. Some foreign debts, such as the Paris negotiations about reparations, thought they observed that the French government had a demand and French expectancy was something like 5 to 1.

Confidence in Commission Urged.
The American commission, just appointed by President Harding to attend to these foreign debts, should command the highest confidence. Secretary Hoover probably knows more about the economic and business conditions of Europe than any other one man. Secretary Mellon is a business man of just the type that is best adapted to understand and take advantage of the larger equities in such a situation as this. Mr. Hughes' name carries its own weight. Senator Smoot is a business man of painstaking type with an infinite capacity for details and hard work. Ex-Senator Burton is probably the best combination of the airship and the banker now in public life in America.

Probably the first task of this commission will be to determine just what the French government is to do in this transaction that the simple business of collecting a debt.

There's Something in Argument.
Economists and business men know there is something in the Lochner argument that America couldn't afford to let Europe pay what she owes us, if she is to pay in gold and if we are to have a tariff of such height as to prevent her paying in bonds.

A British statesman with whom I had an argument about these debts said: "We'll pay you in gold, and we'll throw the gold in on you until you are up to your neck and drowning in it and you'll help."

Just why this was no empty threat is a matter of economics, of finance and of foreign treaty, so remote that few of the public understand it, and our leaders will not carry on a considerable campaign of education.

In the end Mr. Harding's commission can make no arrangements about these debts that do not meet the approval of a majority of the American public and there is little doubt that the debt of the American people on this point would be modified if France should show a disposition to reduce her army and the money she is spending on her army, and other wise fall in with America's ideas towards bringing the world out of chaos.

ROBBERY HELD FAKED
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his attorney went with moving vans to the Robertson home in West Forty-ninth street, New York, and all the surgeon's belongings were removed. Mrs. Robertson subsequently sued for divorce, declaring her husband had tried to force her to capitalize his own speculations. Later he filed a petition in bankruptcy.

While the physician and his wife were separated in 1919 and when he was house surgeon at a New York hotel, detectives by Mrs. Robertson, and their wives, took rooms near the surgeon. At 3 o'clock in the morning one of the detectives aroused the place by shouting that a wife needed a doctor, and Dr. Robertson came from his rooms. Mrs. Robertson and her sleuths entered the surgeon's room and found a professional nurse. The ensuing lawsuit was thrown out of court on evidence that the nurse was guilty of wrongdoing. Dr. Robertson also was denied a divorce.

He had named a stock broker in his suit.
After a disagreement with her New Jersey lawyer over a real estate transaction in Deal, Mrs. Robertson accused him of insulting conduct.

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TREATY ON PACIFIC RETARDED IN SENATE

Administration Leaders in
Conference on Action.

HARDING'S ADVICE ASKED

Whether or Not to Accept Blanket
Reservation Is Big Problem of Day.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—The progress of the four-power Pacific treaty in the senate again was interrupted today while administration leaders conferred among themselves and prepared to seek the advice of President Harding whether to accept the blanket reservation proposed by those who are opposing unreserved ratification.

Contrary to the expectation of senators who had sponsored the reservation, administration accepted it without a word of comment. It was withheld at today's session of the foreign relations committee, and Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the republican leader and committee chairman, arranged to confer tomorrow morning with the president.

Reservation Is Supported.
At the White House Mr. Lodge is expected to describe in detail the situation. In the committee, a majority of whose members are said to have indicated they would support the reservation regardless of the stand taken by the administration. What the senate leaders' own opinion may be regarding the proposal has not been definitely revealed, but republican committee members supporting it still predicted tonight that both Mr. Lodge and Mr. Harding eventually would decide not to interpose serious opposition.

Heretofore officials close to the president have declared he held strongly to the opinion that no reservations were necessary, although at the same time it has been said that he did not desire to become a stickler for senate acceptance of the treaty verbatim.

Senate Situation Factor.
His decision is expected to hinge on whether the proposed reservation provides that every adjustment reached under the treaty should be subject to the review of congress, impair or embarrass the purposes of the four-power arrangement.

It is considered likely that the whole senate situation also will be taken into consideration by the president. Mr. Lodge before he accepted a course of action. With administration acceptance of the blanket reservation assured, it is conceded the committee will be in a position to vote promptly and almost unanimously in favor of the treaty itself. But with that acceptance withheld it is the apparent purpose of the reservationists to attempt to force the senate to accept a series of more specific qualifications, leading to considerable debate and long delay.

Another Reservation Offered.
One of the supplemental reservations, attempting to define in detail the term "rights" as used in the treaty, was put into the committee hopper today by Senator Johnson, republican, California. Like the blank reservation offered by Senator Brandegee, republican, Connecticut, it went over without action, pending Mr. Lodge's visit to the White House.

Should a negative reply be brought to the capital tomorrow by the committee chairman it is considered likely that several other proposed reservations will be placed before the committee with the support of a number of republicans, as well as democratic senators.

In the background of the committee situation on the other hand, is the situation in the senate itself, where the administration senators believe that no reservation, regardless of whether it bears the approval of a majority of the committee members, will ever be adopted. It is possible that the administration forces will decide to acquiesce passively in a reservation actually approving it, and then make a fight on the senate floor to have it defeated.

Kellogg Fights Reservation.
Within the committee, the fight against reservations is being led by Senator Kellogg, republican of Minnesota, who predicted tonight that neither the president nor Senator Lodge ever would consent to the Brandegee proposal. Senators New of Indiana and McCumber of North Dakota, republicans, and Williams, democrat of Mississippi, were said to share the views of Senator Kellogg.

While the committee continued its deliberations of the four-power pact today, the senate began debate on the separate treaty between the United States and Japan relating to Yap and other former German islands of the Pacific. Mr. Lodge explained the treaty

between the United States and Japan relating to Yap and other former German islands of the Pacific. Mr. Lodge explained the treaty at length, characterizing it as securing all the rights the United States ever desired in the ex-German possessions. Senator France, republican, Maryland, attacked as a repudiation of republican platform pledges and a part of a "league of nations plan" which would lay the foundation for a new world war.

Tomorrow Senator Pittman, democrat of Nevada, is to address the senate, taking exception to some of the treaty provisions.

BUSINESS IS PICKING UP

REVIVAL LAST TWO MONTHS
NOTED BY E. N. HURLEY.

PASADENA, Cal., Feb. 22.—Business conditions throughout the country have shown marked improvement in the last two months, according to Edward N. Hurley of Chicago, formerly chairman of the United States shipping board.

"In January and February," said Mr. Hurley, "business conditions have shown a marked recovery. This recovery from the temporary depression is a remarkable demonstration of the basic soundness of our business structure. That very soundness forced an improvement."

"January and February, traditionally dull months, have been transformed this year into months of unusual activity, with improvement of business in virtually all lines and with a promise of a business revival that may make commercial activity."

"During the dull months the latter part of 1921 merchants at least cleaned their shelves of goods. Buying has now revived and orders are going back along the line, to jobbers, to wholesalers to manufacturers and to dealers in raw materials. The result is that January was the best month the country has known in a year, and February promises to be even better than January."

"It will be a long time before people hear of business dullness or depression again, provided the people down in Washington do their part." Mr. Hurley will speak at the annual meeting of the Los Angeles chamber of commerce in Los Angeles tonight.

DENBY SEES PRESIDENT
Secretary of Navy and Mr. Harding Have Secret Conference.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—Secretary Denby called at the White House Monday and presented President Harding with certain data which had been secured by the president. The exact nature of the information was not made public but it had been announced earlier in the day that Secretary Denby was preparing for the president a statement covering the exact effect on navy construction of the exact nature of the information.

The president, after studying the statement of the navy secretary, it was said, will lay the whole matter before the house appropriations committee, has requested an appropriation of \$350,000,000 for the navy at the 5-5-3 ratio agreed on by the naval limitation treaty of the Washington conference.

KLAN DECORATES GREAVE

Five Masked Members Appear Suddenly at Funeral.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 22.—Five white-robed and hooded members of the Ku Klux Klan appeared suddenly at the funeral of Dr. Charles E. Locke at Fairmount cemetery yesterday, placed a beautiful floral offering on the grave and disappeared.

The offering consisted of a white cross bearing in blue the words: "Knight of the Ku Klux Klan." A letter bearing the seal "Denver, Colo. Klan number one, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan" was mailed to Denver newspapers stating that although Dr. Locke was not a member of the organization, they desired to honor him as a "real American."

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BRITISH AND FRENCH PREMIERS TO MEET

Parley Arranged at Request
of Mr. Lloyd George.

TALK TO BE CONFIDENTIAL

Agenda and Date of Conference at
Genoa and Near East Are
Said to Be Involved.

PARIS, Feb. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain and Premier Poincare of France will meet somewhere in France Saturday or Sunday for a conference. The principal subjects for discussion will be the agenda and the date of the Genoa conference.

It is considered probable that the situation in Asia Minor and German reparations also will be discussed. The conference will be private and confidential, it was explained in official circles here tonight. It was arranged at the request of Mr. Lloyd George.

British Note Creates Surprise.
The official note issued by the British ambassador in Paris today, contradicting reports printed in the French newspapers that Mr. Lloyd George had not replied to Mr. Poincare's note concerning the Genoa conference, surprised political circles, because the note did not mention that Mr. George has been much discussed. The foreign office declines to comment on the ambassador's note. It is known, however, that no document in the nature of a reply to Mr. Poincare's note has been received here.

The ministers of finance of Great Britain and France also will meet soon to resume their conversations regarding the distribution of the first billion marks of reparation paid by Germany.

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Greeks to Release Steamer.
Havas dispatches from Athens say that in a note handed the French minister the Greek government had agreed to release the Espoir, but declared it would retain the coal.

The steamer Espoir and its cargo were captured and interned in Salamina harbor on February 12. The Greeks contended that the vessel carried contraband of war for Mustafa Kemal Pasha, the Turkish nationalist leader.

Clarkston Man Dies Suddenly.
WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Robert E. L. Hucksby, aged 58, died here this afternoon following an attack of heart disease. He came to Walla Walla yesterday from his home in Clarkston for a visit with relatives. He leaves his widow, Clarkston, and three sons, Robert and Ed of Colfax, and Victor of Lewiston.

Schools Withstand Influenza.
WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Attendance at city schools has not been hit very hard as yet by the mild epidemic of influenza which is sweeping the west, though working forces of most stores are crippled.

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