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SAY ITALY ON VERGE OF CHAOS

Panic Reigns Throughout Country, Refugees Near Border Declare

WORD GETS OUT FOR FIRST TIME

Latest Information Not Censored By Officials

SUSPECTS JAILED

Fascists Terrorize Entire Populace; Recent Assassination Plot Against King Even Laid To Mussolini

AGRAM, Austria, April 14. (AP)—Newspaper dispatches from Rakek, Italy, on the Italian-Jugo Slav frontier, quote travelers as saying that panic and chaos reign throughout Italy. The police aided by fascist militia, are said to have inaugurated a reign of terror in an effort to get even with "enemies of fascism."

Hundreds of persons suspected of being anti-fascists, are being arrested daily in almost every corner of Italy and thrown into overcrowded prisons.

One traveler brought a report that the bomb outrage at Milan was the work of extremist fascists themselves who were trying to settle their account with the reigning dynasty. This report had it that Mussolini had withheld from King Victor Emmanuel until the last minute his decision not to go to Milan.

Other travelers allege that Mussolini has completely terrorized the nation and is only waiting for proposals from his own black shirt followers to assume kingly powers himself.

ARREST 100 MEN AT WHITE HOUSE

PICKETING BROKEN UP BY WASHINGTON POLICE

Quicker Parade Marches to City Jail After Being Deprived of Its Posters

WASHINGTON, Apr. 14. (AP)—One hundred arrests broke up a demonstration against this administration's policy in Nicaragua held today before the White House by the anti-imperialistic league of America.

The demonstrators gathered in Washington from New York, Philadelphia, Camden, N. J., and Wilmington, Del., to picket the executive mansion despite reports by their attorney here, that the latter had been informed by White House police yesterday that picketing would be contrary to local regulations forbidding display of unauthorized posters on all grounds under jurisdiction of the park commission. Under this regulation the demonstrators were taken to the police station and released under \$25 bond.

The pickets, walking two abreast and each carrying a poster, encircled the grounds in perfect order, watched by a large crowd gathered for the daily reception by the president.

Among the inscriptions on the posters were:

"We do not appeal to the White House, but to the masses against the White House." "Millions of unemployed while we squander the treasury on conquest." "Wall street not Sandino is the real bandit in Nicaragua." "We are for Sandino and not against him."

A large number of the posters said:

"We demand the immediate withdrawal of marines from Nicaragua."

Precautionary measures had been taken by the police upon advice earlier in the day that the demonstration might occur. Ten city and six park policemen in addition to six plain clothes detectives were placed in reserve to aid the regular White House police force. When the demonstration actually occurred additional forces arrived in police wagons. The arrest, like the demonstration, took place with a minimum of disturbance. The police deprived the pickets, including mostly young men and five women, of their posters and then without disturbing their formation marched them to the nearby police headquarters.

The demonstration and its sequel followed a similar scene a few weeks ago at the White House when a visit by a Hungarian delegation was seized upon by opponents of the Horthy regime in that country to picket the executive mansion.

Blossom Day Tour Will Lure Thousands Today

Route Past Fragrant Blooms Leads to Even More Attractive Tulip Beds and Other Early Flowers; State Institutions Invite Visitors

Past orchards fragrant with the odor of cherry, peach and prune blossoms, and even more beautiful early floral displays, thousands of people from all parts of the central Willamette valley and many from even farther away, will drive today in Salem's fifteenth annual Blossom Day caravan.

The route was marked out yesterday by the Cherrians, who sponsor this spring event typical of Salem's appeal, as follows:

DIRIGIBLE FLIES TOWARD ARCTIC

SERIES OF TRIPS OVER NORTH POLE PLANNED

General Noble, Who Accompanied Amundsen in 1926, Commands Expedition

MILAN, April 15. (Sunday)—(AP)—The Italian dirigible Italia left Baggio airdrome at 2 o'clock this morning for Stolp, Germany, the first stage of its transpolar flight.

A more ambitious program than that of the "Norge" in which General Noble went to the north pole in 1926 has been mapped out for the present trip. Noble has made arrangements to stay in the polar regions through the remainder of spring and well into the summer. With a base established at Kings Bay, Spitzbergen, Noble plans several flights, one to ascertain whether there is more land on either side of the route followed by Peary.

A party of 200 made up of scientists, officers, mechanics and soldiers will be directed by Noble. An oaken cross presented Noble by Pope Pius will be carried to the pole and dropped there from the dirigible.

REVIVE MONSTER FABLE

Fierce Shark Said To Have Attacked Man in Rowboat

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 14. (AP)—Stories of Ogopogo, the fabulous monster often reported seen in Okanagan lake, were revived here today when three persons reported that a shark attacked a man in a row boat near here this afternoon.

The monster, about 12 feet long, apparently tried to leap into the boat to get its intended prey, witnesses said. The attack was separately witnessed by the rower of the boat, whose name was not learned, and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dunstan, who said they witnessed it from the shore.

Sharks are seldom reported seen in waters near here.

STEAMER RUNS AGROUND

400 Passengers Aboard Ship Near Massachusetts Coast

SAGAMORE, Mass., Apr. 14. (AP)—The steamer New York of the Eastern Steamship company, bound to New York from Boston, went aground in the Cape Cod canal just east of the Sagamore bridge tonight. There are 400 passengers aboard, including the treasurer of the steamship company.

Captain Harold I. Colbath, general manager of the canal, said that the steamer was not in the least danger and that it undoubtedly would slip off with the high tide about 2 a. m.

Tow boats are standing by waiting to assist. He said that a strong wind was probably the cause of the vessel's grounding.

DUELIST USES HIS TEETH

Bites Opponent Enthusiastically; Given 6 Months in Jail

BUDAPEST, Apr. 14. (AP)—For biting his adversary's nose, ear and cheek, Bela Erdelvi, Hungary's champion duelist who has fought 26 duels, today was sentenced to six months rigorous imprisonment.

Erdelvi's antagonist was a former friend, Stephen Elek, and their sword duel was fought with unparalleled ferocity. During the first onslaught both men tumbled to the ground where they crapped violently with each other.

JOHN GIESY RECOVERING

Former Mayor Sustains Major Operation Successfully

John B. Giesy, former mayor of this city, who was taken to Portland the first of last week, suffering from an acute bowel infection, was operated on in the Portland Surgical hospital yesterday morning. Although still in a critical condition, he was late last evening reported as getting along as well as could be expected. He had recovered consciousness.

CHINESE READY FOR CIVIL WAR ACTION BEGINS

More Than Score of Armies All Ready To Take Field This Spring

ALL BOAST OF STRENGTH

Cry "On to Peking" Again Raised; Northern Dictator Chang Tso-Lin Forced Into Small Corner of Land

By GLENN BABB
Associated Press Correspondent
PEKING, April 14. (AP)—Spring is urging a score or more Chinese armies into movement again sending them afield to harvest the 1928 crop from the many years' sowing of the dragon's teeth. Winter rumors of peace have given way to boasts of coming victories. The first skirmishes have begun.

A cursory glance at the confused map of China gives the impression that the battle now brewing is very one-sided. The Sun flag of the Kuomintang, the party of the revolution which has sworn to unify China under its rule, flies in sixteen of the eighteen provinces of China proper.

"On to Peking!" is the slogan of the forces that threaten the old capital from all sides except the sea and the north. On the map it appears that the old ex-bandit, the dictator of Peking, Marshal Chang Tso-lin, has been pressed back into a small corner of the country with his back to the wall—the great wall of China.

Merely On Defensive
This impression is a superficial view of the situation. True, the northern dictator is on the defensive. Even his most hopeful adherents forecast little more than success in holding his own, but not the reconquest of the ground lost in 1927 north of the Yangtze.

A year ago the line between north and south was that great river. Today it is 300 miles farther north, roughly by course of the yellow river.

The hard ridden warlord of Manchuria and Peking has many advantages however. He has superior lines of communication.

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MOTHER SAID KIDNAPER

Seattle Man Says His Wife Stole Eight Year Old Son

SEATTLE, April 10. (AP)—When eight year old James Scott disappeared unexpectedly from school his mother, Mrs. Hilda V. Lakin of Oakland, Cal., who had not seen her son since he was three years old, was sought tonight on a kidnapping charge.

Arthur E. Scott, the boy's father, said that he had learned that his former wife had come to Seattle with the intention of seeing her son. Confident that she had spirited him away to her California home, he swore to a kidnapping charge.

U. S. CANAL ACROSS NICARAGUA URGED IN CONGRESS

200 KILLED IN BLIZZARD

Terrific Storm Reported in the Interior of Chile

SANTIAGO, Chile, Apr. 14. (AP)—Two hundred persons and thousands of farm animals are reported to have been buried by a blizzard in the lake Jirones region of the Cordilleras. Ciudad Talca and Cajon del Maule are said to have been especially hard hit by the storm.

The messenger reports that have come through from the region say that the snow covered the dwellings of peasants and buried the animals in the countryside.

Salvage patrols of workmen and soldiers have been sent to the rescue but these patrols must travel many leagues over very bad roads to reach the affected region.

LINDY FLIES IN ARIZONA

Noted Airman Traveling Alone in New Ryan Monoplane

GRAND CANYON, Ariz., April 14. (AP)—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh flying alone in his new Ryan monoplane, tonight dropped down on the Grand Canyon field. The famous flier's stay at the canyon will be as the guest of the scenic airways. Tonight he was quartered at a hotel here.

Lindbergh flew here from an improvised landing field about eight miles northwest of Williams, Arizona.

Lindbergh was to be joined here tonight by H. M. Birby and H. H. Knight, both of St. Louis, who had accompanied him to Williams but who were left behind when he hopped off for the Grand Canyon earlier in the evening.

TUESDAY FINAL REGISTER DATE

UNLESS NAME ON BOOKS BY THEN, CANNOT VOTE

Candidates for City and County Offices May File One Day Only

Tuesday of this week at 8 p. m. is the deadline for registration for the spring primary election.

Persons not registered by that time will not be able to vote. This fact was emphasized yesterday by U. G. Boyer, Marion county clerk, when he sent out his last urgent call yesterday asking law abiding citizens to register.

Persons who have voted during the past two years and who have not moved since they last voted already have their names on the rolls and do not need to register. However in case of women who have been married since they last voted registration is necessary.

Although Tuesday is the last possible day to register, candidates for city and county offices and for offices of other political divisions within the county, have one more day after that to file, according to the digest of the election laws recently issued by Secretary of State Sam A. Koser. Filings may be completed up to Wednesday night.

This is for the reason that the law relating to registering, sets the final date for filing of candidates at 30 days before the election, while the section relating to filing of candidates says "not later than the 30th day before the primary election."

YOUTH ESCAPES SHARK

10 Year Old Lad Fights With Bare Hands; Swims Ashore

SYDNEY, N.S., April 14. (AP)—Fighting off a shark with his bare hands, Maxwell Steele, 19, escaped from the jaws of the voracious fish here today and swam 150 yards to shore. With his flesh stripped from ankle to knee, he was in a critical condition in a hospital here tonight.

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HOOVER, SMITH WELL IN FRONT OF ALL RIVALS

Strength of Republican Leader Causes Combination Against Him

AL HAS EASY SLEDDING

Battle in Solid South Still Remains To Be Fought by Tammany Aspirant to Presidential Nomination

WASHINGTON, Apr. 14. (AP)—As presidential politics rounds the turn of mid-April, Smith and Hoover remain the magic names around which the preponderant delegate strength of the major parties, so far as revealed in definite pledges, is rallying.

But there is this difference between them: Hoover faces a solid anti-Hoover field of competitors including a runner-up, Governor Lowden, already backed by a formidable number of delegates and at least one dark horse in the person of Vice President Dawes, whose friends confidently predict that he eventually will be the beneficiary of a "split" vote.

Government—him no single delegate strength in a stone's throw nor have the number of party leaders against him shown of solidarity either in words or in action.

Strength Has Kept Hoover from being asked to align himself for Hoover or against him. On the other hand the followers of Smith and those of Senator Reed actually combined in Oklahoma to control the state convention against any possible third candidate, and there have been suggestions that something of the same kind has happened in Iowa.

There is this further difference: Hoover needs but a majority of the republican convention to nominate him while Smith needs a two-thirds vote.

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WILL ISSUE PAMPHLETS

Bulkier Political Literature in Years Predicted Here

Printing of the voters' pamphlets for the primary election will get under way here tomorrow, according to announcement made by the secretary of state. It was indicated that the republican pamphlet would be one of the largest ever issued by the state department.

The law provides that these pamphlets shall be in the mails 10 days prior to the primary election. The secretary of state said it would require approximately 350,000 pamphlets to meet the demands of the voters.

ELEVEN FLIGHTS ATLANTIC TOTAL

ENGLISH DIRIGIBLE FIRST TO CROSS OCEAN

Most Perfect Trip Yet Performed Made by Charles Lindbergh, N. Y. to Paris

(By the Associated Press)
Man has flown across the north Atlantic 11 times, four westward passages, including the flight of the Bremen, and seven eastward. Round trip: Dirigible No. 34, England to New York and return, July, 1919, British.

East to west: Dirigible ZR-3, Germany to Lakehurst, N. J., October, 1924, German.

Three airplanes, Ireland, Greenland to Newfoundland, 1924, U. S. army.

Bremen, Dublin to Labrador, April, 1928, German and Irish.

NC-4, Newfoundland to Lisbon via Azores, May, 1919, U. S. navy.

Vickers-Vimy biplane, Newfoundland to Ireland, Captain John Alcock and Lieutenant A. W. Brown, June, 1919, British.

Spirit of St. Louis, New York to Paris, Charles A. Lindbergh, May 20, 1927, American.

Columbia, New York to Kottbus, Germany, Clarence Chamberlin and Charles A. Levine, June 4, 1927, Americans.

Pride of Detroit, Newfoundland to England, Edward F. Schlee and William S. Brock, August, 1927, Americans.

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From St. Louis, Senegal, to Port Natal, Brazil, Dieudonne Costes and Lieutenant Joseph Lebrun, October 14, 1927, French, non-stop.

HARRY HILL CLAIMED ILL

Weakened by Imprisonment; May Not Live Longer, Word

OTTAWAMILL, Apr. 14. (AP)—Harry Hill, Streator youth, charged with murdering his mother and burying her body in the basement of her home is so weakened by imprisonment he may not survive a second trial, his counsel contended in a bail petition today.

Hill has been in jail seven months. One jury failed to agree on a verdict after deliberating for more than 60 hours.

Three physicians asserted in affidavits which the defense filed with Judge Joe Davis of circuit court that Hill's health had been undermined by his confinement; that he is anemic and that his lungs and intestines are weakened.

The bail hearing was carried over until April 17 to permit the state to prepare its reply.

YOUNG VISCOUNT PASSES

Heir to Earl of Athlone Dies After Auto Accident

BELLEVILLE - SUR - SAON, France, Apr. 15. (AP)—Viscount Trematon, only son and heir of the Earl of Athlone, governor general of South Africa and a nephew of Queen Mary, died early today in a hospital here as the result of injuries he suffered in a motor accident April 2. He was 21 years old.

(The viscount was driving the car accompanied by two fellow students of Cambridge university. The car crashed into a tree killing Kenneth Macoe one of the students while John Couran escaped with scratches.)

HELEN GETS IMPATIENT

Queen of Tennis World Reaches N. Y. on Way to Europe

NEW YORK, Apr. 14. (AP)—Miss Helen Willis, queen of the tennis domain, is awaiting impatiently the start of the 1928 campaign. Arriving in the metropolis today, Miss Willis immediately went into a conference with officials of the United States Lawn Tennis association discussing her forthcoming activities.

"I'm anxious to begin playing," Miss Willis said. "I have not yet decided what exhibition matches I will play abroad but it is definitely settled that I will appear in the French championships, at Wimbledon and in the Wightman cup series."

VESSEL HEADS TO ISLE

Canadian Government Steamer Moving Toward Airplane

HALIFAX, N. S., Apr. 14. (AP)—The Canadian government steamer Montcalm tonight was making 12 1/2 miles an hour in her fight to reach Greenly Island where the transatlantic plane Bremen is virtually abandoned.

BREMEN'S CREW OF 3 ISOLATED

Meanwhile Preparations Go Forward for Rousing Welcome At N. Y.

FURTHER FLIGHT TO BE DELAYED

Takeoff Difficult Even If All In Readiness

PLANE UPON LAKE

Scarcity of Fuel and Injury to Propeller Render Resumption of Flight In Near Future Impossible

(By the Associated Press.)
The first men ever to make a nonstop westward airplane flight across the north Atlantic are marooned on a tiny icebound island, far from the millions waiting to welcome them.

More than a day and a half in the air, and four hours of blindly wandering through an impenetrable fog, the Junkers monoplane Bremen landed Friday on Greenly Island in the straits of Belle Isle, Newfoundland and Labrador, and it seemed unlikely that the journey could be continued for several days.

Messages relayed to the outer world by dog sled, radio and telegraph bore assurance that though the plane was damaged the three fliers, Baron Ehrenfried Huenefeld, Captain Hermann Koehl and Captain James Fitzmaurice, were uninjured and being well cared for by the little island's 14 inhabitants.

Handicaps Numerous
Three factors combined to prevent immediate continuation of the Bremen's flight from Ireland to New York. For one thing the fuel tanks were empty when the Bremen landed on a little lake on the mile square island and the nearest supply is across the ice pack on the mainland. The messages from the aviators reported that the propeller was broken. And lastly it was believed that the plane might have great difficulty in effecting a take off from the island.

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RICKEY SCHOOL CASE APPEALED

EFFORT TO DIVIDE DISTRICT STILL CARRIED ON

Will Be Taken to State Superintendent; New Building Authorized

An effort to have altered the recent decision of the county board denying a petition of residents of the Rickey district for division of that district, No. 8, into two separate districts, was initiated yesterday when notice of appeal of the question to the state superintendent was filed with the members of the boundary board.

The appellants are J. A. Crabbe, A. Franke and F. C. Schumacher. The original petition, filed with the boundary board shortly after an open meeting had disclosed unanimous sentiment for a new two-story school in the district and denied by that body April 6, was signed by A. E. LaBranche, A. Franke, A. A. Hager and others.

The request for division of Rickey into separate districts was made upon the grounds that the present school house is situated far from the center of population and therefore inconvenient for the greatest number of pupils. Population center is said to be in the west end. The school is in the center of the district, as are rural schools required to be.

On April 3, shortly before the boundary board made its decision, the new two-story structure was voted, but no effort was made to change the location at the election.

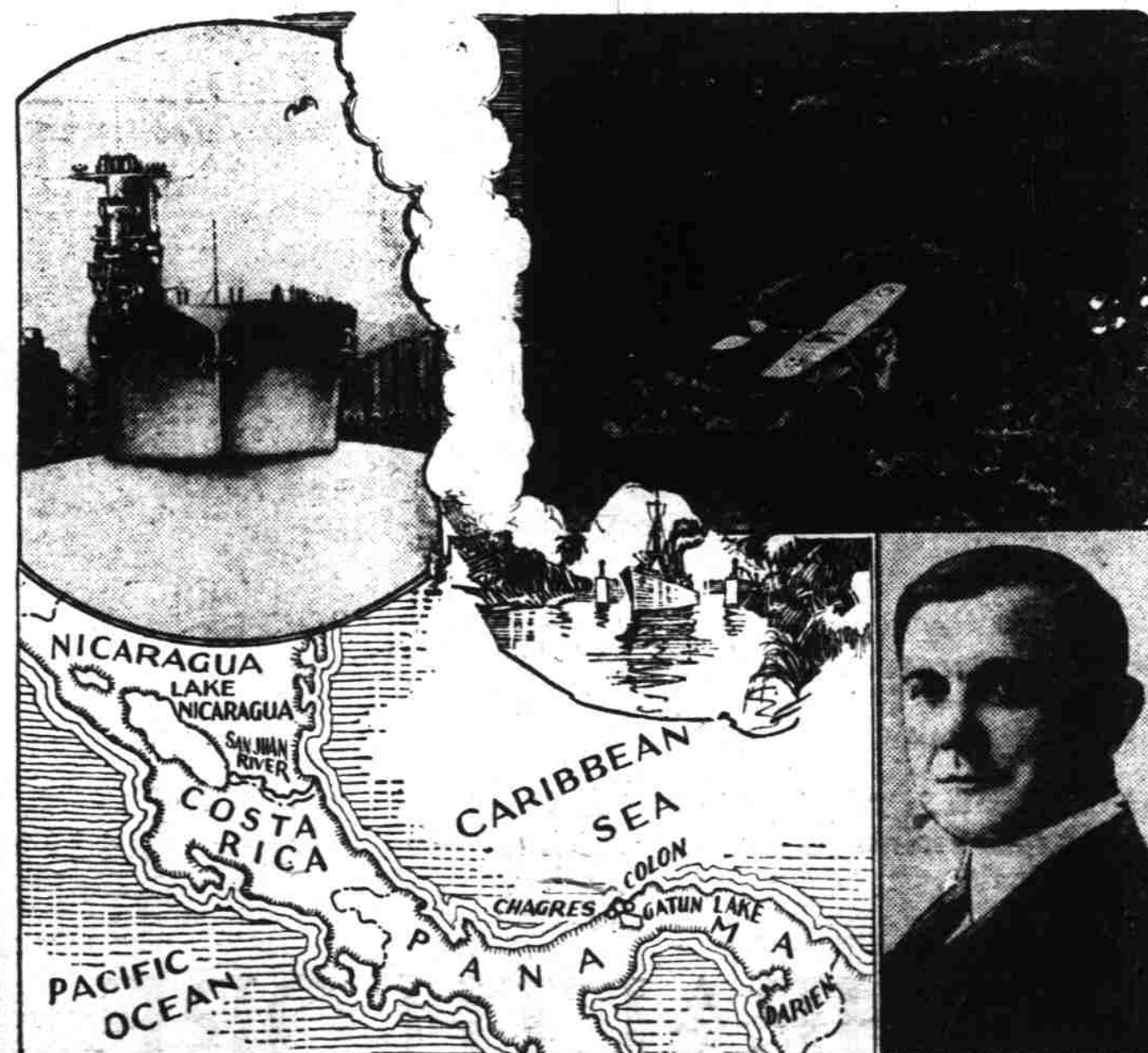
SALEM MAN BADLY HURT

Hugh Wilkerson of This City May Die Following Crash

OREGON CITY, April 14. (AP)—Hugh Wilkerson, 24, of Salem, was injured, perhaps fatally, in an auto accident near here tonight. He suffered a fractured skull.

Gordon Thompson, 23, was bruised and shocked. Miss Bernice Grimes and another girl from Salem whose name was not learned were badly hurt.

The sedan was crowded off the highway and plunged down a 60 foot embankment. The accident occurred at Canemah, near here.



With Panama canal traffic constantly increasing, sentiment for another link between the oceans is represented in a bill by Senator McKellar (below) of Tennessee for an American canal through Nicaragua by way of the San Juan river and Lake Nicaragua. When the navy airplane carrier Saratoga went through the Panama canal recently (upper left) it had difficulty in places. At the right is an air view of Gatun Lake near the Atlantic side of the canal.