

HUGE AIRPLANE TUMBLES DOWN KILLING SEVEN

Six Passengers and Pilot Meet Death in Crash At Pocatello, Ida.

Only Two Men Escape With Lives When Machine Banks Too Steeply

POCATELLO, Ida., Sept. 4.—(AP)—Seven persons, five of them homing passengers on an air mail plane, were killed today when the machine crashed as it was making a landing at the airport here.

Of the other two, one was the pilot of the plane, Paul Wheatley of Salt Lake City, and the other was W. A. McLean, traveling representative of a magazine, whose parents reside at Winnipeg, Man. Mrs. Lawrence Schaper of Salt Lake City, with her children, Carl 6 and Ramona, 18 months old, were returning home from a visit with Mrs. Schaper's sister in Butte, Mont.

Wives Await Return

Floyd A. Zimmerman, Ogden, Utah, newspaperman, 36, and Joseph S. Richards, secretary of the Ogden chamber of commerce, 40, were the other dead. They had made a holiday flight to Great Falls, Mont., and their wives were awaiting their return at the Ogden airport when they were informed of the fatal crash.

The plane, flying low for a landing, was some 75 feet above the field when the pilot headed it into the wind. It banked too steeply and the right wing tipped over. Crashing to the ground, nose first, it rolled over and over several times, killing pilot and passengers.

Fires From Great Falls

The machine, owned by the National Parks Airways, Inc., left Great Falls, Mont., northern terminus of its route, this morning for Lake City, the southern destination.

The plane was a universal-Parker 600 monoplane, designed to carry six passengers and a cargo of mail, in addition to the pilot. Air mail service over the Salt Lake-Great Falls route started only about a month ago.

When spectators reached the wrecked plane they found only two of the seven occupants alive. They were McLean and the Schaper boy, whose father is a mechanic for the National Airways company. Both McLean and the boy died before they could be taken to the hospital.

All the bodies of the other occupants were badly crushed, indicating that death had occurred almost instantly.

The plane did not catch fire after it fell, and the mail cargo was not greatly damaged.

Pilot Experienced

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Paul Wheatley, air mail pilot killed in the crash of his plane at Pocatello, Idaho today, came here to accept employment.

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HOOVER TO INVADE STATE OF NEW YORK

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Herbert Hoover will invade the home town of his democratic opponent, Governor Alfred E. Smith, on the night of October 17 to deliver a speech at Carnegie hall in New York City.

Plans for this address, along with the announcement that he would speak at Newark, N. J., the night of September 17, were made known today at the general headquarters of the republican presidential candidate. At the same time Hoover revealed that he did not contemplate any automobile tours about the vicinity of the two cities.

While the candidate has given some consideration to the extent to which he will fight the fight into the south, no definite decision has been reached other than he contemplates a trip which will carry him either into North Carolina or Tennessee, or to a point along the borderland between the two states.

Some doubt was cast today upon the possibility of a republican nominee making a speech in Chicago. It became known that he considered his declaration of his views on farm relief at West Branch, Iowa, probably as close as he would come to delivering an address in the middle western metropolis.

Special Classes On Citizenship

Review of the work covered by the Y. M. C. A. citizenship classes last winter was begun Tuesday with a special class open to the 23 persons who will take the preliminary hearing Friday. Last night C. A. Kells answered questions with the view of clearing up vague points of the work. Thursday night Mr. Kells will meet with the applicants for citizenship for a final review. The class will meet at 7:30 o'clock in the "Y" auditorium.

In Air Derby



ART GORBEY

He recently set a transcontinental record, and has entered coast to coast non-stop air derby.

FRENCH AVIATORS LAND IN MOROCCO

CASABLANCA, Morocco, Sept. 4.—(AP)—The "Kid Sergeants," of French aviation, who landed here this afternoon at an hour when they were believed to be well out over the Atlantic, continued tonight to mystify four continents as to their real intentions.

Jean Assolant and Rene Lefevre, the sergeants, now talk of flying "The Yellow Canary," to Dakar, French West Africa, across the south Atlantic, and then on to New York if their luck holds. Their dreams do not stop there, for already they talk of an attempt to fly from New York to Paris.

Whether their passenger and financial backer, Armand Lott, will continue on their carefree air adventure, was not learned. He had concealed himself from even the workmen at the Le Bourget field outside of Paris when the plane took off this morning. His parents knew nothing of his intention to accompany the flyers.

The Yellow Canary accomplished the flight from Paris to Casablanca in little more than nine hours and a half.

PARIS, Sept. 4.—(AP)—A sigh of relief went up from the aviation fields around Paris tonight when the news came that the "Kid Sergeants," Jean Assolant and Rene Lefevre had ended their big transatlantic adventure with a safe landing at Casablanca, Morocco, at 4:40 p. m. this was 9 hours and 36 minutes after their plane "The Yellow Canary" had popped from Le Bourget field.

Neither Avia, son of Alfred Lott, a wealthy hotel keeper of Paris, Young Lott was the financial backer of the flight but his family had no inkling of his intention to go in the plane.

He concealed this even from workmen at the Le Bourget field alighting under a pile of rags in the machine.

Salem's W.C.T.U. Names Officers

Salem W. C. T. U. met in regular session Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock at the hall at Commercial and Ferry streets. Mrs. Charlton, acting president, presided. Devotional services were led by Mrs. F. M. Reed. A short business session followed during which the report of Mrs. Sarah Oliver on prison reform work was made. Officers for the new year were elected as follows: president, Mrs. J. J. Nunn; vice president, Mrs. George Thompson; secretary, Ada Condit; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Charlton; and treasurer, Mrs. Sarah Oliver.

Umatilla County Has 3 Robberies

PENDLETON, Ore., Sept. 4.—(AP)—Police here today were confronted with the problem of finding the burglars who executed three robberies in Umatilla county during the week-end. The Eastern Oregon state hospital was robbed of \$1,200 in cash and currency from a drawer in the vault; a local grocery store was robbed of \$150, and the post office at Echo was entered.

Inquiry Launched In Ship's Sinking

SEATTLE, Sept. 4.—(AP)—All officers were at their posts and masters of both vessels were on the bridge when the steamship Admiral Fiske crashed into the Floridian, south of Cape Flattery Saturday night, witnesses said. A United States steamboat inspection inquiry today. The Floridian was sunk and its crew picked up by the Admiral Fiske and brought

PHILADELPHIA STARTS DRIVE ON BOOZE RING

Scandal Involving Police Force To Be Sifted To Bottom, Order

Reports Indicate Officers Have Ridden On Trucks To Protect Rum

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 4.—(AP)—District Attorney John Monaghan today directed his force of 20 county detectives to "go out and bring them in."

He gave the order after letting it be known that in a three-hour talk with police inspectors and captains, who had come to him offering cooperation in stamping out lawlessness, he had obtained "nothing of specific value."

Whole Ring Included

The prosecutor said that by his order, "bring them in," he meant men engaged in the bootleg racket, men who have been running saloons, men who drive alcohol and beer trucks and men who are believed to know the inside workings of gangster slayings, illicit traffic in liquor and the alleged bribery of police officials.

He intimated that his detectives would produce important persons but declined to name any of those sought as possible witnesses before the grand jury.

Many Seek Cover

Commenting on reports from police that saloons and speakeasies had been tipped off to close during the grand jury probe into crime conditions Mayor Mackey said:

"If more violators have been tipped off following my address to the police yesterday, then I am satisfied to a large extent. If it is true the keepers of these places have been tipped off to close, then we have accomplished something."

In the meantime, Chief of County Detectives Patrick McKewen, working under the district attorney, rounded up a number of suspects who will be questioned as to the truth of rumors that police actually rode on liquor trucks to prevent interference with bootleggers.

AIRPLANES AWAIT HOUR TO TAKE OFF

ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y., Sept. 4.—(AP)—Clarence D. Chamberlain, transatlantic aviator, withdrew today from the class "A" cross country air race, as other contestants were turning up their motors for the start tomorrow at 5:30 a. m. Daylight saving time, for Los Angeles. More than 30 planes were entered.

Chamberlain's plane, a Sperry messenger special, failed to qualify under rules which provide that two models of an entered craft must have been flown before August 10. The noted flyer's craft is the only one of its kind. He is expected to fly to Los Angeles later this week and take part in the events there.

The planes will be lined up 50 feet apart and will take off at one minute intervals.

The winner will receive \$5,000. Other prizes ranging from \$2,500 to \$400 will be awarded. The planes will make 15 stops between here and Mines Field at Los Angeles. Nights will be passed at Columbus, O.; Kansas City, Mo.; Fort Worth, Texas; El Paso, Texas; and Yuma, Ariz. Additional stops will be made for fueling.

Large crowds thronged this field all day. Mechanics were making last minute adjustments to motors, while others were testing out their machines in the skies. Practically all were "stream liners" their entries, covering over 200 knots and other projections with a special preparation. They hoped to add a mile or two to the speed of their planes.

The class B division will get off Thursday, while the class C non-stop planes will leave September 12.

Coolidge to Be Mere "Exhibit"

SUPERIOR, Wis., Aug. 4.—(AP)—Requested to speak at the Tri-State fair which opened here yesterday, President Coolidge said he would attend but only "in the capacity of an exhibit."

Since Coolidge's day, the Chief Executive has been fond of fairs and for this reason he said he would not spoil his fun tomorrow.

Republicans Carrying On Active Campaign in Maine; Vote on Monday

PORTLAND, Maine, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Maine, which is not content with its almost habitually winning but measures its success by the size of the majority. Conversely, the democrats who have counted victory but rarely in state elections and only once in a presidential race, customarily devote their efforts to and find their gratification in chopping down republican winning majorities.

Because the barometer can go both up and down, and is constructed to gauge the high and low pressures of popular sentiment on the national ticket, the republicans hesitate to write down the majority figures with which they will be delighted or disappointed in private discussions these figures range between 25,000 and 75,000, with an occasional neutral fixing.

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What They Think Of

Salem's Water System And If It Meets The City's Needs

IN these days of prohibition water drinking is said to have become more general than ever before. Oregon is noted for its wonderful rivers and its pure water. Visitors to this state constantly are commenting upon the marvelous water they find here—so superior to the murky and dubious-looking fluid which flows from the taps of many an eastern and southern city. Just to get an idea of what Salem's residents themselves think about their water system, the New Oregon Statesman put the question squarely to several Tuesday. This is what they said:

FRED D. THIELSEN, manager of the Rodgers Paper company in Salem, said: "Since I live outside the city and have the best supply of water in the Willamette valley, I am qualified to speak as a disinterested party. With so many mountain streams available, Salem should have a better water supply, but of course the cost is a problem. Even though the present supply may be excellent, uninformed persons and particularly visitors who are told the water comes from the river, cannot be favorably impressed. In my opinion the present ownership and management is all that could be asked."

WALTER LAMKIN, clerk of the Marion county circuit court, said: "While the river water here is no doubt filtered and treated so as to make it safe for domestic purposes, the fact remains that it is not as pure as it would be if taken from a mountain stream, and that in summer it is too warm. In my opinion, the city should plan on piping water from the Santiam some time in the future, and the first active steps toward this end should be taken as soon as our more pressing civic enterprises are finished satisfactorily."

MRS. BOLTON HAMBLE, 395 North Nineteenth street, said: "The rates are entirely too high for the water service in Salem. I have no objections to the quality of the water. Of course, being a mother, I can't make a difference, but whatever the difference the monthly bill is too high."

MRS. E. C. McCauley, 344 North Eighteenth street, said: "I do not like the taste of the water here. The first few days after I came here from my home on the coast, I could not drink it because of the taste. Salem water doesn't seem to be good water for coffee."

GEORGE W. HUG, city superintendent of schools, said: "I think it is too warm in the first place, it is all right this (Turn to page 5, please)"

Boat Makes Clip Of More Than 92 Miles Per Hour

DETROIT, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Pilot Miss America VII, in six days, one nautical mile each, George Wood, broke the world record of the boat, set a world record of 92.533 statute miles per hour here today.

Three heats were run with the current and three against it, with the lowest mile covered at an average of 91.262 statute miles per hour, and the fastest in 92.722.

The average erased all records for speed boats, even eclipsed the mark of 74.4 nautical miles per hour established by E. Farman's hydroglider, a boat driven by an aerial propeller. It also bettered by more than 12 miles an hour George Wood's unofficial mark of 80.567 made with Miss America second in 1921.

Pratum Man Gets Permit For Milk

Peter Bischoff of Pratum, received the first permit issued under Salem's new milk inspection ordinance, and H. H. Kuenzi of the Pleasant Home dairy near Pratum, received the first dealer's license, according to J. E. Blinnhorn, city milk inspector. Dozens of applications for examination and inspection are coming in. Mr. Blinnhorn reports, the dealers and producers showing an excellent spirit of cooperation.

Wisconsin's Head IS NOT REELECTED

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 4.—(AP)—In his quest of a second term as governor of Wisconsin, Fred R. Zimmerman, follower of the late Senator Robert M. La Follette, was apparently defeated in the primary election today, on the basis of early returns.

The choice for the nomination lay between Representative Joseph D. Beck, progressive candidate, and Walker J. Kohler, conservative, who were making a close race.

Senator Robert M. La Follette apparently had scored a not unexpected victory over George W. Mead.

The vote in the republican governorship contest, with 735 of the state's 2766 precincts counted, was: Beck 41,339; Kohler, 4,234; Zimmerman 20,047.

For senator on the republican ticket the vote in 684 precincts was: La Follette 51,504; Mead 27,166.

Hop Pickers Now In Great Demand In This Section

There is a demand for more hop pickers in the yards of Oregon, which means virtually the Salem district, for nearly all the hops of this state are in the trade territory of the capital city. More pruners also are needed near Salem. Sam Phillips, manager of the Salem free employment office, said yesterday for many more pickers. He could have sent out at least 100, and will need more today. There is an especial call for families of pickers.

State Receives Inheritance Tax

The state treasurer has received from the administrator of the estate of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Good of Portland, inheritance tax in the amount of \$100,000. Mrs. Good died in Portland on January 3 of this year, leaving an estate of \$862,000. Officials said the inheritance tax might be increased slightly before the estate is settled.

MURDER STORY RECOUNTED AT MELLUS TRIAL

Officers Declare Butcher Boy Admitted 'Messing Her Up A Bit'

Alleged Slayer Of Los Angeles Society Woman Admits Love Affair

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Testimony that Leo P. Kelly, on trial for the murder of his admitted sweetheart, Mrs. Myrtle Melius, said when he was captured in a closet in the Melius home that he was "waiting to make my escape" was given on the witness stand today by Detective Lieutenant Blaine Steed. The detective and his fellow officer, Arthur Stoll, occupied the stand most of the afternoon session of the trial.

"Had I known that the only woman I ever loved was dead, you never would have gotten me alive," Steed testified. Kelly declared while he was being taken secretly to a police station. When asked what he would have done the witness said the butcher boy replied:

"Intimates Suicide

"Well, there's plenty of guns in that room upstairs. Figure it out for yourself."

Steed testified Kelly declared he didn't kill Mrs. Melius, but admitted he "beat her up some."

While taking Kelly to the station, Steed said, he "told me he wanted to run away and asked if I would shoot him while he ran."

"Why did you so brutally attack her?" Detective Captain Stoll testified he asked Kelly.

"Well, I messed her up a bit," Stoll stated Kelly replied.

Asks To Be Shot

"When Kelly was taken, at his request after his arrest, upstairs to see 'the woman he loved,' Stoll testified he brought the defendant before the slain woman and told him: 'There lies the woman you have murdered.'

"He just sat there, hanging his head," the witness told the jury. The detective also testified that Kelly asked to have his handcuffs taken off to be allowed to walk toward the window "and give you a good excuse to shoot me."

Kelly's blood stained shirt, his suit and undershirt were put in evidence and identified by Stoll, who testified the shirt was wet, as though an attempt to wash it had been made when he first saw it in the Melius home.

He Seeks Election

LOYAL M. GRAHAM

Prominent resident of Forest Grove who is a candidate for a seat on the State Supreme Court bench.

METHODISTS SEEK TO RETAIN PASTOR

Request that the Rev. Fred C. Taylor, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Salem, be reappointed to that pastorate, was made to Bishop Titus Lowe in a resolution adopted at the fourth quarterly conference of the church held Tuesday evening with District Superintendent D. H. Leach presiding.

Other resolutions expressed appreciation of the district superintendent's service over a period of six years, and invited Bishop Lowe to occupy the pulpit of the church here at his earliest convenience.

Budget Adopted

The church adopted a budget for next year amounting to \$10,975. Members elected to the financial board included Dr. B. Blatchford, U. G. Holt, B. E. Sisson, W. T. Rigby, L. T. Reynolds, W. C. Keck, secretary, and H. H. Kloeppel, treasurer.

A. Schramm, state superintendent of banks, was elected as a new member of the board of trustees, and Mrs. Mary Boesch, Mrs. Ella Lavender, Mrs. Cora Holman, Miss Amy Martin, Mrs. E. C. Miller and Mrs. H. H. Vandevort were elected stewards.

Practically all of the other officers of the church were re-elected except one being that Mrs. W. C. Young was chosen as president of the Ladies' Aid society.

The annual report showed that the church added 79 new members in the past year, making a total of 1372 including 200 non-resident members.

Portland Scene Of TWO BOLD HOLDUPS

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 4.—(AP)—With more than \$18,000 in cash, checks and jewelry at stake, cordons of police late today were combing the city and highways in an effort to run down the perpetrators of two of the boldest thefts this city has witnessed in months.

Disregarding heavy traffic and crowds, two armed men at 11 a. m. today snatched a valise containing \$12,947, of which \$2,947 was in cash, from J. F. Magner, 60-year-old messenger for the Portland Gas & Coke company, and disappeared in the traffic stream, driving a touring car.

Sometime last night safecrackers scaled a roof to obtain more than \$5,000 in money and jewels from H. Hornstein's Army Goods store here.

Magner was unarmed and unaccompanied, when confronted by a bandit holding a revolver under his coat, as the elderly messenger stepped from the Public Utilities building on his way to a bank.

The bandit grabbed him, spun him around, and, although many people were on the streets, snatched the valise from the messenger's hand and hurried to the sidewalk where he tossed it to another man sitting in the back seat. The sidewalk bandit slipped into the driver's seat and the car was away in dense traffic.

The frightened messenger recovered and hurried after the bandits' car on foot. He lost sight of it in the traffic and the two men escaped. No trace of the valise had been found late today. Magner was unable to determine the make of the car, and could not remember the license numbers.

The loot from the Army Goods store consisted of about \$500 in currency from a safe, \$66 from a cash register, and a 6 1/2 carat diamond ring valued at \$3,500. Other jewelry was taken.

RANDALL WINS COUNCIL SEAT WITHOUT RACE



Kenneth L. Randall, attorney, was unanimously elected by the city council Tuesday night to represent the fifth ward, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Alderman George W. Thompson. Mr. Randall was nominated by Alderman Patton, and when no other names were brought forward, Alderman Rosebraugh's motion for a unanimous ballot prevailed.

The council awarded the contract for the South Liberty street bridge, the largest project in the present program, to the Holdener Construction company of Sacramento, Cal., at a figure of \$77,875, which was \$1020 lower than the nearest competing bid.

Local Labor Planned

In recommending acceptance of this offer, Chairman Watson Townsend, of the bridge committee, said the Holdener company had agreed to employ all local labor except a superintendent and foreman.

Two important resolutions were adopted relative to the North High street bridge, now under construction. One accepted the offer of the Oregon Electric railway company creating an agreement as to right of way and sharing costs of building. The railway turns over the right of way to the city without cost, and will bear the expense of building its share of the fill and culvert, a strip eight feet wide through the center of the bridge.

Plans for the Cross street bridge were accepted and the recorder instructed to advertise a call for bids to be opened at the next meeting.

Sewer Matter Up

Power was accorded the sewer committee to take any action it saw fit, in connection with the odor which was traced to the outlet of the state sewer at the foot of Center street. Chairman Grabenhorst, of this committee, reported that a conference would be held today with the state board of control, and that T. B. Kay, state treasurer, had assured him (Turn to page 5, please)

SCHOOL DISTRICT DISSOLUTION URGED

Hearing of the proposal to dissolve the Ballston school district, which comprises district No. 9 in Polk county, and district No. 76 in Yamhill county, was held in the offices of the state superintendent of schools here Tuesday.

The district was filed by patrons of Yamhill county, who alleged that they were assessed higher for the support of the district than the Polk county patrons. It was contended by the Yamhill county patrons that they could send their children to the Sheridan schools more cheaply than to the Ballston school.

The boundary board of Yamhill county approved the application for the dissolution, with the Polk county board of directors dissenting. Under the law the boundary boards of both counties must approve the application before the dissolution can become effective.

The Yamhill county patrons of the Ballston district appealed to the state superintendent of schools. He has taken the application under advisement. The Ballston district has a three room school and is standardized.

Searchers Find Body of Another From Airplane

SEATTLE, Sept. 4.—(AP)—Coast guard searchers this afternoon found the body of Alexander MacCallum Scott, former member of the British parliament, and one to seven prisoners who lost their lives when a British Columbia air force monoplane plunged into Puget Sound, August 25.

The body, the third recovered, was found as coast guardsmen were holding what was believed to be the submerged wreck of the plane off Point Gardiner near Port Townsend, Wash. The body was identified by papers and clothing.

The object held by the guardsmen has been towed the last two days to shallow water and the arrival of a salvage tug and diver from Seattle was awaited for further investigation. Crews of the guard boats have little doubt but that the object is the missing plane.

Bridge Contract Awarded To Sacramento Company, Lowest Bidder

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