

AIRPLANE NOW WITHIN REACH OF NEW MARK

Less Than 21 Hours Remain Before New Record is to be Established

Motor Still Functions With Ease; Seven Days Set as Minimum Goal

FORT WORTH, Tex., May 24.—(AP)—The monoplane Port Worth was well down the "stretch" of the 151 hours, 40 minutes, 15 seconds goal of sustained flying at 10:33 o'clock tonight having less than a day's time ahead in which to set a new record. At that time, less than 21 hours more of flying was needed for the new mark, the ship having been aloft 131 hours. The single motor still was functioning smoothly. The plane was refueled early tonight.

FORT WORTH, Tex., May 24.—(AP)—With every endurance flight record save that of the famous army "Question Mark" behind them, Reginald E. Robbins and Jim Kelly drove their monoplane "Fort Worth" on tonight through occasional misting rains toward an all-time record for aerial cruising. As the fliers passed the 124th hour in the air their motor sounded as sweet and efficient as it did last Sunday morning when they last touched earth. Time of Record Approaches Slowly

At 4:13 p. m., the fliers had only 27 more hours to stay aloft to establish themselves as the champion endurance fliers of the world. During the day the last two records, separating Robbins and Kelly from the time established by the "Question Mark" fell. At 3:03 o'clock this morning, the 112 hour record of the "Graf Zeppelin" went by the boards and Earl B. Mathews, one of the official timers wrote in the log: "Adios Graf Zeppelin. Your flight is ancient history now."

The 118 hour record established by the ill fated French dirigible "Dixmude" was surpassed at 9:03 this morning. The record of sustained flight by two man crews had been passed hours before as had the record for single motored ships. The Question Mark carried three motors.

Some worry was expressed today, as it appeared possible that the fliers might try to break the record by days instead of hours, although the plane carries, would continue to register. The barograph records altitude and is a positive proof at the end of a flight, that the plane did not come to earth at any time during the flight. Officials at Meacham field here were of the opinion that the barograph was set to run eight days which would make it run out Monday morning.

A telegram has been sent to Washington urging that a new instrument be rushed to Fort Worth so that it may be lowered or the "Fort Worth" from the refueling plane.

When Robbins went aloft he set seven days as a minimum for the flight suggested that he might stay up ten days and promised to remain aloft two or three weeks if the plane would stand it. Today it appeared to be a question of whether the plane could outlast the men.

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Sir Esme Howard Offers To Swear Off All Rum Here

WASHINGTON, May 24.—(AP)—The Washington Post in a copyrighted story from Lynchburg, Virginia, tomorrow will say that President Hoover has been called upon to decide whether the diplomatic privilege of importing liquor is to be withdrawn as a result of Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador's written willingness to abandon this tradition.

YOUNG ADVENTURER UNDER ARREST HERE

10 Year Old Lad Makes Trip From Portland To Salem on But 25 Cents

From Portland to Eugene on 25 cents, and that found after he started his journey—such is part of the story John Leppert, 10-year old Montavilla school lad of Portland, told to Mrs. Nona White, county probation officer, Friday afternoon. And likely enough he would have haled a motorist on South Commercial street for a "lift," thus giving the motorist an opportunity to decide that 10-year-old boys who stray away from home and school should be held for investigation.

The youngster reached Salem about 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, carrying an extra coat and a bundle of clothes in an old Saturday Evening Post bag. He left Portland at 10 o'clock that morning, he told the juvenile officer. He said he was on his way to Eugene to visit an aunt, Mrs. Jim Spriggs, until school started next fall. His mother told him Thursday night he could go if he knew the way and that he had better wear his overalls, the boy maintained. He did not tell conflicting stories.

John says his 28-year old mother, Mrs. Mary Leppert, works in a Portland laundry, but efforts to locate her failed. He gave the home address as 22 E 78 street. He had had two step-fathers, he said, adding "I guess we're going to have another one now." The "we're" includes two brothers, one younger and one older. He has lived in Portland three years, he said.

BRENDA SAVAGE IS ALBERT SCHOLAR

Brenda Savage, one of the most promising senior art students at the Salem high school, was Friday voted by her class members to be the logical recipient of the Joseph H. Albert \$25 cash award. The Albert prize has been given to a Salem high senior each year now for the last ten years, and with this year's award the boys and girls share equally. Although the prize is in no way for excellence in scholarship, Miss Savage, ranks scholastically among the five highest members of the class.

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ACTION SOUGHT ON CINDERS BY SALEM PEOPLE

Residents of City Back Pat on in Demand That Law be Enforced Here

Attention of Council May be Called to Violation of Local Ordinance

Commendations for his stand against the cinder "menace" in Salem poured in to Hal D. Patton, alderman, all day Friday from citizens who agreed with Patton's demand that the black snow which has been falling steadily in the city for more than a year, be stopped.

FIEND ATTACKS AND SLAYS YOUNG GIRL

Posses Searching for Assailant Who Murdered Six Year Old Child

FORT BRAGG, Cal., May 24.—(AP)—While a sheriff's posse searched the woods south of here for the slayer of six-year-old Treasa Johnson, Mendocino City a boy maintained he had been found in a lonely clearing near her home this morning an autopsy revealed late today that the girl had been attacked and strangled to death.

The crime was discovered after a searching party of 150 lumbermen headed by the girl's father, S. D. Johnson, had hunted throughout the night for the child who had failed to return home from school yesterday.

The body was found in a clearing off the Little Lake road about one mile from the Johnson ranch. The girl's clothes had been torn off and her mouth was cut and bruised as from a heavy blow.

Fingermarks on her throat attested to the manner in which she was slain.

From footprints and other marks in the soft ground of the clearing, Sheriff Byrnes reconstructed the slaying.

The slayer evidently came upon the girl from behind as she walked through the woods from school. Sheriff Byrnes believed the attacked dragged her through the brush to the clearing and then choked her to death.

TWO WOMEN AND GIRL ARE INJURED

Two Salem women and a young girl were seriously injured in an accident on the West Side Pacific highway two miles north of Corvallis Friday night, according to word brought to Salem by persons who passed the scene of the accident shortly after it occurred. The Ford coupe in which the group were riding had gone into the ditch and overturned.

2 PLANES WILL NOT START HOP DURING STORM

Long Awaited Start of Off Another Day Due to Adverse Weather

Yellow Bird and Green Flash Now Slated to Begin Long Trip Early Sunday

OLD ORCHARD BEACH, Me., May 24.—(AP)—Start of the French monoplane, Yellow Bird for Paris and that of the Green Flash for Rome, was tentatively postponed until Sunday morning after rainy and cloudy weather settled over the ocean today. Navigators of both planes took advantage of the enforced delay to check their instruments.

The good feeling existing between the two expeditions was evident when Lewis A. Yancey of the Green Flash invited Rene Lefevre, Yellow Bird navigator, to accompany him to the local telegraph office to compute chronometer errors by the Arlington time signals.

STRANGE KIDNAPING OCCURS IN CHICAGO

Mysterious Assailants Take Unidentified Man From His Taxicab

CHICAGO, May 24.—(AP)—A hunt on tonight for the kidnappers of an unidentified man, and the mystery of their identities and the plight of their victim only deepened as the search went on.

Police had expected to find the body of Thomas Cooper, huddled as is the fashion of gangland's victims, in a prairie roadside ditch or some hidden automobile. But Cooper, whose photograph resembled the man torn from a taxicab an early morning by a quartet of machine gunners, was found at his home, unharmed.

McMillan, a taxi driver, gave the police their only clue. A man had hired his cab and ordered him to "hurry out of this neighborhood," but down the street his car was nosed to the curb by another and its occupants, displaying sub-machine guns, hailed the police in the cab, and the victim, struggling with his captors, pleaded: "Ernie, remember I'm a married man, please."

With the collapse of Cooper's identification as the victim, the police could only guess that the leader of the abduction was Ernest Rossi, already sought in the investigation of Sergeant Ray Martin's death at the hands of extortionists. Oliver was not certain of Rossi's identification.

CIRCUIT RIDERS TO BE HONORED HERE

Memorial Day services for the Oregon circuit riders will be held at the Circuit Rider statue at the Capitol grounds immediately following the exercises at the Max Terzaghi state statue next Thursday, according to announcement made Friday. The Rev. W. C. Kantner, will give the memorial address, and several musical numbers will also be given.

FLIRTING IS FATAL TO TENNESSEE MAN

GEORGETOWN, Tenn., May 24.—(AP)—Lee Athley, 35 year old merchant, died here today of wounds he is believed to have inflicted yesterday with a wagon spoke by Eva Cofer, 25, who was reported to have resisted advances made to her by Athley.

Colorful Parade Staged On Streets Of Salem By Nearby Community Clubs

Keizer Region Takes Highest Honors For Size Of Crowd

Stayton And Labish Sections Tie For Special Prize

A host of Marion county's finest product, her boys and girls, descended on Salem Friday and, gaily attired, staged a parade which for the next year will be the talk at the fireside of many a home whose lads and lassies marched blithely to portray the picture of their community's accomplishments.

Of course, there were older folk there, too, but it was a boys' and girls' parade and whether they carried a huge green bean to tell the world theirs was the section where the best beans come from, or were clad about by a pasteboard can, typical of the canning industry in their community, each one had a real part in this gala march.

The Keizer community, with 40 carloads of people and a total of 235 representatives, easily took first honors for the largest representation in the parade.

Honors for the most unique entry were divided between Stayton and Labish Center with a consolation award going to Mount Angel. No less than 11 communities were represented in the march as it threaded its way up and down the principal thoroughfares of Salem and then made its way up Court street to the capitol where the marchers were reviewed by Governor Patterson.

BUILDING ACTIVITY GOING STRONG HERE

Building activity may just coast through this week and still bring the May record ahead of that for April, it was indicated Friday when the total of new permits for the month reached \$116,237.

The April figure was \$132,532, so that if this week's permits surpass \$16,293, a new high mark for the year will be created.

Reports were current Friday that at least one additional big contract, previously announced, would be started in time to be counted in the May total.

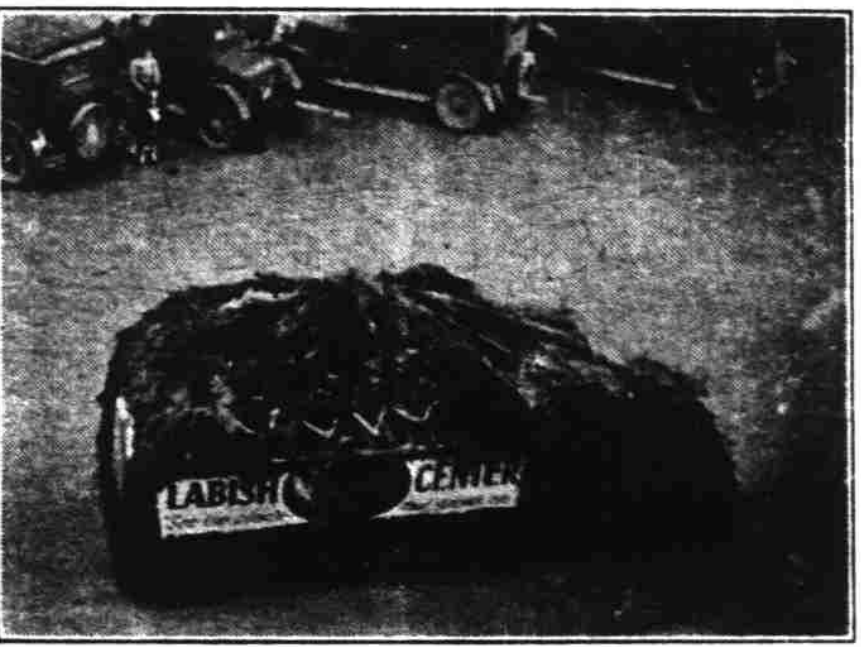
This month's figures already include the cost of the Portland Electric Power company's new warehouse, and several other fairly large projects.

One way for a store building which William Lebold is to have erected at 1256 State street. The largest residence is that to be built for Delmar L. Bond, at 865 Market street at a cost of \$4375.

One permit was for repair of a building on South Commercial street.

AUTHORITIES SEEK ANCIENT METEOR

WINSLOW, Ariz., May 24.—(AP)—With Water hazards encountered at the 600 foot level overcome, authorities at the site of the excavation project for the giant meteorite which buried itself into the earth 22 miles west of here centuries ago, tonight expressed the belief that their objective would soon be reached.



Labish Center "knows its onions" its float told the world Friday in the community club parade here; the lower picture shows the first section of the parade coming up State street.

Salem Night Marks First Community Entertainment At Elsinore Theater Here

Pleasing Musical Program Presented Mostly By Local Talent; Large Audience Enjoys Numbers Given On Stage

THE Marion county federation of community clubs opened its annual community talent contest with a superior program Friday night before a packed house in the Elsinore theatre. The program presented had not only the advantage of being well chosen but it was pleasingly presented. Soft lighting effects and the quiet beauty of the Elsinore did much to accentuate the attractiveness of feminine appearances on the stage.

The first number presented was petite Jacqueline Duke, six year old Portland miss not much larger than her violin who played with a sureness and surprisingly well mastered technique that quite silenced into respectful quiet an audience which much of the time seemed more interested in itself than what it had come to hear.

The program Friday night was Salem night and following Little Miss Duke the Salem high school

Three suits for divorce were filed with County Clerk Boyer Friday, while only two applications for marriage licenses were given out, a net loss of one in the married couples in the county. Mr. Boyer pointed out.

Ruth M. Armstrong filed suit for divorce from Myron W. Armstrong, her husband, whom she married in Moro in 1911. He deserted her in 1926, the plaintiff claims. Custody of one child is asked by Mrs. Armstrong in her complaint.

Alleged familiarity with other women is held to blame for the matrimonial difficulty which Dorcas Wickiser alleges leads her to ask relief from her marital bonds with E. L. Wickiser. The couple was married in Vancouver, Wn., in 1926. Plaintiff seeks to have her maiden name of Dorcas Hill restored. She also wishes the custody of their one child.

Louise Grimm Stohl and Clyde E. Stohl were married in Portland in September, 1908, but for some time they have not lived together. Mrs. Stohl sets forth in a suit for divorce begun in circuit court Friday. They have no children. The plaintiff asks for \$40 a month alimony.

Marriage licenses granted by the county clerk were given J. F. Dougherty, 24, who lives on the Fairgrounds road and Audrey Irene Warker, 23, Oswego, and Anthony J. Wolf, 21, Salem, to Jewell Lewis, 19, Salem.

Harmonica King Performs For Lions Club Here

Claude Sullivan, better known as "Harmonica Mike," who claims to have been the first entertainer ever to broadcast over the radio, presented several harmonica novelties at the Salem Lions club luncheon Friday. Sullivan broadcast from station 2LO at London in 1913, when the range of radio telephony was 15 to 20 miles and all listeners used crystal sets and hand phones. Sullivan has been a vaudeville performer since 1900. He has appeared before 178 Lions clubs.

CONTRACT LET TODAY FOR BIG BUILDING HERE

Bids Opened Friday for Construction of \$184,000 Phone Structure

Excavation to Start in Few Days for Three Story Plant in Salem

Bids were opened in Portland Friday on general construction of the new \$184,000 building which will be erected for the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company on the south side of State street between Cottage and Winter. The contract will be let this afternoon, officials of the company announced.

Plans have been prepared by Frank H. Struble, local architect, who will supervise construction. The contract for steel to be used in the building was let a little over a month ago.

It is expected that excavation will start within a few days as the company hopes to have the building ready for occupancy late in the present year.

New Structure To Be Three Stories in Height The building in height to an announcement made by local officials of the telephone company, will be three stories high for the present, with provision made for adding two more floors at a later time when expansion of the service makes it necessary.

It will be of steel frame construction, fireproof throughout, with exterior finish of light terra cotta. The building will be set back ten feet from the sidewalk line and this feature, together with the architectural design, will insure its harmonizing with the other buildings in that vicinity, one of which is the city library.

Telephone equipment in the building will be entirely new, both for local and long distance service. A possibility that the local system will embody the automatic type of operation, although according to the latest information available here, officials of the company had not announced a decision on this point.

In addition to the central office equipment, the building will provide quarters for the company's business office in Salem.

Construction of this building, according to an announcement made some time ago by officials of the company, is but the first step in a program of development and improvement in Salem which will involve an expenditure of approximately \$840,000 in the next two or three years.

PFÄFFINGER CASE WILL CLOSE TODAY

Marion county's most popular circuit court case in many a moon—Arthur Pfaffinger's \$10,000 suit against Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Seely because he lost his right arm when his motor car collided with a wagon owned by the Seelys—is expected to go to the jury some time today, after having occupied the court all day Friday. The court room was crowded with neighbors and friends of the litigants, including Percy R. Kelly in hearing the case.

The case is based on an accident which occurred last August 31, when Pfaffinger, riding a motorcycle on the Woodburn-Monitor road, collided with a wagon of hops belonging to the Seelys and driven by Wilbur Snyder, in employ of the defendants. Pfaffinger lost his right arm as a result of the collision.

The plaintiff claims that the wagon was without lights, that the wagon was on the wrong side of the road and that the driver was lying on his back on the hops.

The opposition claims that the motorcyclist was rounding a corner so fast he drove between the horses and that the wagon was on the extreme right of the road.

Statesman-Capitol Children's Matinee Friday and Saturday Afternoons 2 o'clock

To See the Next Chapter of "TARZAN THE MIGHTY" also Singing, Talking Specialty "Lucky Boy" starring George Jessel

Telephone Act Movietone News This coupon and five cents will admit any child under twelve to Elgin's Capital Theatre