

## ONE FLYER IS SAVED; MATE FEARED DEAD

### Ward Miller Escapes With Life by Leaping From Cabin Monoplane

### Prospector Finds Man Near Collapse; John Wood Sought by Party

NEEDLES, Cal., Sept. 3.—(AP)—Pilot H. Gatty, in a plane sent into the desert by the Lockheed Aircraft corporation of Burbank, Calif., tonight located the wreckage of Major John Wood's Lockheed cabin monoplane ten miles east of Pite Springs. Gatty saw no trace of Wood, who has been missing since he took off from Metropolitan airport, Los Angeles, one a. m., Monday en route to Cleveland in a non-stop race. Gatty notified searching parties on the ground by dropping a note to them, giving directions to the wreck. Further searching parties were to leave here at dawn tomorrow morning by automobile for the scene of the wreck.

**Mechanic Aids  
In Finding Plane**

The wreckage of Wood's craft was found with the aid of Ward Miller, 25-year-old Lockheed mechanic who jumped and was saved from death by his parachute when the ship started to spin toward the ground. Miller was unconscious when he landed, and not until thirty hours later was he able to reach Needles and report the disaster.

Gatty was uncertain whether Wood's body was in the wreckage. He was able to see no sign of it, but the plane was so completely smashed he said he could not see how the pilot could have escaped, unless he was so fortunate as to have extricated himself from his controls and leaped, as Miller did.

## Latin America's Representation Vexing Question

GENEVA, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Fourteen Latin American countries now participating in the assembly of the League of Nations here are confronted with the definite problem as to which Latin American country they will support for a seat on the council of the league in succession to Chile whose term expires this year.

First appeal to the large number of Latin American nations, but Uruguay also would like to succeed Chile on the council. Unless Latin American nations go before the assembly in complete agreement concerning one candidate it is feared Scandinavian countries will reopen their old campaign to reduce the number of Latin American seats on the council from three to two.

## PREMIER CONTINUES OPTIMISTIC TREND

### Preliminary Understanding Reached With United States, He Says

GENEVA, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald of Great Britain today told the assembly of the League of Nations that a preliminary understanding on naval matters had been reached with the United States on 17 of 20 disputed points. His auditors applauded vigorously when he announced the Anglo-American accord would be more than a mere agreement as to naval ratios and would be a document which will establish peace.

With great earnestness Mr. MacDonald stated that the British government declines absolutely to build up a navy against the United States.

He added, "The United States can take that—I think I might call it—as a last word, because it is not only the word of the labor government, it is also the word of its predecessors, the conservative government."

**Five Power Conference  
Is Next on Program**

The British premier insisted the only purpose was to get an agreement with the United States which would be preliminary to summoning a five power conference and that the other powers would be as free to make their proposals as though no conversations had taken place between Great Britain and the United States.

Mr. MacDonald said he did not want to hazard a promise but thought an announcement as to definite results of the proposed naval agreement could be made before the present assembly terminates.

"An agreement will make us

## WAR APPEARS CERTAIN UPON TARIFF RATES

### United States Senate Meets Today to Tackle New Legislation

### Western Bloc Expected to Combine With Demos In Opposition

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Associated Press Staff Writer  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—(AP)—With one of the oldest party issues—the tariff—to settle once more, the senate half of the special session will resume work tomorrow after a two and a half month recess to complete the emergency legislative program recommended to it by President Hoover.

The house, which started last January formulating the first tariff legislation in seven years and sent the complete measure to the senate late in May, will not meet until Sept. 23. Then it will adjourn over three day periods until the senate returns the bill for adjustment of differences.

**Western Bloc Joins  
In Fight on Bill**

The eve of the reconvening of the senate found the democrats and the western republicans organizing to limit the revision to agriculture, or failing in that, to carry on a vigorous drive to wipe out the proposed increases in industrial import levies and, in some instances, to reduce existing ones.

Leaders of both groups expressed confidence that they had enough votes virtually to rewrite the bill to their liking.

Senator Smoot, of Utah, tariff

## Alderman to Ask Why Traffic Upon Street Blocked

Today Alderman Dancy of the street committee of the city council is to put on his hat and make a little trip down to offices of the Southern Pacific here to ask the why and wherefore of the continued blockade of traffic on Trade street and South Liberty.

Building of a spur track by the railroad has held up traffic for the last fortnight and the council Tuesday night wanted to know what was the matter. Dancy reported that he had consulted with the Southern Pacific officials who said the work would be finished by the middle of this week but to date the obstruction continues.

## DRUM CORPS DRIVE FOR FUNDS STARTS

### Civic Committee Will Begin Active Work in Campaign Today

This morning Salem business men will be greeted by members of the "On to Louisville Citizens committee" composed of representatives from the Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, and ad clubs and the chamber of commerce, which is out to collect \$5000, the sum needed by the Salem American legion drum corps to make the trip back to the national competition of drum corps in Louisville, Kentucky, which will take place there during the National American Legion convention. Representatives from each of the service clubs met at the chamber of commerce Tuesday night and with Grover Hillman, general chairman, presiding, plans were made for the activities of the committee for the next three days.

Tonight those who formed the soliciting group today will meet with the committee and further plans will be made for Thursday's work. It is hoped to have the full \$5000 by Friday night.

Salem has never had better advertising than the trip the drum corps made to San Antonio last year, where it was generally expected by those gathered that Salem would win first place. They were feted by the Los Angeles chamber of commerce and met with many enthusiastic receptions all along the route to San Antonio and back.

"This year," according to the opinion of Ben Doris of Eugene, who has attended eight national American legion conventions, "the Salem drum corps is bound to win in the east this year. It is the best drum corps in the United States without a doubt."

Dorris, who is a veteran observer of American Legion activities is of the opinion that Salem must enter the competition this year, for he says "it is now or never. Drum corps change personnel in the course of two or three years. Now it is at its peak and its the time to win."

## EAST'S PROPAGANDA IS FLYED BY LUPER

### Engineer Resents Campaign to Halt Growth Of Western Area

Eastern propaganda to hold up reclamation work in the west must be counteracted with the truth about federal expenditures on western projects, declared Rhea Luper, state engineer, in an informal address on the "Development of Oregon's Resources" made Tuesday noon before the Kiwanis club here.

"Contrary to statements made by men in the east who do not know the federal government is not appropriating a cent out of the federal treasury for western reclamation," emphasized Luper. "Funds come from the lands of the national government in the western state. These monies accrue from sale of lands, royalty on minerals or from repayments made by settlers on land reclaimed by the government."

**Bagaboo of  
Overproduction Exposed**

Luper struck another false argument to ground when he declared that the idea of overproduction brought on by reclamation was a skeleton in the closet which did not in reality exist. Less than one per cent of all crops produced on irrigated lands are crops in which there is now a surplus, said Luper. Crops such as clover, alfalfa, hay, principal products on western irrigated lands are not over-produced, he declared.

Luper commended President Hoover's letter read at the recent Denver, Colorado, conference which Luper attended, wherein he urged that the states be given more control over lands now held by the federal government. Luper suggested that poor administration of western lands in the past may have been due to jealousy be-

## Rev. Payne Is Injured In Accident

Rev. Robert L. Payne, pastor of the First Baptist church, sustained an injured left foot about 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when he was struck and knocked to the pavement by an automobile in front of the Bank of Commerce. The automobile passed over his left foot, tearing the ligaments loose and possibly injuring the ankle.

Payne had just parked his machine and had started across the street to go to a doctor's office in the First National bank building when he paused to wave at several small boys who had greeted him. As he paused he was hit by a slow moving machine. Although dazed, he got up and went to where he had started; the doctor's office. He was also bruised about the chest, with possible internal injuries there. He was able, however, to spend the remainder of the afternoon at his desk.

## POSTAL RECEIPTS HAVE BIG INCREASE

Encouraging increases in postal receipts for the year to date were reported Tuesday when Postmaster John Farrar opened the office for business and closed the books on the August transactions.

Up to September 1, receipts at the office here total \$150,793, Farrar's report shows, compared with \$144,135 for the same period in 1928. August, 1929, showed receipts of \$15,163 compared with \$13,904 in 1928.

Mr. Farrar pointed out Tuesday that the increase of \$6600 this year was especially good in view of the fact that mail on election years usually swells postoffice receipts. The legislative sessions of odd-numbered years, Farrar says, do not bring the revenue increase derived from elections, much mail being sent out from Salem from the office of the secretary of state.

## Culver Estate Is Valued at \$19,500 Total

Personal property of the estimated value of \$3,500 and real property of the value of \$16,000 was left by the late W. J. Culver, according to an estimate filed in county court Tuesday.

Mrs. Stella C. Culver petitions to be named administrator of the estate and request is made that Frank B. Culver, Byron B. Herring and Hugh G. Fisher be named appraisers.

**JURY SELECTED**  
LOS ANGELES, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Six women and six men were tentatively in the jury box tonight at the end of the opening day of the trial of Mrs. Lois Pantages.

## GRAF REACHES HOME HANGAR THIS MORNING

### Transatlantic Flight Completed From Lakehurst Without Mishap

### Leisurely Jaunt From European Coast Effected During Night

FRÉDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, Sept. 4.—(AP)—The Graf Zeppelin was sighted over the airport here at 8:27 a. m. (2:27 a. m. E. S. T.) as it completed its Transatlantic flight from Lakehurst, N. J.

PARIS, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Home-bound after repeating by air Magellan's historic voyage around the world, the German dirigible Graf Zeppelin tonight entered upon the last stage of her third eastward trans-Atlantic flight this year.

With favorable weather conditions in southwestern France, Captain Ernst Lehmann, commanding the Graf instead of Captain Hugo Eckener, informed the home works at Friedrichshafen that he expected to cross the French coast near Bordeaux after sunset.

The Graf at 6 p. m., (noon EST) gave her position as 300 miles.

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## PRESIDENT DONEY GOES TO NEW YORK

### Head of Willamette University Seeks Support For School

Before returning to Salem, President Carl G. Doney of Willamette university will probably go on to New York City to consult with the Rockefeller board there, according to Dean Frank M. Erickson, president, and Mrs. Doney were called east suddenly by the serious illness of Mrs. Doney's sister who passed away shortly before they arrived in Ohio.

Under the provisions of the Rockefeller's board gift to Willamette university, the time limit for Willamette's securing of funds for endowment is this fall. Dr. Doney will seek to have this time limit extended. For every dollar raised by the university towards endowment, nearly 60 cents addition was promised by the board.

Many of the subscriptions for the university were on notes coming due in from one to five years. These are negotiable to the Rockefeller board. If the time will not be extended, Dr. Doney may ask the trustees of the university to borrow money on the notes and to place the borrowed money in the endowment fund so the Rockefeller gift may be secured.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS BUSY EVENING

Fires in grass, a truck and imagination caused three trips by the local department Tuesday. A light truck was completely destroyed for the total damage done for the three calls.

Early in the afternoon a grass fire near 22nd and Turner road endangered surrounding buildings but was extinguished with six gallons of chemicals before any damage was done.

A truck owned by R. Sognotte burned on South 21st street shortly after 4 o'clock. By the time the chemical truck could reach the scene the truck was almost a complete loss.

A woman in the neighborhood of Fifth and Columbia streets, seeing the fire at the Fairgrounds, where remains of the old pavilion were being burned reported a fire within two blocks of her residence. Although confident that the report concerned the Fairgrounds fire, firemen made a trip to the Fifth street number to be assured.

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## Congratulates Eckener



President Hoover extended congratulations in person to Commander Hugo Eckener, on the steps of the White House as the gallant adventurer of the air, who made a hurried flight to Washington following the arrival of the Graf Zeppelin in Lakehurst, N. J.

## Hoover Ends Six Months In Office

### First Half Year as President Sees Numerous Accomplishments by Republican Executive, Record Discloses

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—(AP)—A half year will have passed into history tomorrow since Herbert Hoover on the rainy afternoon of March 4 was inducted into the presidency.

Retrospect shows that for him it has been a busy six months. After the selection of a cabinet and the reorganization, in part at least, of all of the ten big governmental departments, he initiated a number of new projects and in the carrying forward of this work in many respects he has just begun.

This work has kept the president close to his desk in the executive offices at the White House. During the summer while millions of his fellow citizens have been frolicking at seashore or mountain resorts or traveling abroad, he has confined his recreation to short week-end trips to a fishing camp on the head waters of the Rapidan river in Virginia.

**Numerous Commissions  
Are Put to Work**

By so doing the chief executive in addition to looking after the general run of the nation's business has placed more than half a dozen commissions at work studying as many different questions. One of the first to be appointed was the commission on law enforcement. To this he assigned the duty of studying enforcement of all laws, including the statutes dealing with prohibition.

A start at reorganizing the American diplomatic corps also has been made. One of his first appointments in this field, Charles G. Dawes, no sooner was accredited as ambassador to London than he began conferences with

## Suicide of Woman Is Indicated

A woman was seen running up the west approach to the Willamette bridge shortly after 2 o'clock Tuesday morning. Patrolman Orle Coffey heard a heavy splash in the river a few seconds after he judged she reached the middle of the span. Nothing more was seen or heard.

As Patrolman Coffey was looking under the bridge approach for "canned heat" drunks on one of his early morning rounds he heard someone running up the east approach. He hurried out to the side and saw what appeared to be a woman in a white dress, rather long and flowing, running. She would stop and look back about every 10 yards. Coffey started toward the person and just as he got to the street he heard a heavy splash. He rushed to Doolittle's service station and got a car to search both ends of the bridge. As he crossed Front street he saw no one. No one was on the bridge or at the other end.

Search of the surface of the water with flashlights a few minutes later failed to reveal anything that might furnish some clue to the cause of the splash. The piers of the bridge on the upper side are clear and anything falling there would go into deep water. No persons had been reported missing late Tuesday night.

## 68-Year-Old Building at State Fair is Burned by Workmen Tuesday Night

Last night a brilliant conflagration lighted up the sky out in the direction of the state fair grounds, a conflagration that has been 68 years in the making. For, in those flames went up the last remaining sticks of the original pavilion, put up when the fair was born.

The old building, which has been in the process of being razed for the past few weeks, was in excellent condition considering its great age, the timbers still being sound enough to be salvaged for use. All that was burned was the trash left of the torn down structure. Old-fashioned square hand-made nails were used in its building, and they stood the test of time staunchly, serving countless

crowds which have thronged the building since it was first put up.

Old pioneers of Oregon can recall many events connected with its early history, a history that runs parallel with the development of the state. Albert Tozier, Aurora, an authority on such matters, says that the fair grounds, with the old exhibit building as headquarters, was often used as a meeting place for the Oregon Pioneer association, which had as its roll such famous men as J. W. Grim, W. J. Herren, Medorum Crawford, and John Minto. Especially eventful was the centennial celebration held in June, 1876, June 15th, Mr. Tozier says, and was greeted with a bright sun, and the

## NEEDLES, Calif., Sept. 3.—

(AP)—Wandering aimlessly and near collapse, Ward Miller, 25 year old mechanic who accompanied Major John Wood of Wausau, Wis., on his ill-fated attempt to reach Cleveland from Los Angeles, in the non-stop event of the national air races, was found today by a desert prospector. Miller said the cabin monoplane Wood was piloting exploded in the air early yesterday and that he jumped, pulled the rip cord of his parachute, and landed in unconsciousness. That was all he knew until he awoke to find himself crumpled on the desert sand. He was found 38 miles north of here.

Tonight a searching plane from the Lockheed aircraft corporation factory in Burbank, Calif., dispatched here to aid in efforts to locate Wood and the wreckage of his plane, had picked Miller up and was touring the desert with

## HOLDUP IS STAGED IN KEIZER REGION

"Two men in a small coupe are stopping motorists on the river road just north of the Keizer school and sticking them up," patrolmen reporting shortly after 2 o'clock Tuesday morning were told as they called to police station.

Some time before they had stopped Dr. Roy Scofield, made him face bright lights and relieved him of a small amount of change and a check. He was then ordered to drive toward town.

The men were dressed in dark suits, wore red bandanas over the lower part of their face and generally did not look prosperous, it was reported. One weighed approximately 135 pounds and the other about 175.

Officer James of the south prairie, when he heard the report said that a car answering the description occupied by two persons had passed him headed south shortly before.

## Police Corruption Charge Will be Investigated by Los Angeles Grand Jury

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 3.—(AP)—The story of police bribery, told by J. B. Westman, alias Harry D. MacDonald, confessed bootlegger, will be presented to the county grand jury in special session tomorrow. Deputy District Attorneys Percy Hammon and David Clark said tonight. They announced they had taken a supplemental statement from the man and obtained "corroborating evidence sufficient to secure indictments."

The deputies said the second statement included an admission by MacDonald that his real name was J. B. Westman, and he had served a term in McNeil Island penitentiary. The man, who is held on a liquor charge, also engaged upon his original disclo-

## Schools of Mill City Are Opened

The first schools in Marion county opened Tuesday when grade and high school departments of the Mill City system began work for the year. Ethel Hickey is principal of the high school and T. J. Means is principal of the grade school.

The two-room Union grade school near Woodburn also began its sessions with May Gibson as principal and Mae Engel, teacher.

According to Mrs. Mary Fulkerson, county superintendent, a number of schools throughout the county will open September 9 and a greater number September 16. September 23 seems to be the most popular date for opening this year, however, with a few schools delaying until September 30 to start work. In a few cases schools may not begin until October to permit children to finish working in the prune orchards.

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ure of alleged bribery passing in the rear of his camouflaged bath house, they said, and gave information indicating that police payoffs had halted at their inceptions investigations of at least two murders, now listed as unsolved.

District Attorney Burton Fitts, upon requests of Westman, issued orders to hide the man's wife and she was taken from her home in Whittier, near here, under police guard. Westman said he feared members of the "payoff gang" would do away with her. Fitts also ordered police guards for "other witnesses, who will be called before the grand jury." He did not reveal the names of the witnesses.

Federal prohibition administrator

## FRANCHISE FOR BUS LINE GETS FIRST READING

### Fireworks Lacking at City Council Meeting Here Tuesday Night

### Mayor Livesley and Four Aldermen Absent From Regular Session

The calm and cool atmosphere of a September morning pervaded the council meeting Tuesday night in marked contrast to the torrid sessions of August. Save for the authorization of sale of street bonds and the introduction for first and second reading of a new franchise for the Oregon Stages, Inc., hardly a ripple of interest flitting across the face of nine aldermen as the routine of a first of the month session was ground out. Slight illness kept Mayor Livesley away from the session while summer vacations and business prevented the attendance of Aldermen Hawkins, O'Hara, Wilkinson, Herrick and Vandevort.

**Ordinance Provides  
For Three Changes**

Only three changes are made in Ordinance 2861 introduced by Alderman Rosebraugh, providing a franchise for the street buses in the city. The time of the first franchise, on which voters invoked the referendum before the franchise was rejected by the Oregon Stages, Inc., a subsidiary of the Southern Pacific, is reduced from ten years to five in the pending plan. The emergency clause is withdrawn from the present franchise and the right to operate street buses is granted exclusively to the Oregon Stages, Inc., as long as the service rendered is up to the standards provided in the ordinance. Otherwise the franchise introduced Tuesday night is identical with earlier ordinances, none of which mesh with the joint approval of the council and the bus company. The "jittery ordinance" which accompanied the former franchise was not introduced.

**Portland Firm Gets  
\$49,966.38 in Bonds**

Street improvement bonds in the sum of \$49,966.38 were authorized today to Freeman, Smith & Camp of Portland on a bid of \$102.19 for the bonds which bear six per cent interest. Hugh E. McGuire bid \$101.02 and Pearce, Fair & Co, \$100.92.

T. W. Campbell, who desires to conduct a grocery store in his residence on Center street and 2nd, appeared before the council to ask that the immediate district where his home is situated be changed from class one to class three, special which permits grocery stores, markets and other businesses deemed as "essential." On motion of Chas Kowitz, the city attorney was empowered to draft such an ordinance.

It was explained by Kowitz that

## SPRINGFIELD FLYER MAKES NEW RECORD

EUGENE, Ore., Sept. 3.—(AP)—Back from Portland-Cleveland air derby, Major Gilbert H. Eckerson, Springfield aviator, is said to be the holder of a new average record for Waco planes, set when he held his red taper wing biplane to an average of 135 1/2 miles per hour during the Cleveland hop. The record is said to be six miles an hour faster than the former mark.

Eckerson landed on his home field Monday night after making the 1200 mile jump from Birmingham, N. D., to Springfield in 11 1/2 hours, spotting three times for fuel.

He said he made stops at Mile City, Mont., Missoula, Mont., and Walla Walla, Wash. At the last point Eckerson's plane straddled a bump in the ground so he was taking off and bent both his propeller blades.

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