

Pilot Breaks Light Plane Distance Mark

WATERTOWN, S. D., June 24 (P)—Al Mooney celebrated his 25th anniversary in aviation today by setting a new distance record of 1,312 miles for a light plane.

Mooney, vice president of the Wichita, Kas., aircraft firm bearing his name, said he accomplished the flight here from Brownsville, Texas, in ten hours and 44 minutes.

"I used 37 gallons of gasoline costing \$10.80," Mooney reported from his hotel room shortly after landing because his fuel supply ran short.

"I had about nine gallons of gasoline left, enough to get to Grand Forks, N. D., but the weather reports weren't encouraging," he continued.

Mooney took off from Brownsville at 5:31 a.m. (CST) today and landed at Watertown at 4:15 p.m. (CST). He had hoped to reach Winnipeg, Canada. He flew at an altitude of from 3,000 to 7,000 feet and had perfect weather all of the way.

"I could have gone farther if I could have flown as I planned, at 10,000 feet," Mooney said. "But there was a heavy west wind that would have blown me off course and eaten into the gas at that height."

His 500-pound M-18 plane surpassed the official record of 554.495 miles as Mooney piloted it over Ardmore, Okla., this morning. He had planned to land at Oklahoma City or his hometown of Wichita but winged on northward as fuel and flying conditions seemed to favor him.

The old non-stop record was set by Ernest Cassin of France in July, 1949.

Mooney, a 44-year-old veteran of aviation started in the business 25 years ago in Denver with the Alexander Aircraft Co. During the last war he was chief engineer of the Culver Aircraft in Wichita and designed a two-seater for that company.

He designed the M-18 himself.

Budget Sliced At Sheridan

SHERIDAN — The city budget has been decreased by \$6,924, to keep inside the 6 per cent limitation. Modernization of the street lighting system and the streets had been planned. The amount of the decrease "each department is lighting, \$1,000; emergency \$250; police salaries \$600; police automobile expense \$324; fire department \$250; streets, labor \$1,750; supplies, \$2,000, and city hall, supplies and maintenance \$750.

Many blood donors are needed Monday, when the county Red Cross bloodmobile will be in Sheridan. It will be at the Legion hall 3 to 7 p.m.

Miss Neta Ekman, bride-elect of Don Brown, was honored with a bridal shower by the ladies of the Christian church. Emma Jean Rosebaum and Marjorie Williams presided at the punch bowl and coffee urn.

Vincent D. Russell was elected to the school board of the Sheridan district 48-14 and will succeed Bert Webster, who has completed a three-year term on the board.



TOYS FOR CHURCHES—The Rev. Arlington W. Booker and his partner, Joe Wagner, make toys at Carmel for sale in aid of campaign to reopen closed Maine rural churches.

Wilkensons Purchase Home at Turner

TURNER — Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wilkenson have purchased the

residence of the late Mrs. Hester Crume and will move in this week.

Joan Norris had a minor foot operation Thursday. It will be several days before she will be able to walk.

Residents of Northwest on Missing Plane

(Story also on page one.)

SEATTLE, June 24 (P)—Nine Washington state and two Portland residents were passengers on the Northwest Airlines DC-4 that vanished early today over Lake Michigan.

A few of the others among the 55 passengers were flying west to visit Pacific northwest relatives.

A mother and her child and a Tacoma man and wife were among the missing persons.

Mrs. Yenti Malby and her three-year-old son were flying to Spokane to join her husband, who had taken a job recently in Spokane.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Heuston, well-known Tacomans, were flying home from a visit to the Atlantic coast. Heuston was a long-time Tacoma real estate man. Yakima Resident

Dr. L. Anderson of Yakima was another of the passengers.

Mrs. Winfield Kaufmann, 42, of Seattle, another aboard, was the mother of three children. Her

husband, a seed company operator, said she was about by a stroke of ill fate. Returning from an 11-week tour of Europe, she had failed to catch the previous night's plane because no seats were available.

Other Residents

Other Oregon and Washington residents on the plane were:

Mrs. William R. Frost, 29, prominent Portland business woman; Alfred W. George of Portland, a railroad-trainmaster who was returning from a visit to his native England;

Mrs. William (Rosalie) Gorski, 27, wife of a recent University of Washington graduate, who was returning to Seattle from a visit to her mother in Pennsylvania.

Miss Ruth Johnson, 28, Spokane, returning from a two-week vacation trip to New York;

Mrs. W. D. Main, 47, Spokane, who had been visiting a daughter in the east.

Those flying west to visit relatives included:

Richard Goldsby, soldier, home address unavailable, en route to Milton, Ore.

The hedge hog is notorious for its snake-killing proclivities. It bites the victim near the tail, then curls up and lets the snake strike repeatedly, injuring itself on the hedge hog's spine. After the snake is exhausted, the hedge hog simply bites its victim into pieces and eats it.

Sub Reported In Vicinity of Depoe Bay

NEWPORT, June 24 (P)—A fishing boat skipper reported today that he had sighted a submarine while on a fishing trip 26 miles off the coast from Depoe

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Bay on June 12.

Max Carlson, skipper of the 83-foot drag boat Altan, said his vessel and the sub travelled at a slightly converging course for a half hour. Then, he said, the sub turned inland and vanished from view.

Carlson said he thought nothing of the incident until he happened to read of four unexplained explosions in the Lincoln coun-

ty beach area, and began wondering if there were any connection.

Residents of various beaches have reported explosions, the last one on June 12. None have done any damage. The Lincoln county sheriff, who found a crater left by a blast at Road's End, said he presumed it was caused by accidental explosion of dynamite or a powder cache.

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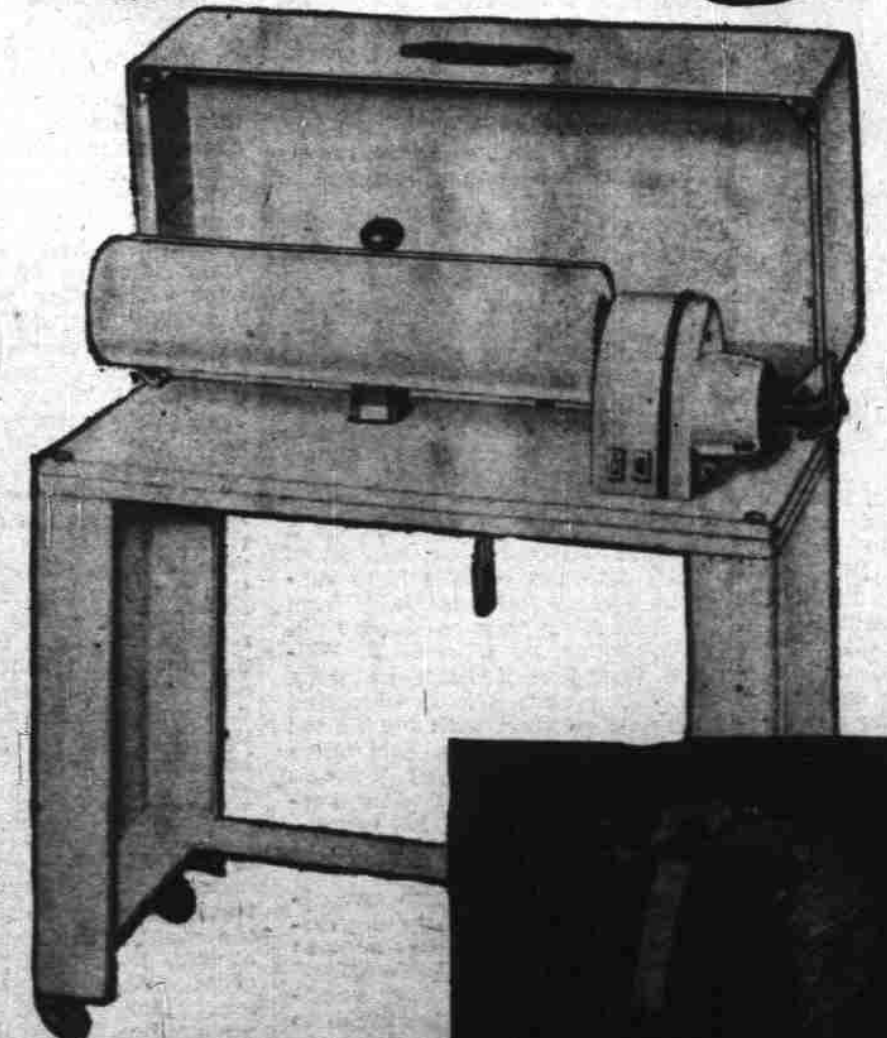
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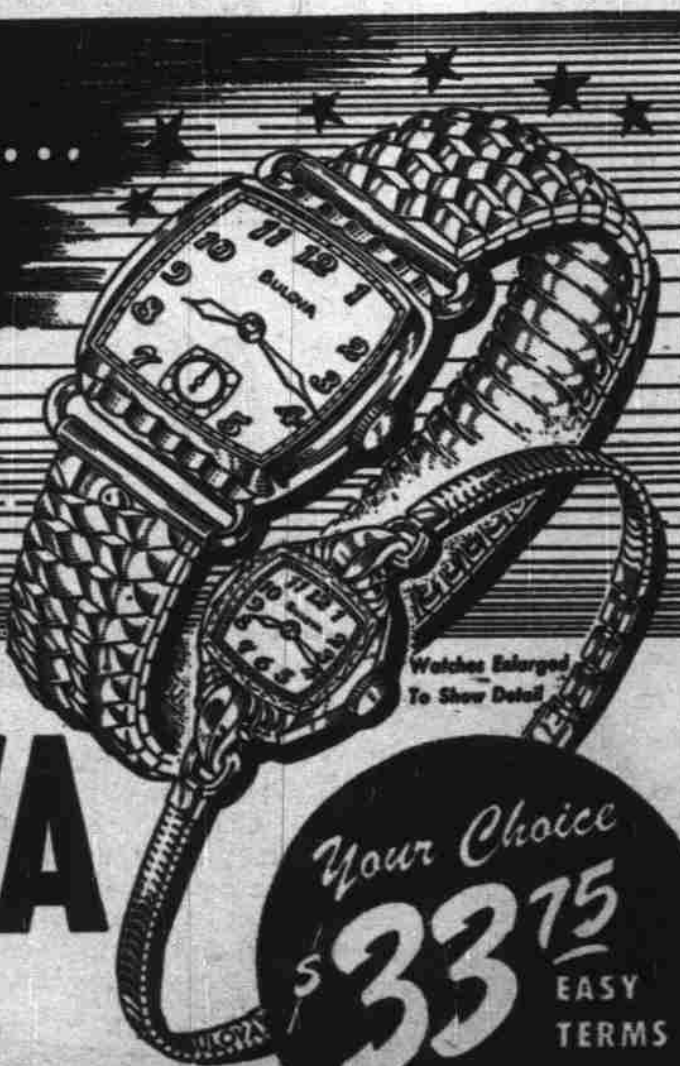
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