

SOVIET ENVOYS LEAVING CHINA

8 SLEEPING PASSENGERS DIE IN WRECK

Train Plunges Through Bridge Into Swollen Creek Near Denver

Victims Are Trapped in Berths of Pullman in Raging Torrent

Denver, (AP)—Trapped in a submerged sleeper of the Chicago Rock Island and Pacific railroad, a train in a creek made a torrent by a cloud-burst, at least eight persons were dead following a wreck Thursday near Stratton, Colo. Searchers who sought recovery of the victims reported that possibly as many as fourteen were in the car. One report said twenty were dead.

Led by coroner Orin P. Penny of Kit Carson county, workers Thursday drilled through the top of the submerged sleeper as waters started to recede. Eight bodies had been recovered. At 2:30 p.m., the searchers were dragging the food waters of the creek and nearby bodies of water—all of which formed a lake after the cloudburst, seeking other bodies.

From an airplane which was sent with reporters to the spot, the wreck presented a scene of a heap of coaches tossed like huge black sticks, and rearing in grotesque positions over several hundred yards of track.

One sleeper, that one that was passing over the bridge when it collapsed, was smashed into two sections, hurling some of its sleeping occupants into the waters of the flooded stream.

The huge concrete abutments of the bridge that sent the coaches plunging in all directions were smashed like glass by the terrific impact of the coaches against them when the rushing water beneath the bridge had done its work of undermining.

According to a report received by the Denver Post from its Stratton correspondent, the train plunged through a weakened bridge and two of the pullmans of the all-pullman train were submerged in the creek.

First reports stated that twelve persons were known to have been drowned and there were reports that this number probably would increase.

Forestry officials said the fate of at least one logging camp, a summer resort, and valuable stands of timber depends upon the wind. One of the fires Thursday, burned up through a canyon eight miles north of Colville, Wash. The flames had fired the town Wednesday night, after razing two saw mills valued at \$30,000, but a shift in the wind changed its course after 200 acres had been seared.

Lumber and timber worth \$70,000 had been devoured, but fifty men were checking the fire Thursday. Fire Warden John Jugent reported. In Bend Oreille county to the eastward, 100 men were believed to have stemmed a surge of fire which licked up 200 acres of standing timber on Indian creek. Cut logs totaling 1,000,000 feet had been badly damaged. The fate of more valuable yellow pine depended on the winds. Neither fire threatened a town Thursday.

YOUTH WALKS INTO PLANE PROPELLER

Portland, (AP)—Ted Wolsenberger, 24, Spokane, lost his right hand and received serious injuries about the shoulders late Wednesday at Swan Island airport when he walked into a wing-propeller of a tri-motored plane.

The plane, owned by the Mamer Air Service, was being warmed up for a take-off to Spokane when Wolsenberger walked into the right wing propeller.

Good Evening! DON UPJOHN OFFERS Sips for Supper

The mere presence of poison oak on a tramp in the country may cause serious results, says a bulletin by the state board of health. In that event we suggest driving the tramp out of the country and getting rid of the trouble at the source.

Delegates to these conventions no more than get together before they begin quarrelling about their next meeting place. Aren't they ever satisfied?

A young woman was telling us that freckles are the hardest things she knows of to get off her face. Evidently, she's never had any tried egg dry on her upper lip.

Down in Marshfield a cat was born with human hands and a great to do has been made over it. From some letters we receive we know of a lot of cats with human hands around here.

TROUBLE IN SOUTH SALEM Joe Baker and Arch Shumaker own a cherry tree between them standing on the dividing line of their property on Lafelle street with an agreement each to pick his cherries right up to the line. This year Arch started to pick his cherries and yellow jackets from a nest on Joe's side drove him out of the tree. They left it up to Charley Cannon to arbitrate and Charley decided Joe put the yellow jacket's nest in Joe tree on purpose to keep Arch from the cherries. But what we can't figure out is how Joe is going to get his own cherries.

Ivan Farmer accused us again this morning of going around with the top of a sock down over our shoe. Well, doggone it, Ivan, half the girls in town go around without any socks at all, and we guess we have a right to have ours down over our shoe if we want to.

"Scotty" the circulation man, says that Bud Stutesman's idea for holding up socks without garters is the bunk. Scotty's recipe is to turn the top half of the sock down into the sock and shove the sock onto the foot that way. He says it will hold against all odds.

And Charley Bishop hopped on us this morning for these garterless recipes saying his garter business has dropped off 25 per cent since we began giving out advice on the subject.

There's even sadness in trying to be a public benefactor.

ATTEMPT TO KILL MIKLAS FRUSTRATED

Vienna, (AP)—An attempt against the life of President Miklas of Austria was frustrated Thursday with the arrest of a man giving his name as Anton Letner, a tailor's assistant.

Letner was stated by the police to have admitted he was seeking to ambush the president near the gate of the foreign office.

The man loitered near the gate with a loaded revolver in his pocket for some time. Finally his suspicious actions caused a police investigation and he was arrested.

It was first thought that he was planning to assassinate Chancellor Steyerwald.

MODERATOR NAMED Albany, (AP)—Dr. A. W. Lewis, pastor of the Bend Presbyterian church was elected moderator of the 39th annual session of the synod of Oregon here Wednesday at the opening of an eight day convention.

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An apology has been sent the sisters and the Rev. Jose Torres, pastor of the Church of Our Lady of Guadalupe, in whose school the nuns teach. Pitts said. The raiders, led by Sergeant O. L. Childers of the district attorney's office, had no search warrant. It was admitted. Captain Clyde Plummer, head of the office's liquor squad, escorted the officers went to the suburb of Belvedere, where the convent is located, solely on a tip from a Belvedere constable that a still was in operation at an address on Fisher street. The constable insisted he meant a grocery store, but didn't know the correct address.

Receiving no response at the convent, the squad forced its way in, frightening the nuns. Childers said the raiders retired at once with apologies.

DOUGLAS POOL PRUNES BRING FANCY PRICES

Rosenburg Bids in Big Tonnage at 8 Cents for 30-35s

Association Disposes of 2,318,250 Pounds in Strong Market

Roseburg, Ore. (AP)—Sale of 2,318,250 pounds of prunes to Rosenberg Brothers and company, was announced here by the Douglas County Prune Growers' Cooperative association. The association price of eight cents for 30-35 Italians and 8 1/2 cents for 30-35 Petites. The buyers also presented an agreement to purchase all listings made prior to 9 p. m., Friday, July 19, at an advanced price of 8 1/2 cents for 30-35 Italians and 8 cents for 30-35 Petites.

The sale of the prunes followed some keen bidding and price jockeying by several buying concerns. Buyers were paying 7 and 7 1/2 cents the same time the association made its price of 8 and 8 1/2 cents, and declared the price too high and no bids were received.

Rosenburg brothers, however, took an option for one week on the pool at the association price, and then paid \$500 for an extension of one week. During that period 6 1/2 buyers bought the price to 8 1/2 and 8 1/2 on several purchases outside.

HOYT TAKES OFF FOR ALASKA IN PURSUIT PLANE

Mitchell Field, N. Y. (AP)—Captain Ross G. Hoyt, re-fueler of the army endurance plane Question Mark, took off for Alaska in a single seat pursuit plane at 2:38 p. m. daylight time, Thursday in an attempt to make a flight of 8,400 miles ever completed before.

Captain Hoyt planned the flight to demonstrate the feasibility of extending the present pursuit range of army ships by increasing horsepower and fuel capacity. The plane has a high speed of 180 miles an hour, but his schedule calls for average flying speed of only 140.

The schedule also calls for refueling stops of one hour at Minneapolis, Edmonton, and White Horse in the Yukon, and Fairbanks, Alaska, both coming and going, and a six hour stop at No. 6, Alaska, the point from which he will start back.

IDENTIFY SKELETON FOUND AT ESTACADA

Oregon City, Ore. (AP)—The skeleton found on East Mountain, near Estacada, July 7 by two university of Oregon students, has been identified as that of George Gullickson, 31, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gullickson, of Woodburn. The man left his home in Canby three years ago. Clothing and several articles in his pockets provided identification, the coroner said.

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The raid, it became known has been under investigation since June 13 when Father Gutierrez notified the Right Rev. J. J. Cantwell, bishop of Los Angeles and San Diego. Of it. The bishop had Isadore B. Dockweiler, prominent Los Angeles attorney, bring the matter to Pitts' attention.

Other Girl On License Causes Switch in Brides

Blue Mountain, Miss. (AP)—George, Colonel Smith's negro house boy, is going to marry Lisa and all because of a mistake of the colonel's. George was to have wedded Hannah. When the colonel started for town the other day George asked him to get the marriage license. The colonel complied.

"I hope you and Lisa will be happy together," said Colonel Smith as he handed George the legal document.

"Lisa" exclaimed in a house boy, "I told you Hannah, Colonel." "Well, I'll get the license changed," replied the colonel, "but it will cost you \$5." George considered the matter a moment, then declared: "Boss, just keep this license—there ain't \$3 difference in them gals."

MORRIS GEST TELLS OF WRECK IN COLORADO

Denver, Colo. (UP)—Morris Gest, theatrical producer, a survivor of the Rock Island wreck near Stratton, Colo., was quoted in the Denver Post Thursday in a description of what Gest termed the "most frightful experience of my life."

"I was sleeping in my stateroom in the rear of the car when the crash occurred," the Post quotes Gest. "I was thrown out of my bunk and I found myself kneeling on the side of the car, which, somehow, had become the floor. The car was on its side. Above me were the windows. The early morning sun was streaming in. The glass had been smashed."

Gest, the Post story said, clambered out the window to the side of the car, part of it submerged but his side of it resting on the bank at an angle of 45 degrees.

"The car in front of mine had completely disappeared," Gest continued. "The one in front of that was completely smashed. The one next to the baggage car was hanging on the opposite bank.

"My car was tilted on its end so that I was about even with the roof of the car back of us.

"People were pouring out of the coaches. I climbed over to the roof of the car behind me and lowered myself to the ground.

"I wondered why I wasn't excited. My attitude was that of an observer rather than a participant in a fearful tragedy.

"Any minute now the screaming and hysteria will begin, I thought to myself but to my amazement I was mistaken."

Gest said that most of the passengers behaved with heroic calm.

YING AND WIFE WILL RETURN

San Francisco (UP)—Ying Kao, Chinese vice consul here, and his wife, from whose baggage approximately \$500,000 worth of narcotics was seized, are going back to China, July 31.

Confident that charges of opium smuggling filed against them would be dropped, the couple made reservations on the liner Korea Maru.

They have promised leaders of San Francisco Chinatown, however, they will face trial in their native land on charges similar to those brought against them here, it was said. Ying Kao has been recalled by his government.

Preliminary hearing of Ying Kao, his wife and Sun Foon, chancellor of the consulate here, who was arrested with them, has been continued until next Monday because customs officials are awaiting further instructions from Washington before proceeding further as the case involves diplomatic technicalities.

CHINESE CRISIS CAUSES GRAVE APPREHENSION

Hoover Keeping Close Watch on Events as U.S. Interests Involved

Nanking and Moscow Regimes Too Poor to Stand War Expenses

Washington (AP)—With mingled feelings of apprehension lest war be imminent in the Orient and hope that armed hostilities may yet be avoided, the Washington government is keeping close watch on the rapidly developing controversy between Russia and China.

Press dispatches and consular advices from Manchuria are being given detailed study in a search for the proper interpretation of the action of the soviet union in breaking off diplomatic relations with the Nanking government and what it may presage.

While it was pointed out that war would not necessarily follow and circumstances were cited which were regarded as virtually compelling an amicable settlement, it was generally agreed that the diplomatic rupture had served at best to add considerable gloom to the outlook.

With America's extensive far eastern interests necessarily involved, the state department has kept in constant touch with the situation since its inception a week ago Thursday in the seizure of the Chinese Eastern railway by the Chinese. President Hoover himself has followed developments with an interest induced not only by the gravity of the situation, but by an

ROBBER SLAIN IN ATTEMPTING THEATRE THEFT

Portland, Ore. (AP)—Identified by his finger prints as Douglas E. Leone, 25, once arrested in Los Angeles as a suspected robber, a stocky, sandy-haired bandit, resided in the morgue here Thursday, dead because he made a drunken attempt to rob the Portland theater. Leone was shot to death late Wednesday night by two policemen after he had traded shots with them in an attempt to escape with \$4000 he had taken from the theater manager.

An passer through the unguarded entrance as the last show was in progress. He made his way to the manager's office and the usher called police.

Officers arrived as Leone was leaving the safe-room with the money he had forced the manager to give him.

Reeling through the door, Leone opened fire on the policemen as soon as he saw them. More than a dozen shots were fired before Leone was struck. The officers were uninjured. The bandit died before he could be taken to a hospital.

Police records here indicate that Leone was arrested in Los Angeles in 1928.

GERMAN FLIER ORDERED BACK

Berlin, (UP)—Wolfgang Von Gronau, the German aviator who set out on a mysterious flight from List Auf Sylt, presumably bound for the United States, was ordered by the government Thursday to return to Germany immediately.

Gronau landed at Reykjavik, Iceland, Wednesday night after a flight of 1000 miles from the island of Sylt. He undertook the journey in a Dornier Wal twin motored flying boat, the type used by the Spanish aviator, Ramon Franco, in his trans-Atlantic flight to South America.

Gronau is one of the directors of the government flying school which is under the supervision of the ministry of transportation.

Reykjavik, Iceland, (UP)—Germany's mystery flying boat, a huge Dornier-Wal two motored machine believed to be bound for the United States from Sylt island in the North sea, was being refused and overhauled for the next leg of its journey, presumably to Greenland. It arrived here at 8:22 p.m. Wednesday night.

GOVERNORS SPURN Wickersham Plan Of DRY LAW CHANGE

New London, Conn. (AP)—The 21st annual governors' conference Thursday refused to go on record as officially approving or disapproving recommendations for reforms in prohibition enforcement made in a letter from George W. Wickersham, head of President Hoover's law enforcement commission to Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York. The letter was presented to the conference Tuesday by Mr. Roosevelt.

Eastern Point, Conn. (AP)—It is neither the constitutional nor moral duty of the states to take over enforcement of the Volstead act within their borders, Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland declared in a statement concerning the proposal for division of enforcement functions between the state and federal governments laid before the governors conference by George Wickersham.

"It is time for the country to realize that the 18th amendment imposes no obligation on the state to enforce it," he said.

"The amendment gives the state concurrent jurisdiction with the federal government in that regard," he continued, "but whether the (Concluded on page 10, column 6)

PREMIER DOING BEST TO SPEED CUT IN NAVIES

London (AP)—Premier Ramsay MacDonald told the House of Commons Thursday afternoon he was doing his utmost to expediate naval disarmament negotiations with the United States so as to be able to make an announcement on the subject before parliament rises at the end of the month. The premier said, however, he was not sure this would be possible.

The prime minister's statement arose from prodding by Winston Churchill, who wanted to know whether MacDonald would make it clear that "before any important decision of policy reversing the naval program for the present year 'parliament would be informed and given an opportunity of expressing its opinion."

"Certainly not," replied the prime minister. "The government will take just the ordinary powers of a government in that respect. The government will exercise its judgment with full knowledge of its responsibilities to the house and beyond that it is impossible to go at the moment."

MacDonald characterized as "a most unworthy suggestion" a question by Churchill whether it was to be understood that "a most grave and important decision of this kind is being withheld until parliament was separated?"

FAMOUS CIRCUS OPERATOR DEAD

West Berlin, N. J. (AP)—Charles Forepaugh, one of the founders of the famous Forepaugh circus, died Wednesday at the home of his daughters, Mrs. C. W. Mattack, fifty years ago he and his late brother Adam were among the best known showmen in the world, all of whom are dead, they took the Forepaugh circus all over the United States and Europe.

Charles Forepaugh achieved individual distinction as a lion tamer. He is said to have been the first trainer to place his hand in a lion's mouth. Originally, he and his brother Adam, were in the horse trading business in Philadelphia.

SAYS WICKERSHAM LETTER A FEELER

Meredith, N. H. (AP)—Miss Ada L. Comstock, president of Radcliffe college and the only woman member of President Hoover's national law enforcement commission, believes that the proposals set forth by George W. Wickersham, chairman of the commission, to the governors' conference at New London, Conn., regarding prohibition enforcement, are "interesting and worthy of careful consideration."

She suggested that the Wickersham letter probably was in the nature of a "feeler" to find out what the country thought about the plan and said she considered it probable that similar questions would be raised by the commission's spokesman to obtain the benefit of the views of others.

RUSSIA, CHINA RUSH TROOPS TO MANCHURIA

Soviet Severs Diplomatic Relations With China and Closes Embassies

Chiang Calls Conference Hoping for Peace, Budenny Heads Russians

London (AP)—The Daily Mail Thursday published a report from its Peking correspondent of rumors in Chinese quarters that Soviet troops had been repulsed in an attempt to cross the Amur river, which forms the northern boundary of Manchuria.

Peking, China (AP)—Japanese News agency dispatches from Harbin state that Russian forces are being massed at Pogranichnaya and Manchul along the Siberian-Manchurian frontier.

The transportation of Chinese troops to the frontier also was reported, being rushed to Harbin. The office of the Russian consulate-general in Harbin has been closed and the staff is preparing to leave.

Riga, Latvia (AP)—The celebrated Russian General Budenny, a brilliant cavalry leader, was reported in Riga, Thursday to have been recalled from vacation. He was said here to have four objectives.

BANDITS STEAL \$22,000 FROM TWO COUPLES

Chicago (UP)—Three robbers, late Wednesday, stole \$22,000 in jewelry and money from Frederick Grabner, race horse owner, Mrs. Grabner and Mr. and Mrs. Buel J. Seigel, their companions.

The carefully planned and well executed robbery took place while the Grabners and Seigels were returning from the Arlington park race track.

Grabner, owner of "Windy City," winner of this year's American derby, had just turned off the crowded main highway onto a gravel road to evade traffic congestion, when a large sedan, bearing three men, blocked his path. Two men, brandishing pistols, got out of the car, entered the tonneau of the Grabner machine, where the women were, and ordered Grabner to drive on. The robbers' car followed close behind.

One robber stripped jewelry from the women, while the other robbed the men of jewelry and money. Warning the party to make no outcry, the robbers directed Grabner to drive back onto the highway, still crowded with hundreds of machines. Seigel, despite the pistol prodding his back, managed to open the car door with his foot and escape into a nearby building. The robbery car followed close behind.

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California Heiress Strangely Disappears From Country Home

Fairfield, Soland County, Calif. (AP)—Fifty men renewed their search in the hills west of here Thursday for Miss Irene Wolfskill, 55, heiress of a wealthy pioneer Suisun valley family, who disappeared under mysterious circumstances from her ranch here Sunday. A large reward was offered.

The searching party, which includes Matthew and Ney Wolfskill, brothers of the missing woman, was to be augmented Thursday by a corps of private detectives, hired at the instance of a Los Angeles bank in which Miss Wolfskill has a deposit of \$600,000, telegrams to Sheriff John R. Thornton, from J. W. Bachman, trust officer of the bank, revealed. The wires also disclosed Bachman was enroute here to aid Sheriff Thornton in the hunt.

The disappearance of Miss Wolfskill is regarded by authorities here as one of the most baffling in northern California history. Last seen by her maid, Miss Wolfskill, who has lived in seclusion on her (Concluded on page 11, column 5)