

ROCK SPRINGS IS BULLS EYE IN THE TARGET FOR TORNADO

Swoons Down on Little Cattle Town Touching Nothing Else for Miles

SEE TWO BUILDINGS

The Court House and Jail Are All That were Left Standing by Storm

HOUSTON, Texas, April 14.—Rock Springs was the bull's eye in the target for the tornado that reduced the city almost to kindling wood.

The twisting wind swooped down out of the sky, pounced upon the little cattle town and lifted again, leaving the open country for miles around with scarcely a mark of its passing.

This was the story told here by Frank M. Hawks, commercial pilot for the Raymond Pearson Aero company, who hopped off from Houston in his blackness, taking a United Press special correspondent and a camera to the cyclone zone.

Hawks, piloting a "Travelair" metal biplane, made the return trip to Houston before dusk.

"As we flew into the town, where, under ordinary conditions, we would have seen buildings of all sorts, we saw two, the Edwards county courthouse and the jail," Hawks said.

"Everything else was torn down. Trees were bent and uprooted. Everything was leaning in the same direction. Debris was strewn over what was once a quiet cattle village, like matches spilled on a tablecloth."

"We circled the town once. On the bare streets—bare save for the occasional bit of what was once a home or a business place, we saw little groups of people gathered on the corners, viewing the wreckage."

"There were many persons about the courthouse, where the Mexican refugees had been quartered."

Landing field "The tornado made us a good landing field."

"The army had men there. Military police were on duty, keeping people from overrunning wrecked places and the temporary morgues where scores poked about in an effort to find their loved ones. There were many who walked about as if in a daze."

"It was the children who were not feared. My plane attracted them and they gathered about me, anxious to show the spots where I could get pictures."

"Sure Johnnie was killed," remarked one youngster as he pointed out the home in which the body of a chum was found. "I was just about ten feet away but it missed me."

"The Mexican section of the town was razed to the ground."

"One drugstore, its roof and walls crumpled, was a dispensary for soft drinks from a fountain which had not been badly damaged."

Hawks reported the majority as believing the death toll to be between sixty and seventy with some reports much higher.

Briggs to Head Reserve Body

Lieutenants Young, Burdick and Allen and Capt. Briggs were in attendance at the Southern Oregon Chapter of the Reserve Officers Association at a banquet held at the Medford hotel last evening.

Major Owen and Sen. Mason were tried in 1926 on charges of conspiracy to violate federal dry laws, but were acquitted.

KNIGHT TEMPLARS TO OBSERVE EASTER AT THE MEDFORD TEMPLE

Malta Commandry No. 4 of Ashland to Have Charge of Ceremony

The traditional Easter observance, as exemplified by Knights Templar throughout the world, will be held at the fine new Masonic Temple at Medford this year under auspices of Malta Commandry No. 4, of this city, Sunday afternoon, April 17.

IDENTITY OF DODGE IS FINALLY LEARNED

Son of Auto Manufacturer Cannot Fool Newspaper Reporters

HONOLULU, April 14.—Horace Dodge, son of the late multimillionaire automobile manufacturer, has reached Honolulu after attempting to conceal his identity behind a tangled structure of assumed names and fantastic explanations.

The purpose of Dodge's spectacular dash from the mainland has not been fully revealed, but undoubtedly it is linked with the presence here of his wife, who has filed suit for divorce.

Mrs. Dodge has been away from Honolulu on a trip to Hilo but is expected back Friday. More light on the strange situation which finds the couple here under such mysterious circumstances will be shed at the time, it is believed.

Since arrival on the liner Wilhelmina, Dodge has denied his identity, but the United Press learned positively that the man who posed variously as "Jack Kennedy," and "Herbert Lucker," in reality is the heir to the motor millions.

PROHIBITION HEADS CHARGED WITH BRIBE

Former Chief of Illinois District and State Senator Indicted

CHICAGO, April 14.—(AP)—Indictments charging Major Percy B. Owen, former federal dry administrator for Illinois and Lowell B. Mason, Illinois state senator, with extortion and bribery have been returned by a federal grand jury before Judge Adam C. Chife.

Six others are named in the indictment. Major Owen and Sen. Mason were tried in 1926 on charges of conspiracy to violate federal dry laws, but were acquitted.

It was alleged they had permitted withdrawal of thousands of gallons of sacramental wine on forged permits. The indictments Wednesday charge similar offenses.

Rainier — Men's dress shirt factory to be built and operated

A NEW RECORD FOR SUSTAINED FLIGHT IS MADE BY CIVILIANS

Using Bellanca Wright Monoplane Remain in Air for Hours

BEAT FRENCH RECORD

Aviators Are Successful in Staying in the Air for Over Fifty Hours

ROOSEVELT, FIELD, N. Y., April 14.—Bert Acosta and Clarence Chamberlain, American civilians, came back to earth in their tiny Bellanca-Wright monoplane today, after they had remained in flight longer than any other aviators in history.

This feat brought to us the record now held by France, the official landing time being 12:42, which meant that the record set was 51 hours, 11 minutes and 25 seconds and this broke the old record by 5 hours, 29 minutes and 26 seconds.

The Pet and Hobby show which was being promoted by the Central Council of the Y. M. C. A. Pioneer clubs and which was to have been held in Pioneer hall Saturday, has been postponed indefinitely.

Plank Upsets ROOSEVELT FIELD, April 14.—A Curtiss biplane carrying two army officers who were circling around the little Bellanca monoplane in which Bert Acosta and Clarence Chamberlain set a world's endurance record overturned when landing. Both passengers were uninjured.

Traffic Claims Two in Portland

PORTLAND, April 13.—(AP)—Two persons were killed in traffic accidents, one boy was drowned and one man dropped dead while at work.

Mrs. Anna Wadsworth, 52, was struck by an automobile driven by David Schimpf, at Killingsworth and Mont avenues, and died later at St. Vincent's hospital.

Jack Newman, 15, was knocked from his bicycle at Secord and Montgomery streets by a car driven by Mike Crull and died three hours later.

Walter Campbell, 10 was drowned in the Willamette river near the foot of Ellis ave. W. Lawson, 69, Belle station, Portland, died at Emanuel hospital after falling in a fatal while at work at the Woodlawn school.

Two Promote New National Park

EUGENE, April 15.—(AP)—A district organization to promote the Three Sisters national park project was formed at a meeting here last night, and a constitution and by-laws for the Three Sisters Club were adopted.

Provision is made for officers, including a field representative in the effort to effect a statewide organization. The aid of Portland, Bend and Corvallis will be sought immediately and other cities will follow.

PORTLAND IS MAKING PLANS FOR CONDUCTING GREATEST ROSE FESTIVAL IN HISTORY

With the railway and steam companies announcing the lowest round trip excursion fares to Portland in the history of the annual Rose Festival, for any event of a similar nature ever held in the Northwest, came the announcement yesterday of definite plans for the 1927 annual Portland Rose Festival.

Other features this year will include a big military parade, a demonstration of fire fighting, life saving, wall scaling and other thrilling events by the entire fire department of Portland, a junior festival in the city parks in which 5,000 school children will take part, a regatta and water sports carnival on the Willamette river in the heart of the city and many other events.

Outdoor Events With Portland the only city in the Northwest planning a great outdoor civic feature, transportation lines are centering their efforts in attracting the attention of thousands to the various events of Rose Festival days.

Many New Features Many new features have been added to the Rose Festival program this year to include a world

PET AND HOBBY SHOW IS TO BE POSTPONED

Several Conflicting Dates Make the Action Necessary

The Pet and Hobby show which was being promoted by the Central Council of the Y. M. C. A. Pioneer clubs and which was to have been held in Pioneer hall Saturday, has been postponed indefinitely.

Communication with the trapped miners was established through a drill hole shortly after noon and word was passed up that all the men had escaped drowning, when the flood waters rushed down the shaft.

Carroll Recovery is Now Expected

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 14.—At 10 a. m. Earl Carroll, famous Broadwayite, still lay unconscious. He has been unconscious 27 hours, but physicians said that his condition was somewhat better. The hope is expressed that before night he might wake from the coma which baffles medical men.

Oh Yes, He's Willing Enough, But--



MACHINE GUNS ARE USED BY NATIONALISTS ON LABORERS

Thirty Five Killed When Attack is Made Upon Soldiers

UNREST INCREASES

Certainty of Success by Northern Army Becomes Impressed on Natives

SHANGHAI, April 14.—Machine guns were used by nationalist Chinese soldiers against the native Chinese city in what for a time assumed the proportions of a massacre and caused death of at least 35 persons.

Women and children were reported to have been put in the front rank of laborers, who opposed the nationalist troops. The outbreak was the most serious anti-Red crusade directed by General Chiang Kai Shek's army and is likely to bring further clashes between radical and moderate groups of natives.

The fighting occurred when armed Chinese laborers surrounded the nationalist soldiers who had antagonized the laboring groups, when laborers fired, killing a soldier the troops returned the attack with machine guns.

Thirty-four laborers were killed at the outset of the clash and police are checking reports to determine whether many others lost their lives, as has been rumored. Reports of a break in morale of the nationalist army opposing the northerners' advance on Shanghai, followed receipt of an unverified rumor that Pukow, north of Shanghai, again had fallen into the hands of the northerners. Unrest in the native city increased as certainty of continued successes by the advancing northern army was impressed on the native element.

HELD ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Bill McCambell, better known as "Mackinaw Bill" was arrested last night and is being held in Federal court, on the charge of possession and sale of liquor. The arrest was made in Ashland, by Federal prohibition officer, Terry Talent.

WORLD'S MOST COSTLY SHAVE IS RECORDED

Gets Bill for Eighty Dollars, Including Telephone Call

LONDON, April 14.—(AP)—The world's most expensive shave and haircut is being discussed at length in the lobbies and the barber shop of the Savoy Hotel. It cost \$80.

William Coolidge, son of Paul W. Coolidge of Boston settled in his chair at the Savoy shop, and decided that he would enjoy a chat with New York instead of the customary exchange of conversation with the barber.

He asked for the nearby phone and called for a New York number. The lathering had just been completed when he was told to be ready.

After the conversation was ended Coolidge let the barber work. When his time in the chair was up he was handed a bill for haircut, shave and telephone conversation, totalling \$80.

REACH MAJOR POINT IN WIDOWS TRIAL

Question Arises as to What Caused Doctor's Death

HILLSBORO, Ore., April 14.—A question as to whether strychnine or uremic poisoning caused the death of Dr. W. G. McGee loomed today as a major point in the murder trial of his widow, Mrs. Eva N. McGee.

Dr. R. T. Boals, the Tillamook physician who testified that strychnine had killed his fellow practitioner, continued on the stand today and admitted that Dr. McGee had a moderate case of uremic poisoning, but that it did not kill him. The court recessed at noon with Boals still on the stand.

Mrs. McGee, who is accused of administering strychnine to her husband while nursing him after minor injuries which he received in an automobile accident, appeared to be in better spirits although she has been displaying signs of intense nervousness at times.

FIRST PICNIC TO BE HELD HERE ON SUNDAY

Employees of the Forest Service to Gather at Lithia Park

The first annual picnic of all of the Employees of the Forestry service in the Siskiyou, Klamath and Crater districts will be held in Lithia Park next Sunday, according to the plans of those who have the affair in charge.

About one hundred and fifty people are expected to attend this event, coming from as far north as Roseburg and many are expected from the Southern part of Siskiyou county. This is the first event of its kind this season and park officials are looking forward to Ashland being hosts to many such gatherings throughout the coming season.

Storm Disrupts Funeral Party

LITTLE ROCK, April 14.—(AP)—A funeral party at Mableville, Ark., this afternoon was caught in a severe wind and rain storm, the tent blown down and the casket and grave filled with water.

The funeral was that of Vernie who was fatally injured Sunday in a vain attempt to save a companion from drowning.

John Carver, 60, was killed at 4:15 o'clock this afternoon in a storm which struck Little Rock. Carver had taken refuge behind a signboard which the wind felled, pinning him beneath it.

Scores of trees and wires were reported down following the latest storm. Fear was expressed tonight for other Arkansas towns as it was reported additional storms were brewing in the vicinity.

WORLD RACE IS ON FOR NAVAL BUILDING IS CLAIM ENGLAND

Premier Lloyd George Makes Attack on Budget Requirements

GREAT BRITAIN LEADS

Claim Navy is Most Powerful in Worlds History and More Ships Built

LONDON, April 14.—A world race in naval armaments, with Great Britain setting the pace and the United States forced into competition was described by former Premier Lloyd George in a slashing attack on the budget proposals of Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer.

"Look at what the United States is doing," he said, after declaring that Great Britain was leading the way in naval construction. "She is not keeping up her program and is not going on with it at all."

Winston Churchill had declared that his budget was aimed at economy, the former premier suggested, "but in the survey of a possible field for economy the sturdy figure of the first lord of the admiralty stood out in front as a likely target. The chancellor of the exchequer missed his aim. Real economies could be effected in armaments. It was armaments that helped provoke the great war that created an atmosphere that nourished it."

"Now we have a navy which is more powerful than the combined navies of Europe. We never have been in that position before and still we go on building."

WILLOW TREE HIDES A BOTTLE OF BEER

Prohibitionists Are planning on Cutting Down the Tree

FORT LARAMIE, Wyo., April 14.—(AP)—Prohibition agents are considering cutting down a willow tree on the banks of a stream near here, because it possesses one bottle of pre-Volstead beer.

Henry Blair of Fort Laramie discovered the bottle while strolling. The clear amber fluid may be seen, but the bottle is too firmly imbedded in the trunk of the tree to be removed.

The bottle probably was lost, along the banks of the stream years ago, it is believed, and the willow tree has grown up on the spot, entwining it.

Seventy Enroll in Health Unit

The Ashland committee of the Jackson county Health Association held their membership drive at the Parish House Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Harris Dean as the hostess for the afternoon. Mrs. Bertha Denton, school nurse exhibited many posters used in her work in the school. Several were made by the children and these attracted much attention by their beauty and unusual designs. Mrs. Denton's work came in for much praise at this meeting.

A total paid membership of seventy was recorded at this meeting and many more have signified their intention of enrolling at their earliest convenience. The money from the memberships is used to purchase supplies for the nurses bags, and for the loan closet as well.

The loan closet contains many needed articles, which the nurses loan during sickness. Mrs. C. F. Tilton is chairman of the Ashland Health Committee. Mrs. J. H. Fuller and Mrs. F. K. Hammond assisted by Miss Taverner poured tea.

Baker — Oregon Lumber Company mill at Bates, and Gardiner mill at Austin, resume cutting.