

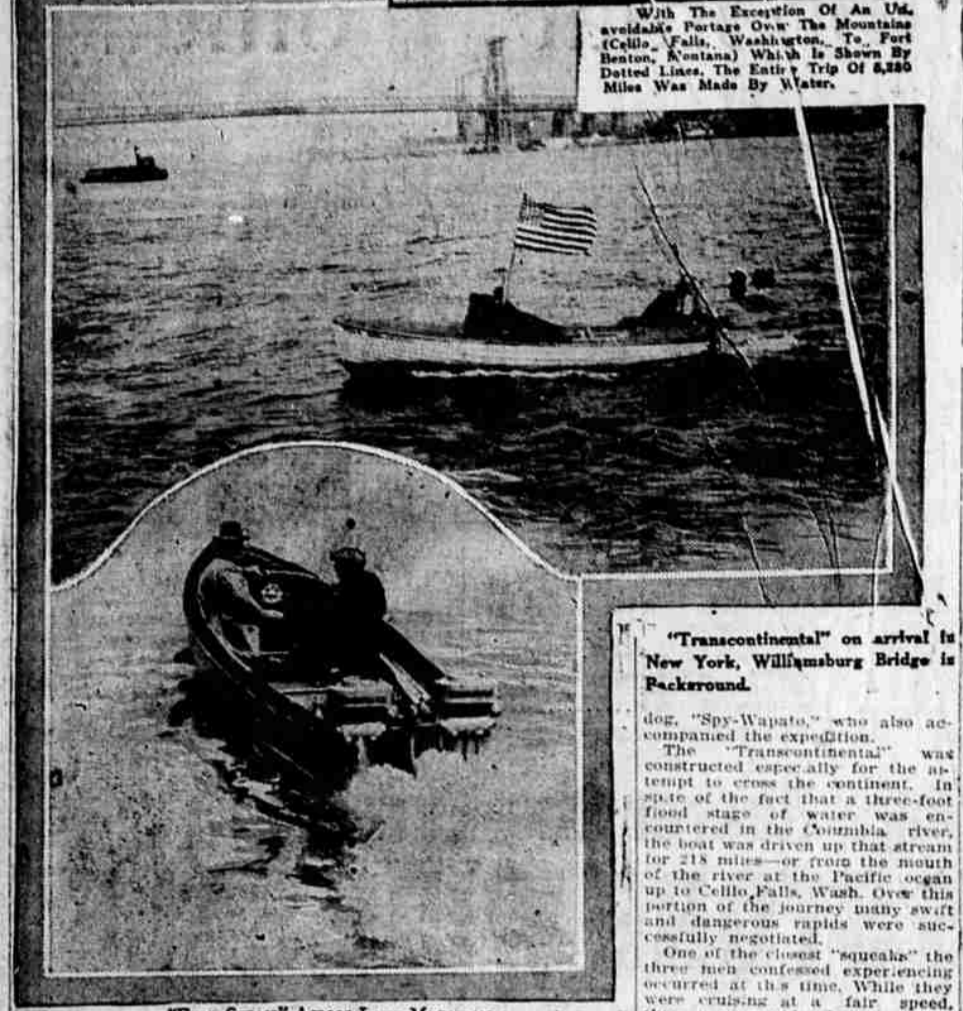
THREE HARDY NAVIGATORS PERFORM FEAT OF CROSSING U. S. IN CLATTERING MOTOR BOAT

Longest Fresh Water Cruise Completed in 18-Foot Craft, Transcontinental

Christopher Columbus sought a water route through America to the Pacific ocean. He failed. So, did Hudson, Champlain, and



With the Exception of An Unavoidable Portage Over the Mountains (Cello, Falls, Washington, To, Fort Benton, Montana) Which is Shown By Dotted Lines, The Entire Trip Of 3,280 Miles Was Made By Water.



"Full Steam" Across Lake Michigan.

others. Not until the year 1925 has the American continent at its widest extent been crossed by boat, and the credit goes to a small craft—an eighteen-foot boat not much larger than one uses on an unexciting fishing expedition. The long jaunt of 3,280 miles was made by three Los Angeles men—Captain John Edwin Hoag, writer; Frank Wilton, News Reel photographer; and Val Woodbury, business man and former naval officer. With the true grit which marks the affairs of all adventurers, they flouted from the bow of their craft this slogan: "Hell, Heaven or Hoboken." The boat

itself was christened the "Transcontinental," and was lowered into the Columbia river at Astoria, Ore., for the start of its record-making trip on May 26. On Sunday afternoon, October 4, it was docked in New York City after successfully completing the longest voyage ever completed in fresh water. Every bit of the journey, with the exception of four hundred miles over the Continental Divide, was made on water. The trip was not without its mishaps and adventures, but these were borne without complaint from "Captain Hoag, Wilton, Woodbury, or their

"Transcontinental" on arrival in New York, Williamsburg Bridge is Background

dog, "Spy-Wapato," who also accompanied the expedition. The "Transcontinental" was constructed especially for the attempt to cross the continent. In spite of the fact that a three-foot flood stage of water was encountered in the Snake river, the boat was driven up that stream for 218 miles—or from the mouth of the river at the Pacific ocean up to Cello, Falls, Wash. Over this portion of the journey many swift and dangerous rapids were successfully negotiated. One of the closest "squeaks" the three men confessed experiencing occurred at this time. While they were cruising at a fair speed, there was a sudden bump, and all were thrown to the bottom of the boat. When they arose, they found their craft almost split into two parts. They had rammed a tree trunk. After considerable difficulty, they managed to drift to shore and set to work at the task of repairing their battered craft.

But despite this experience, Wilton, Hoag and Woodbury did not discontinue their eastward journey until an eighteen-foot watercraft absolutely blocked further progress. At Cello Falls the boat was pulled out of the water, loaded into a box car and transported across the Continental Divide in the head waters of the Missouri river at Fort Benton, Montana—a distance of four hundred miles. This portage could hardly have been avoided, for a motorboat could hardly cross the Rocky mountains.

The eastward journey was then resumed down the Missouri river for 2,880 miles without mishap, passing through or touching seven states and finally entering the Mississippi. After a run down the Mississippi as far as St. Louis, the boat was driven up the "Father of Waters" to the mouth of the Illinois river. Proceeding up the Illinois as far as the town of Ottawa, the travelers entered the Illinois and Michigan canal and followed that to Joliet, Illinois. From there the distance to Lake Michigan was made through the Chicago Drainage canal. Having reached Chicago and the Great Lakes, more than half the journey was completed. Once in Lake Michigan, the craft was taken up the west shore of the lake to Milwaukee and then across

the lake to Manitowish, Mich. The men then continued up the eastern shore of the lake as far as Straits of Mackinac. From Mackinac Island a stage trip was made to Sault Ste. Marie and into Lake Superior above the " Soo " locks. Eastward again the voyage was continued through Lake Huron into Georgian Bay, thus entering Canadian waters for the first time. The voyage brought their motor boat from Port Severn, Ontario, through the Trent canal, a distance of 250 miles into the bay of Quinte on Lake Ontario. This route saved them a long journey through Lake Erie, and made it possible for them to avoid Niagara Falls.

From that point the Canadian shore was followed into the St. Lawrence river. They had entered Canadian territory on August 24 and had been there almost a month when Hoag, celebrating that he "must get a good cup of American coffee," so, on September 21st the tired travelers put in at Ogdensburg, New York, and satisfied their desire. They had already accomplished the journey from the Pacific to New York state, but they were not through. In 114 days of motor boat travel, they had passed through fourteen states and two Canadian provinces, through rivers, great lakes and canals.

Proceeding down the St. Lawrence river, they stopped off for a while at Montreal, and embarked again for the little town of Sorel, Quebec, fifty miles further down the stream. Here they entered the little Richelieu river and ascended their course up this stream into Lake Champlain. From the lake through the Champlain canal to the Hudson river and down that waterway to New York City was then but a matter of days. It was October 4 when they arrived in the metropolis to receive an enthusiastic greeting.

The adventure of these three men and their dog through the course of a little more than eighteen weeks would fill several volumes. They cruised through every kind of weather from near tornadoes in Montana to the roughest of water on the Great Lakes. Several times they were close to losing their boat and their outfit. Again in Lake Michigan "Captain" Hoag and his friends were overtaken by a severe lake storm that turned the water into a turbulent sea. Each confessed afterward that they had little hope of ever seeing shore again when the storm began to sweep the lake. But they made their way, partly through their own efforts, and partly through being driven by the storm, into short near the little town of Leland, Michigan.

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Paulson Will Run

(By The Associated Press)
SILVERTON, Ore., Feb. 20.—Mark A. Paulson, Silverton attorney, has announced his candidacy for republican nomination for state representative. He was formerly school superintendent at Bend.

W. L. Finley Reappointed

(By The Associated Press)
SALEM, Ore., Feb. 20.—W. L. Finley of Portland was today reappointed by Governor Pierce as a member of the state game commission for five years. He was appointed July 13 last to fill out the unexpired term of R. W. Price, who resigned.

SHOOTING IS ADMITTED

(By The Associated Press)
NEWPORT, Wash., Feb. 20.—Roland Van Blaricom, one of two brothers held here charged with the murder of Edward Jarrish, deputy game warden, confessed the slaying to officers here this afternoon. He said he shot Jarrish accidentally while trying to frighten him. Confronted with the confession of his older brother to slaying Jar-

OFFICER FIGHTS MAN

(By The Associated Press)
KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Feb. 20.—Following an altercation with Leo Popovich, whom he had arrested some time ago on a liquor charge, Traffic Officer R. E. Knowles today removed gun, star and cap and fought it out with Popovich in a doctor's office here. Following the fight, Knowles then went before a magistrate, arrested himself, pleaded guilty and was fined \$10.

LOGGMAN STRIKES AUTO

FRED ELLIS HAS ACCIDENT NEAR JUNCTION CITY
Fred Ellis, Santa Clara, who was returning from Albany this morning with a group of M. W. A. members who had attended a lodge meeting in that city, ran head on into a car parked on the highway near Junction City. One wheel was broken from Ellis' car and he

Everett denied any knowledge of the killing.

"I see you've got the dope on me," Roland Van Blaricom told the officers. "You haven't got it all yet, but you will get it."

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OLMSTEAD FOUND GUILTY

TWENTY OTHERS CONVICTED BY SEATTLE JURY

(By The Associated Press)
SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 20.—Roy Olmstead, reputed king of Pacific coast rum runners, and 20 co-defendants were found guilty here today of conspiring to violate the national prohibition law. Eight co-defendants were acquitted. They were: Patrolman George Reynolds; Mrs. Elizabeth Olmstead, wife of Roy Olmstead; former Policeman Charles V. Harvey; Bengold Smith; Wilbur E. Dow, a customs house broker; T. Takauechi; John H. Hamilton, negro barbecue resort operator, and C. C. Walker.

All those convicted were found guilty on two counts, to import and distribute intoxicating liquors. Those convicted include Jerry L. Finch, Olmstead's lawyer; Emery A. Kern; Charles S. Green, owner of the launch Eva B.; William P. Smith; Edward H. McInnis; Edward Engdahl, accused as owner of a rum running craft; Edward Erickson, captain of the Eva B.; Zane J. Hedrick, a marine engineer; David Trotsky; Frederick Gage, dubbed a salesman; Clifford Maurice; Louis C. Gillian, garage man; Clarence G. Healy; Francis Richard Brown, alleged delivery man; Clyde Thompson; Bernard G. Ward; John Earl, called a scout; Myer Berg, the same (a scout is one who goes ahead of a vehicle about to make a liquor delivery); Louis Kleinman; and Tommy Nakagawa, driver for Olmstead.

Trial Lasts 32 Days
The trial began in federal court here 23 days ago. The jury reached a verdict at 2 o'clock this afternoon. All those convicted are liable to a penalty ranging up to four years imprisonment and \$20,000 fine each. Before a verdict was reached most of the defendants maintained a calm appearance. They were joking and betting on their fate. When it was announced that a verdict had been reached they appeared noticeably nervous.

NATION INVOLVED IN LIQUOR CHARGE

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600 worth of alcohol each week at distillery prices. The jury heard the product at wholesale. Output Brings \$110,000,000
The output was sold to wholesalers for \$140,000,000 a year and retailed at \$1 to \$20 a gallon, brought the country's alcohol bill for liquor from this one source to more than \$500,000,000 a year. Nine hundred thousand gallons of alcohol were manufactured each week, or 46,800,000 gallons a year. Initial establishment of two distilleries in Pennsylvania, two in Maryland and one in Kentucky was followed by establishment of subsidiaries in various cities to sell the product at wholesale. Distilleries and subsidiary organizations were established under protection of local authorities and through political influence. Later distilling plants were established to convert the eastern produced denatured product into marketable beverage form. Cleveland was chosen as a sub-

MANHUNT IS UNDER WAY

THIRD VICTIM OF SNIPER IS NEAR DEATH

(By The Associated Press)
OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 20.—While the third victim of Omaha's maniac sniper battled for his life in a Central Bluffs hospital, police of two cities tonight concentrated on the most frantic manhunt in years. The shooter, who has stalked with a .22 calibre weapon, a rifle or automatic pistol, supposedly equipped with a silencer, was sought tonight in Council Bluffs railroad yards. He transferred his activities there Friday night, shooting down Ross Johnson, Washburn railroad detective. As in the killing of Dr. A. R. Searles, aged physician, found dead in his office Wednesday, and the shooting of William McDevitt, dairy worker on the street Sunday night, no motive has been found for the shooting of Johnson. In each case no one heard shots, and empty cartridges of .22 calibre were found.

Accidents Kill Four

(By The Associated Press)
SALEM, Ore., Feb. 20.—As a result of traffic accidents, four persons were killed and 314 were injured in Oregon during the month of January, a report prepared today by the state motor vehicle department says. There were 2452 traffic accidents during the month. Traffic losses aggregated \$2,459,000.

Whittier College Defeated

(By The Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 20.—For the second consecutive season the University of California, southern Branch, won the basketball championship of the Southern California conference here tonight by defeating Whittier college, 18 to 14.

Arizona Team Beaten

(By The Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 20.—In a game that went two extra periods, the University of Southern California basketball team defeated the University of Arizona, 30 to 28, here tonight.

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