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LOCAL PEOPLE SAILING AMONG FLEECY CLOUDS

FIRST FLIGHTS OF COMMERCIAL AIRPLANES MADE FROM CITY TODAY

WEBBER AND ROBE FIRST TO FLY

Plane to Remain Till Thursday Evening and Take Passenger to Ashland

"How do you feel?" "Did you like it?" "Was it cold?" "Was 16 minutes long enough?" and hundreds of other foolish questions were shot at several Grants Pass people after they had taken a flight into the clouds which hung low over the valley this morning. But the clouds did not mar the pleasure nor dampen the ardor of flying fans who anxiously awaited their turn to occupy the front seat in the Curtis plane owned by the Medford Aircraft company which arrived from Medford this morning and will remain in the city over Thursday.

The plane was piloted by Lieutenant Floyd Hart, a Medford boy, and carried as passenger John Denison of this city. The trip was made from Medford to Grants Pass in 23 minutes. All was clear at the hop off and the plane made a steady ascent without circling. At Rogue River a bank of clouds was encountered. The plane circled over this city above the clouds and although the hum of the propeller was plainly heard the machine was out of sight, 4500 feet above the city. The Curtis appeared in sight at about 8:15 and while sailing over the city many heralds announcing the appearance of "Chin Chin" at Medford Friday were let drop and the slips of paper sailed gracefully to earth, but in making a couple of circles to reduce elevation the plane encountered a batch of printed matter which had been let go a few minutes before.

After the landing was made at the aviation field the plane was looked over by Mechanician Seely Hall, of Medford, and Relief Pilot Delbert Jones, of Ashland, and a fresh supply of gasoline was taken on and the ship was ready for commercial flights.

H. W. Webber was the first passenger to sign the little slip of paper which relieved the company of responsibility in case of accident. He donned a helmet and goggles and waved adieu to the crowd. On his return to earth 10 minutes later Mr. Webber was enthusiastic regarding the experience. "Nothing like it," he said, "I would like to stay up two hours."

I. A. Robie was the second passenger. He approached the machine with a "do or die" expression on his face. He chewed his Spearmin with a little more vim than usual but he waved a cheery good bye to the spectators. On his return Mr. Robie was "feeling fine." "You ought to take the trip," he said. "You get a view of the country that you will never get otherwise. Why, the lumber yard looks about this big," said the man who is engaged in cutting the lumber up into fruit boxes, as he extended his hands a space which corresponds to the length of his favorite cigar.

The third passenger was O. Arm-spiker. His experience was similar to the others. Then Harry Coughle put on the helmet and goggles and sailed away around the rim of the mountains which enclose the city.

Other passengers during the forenoon were J. C. Williams, H. R. Brower, N. R. Green, R. E. Kroh and Al Martineau.

Flights were suspended for a time on account of a slight wind but were resumed in the afternoon with a clear sky.

The airplane field is the property of Dr. Loughridge and was fitted up

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BANDON SLAYER STILL AT LARGE

Belief Is Assaulter Murdered Girl to Prevent Disclosure of Attempt

Bandon, July 30.—The person who so brutally murdered pretty Lillian Louthold of Bandon may never be apprehended for though officials have been over the scenes of the tragedy and sought out all probable leads, no definite clue of the least moment has been uncovered.

It appears there is absolutely nothing upon which to base the probability of a motive, for the girl was strictly one who was reserved, never had any male escorts or friends, and did not go out in company with boys of the high school nor with any others.

Many concluded today that the aggressor, believing his victim about to escape, killed her rather than see her find refuge at home and disclose the details of the attempt. As the girl was murdered, the officials hold to the theory the person who committed the murder was known to Miss Louthold.

PLEAD FOR REPEAL OF TAX ON JUICES

Washington, July 30.—Washington, Oregon and Pennsylvania loganberry and grape juice producers renewed arguments for the repeal of the 10 per cent tax on bottled juices before the senate finance committee here today. The producers declared the tax would bankrupt the industry.

PRIZES OFFERED FOR SWIMMING CONTESTS

The members of the bathhouse committee are sincerely grateful for the willing response made by the merchants of the city to the request for prizes for the swimming contests. The donations are varied and for the greater part useful and should inspire the swimmers to make their best efforts. The prizes will remain on display in the Sixth street window of Roses Confectionery until Friday evening. There will be two consolation prizes, one each to the boy and girl who in the opinion of the judges, have tried the hardest with the least success. The officials for the contests are: Judges, H. L. Stonaker and E. H. Balsiger; starter, E. H. Lister; announcer, E. L. Coburn. The program of events with first and second prizes is as follows:

Girls under 12 years, 100 feet down stream: 1st prize, box note paper, M. Clemens; 2nd prize, bathing cap, National Drug Co.

Boys under 12 years, 150 feet down stream: 1st prize, pocket knife, Cramer Bros.; 2nd prize, cake chocolate, J. Pardee.

Girls 12 to 16 years, down stream small float to pump house: 1st prize, purse, Firth & Son; 2nd prize, head necklace, Mrs. Rehkopf.

Boys 12 to 16 years, down stream "Oaks" to bathhouse: 1st prize, camera, Rowell's Music Store; 2nd prize, pocket knife, Grants Pass Hardware Co.

Ladies over 16 years, down stream

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PRESIDENT TO REVIEW FLEET EARLY IN AUGUST

Washington, July 30.—President Wilson will not review the fleet at San Francisco until September 4 or 5, it was decided today. Secretary Daniels will review the fleet at Los Angeles August 9, after which the vessels will spend a month visiting ports south of Los Angeles.

BLACK AND WHITE KILL AND PILLAGE

MANY INJURED WHEN AUTOS RUN DOWN MEMBERS OF BOTH RACES

MAHON WILL SETTLE STRIKE

Booting Spreads Over Entire City of Chicago With Whites Most Aggressive

Chicago, July 30.—Bitter fighting between whites and negroes spread last night to all parts of Chicago, serious casualties being more numerous than during any similar period of the racial war. City authorities made no call for troops, and, lacking such a request, Governor Lowden could not order soldiers to take charge, although 8,000 are now resting under arms.

The death list has reached 28. Two negroes were killed during the night. Hundreds of persons are injured.

Whites and negroes slashed each other with knives, and many were shot from ambush. Some, driving cars, ran down isolated members of the other race.

Some looting has been done. Probably a dozen have been fatally wounded. Whites seem to be the more aggressive.

A grand jury will attempt to fix the responsibility for the riots.

Chicago, July 30.—A white woman shot a negro in the side at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Shooting took place on south Wabash avenue. The woman escaped uninjured.

Chicago, July 30.—W. D. Mahon, international president of the street car employes union arrived here today and took charge of the strike. Mr. Mahon promised that he would try to settle the differences without delay.

FOUR ARMY PLANES ARE HEADED FOR THE NORTH

San Francisco, July 29.—Four De Havilland army airplanes, making an extended flight in a recruiting campaign for the air service, arrived from Fresno at the Presidio here late yesterday. The party is headed by Lieutenant Edward W. Kilgore. The fliers plan to remain here three or four days before resuming their journey up the coast.

REPRESENTATIVE AMERICAN RELIEF COMMITTEE EXPOSES TURK METHODS

New York, July 30.—Charges that Turkish officials "decimated" the Greek population along the Black Sea coast, 250,000 men, women and children living between Sinope and Ordu, without the shedding of blood but by "parboiling" the victims in Turkish baths and turning them half clad out to die of pneumonia or other ills in the snow of an Anatolian winter, are made in a letter from Dr. George E. White, representative of the American committee for relief in the Near East, made public here today.

Sinope was the birthplace of the philosopher Diogenes, Dr. White recalls, and Ordu is just beyond Cape Jason which is still preserved in memory of the Argonauts and the Golden Fleece. The letter, written to Professor J. P. Xenides, secretary of the Greek relief commission here, described the new method of ridding the land of its inhabitants which, it said, was somewhat different from that employed by the Turks against the Armenians.

The worst of the crimes laid to the Turks, according to Dr. White,

U.S. AIRPLANES DEMOLISHED IS TESTIMONY

AIRPLANES STRIPPED THEN THROWN IN PILE AND BURNED IS STATEMENT

DIRECTION OF ARMY OFFICERS

At Colombes Les Belles Armed Guards Prevent Taking of Photographs

New York, July 30.—The house sub-committee headed by Royal L. Johnson, of South Dakota, turned its attention to the alleged destruction of American army property in France, under the direction of United States army officers.

Testimony tended to show that a hundred airplanes at Colombes Les Belles were damaged and then burned. Apparently the engines were chopped out, the gas tanks and radiators saved, and the planes thrown in a pile and burned.

Armed guards patrolled the vicinity to prevent the taking of photographs, according to the testimony of soldiers.

MILES OF BALLOON CLOTH BE MADE INTO RAINCOATS

St. Louis, Mo., July 30.—Half a million yards of cotton balloon cloth—enough to stretch from St. Louis to Chicago—will be manufactured into raincoats by a St. Louis concern which bought the cloth at auction from the government.

The auction price of the 38-inch sea-island cloth purchased by the government for manufacturing balloons was announced as approximately \$25,000.

SENATORS TO OPPOSE TREATY WITH FRANCE

Washington, July 30.—Discussion among senators today indicates that the opposition to the treaty with France would be likely to be centered on claims that the treaty directly antagonizes the tradition of no entangling alliances, and subverts the constitutional rights of congress to determine all questions of war and peace.

While here Messrs. Steel and Treichler brought the good tidings that Grants Pass is as one with the other Southern Oregon towns in her efforts to make the visiting editors' stay here one of the most delightful incidents of the whole trip. Grants Pass has most generously pledged the use of 15 cars as a minimum and \$250 for the entertaining fund. This city is offering her services purely out of desire to help Southern Oregon to entertain the guests and will cooperate with Medford and Ashland in every way to make the editors' visit here a memorable one.

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HOUSE VOTES TO DEPORT ALL UNDESIRABLE ALIENS

Washington, July 30.—The house today passed the bill to deport all undesirable interned aliens.

BOLSHEVIKI DEMAND BULGARIAN SOVIET

London, July 30.—Bolshevism is reported to be spreading in Bulgaria and a soviet has been demanded. A general revolution is momentarily expected.

SUBMARINE SINKS WITHOUT WARNING

Obsolete Craft Used In Experiments With Depth Bombs—Three Are Drowned

New London, Conn., July 30.—People on the beach at Waterford today reported that a submarine, thought to be the G-2, suddenly sank with hatches open. Two men are reported drowned.

It was later learned that three men were drowned.

The G-2 was an obsolete craft, used for experimental work, and when it sank in Long Island Sound was being used in experimenting with depth bombs. Five men were saved. The submarine sank without warning.

ATTEMPT TO SETTLE ENGLISH STRIKE IS UNSUCCESSFUL

London, July 30.—Attempts to settle the Yorkshire coal miners strike were unsuccessful. A conference between owners and strikers failed to bring about an agreement.

PERMANENT RANK FOR PERSHING AND MARCH

Washington, July 30.—The house military committee today reported favorably on bills authorizing the appointment of Generals Pershing, and March to the permanent rank of general. The vote on the March bill was eight to seven.

GRANTS PASS PEOPLE TO SHARE RESPONSIBILITY

(Ashland Tidings)

Secretary Will G. Steel and Geo. E. Treichler, president of the Medford Chamber of Commerce, were in Ashland Friday afternoon where they had come to go over arrangements for Southern Oregon's part in the entertainment of the National Editorial Association which will be held in Portland in August. In order to allow these visitors to have an opportunity to glimpse as much of this wonderful western state as possible in so short a time, Portland is giving them a special train to Southern Oregon, and the cities in this section, in turn, are going to treat them to an automobile trip to Crater Lake, beside other hospitalities that will be showered upon them.

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POLAND STILL ENGAGED WITH FRONTIER WAR

FOUR MILLION PERSONS DESTITUTE AND MANY MORE ARE HOMELESS

COUNTRY SWEEPED BY CONFLICTS

New Polish Government Making Heroic Efforts to Care for Civilians

Warsaw, Poland, July 30.—It is estimated that there are 4,000,000 destitute persons in Poland, including 2,000,000 mothers and children. For five years the struggling armies of Russia and the central powers swept back and forth over the country. Thousands of houses and buildings were destroyed. Now that peace has settled upon the rest of the world, Poland is still engaged in frontier warfare. From the Baltic to the Carpathians, on a front three times the length of the former western one, the Poles are mobilized. Even women and girls are performing military service, not as their French and American sisters were in hospitals and ambulances, but on the firing line with rifles in their hands.

Despite these conditions, the new Polish government is making a determined effort to care for its civilians, with the assistance of allied relief agencies. The American Red Cross has already sent to Poland a dozen trainloads of supplies, clothing, medicines and children's food. What this has meant to the new republic is summed up in the statement of a Polish government official who told the Red Cross workers: "You are saving a race which has struggled for independence for hundreds of years, and are winning their everlasting gratitude and friendship."

Louisville, Ky., July 30.—Exportation of Kentucky whiskey has begun as a result of the lifting of embargoes in the British Isles, according to dealers here. Large shipments from warehouses throughout the state are being made to England, Ireland and Scotland, exports so far having exceeded 20,000 barrels, according to reports. The distillers are represented as desirous of disposing of the big Kentucky holdings before constitutional prohibition in January halts exportation.

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BOARD RECOMMENDS NEW ARTICLE OF WAR

Washington, July 30.—The special board of officers investigating the army courtmartial system has recommended one new article of war and changes in 30 others.

Secretary Baker made the statement that the "board as a whole found no radical defects" in the system. He attributes most of the just criticism to the inexperienced personnel administering it.