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FLYERS START FROM KURILES ON THURSDAY

HOPE TO GET WITHIN SHORT DISTANCE OF TOKIO IN A SINGLE DAY

WILL STOP FOR REFUELING

Plan to Stop at Kushiro or Minato to Get Additional Supplies. Will Be on Main Island

Aboard the Destroyer John D. Ford, Kushiro, Japan, May 21.—(A. P.)—The American around the world flyers hope to start from Hitokappu bay, in the Kurile Islands, Thursday morning at daylight and fly to Kasumigaura, 50 miles northwest of Tokio, in one day, stopping either at Kushiro or Minato, Japan, to refuel. This is a hop of about 900 miles.

Tokio, May 21.—(A. P.)—Garbled messages received yesterday by the Associated Press from Minato, 350 miles north of Tokio, indicated that the American army around-the-world flyers had arrived there from Yotorofu island, their second landing place in the Kurile Islands. Official dispatches to the Japanese navy department today, however stated that the aviators were still at Yotorofu, where they were detained by stormy weather. The navy department was informed that an attempt would be made to hop off from Yotorofu early this morning if the weather showed signs of becoming favorable.

GUARD WILL NOT GO TO CALIFORNIA THIS YEAR

Salem, Ore., May 21.—(A. P.)—Governor Pierce, in a letter prepared here last night and addressed to George A. White, adjutant-general, announced that members of the Oregon national guard would not be allowed to hold their annual encampment this year at Monterey, Cal., because of the foot and mouth disease that is raging in certain sections of the southern state.

The governor said he based his decision on reports received from B. T. Simms, head of the veterinary department of Oregon Agricultural college, who is now in California, and Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian and secretary of the state livestock sanitary board. The governor has suggested that the guardsmen be sent to Camp Lewis for the 1924 encampment.

PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO MEET AT GRAND RAPIDS TOMORROW FOR ELECTION

Grand Rapids, May 21.—(A. P.)—Nearly 1,000 commissioners from every state in the Union, officially representing the 299 Presbyteries of the denomination, will attend the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in the U. S. A. at Grand Rapids, Mich., beginning May 22 and extending through May 28 or 29. This will be the 136th annual national congress of the denomination, which is sometimes erroneously referred to as the "northern" Presbyterian Church, but which is not in any way northern or sectional.

Outstanding features of the business of the Presbyterian General Assembly will be:

The opening sermon by the retiring Moderator, Dr. Charles Frederick Wishart of Wooster, Ohio, which is expected to sound the keynote for the 10,000 churches of the denomination against divisive forces which have been active in some quarters the past year and in favor of harmony and peace.

The election of a new Moderator. He must be chosen from among the commissioners actually registered and sitting.

BRITISH AVIATOR GETS IN AKYAB, BURMA, TODAY

Shanghai, May 21.—(A. P.)—Stuart MacLaren, the British aviator flying around the world, arrived at Akyab, Burma, today from Calcutta, said a dispatch.

MAGNETIC LANDING FIELD FOR AIRPLANE SUGGESTED

London, May 21.—(A. P.)—Magnetic landing fields for airplanes are forecast by Prof. A. M. Low, noted British scientist.

Airplanes of the future, Prof. Low predicts, will be able to use a landing place but little bigger than their own dimensions by landing on "magnetic" ground, which will pull the plane to rest as a magnet attracts nails. In the event of magnetic landing fields being found impractical for all purposes, Prof. Low says, the problem of landing in a small space will be solved by electric air brakes.

The day is not far distant, Prof. Low believes, when a swift, safe airplane will be obtainable for \$250.

KLAMATH TIMBER IS SOLD

Millions of Feet of Timber Sold by Department

Washington, May 21.—(A. P.)—Awards covering the sale of approximately 310,000,000 feet of ripe timber in the Klamath Indian reservation, Oregon, were made today at the interior department, involving approximately \$1,500,000, which will go to the Klamath tribe.

SITE GIVEN FOR BUILDING

Southern Pacific Offers Land for Exhibit Room in Railroad Park

After much negotiation with the Southern Pacific company, a site for the exhibit building has finally been granted on railroad property, the northeast corner of Sixth and G streets having been granted for the purpose. This places the exhibit building committee in a position to start work on the financing and construction. The committee states that this position is excellent because of the shade trees and lawn which are already there and because of the fact that there will be ample parking space for any number of cars.

A large amount of work was necessary to get the permit for the building on account of the failure of several exhibit buildings in other cities of the state. E. L. King, superintendent of the lines in Oregon, and A. S. Rosenbaum, district freight and passenger agent, worked hard for the proposition and it was due to their labors that the permit was given, it is stated. Various members of the Grants Pass Woman's Club have expressed their approval of the site.

CONFEREES ON TAX REDUCTION IN AGREEMENT

UNANIMOUS CONSENT IS ARRIVED AT TODAY ON TAX MEASURE

RATE SCHEDULE IS ADOPTED

Simmons Democratic Rate Program Is Accepted—Provides Big Decrease in Amounts Paid

Washington, May 21.—(A. P.)—A unanimous consent was reached today by the conferees on the tax reduction bill. The Simmons democratic rate schedule, providing for a 40 per cent maximum surtax and a 50 per cent reduction in normal taxes on incomes under \$8,000 was accepted. The senate amendments providing full publicity of tax returns and a tax on undistributed corporation profits were rejected. The republican leaders expressed the hope that the bill as now framed would meet the president's approval.

FINES ARE APPLIED IN BEND BONUS CASES

Portland, Ore., May 21.—(A. P.)—H. J. Overturf was fined \$1,000 and Charles Carroll, James Ryan and Charles Haines were fined \$500 each in the federal court today in the Bend bonus case.

POULTRY MEN TO MEET

Three-Day Session Will Be Held at Corvallis in July

Poultrymen of Josephine county, who attended the economic conference at Corvallis last January, will note with pleasure that their suggestion of a three-day poultry convention at Corvallis this summer has been adopted and will be held on July 23rd, 24th and 25th.

Many of the poultry men of the county who are anxious to keep up to date on all matters of interest in their line will undoubtedly want to take in this poultry convention, it being the first of its kind in the state.

QUARANTINE TO BE ENFORCED

State Board Attempts to Prevent Spread of Rabies

The quarantine on dogs, recently established in this county by order of the state livestock sanitary board, will be strictly maintained, it was stated today by the county court and the sheriff's office. The law provides that dogs must be kept tied or muzzled, unless they have been vaccinated as required against the rabies, which is now known to exist in the county. The order was effective on May 12.

Dogs caught without the tax showing vaccination or a muzzle will be taken up and killed, it was stated today. Only those dogs actually engaged in herding cattle or sheep are excluded and these must be kept tied when not in use. Notices are being posted throughout the county this week in an effort to give due notice of the action which will be taken. It is not desired that the sheriff's office be forced into the killing of any dogs, but it was given out that the quarantine is to be made effective and to do this in order to protect human life, stringent terms must be employed.

SLUSH FUND IS CHARGED

Farm Loan Board Funds Used Wrongly Is Claim

Washington, May 21.—(A. P.)—The account maintained by former chairman Charles H. Lobdell, of the farm loan board in a local bank, was used "at times" as a slush fund, Senator Howell, republican, of Nebraska, charged in the senate, continuing his opposition to the four pending nominations to the board.

FLOOD LIGHTING WILL BE USED BY LONDONERS

London, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—Flood-lighting of London from great towers 500 feet in height, in place of the existing system of individual lighting, is suggested by a public body of lighting engineers just constituted here.

The theory is to flood the whole of the inner area of the city with artificial light after nightfall by powerful constellations of electric lights fixed on high columns of steel placed at eight different points.

MARRIAGE QUICKLY ENDS THIRTY YEAR ROMANCE

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—After thirty years a courtship which began in childhood landed on a reef here recently when Mrs. Ida Mae Hobson, 41, obtained a divorce from Frederick Hobson.

"I met Hobson when I was only nine years old," Mrs. Hobson told the court. "He courted me until four years ago, when I finally consented to marry. Our happiness was short lived. He deserted me evenings, and I spent every holiday alone."

Extreme cruelty was the charge upon which the decree was granted. Hobson did not appear in court.

RAILROAD PRESIDENT HAD SECRET STREET STAIRWAY

Boston, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—When wreckers dismantled the old station of the Boston & Maine Railroad, built here in 1870, they discovered a secret railway leading from the president's office to a blind alley. Carefully concealed behind false walls, thousands of employees of the company did not suspect the stairway's existence. Its purpose, presumably was to enable the railway executives to escape unwelcome callers.

VETERANS TOLD HOW TO FIGURE UP BONUS

Washington, May 21.—A veteran may determine the amount of his bonus in this way:

Figure up the number of days of service. For each day of home service above the first 60 days \$1 will be allowed in adjusted service credit and for each day of overseas service above 60 days \$1.25 will be given.

If this adjusted service credit doesn't amount to more than \$50 it will be paid in cash. Otherwise an insurance policy will be given. The approximate value of this policy may be determined by adding 25 per cent to the amount of credit due and multiplying the total by about 2 1/2. Thus if a veteran served 400 days at home after the first 60 days, he would be entitled to a policy valued at \$400 plus \$100 (25 per cent of the amount) multiplied by 2 1/2, or \$1250.

210 WILL BE GRADUATED

University of Oregon Will Have Large Class

Eugene, Ore., May 21.—(A. P.)—The University of Oregon will graduate 210 persons from the 25 schools and departments in June, according to figures issued recently at the university. The school of education leads the list of schools and departments with 27 who are expected to receive degrees. The department of English comes next with 23.

The list of schools and departments with the number of students graduating from each is as follows: Architecture 4, fire arts 1, normal arts 2, botany 6, business administration 18, chemistry 2, drama and speech arts 2, economics 18, education 27, English 23, geology 3, German 2, history 10, journalism 13, law 9, mathematics 5, medicine 6, music 12, physical education (women) 11, physical education (men) 1, physics 1, psychology 2, romance languages 11, sociology 13, zoology 6.

MILLER TAKES JUMP IN RACE WITH STRAYER

ERROR OF 100 VOTES FOUND IN OFFICIAL COUNT IN WASHINGTON COUNTY

LEAD INCREASED 100 VOTES

Now Has 260 Votes to Good in Contest for Democratic Nomination For U. S. Senator

Portland, Ore., May 21.—(A. P.)—Milton A. Miller took a jump of 100 votes in a close race with W. H. Strayer for the Democratic nomination for United States senator today, bringing his lead to 260, as the result of the discovery of an error in the unofficial returns from Washington county. The revised totals stand 1664 of the state's 1763 precincts, Miller 10549 and Strayer 10289.

Portland, Ore., May 21.—(A. P.)—Returns from 1681 precincts tabulated at noon today, gave Miller 10,567 and Strayer 10,303. Miller's lead is 264.

IDAHO GOES TO M'ADOO

Democrats Endorse Him For Presidential Nomination

St. Maries, Idaho, May 21.—(A. P.)—The Idaho democratic state convention early today adopted a resolution endorsing the candidacy of McAdoo for the democratic presidential nomination without instructing the states eight votes in the convention to be cast for him.

BAUQUET ROOM IS BUILT

At Martineau Starts Work on Improvement at Josephine Hotel

An improvement which has been badly needed by the people of Grants Pass was started this morning by A. J. Martineau at the Josephine hotel. This is to be a banquet room, apart from the regular dining room of the hotel where clubs and conventions can meet in privacy. The new addition to the hotel will cost in the neighborhood of \$5,000 as it is to be fixed up in first class style. The contract was let Tuesday to Stephenson and Green and work was under way this morning.

The banquet room, which will have a seating capacity of 150, opens off the main lobby of the hotel. It connects with the kitchen so that only a small amount of work will be needed to get it in operation, the contractors estimating that 30 days will be consumed in the work. Three walls of the building are already up and only the fourth wall and the roof, with the needed flooring, must be installed.

FIVE CONVENTIONS OF WOMEN WILL BE HELD IN LOS ANGELES AND VICINITY DURING YEAR

Los Angeles, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—During the last week of May and the first two weeks in June the eyes of the women of the world will be focused upon Los Angeles and vicinity, when five large meetings of women's organizations and one gigantic convention—the biennial of the General Federation of Women's Clubs—that is expected to bring at least 8,000 delegates to the city, will be held.

RECORD HOLDER IS KILLED

Aviator Dies in Auto Accident at Melbourne

Melbourne, Australia, May 21.—(A. P.)—Captain Andrew Lang, holder of the world's airplane altitude record, was killed this morning when the auto in which he was riding, crashed into a fence in a dense fog. Lang was driving auto in a 24-hour test. He is the nephew of Andrew Lang, the English author.

KING COUNTY CONVICTS FOILED IN ESCAPE PLOT

Seattle, May 21.—(A. P.)—Sheriff Starwich stated today that the plot for three score prisoners to escape from the county jail had been foiled by the discovery of six saws and several spoons yesterday in the cell.

OBSCENE BOOK TRAFFIC TREATY IS RATIFIED

Geneva, May 21.—(A. P.)—The Irish Free State, which was elected a member of the League of Nations last September, has just ratified its first league convention. Michael McWhite, the permanent Irish representative here, has informed the secretariat that the Dublin government has officially approved the treaty for the suppression of the traffic in obscene publications.

Ruchdi Bey, the Turkish minister at Berne, also has notified the league that he has been authorized to sign this convention in behalf of Turkey. Turkey is expected to apply for league membership as soon as the great powers have completed their ratification of the Lausanne treaty.

GAS PLANT INSPECTION ON COAST WILL BE MADE

Medford, Or., May 21.—Special

It was announced here today that the officials of the Southern Oregon Gas company have decided to make at once a tour of inspection of all the gas company's plants between Medford and Victoria, B. C., after which they will meet with the other stockholders at San Francisco to decide whether or not to build a new \$150,000 plant.

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COLLUSION IN PROBE IS TOLD BY WITNESSES

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REPRESENTATIVES SOUGHT TO FRAME HEAD

DIARIES WERE SPIRITED AWAY

Accusations Made by Men Called Upon to Testify Before Senate Daugherty Probers

Washington, May 21.—(A. P.)—The senate Daugherty committee was told today that representatives of the department of justice not only had sought to "frame Senator Wheeler", the committee prosecutor, but had spied on the committee members and its witnesses, and had spirited away the famous diaries of Gaston B. Means, working with it as an investigator. One of the witnesses was W. O. Duckstein, who said he knew about the whole proceedings because his wife is a secret agent in the department. He said she identified Means' records in his presence after they had been secured by a ruse.

CRATER LAKE HIGHWAY IS DUSTY FOR OPENING

Medford, Ore., May 21.—(A. P.)

Unless there are rain or snow storms between now and July 1st, the opening of the Crater Lake season, it is possible that for the comfort of visiting autos to the Crater National park the Medford and Klamath entrance roads may have to be sprinkled quite a distance from either entrance.

While there is no official intimation or hint to this effect, the above presumption arises from the fact that it is known that a telephone report was received yesterday forenoon at the Crater National Park office here that for quite a distance the roads of the Medford and Klamath entrances are as dry now as they were in August last year. Superintendent C. G. Thomson had not intended to go to Crater Lake again until the middle or latter part of the week, but it is known that on receiving this report he left at once for the park and will not return from there until Saturday.

San Francisco, May 21.—(A. P.)

A sudden heavy demand for dried fruit has come to central California from Germany. Since January 1 German imports of dried prunes, peaches and apricots have been increasingly heavy. Before the war Germany was one of California's heaviest buyers of fruit, but in recent years her purchases dropped virtually to zero.

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starting May 27 and continuing until June 2.

Close on the heels of this convention come three others. The California Federation of Women's Clubs is also to have a two-day session in Pasadena, starting May 30. This convention is usually the high light of the club year, but has been forced into the background this year because of the demands of the biennial.

The national convention of the Daughters of the British Empire is to take place May 29, 30 and 31 in Los Angeles.

Also on May 30 and 31 comes the annual State convention of the American Association of University Women.

Important as all these conventions are they are only the shadow cast before the big event—the biennial gathering of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, which will meet here from June 2 to 14. Besides representatives from all over North America, delegates will come from several European countries.