

NEW YORK HONORS BREMEN AVIATORS

German-Irish Conquerors of the North Atlantic Cheered by Thousands.

New York.—Ten years after the end of the World war two former German soldiers and an Irish veteran of the allied air forces paraded in peaceful triumphs through the streets of New York Monday.

While hundreds of thousands cheered their passing and millions more listened in on the celebration by radio, Baron Gunther von Huenefeld, Major James Fitzmaurice and Captain Hermann Koehl were carried along the route when they returned from the war.

Flags of the United States, Germany and the Irish Free State were unfurled for the three men who were first to complete a westward airplane flight across the north Atlantic ocean, a feat that won them a reception such as New York alone knows how to bestow on her visiting heroes.

On the municipal tug Macom the airmen were taken down New York bay while harbor craft staged a reception such as that accorded Colonel Lindbergh. Then came a formal reception at city hall and a subsequent parade up Fifth avenue. Tuesday night the aviators were guests of honor at a municipal dinner at the Hotel Commodore, where they received the tribute of at least 2000 persons.

Washington, D. C.—The flags of Germany and Ireland, which the Bremen carried on its transatlantic flight, were laid across the grave of Floyd Bennett Saturday by the German and Irish fliers, to commemorate his fidelity to the traditions of the air.

Bennett, who had safely flown over the North Pole with Byrd, was unable to withstand the attack of pneumonia which he suffered while going to the aid of his fellow airmen.

ADDITIONAL PLANES TO FIGHT SANDINO

Washington, D. C.—Five additional marine planes have been sent to Nicaragua by the navy for use against Sandino's forces on the east coast.

The planes are to be used in establishing a naval air base at Puerto Cabezas on the east coast where Sandino's forces have been especially active lately.

Brigadier General Frank R. McCoy, President Coolidge's personal representative in Nicaragua, has been called to Washington for a consultation. It was said at the state department. Whether his coming betokens a grave turn in the Nicaraguan situation as a result of reported increased rebel activities was not learned. It was suggested he would attempt to clear up the mystery surrounding the reported seizure by rebels of several American-owned mines.

Despite repeated denials by officials, it also was indicated additional troops might be sent to Nicaragua to reinforce the 2800 marines already there.

MADDEN HONORED

Coolidge, Supreme Justice and Diplomats Attend Services.

Washington, D. C.—President Coolidge, Vice-President Dawes, justices of the supreme court, the foreign diplomats in the capital and his colleagues were among those who came to the capitol Sunday to honor Representative Martin B. Madden of Illinois.

The veteran legislator, who was one of the little coterie that has dictated affairs in the house for years, expired without warning in his office in the appropriations committee room. He was chairman of that powerful committee.

Heart disease was ascribed as the cause of death.

France to Make More Payments.

Paris.—Additional provisional payments will be made against French debts, it was announced. The ministry of finance announced agreement, through an exchange of notes with the American and British government, for further payments pending funding of the French debts.

Auto Speed Record Seeker Killed.

Daytona Beach, Fla.—Frank Lockhart, youthful racing driver, was catapulted to his death when a tire blew out while his automobile was speeding 200 miles an hour in an attempt to set a new record for land travel over the sands of Daytona Beach.

Spirit of St. Louis Going into Museum.

St. Louis, Mo.—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh announced that he would fly the Spirit of St. Louis to Washington and place the ship in the Smithsonian institution.

A. JOHNSTON



A. Johnston of Cleveland, who is head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

WASHINGTON GUARD AVIATOR IS KILLED

Spokane, Wash.—Major John T. Fancher, 37, commander of the 41st division air service unit, Washington national guard, died in Wenatchee Sunday from injuries received when an aerial bomb he was holding in his hand exploded, said information received here.

Major Fancher had gone to Wenatchee with other officers of his unit to participate in the annual apple blossom festival and in the dedication of an aviation field there. He had landed after a night bombing maneuver and was examining some of the bombs that had failed to explode when one of them was detonated unexpectedly, injuring him so badly that he died in a hospital there.

Major Fancher was the republican candidate for representative in congress from the fifth district in 1926, having been defeated by Representative Hill, democrat, the incumbent. Major Fancher was educated in the high schools of this city and in the university of Washington, where he was a basketball star.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

The supreme court of Canada decided that women are not entitled to appointments to the Canadian senate.

Twenty-one coast guard ships have been ordered to Detroit to reinforce the rum patrol against a threatened flood of Canadian liquor.

A reduction of rates on binder twine from Portland, Or., to points in Idaho, Montana and Washington as far east as Miles City and Glasgow, Mont., was ordered by the interstate commerce commission.

By pressing a button in the White House, President Coolidge fired the shot that "holed through" the pioneer tunnel of the Great Northern railway under the Cascade range in the state of Washington.

Eastern Mason-Dixon line states Sunday dug out from a belated winter blizzard which descended upon fruit trees in full bloom, drove plowmen from their fields, blocked railroads and highways and tore down telephone and telegraph wires. Damage by frost to fruit trees, it was feared, would mount into the millions.

Girl Movie Cashier Shot Down.

Chicago.—The greatest manhunt of recent years was in progress here in a search of four bandits who shot and killed a 16-year-old girl cashier during a motion picture theatre holdup. The girl was shot through the heart when she involuntarily screamed from fright at the bandits' appearance. A girl assistant fainted at her side. The bandits calmly stepped over their bodies, scooped up \$1500 in currency and fled. The bandits, armed with shotguns and revolvers, held 2000 persons in the audience at bay as they backed out of the theatre lobby. They escaped in a large closed automobile.

C. M. & St. P. Asks to Issue Bonds.

Washington, D. C.—Authority to issue \$24,000,000 of general mortgage 4 1/2 per cent gold bonds was sought from the interstate commerce commission by the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific railroad.

Tacoma Man Gets Federal Job.

Washington, D. C.—Harris F. Mires of Tacoma, Wash., was nominated to be assistant to the commissioner of internal revenue. He succeeds Charles R. Nash, who has resigned.

Lindbergh Has Flown 200,000 Miles.

Washington, D. C.—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh has flown more than 200,000 miles, or a distance about eight times around the world, during his flying career.

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers.

The postoffice at Westfir, which is now fourth class, will be raised to presidential class July 1, the postoffice department has announced.

A corn club has been formed in the Kinton community of Washington county. Roy Van Kleek is president and Mable Van Kleek, secretary.

A cannery and packing plant of a strictly modern design is being constructed at Empire in Coos county by L. J. Simpson and associates.

Gross earnings of the Mountain States Power company during 1927 were \$3,391,690, an increase of 8.11 per cent over the previous year.

Albany college has received a check for \$5000 from New York as a gift from the estate of Mrs. Butler, a friend of the college who died recently.

A count of aliens in Coos county, carried on with help from the schools, disclosed but 174 adults who are not citizens, 107 males and 67 females.

J. H. Farrar, Salem postmaster, has received word from Representative Hawley that plans are being completed for an addition to the Salem federal building.

William P. Smith was elected president of the Baker Manufacturers association at an organization meeting in the chamber of commerce rooms last week.

The district convention of the Southern Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs was held in Medford last week, with delegations from every city in the territory.

F. C. Sloan, representing the Idaho-Washington Seed company, is in the Athena-Weston district lining up acreage under contract for bean growing on a large scale.

The mill of the Creswell Lumber company on Bear creek, four miles east of Creswell, was sold by the sheriff Saturday on execution to creditors of the concern.

The third annual convention of the northern division of the southern district of Epworth leagues held a three-day session at Creswell, last week. More than 200 delegates were registered.

With the exception of one or two points in Texas, Salem leads all Pacific coast cities for the accumulation of mohair. More than 750,000 pounds of mohair was shipped from Salem in a single year.

There were a total of 668 industrial accidents reported to the public service commission during the week ending April 26, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission.

Plans were announced at Roseburg recently by the Baptist church for the construction of a two-story reinforced concrete building to be used for Sunday school in connection with the present church building.

O. M. Sanford, city treasurer of Forest Grove for eight years, has resigned because of ill health. Mr. Sanford is in his 80th year, and has served the city as mayor, councilman and treasurer for 18 years.

The Jacobs sawmill at North Powder, which has been closed all winter, started operations Monday with a full crew of men working 10 hours a day. The mill expects to saw 3,000,000 feet of lumber this season.

Pond lily bulbs, worth \$600, were shipped to Ohio growers last Wednesday by Fred Bauer, who has a small acreage set to rare varieties. Many come from distant foreign lands, making them very expensive.

Continued rains ever since cherry and other fruit blossoms appeared have caused much damage to the crops, according to fruitgrowers near Eugene. Further rains would increase the damage, it was said.

A total of 20,638 voters have registered for the primary election in Marion county. The registration in April, 1926, was 18,793. Of the total registration for the primary election 17,478 are republicans and 5254 democrats.

Preparations are under way by the Burnt River Community club at Huntington for a big picnic of Baker county people, featuring the county's pioneers, at Weatherby, Sunday, June 10. It is planned to make the event an annual one.

Albany will have 22 ornamental post type lamps on First street between Lyon and Washington, when the city council ratified the bill at the meeting Wednesday night. The contract was let to the Mountain States Power company for 10 years.

San. Ayers, 35, foreman of a pile driver crew, was killed, and Jack Sharp, 45, one of his workers, was critically injured when a locomotive crane and a pile driver overturned on the C. H. Wheeler logging railroad three miles west of Cocharan.

Clean-up day for Dayton was held Saturday. Mayor U'Ren asked all citizens to co-operate with city officials in the move.

A freak of nature in the form of a triple, or nine-pointed trillium, was found near Fairvale school by Verlie Warner, pupil at the school, last week. The flower was large and perfectly formed, all nine of the white petals being of equal size. The ordinary trillium is three-pointed.

Three new buildings will be constructed at the Multnomah county fairgrounds in Gresham this summer, according to plans now being prepared by M. E. Reed, county engineer. Two of the new buildings will be used in exhibiting livestock and the third will be used as a machinery hall.

The Bowman-Hicks Lumber company will resume operations in the sawmill at La Grande and in the logging camps in Wallowa county on Tuesday, May 1. The company has been inactive since last October. About 215 men will be employed in La Grande and 200 in the woods.

Dragged a half mile by a runaway horse, Karol Argraves, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Argraves, was killed on the Argraves ranch near Merrill. The horse ran away just as the boy was mounting. His foot was caught in the stirrup and the child was dragged along the ground.

The appeal of P. J. McGowan & Sons, Inc., challenging the validity of the Oregon law prohibiting the operation of fish wheels and drag seines on the Oregon side of the Columbia river was dismissed recently by the supreme court. The court affirmed the decision of the lower courts sustaining the law.

Plans for the Yamhill Jersey cattle show to be held in McMinnville the latter part of May are being made. A subscription list for cash prizes has been circulated with a goal of \$400. It is expected that at least 100 cattle will be on exhibition. The winner in the county contest will go to Salem and Portland fairs.

High school typing champions from 25 Oregon cities gathered at Corvallis last Saturday for the sixth annual state contest under the auspices of the secretarial training department of Oregon Agricultural college. A state novice champion to attend the national meet will be selected and team championship determined.

About a million pounds of unspun wool remains in the hands of growers in Umatilla county, the largest amount of any county in the state, according to Pendleton wool authorities. Growers are declining to contract their crop in advance of shearing operations, preferring to take chances on a rise on the eastern markets.

State penitentiary officials at Salem are confronted with the problem of housing 696 prisoners, a new high record population, in a prison with normal accommodations for 500 persons. Officials said it had become necessary to assign two men to each cell. Beds also have been installed in the barber shop and in other parts of the prison.

Oregon leads the Pacific coast states in gain in ordinary life insurance sales both for March and the quarter ending with March, the increase for the month being 6 per cent, and that for the three-month period 2 per cent over last year's figures. Sales in the Pacific coast states for the past year were 1 per cent larger than in the preceding year.

A paper bag factory, which will employ 50 workers from the start, about evenly divided between men and women, is to be established in St. Helens within a month, General Manager Max Oberdorfer of the St. Helens Pulp & Paper company has announced. C. H. Jatte of Jatte, Ohio, is head of the company which will install and operate the plant.

Running wild after its crew had lost control when brakes failed to hold, a light engine on the Silverton Logging company railroad jumped the rails near Mehama, killing Joe Hayes, 54, engineer, and seriously injuring Bert Parson, 54, fireman. Martin Powden, a third member of the crew, jumped and was not injured. The locomotive turned completely over after leaving the track.

A movement recently launched at Hood River to draw all mid-Columbia asparagus growers into a single shipping and co-operative sales organization in affiliation with the Apple Growers' association, is apparently nearing materialization. Car lot shipments of asparagus could be made to advantage, it was stated. The Apple Growers' association is equipped with refrigerating facilities.

The annual home products dinner of the Medford chamber of commerce was held at the Hotel Medford Friday. It was one of the most elaborate affairs of the kind ever held there at which the viands served were home grown products only.

A proposed \$105,000 bond issue to finance the construction of an eight-room grade school and an addition on an existing school was ratified last week by voters of the Klamath Falls district at a school election at which only 315 votes were cast.

IRA E. ROBINSON



Ira E. Robinson of Grafton, W. Va., who has been confirmed as a member of the federal radio commission.

GRAND ARMY RANKS REDUCED BY DEATHS

Washington, D. C.—The mounting death rate among civil war veterans reduced the number in March to only 79,300 pensioners. A total of 1283 died last month, the pension bureau announced.

Once, in 1898, the pensioners totaled 745,822, which was the peak, but it remained for increases in appropriations to bring the highest in the amount of pensions in 1923, when \$141,377,515 was disbursed.

Every civil war pensioner is now more than 80 years old, but it was estimated at the bureau that a few of the civil war beneficiaries will live 25 more years. This estimate is based on the fact that five Mexican war pensioners are still on the roll, although it has been 80 years since that war. The last survivor of the revolutionary war, Daniel F. Bakerman, died April 5, 1869, at the age of 109 years, and 90 years after the war of 1812 Hiram Cronk, the last survivor of that war, died.

GERMANS FAVOR PACT

Proposal to Ban War Deemed One of Greatest Since 1919.

Berlin.—Foreign Minister Stresemann has lost no time in letting the United States know that Germany fully approves of Secretary Kellogg's proposed outlawry of war pact. With the approval of President von Hindenburg and the cabinet, the foreign minister handed a four-page reply to Jacob Gould Schurman, the American ambassador.

It is understood the German note not only welcomes the American proposal, but considers it one of the greatest practical steps toward peace undertaken by any government since the war. It also emphasizes that the project is in accord with Germany's disarmament proposal as championed by Count von Bernstorff in behalf of the German government in Geneva.

Senate Begins Quiz on S-4 Disaster.

Washington, D. C.—An investigation of the S-4 submarine disaster was begun Saturday by the senate naval affairs committee. Forty lives were lost when the submarine was sunk in a collision with the coast guard cutter Paulding on December 17.

Britain Gives Egypt Ultimatum on Bill

London.—Sir Austen Chamberlain, foreign minister, announced in the house of commons that Britain had demanded written assurance from Egypt that the assemblies bill, objectionable to England, will be withdrawn.

THE MARKETS

Portland

Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, hard white, \$1.66; soft white, \$1.56; western white, \$1.55; hard winter, \$1.44; northern spring, \$1.45; western red, \$1.44.

Hay — Alfalfa, \$18.50@19; valley timothy, \$18@18.50; eastern Oregon timothy, \$20.50@21.

Butterfat—43@44c.

Eggs—Ranch, 20@24c.

Cattle—Steers, good, \$11@12.25.

Hogs — Medium to choice, \$9.50@10.75.

Lamb—Medium to choice, \$12.75@15.00.

Seattle

Wheat—Soft white, western white, \$1.56; hard winter, \$1.42; western red, \$1.46; northern spring, \$1.47; bluestem, \$1.64; dark northern spring, \$1.65; dark hard winter, \$1.62.

Hay — Alfalfa, \$24; timothy, \$25; P. S., \$24.

Butterfat—45c.

Eggs—Ranch, 22@25c.

Cattle—Steers, choice, \$11@12.25.

Hogs—Prime, \$11@11.50.

Spokane.

Hogs—Good, \$9.35@9.50.

Cattle—Steers, good, \$11.50@12.

SENATE COMMITTEE REVISES TAX BILL

Measure Pared Down to Meet Treasury Deadline of \$200,000,000.

Washington, D. C.—The house \$290,000,000 tax reduction bill was remodeled completely by the senate finance committee in voting a \$203,000,000 reduction schedule into the measure to meet the limitation set by the administration.

The republican majority of the committee pared down the total cut within range of the treasury deadline of \$200,000,000 over the votes of the democrats, who had advanced a \$325,000,000 plan.

To win the support of the western republican independents, whose support is necessary for the party in the approaching fight on the floor, the republicans abandoned the proposal of the treasury for repeal of the inheritance tax. The plan, which ignores the proposals of both the house and Secretary Mellon, follows:

Reduction of the corporation tax from 13 1/2 to 12 1/2 per cent instead of 11 1/2 per cent as voted by the house.

Repeal of the automobile levy of 3 per cent as voted by the house.

Revision of the surtax rates applying on incomes between \$18,000 and \$70,000, proposed by Mr. Mellon, but not provided by the house.

Increase in the exemptions allowed corporations from \$2000 to \$3000, provided by the house.

Increase in exemptions under 10 per cent admission tax from 75 cents to \$3, house proposed increase only to \$1; increase to 25 per cent in tax on prize fight admissions, as proposed by house, accepted.

Repeal of levies on cereal beverages and wine, as proposed by house.

Reduction in the rates on insurance companies from 13 1/2 per cent to 12 1/2 per cent.

FEDERAL AID FOR ROADS IS ASSURED

Washington, D. C.—A total of \$9,000,000 will be made available for construction of forest roads and trails in co-operation with state governments by the agricultural appropriation bill as agreed upon by the house and senate conferees.

The house agreed to the action of the senate in increasing the actual sum to be appropriated from \$6,500,000 to \$7,500,000 and in directing the secretary of agriculture to incur additional obligations aggregating \$1,500,000 on the credit of the United States, so that \$9,000,000 in all can be spent.

The agricultural bill conferees also approved the increase to \$14,000 of the item to investigate the earwig in Oregon and Washington, the amendment providing \$15,000 for an investigation of improved methods of precooling fruit and refrigeration which was requested by fruit growers of Oregon and Washington and the addition of \$10,000 to the bill for experiment to find a substitute for arsenical sprays.

A field station in Umatilla county, Oregon, to study crop rotation was assured in the final approval of a \$10,000 item for the establishment of the station.

COOLIDGE PREVENTS STRIKE

Trouble on Railroad Will Be Mediated By Board.

Wichita, Kas.—Because President Coolidge invoked his power under the railroad labor act to require mediation of labor disputes on railroads, 600 employees of the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient railroad, members of the "big four" brotherhoods, will operate their trains as usual.

Union leaders postponed the walk-out after receiving a message from Samuel E. Winslow, chairman of the mediation board, giving official notice that President Coolidge had appointed a fact-finding board of five to report on the dispute.

Revised Prayer Book up to Commons.

London.—Final approval of the revised prayerbook measure of the Church of England was voted at a special session of the church assembly. The measure about which so much controversy has centered now goes to the house of commons for acceptance or rejection. The total vote was 396 to 153.

Coolidge Signs Double Pension Act.

Washington, D. C.—President Coolidge signed an act granting double pension to widows and dependents of officers or enlisted men of the navy who died as a result of submarine disasters.

American Member of Court Resigns.

Geneva.—John Bassett Moore resigned as the American member of the permanent court of international justice of the League of Nations.