

## GERMAN DIRIGIBLE CROSSES ATLANTIC

Graf Zeppelin, World's Greatest Airship, Lands at Lakehurst, N. J.

Lakehurst, N. J.—The giant airliner Graf Zeppelin won a fight against adverse winds and the handicap of a damaged port horizontal, and landed here Monday.

The giant liner left Friedrichshafen, Germany, Thursday morning, with 60 people on board, including one woman. The entire trip took her about 109 hours.

All through the early hours of Saturday night and for a great part of Sunday the airship hovered in the region of the Bermudas, fighting winds and seeking to find a more favorable course. For a time she even flew in a southerly direction in order to gain better conditions.

Only the most meager information was coming through and it was not until noon Sunday that the ship was definitely located about 80 miles east by north of Bermuda.

The Graf Zeppelin is the greatest aircraft in the world. It is driven by five reversible engines with 550 horsepower each. Its fuel is "blue gas."

It cost about \$1,000,000 and is owned by the German people, the money being raised largely through popular subscription. It has a maximum speed of more than 80 miles an hour.

## MOHAMMEDANS SLAY 100,000 CHINESE

Pekin, China.—Reports received by the Kansu provincial guild tell of famine and suffering in that western province because of a serious drought.

The reports also state that more than 100,000 persons were killed in fighting in the province, although the government, legations, Catholic, Methodist, Episcopal and other missions with Kansu connection have not heard of any wholesale massacre.

A letter received by Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, chairman of the China famine relief organization in New York city, from Leighton P. Rand, China inland mission, at Lanchowfu, Kansu, told of a massacre of 200,000 persons by fanatic Moslems. A dispatch from Shanghai, however, said that advices from the China inland mission indicated that the 200,000 deaths resulted from a Mohammedan uprising which had raged for a long time, rather than from a massacre.

The Kansu provincial guild said in its announcement that the number of persons indirectly affected by the massacre far exceed the number killed.

## CHINA RULED BY CHIANG

Nationalists Name Secretary to Late Sun Yat-Sen President.

Nanking.—Chiang Kai-Shek, who was commander-in-chief of the nationalist forces in the Chinese civil war, was elected president of the nationalist government of the Chinese republic. The selection was made by the central executive council whose 44 members have been the chief governing force of the nationalist administration.

The new president is not only a member of this council but also a member of the nationalist government council and has been chairman of the administrative board which has supervised the eight ministries or government departments.

Chiang Kai-Shek was studying in Japan at the Tokio military college when the revolution broke out in 1911. He at once abandoned his studies, returned to China and became secretary to Sun Yat-Sen.

## 43 Lose Lives on French Submarine.

Paris.—The submarine Ondine, one of the newest units of the strongest arm of the French navy, is at the bottom of the ocean and all her crew of three officers and 40 men are dead. The ministry of marine learned that the tragedy occurred about midnight, October 3, when the submarine was rammed off Oporto by the Greek cargo carrier Alkaterini M. Gouladrin. The advices came in brief dispatches from the French consul at Rotterdam.

## Pacific Coast Paint Merger Approved.

San Francisco, Cal.—The General Paint corporation, a combination of nine paint companies in six Pacific coast cities, received a corporate permit from the California state corporation commission. The stock of the company, which has assets of approximately \$5,000,000, was heavily oversubscribed.

## \$200,000,000 Film Merger Formed.

New York, N. Y.—A \$200,000,000 motion picture combination through which Warner Brothers Pictures, Inc., obtains control of the Vitaphone corporation, the Stanley Company of America and First National Pictures, Inc., was announced here.

## COMMANDER BYRD



Commander Richard E. Byrd, hero of the flight over the North pole, who left San Pedro, Cal., recently in command of an expedition to the South pole.

## COOLIDGE TALKS TO KING OF SPAIN

Washington, D. C.—Speaking over a radio and cable circuit 6500 miles long, President Coolidge and King Alfonso of Spain inaugurated a telephonic service between their two countries, acclaiming the new means of communication as a great factor in the perpetuation of friendship and peace between them.

Availing himself of his first opportunity to speak by radio-telephone with Europe, Mr. Coolidge told King Alfonso that with the possibility of communicating with far countries by word of mouth, "the danger of any serious disagreement is immeasurably lessened."

President Coolidge's voice required about one-fifth of a second to reach the king of Spain, 6500 miles away in Madrid. The circuit employed included wire transmission from Washington to Rocky Point, Long Island, whence Mr. Coolidge's remarks were broadcast across 3000 miles of ocean to Cupar, Scotland. From Cupar 1154 miles of direct wire circuit brought the chief executive's voice to the border of Spain, over British and French telephone lines and through a submarine cable across the channel.

## BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

The official receipts and attendance figures for the 1928 world series announced were: paid attendance, 199,075; net receipts, \$777,290.

The United States potato crop declined slightly during September, the October estimate being 463,722,000 bushels, compared with the September 1 estimate of 468,815,000 bushels.

The Wyoming Woman's Christian Temperance union has cautioned members not to drink cider after it has stood 24 hours. A resolution to that effect was adopted.

Representatives of American, English and French banks are negotiating with the Polish government regarding a loan, conclusion of which depends upon agreement on details and purposes of credits.

A charge of conspiracy against Jose de Leon Toral, Mother Concepcion and 11 others held in connection with the assassination of General Obregon was ordered withdrawn by the superior court of Mexico City.

Prince Gustavus Adolphus, eldest son of the Swedish crown prince and prospective heir to the throne, will visit the United States next month to act as best man at the marriage of his father's cousin, Count Bernadotte, and Miss Estelle Manville of Pleasantville, N. Y.

## Doctor Cuts Out Own Appendix.

Los Angeles.—One of the most amazing surgical operations ever performed stood revealed here with the announcement that Dr. Robert Meals, young Hollywood surgeon, had successfully removed his own appendix. Dr. Meals is well on the way to recovery. Fully conscious, he lay propped up with pillows on an ordinary operating table. The pain of his cutting only slightly dulled by a local anesthetic, Dr. Meals opened his abdomen, removed the inflamed appendix, and closed and sewed the wound.

## Sixty Dead in Building Crash.

Prague, Czecho-Slovakia.—Sixty workmen were buried under the debris of an eight-story building which collapsed here.

## Former Russian Empress Marie Dies

Copenhagen, Denmark.—The aged ex-Empress Marie of Russia, born Princess Dagmar of Denmark, died here.

## OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Assembled for Information of Our Readers.

The Boy Scout troop of Mosier is organizing a drum and bugle corps under the supervision of Guy Duvall.

A three-day Christian Endeavor convention will be held at the Christian church in Estacada November 2, 3 and 4.

Dalton Biggs, judge of the Ninth district, which includes Malheur, Grant and Harney counties, died at his home in Ontario.

The cranberry harvest on Clatsop Plains has been completed and according to growers the yield has been quite satisfactory.

Eight men and 54 women are now employed at the Grand Island cannery, where 400 cases of tomatoes are being canned daily.

A chapter of the Order of De Molay with 25 charter members was instituted in St. Helens recently by Friendship chapter of Portland.

The Larson-Kennedy company is at work excavating a boom for the Coos Bay Lumber company near Coquille, calculated to hold 5,000,000 feet of logs.

September, with 255 deaths, was the healthiest month that Portland has had this year, breaking the record set by August when there were 260 deaths.

Fire, which started from the exhaust of a gasoline engine, completely destroyed the La Pine hotel and two adjoining houses with an estimated loss of \$12,500.

Ruby Wilson, 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson of Boardman, died in the hospital at Heppner from cholera morbus, the result of eating over-ripe melons.

A valuable brood sow belonging to Pere Peterson and 10 tame geese owned by P. Anderson were shot Friday by careless hunters near Rocky Point in Coos county.

Commemorating the 75th anniversary of the founding of the United Presbyterian church at Albany, 259 persons gathered at a banquet served at the church recently.

Salmon fishing on the lower Coquille river is at present employing about 125 men who are catching from three to 10 tons per night, for which they are paid 8 cents a pound.

The Western Oregon Packing corporation has finished the run of Bartlett pears, 11,000 cans being packed, and has now started work on 700 tons of carrots and 60 tons of beets.

For the first time in 50 years a waterspout was sighted Friday on the Oregon coast a short distance off Astoria by Captain Charles Alberts of the steamer Florence Luckenbach.

Linn county electors will vote on a 2-mil levy to raise \$90,000 with which to match state and federal funds for the construction of the Santiam highway to the summit of the Cascades.

Construction has begun on an \$85,000 new grade school building in Klamath Falls. It will be the third major school plant constructed in Klamath Falls in the last three years.

A \$30,000 building permit has been issued at Corvallis for the erection of a new Alpha Gamma Delta chapter home. The structure will be of English architecture and will house 30 girls.

Annie Greene, 36, packing house worker, died at Medford from injuries received when she tripped on the hem of her bathrobe and fell and struck her head on a sharp object in her bathroom.

Colonel W. C. North of Portland was named by Governor Patterson as a member of the World War veterans' state aid commission to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. C. Culbertson.

Boyd Summers, postmaster at Swin, has received orders from Washington, D. C., that Swin postoffice will hereafter function the entire year, instead of only through the summer season, as formerly.

The newly completed school house at Camas Valley, near Roseburg, was dedicated recently with a program sponsored by Umpqua post of the American Legion. The concrete building was erected at a cost of \$50,000 to meet the needs of a large farming community.

The port commission of Port Orford has set probable expenses for the port at \$9811, and will ask for that amount through the Curry county tax assessment. The annual report shows the port in 1928 has done more business than in any past year.

James Lear, 102 years old, of Klamath Falls died as he slept quietly at the home of his son, Ben Lear. Mr. Lear was a second cousin of John Quincy Adams, sixth president of the United States, and fought throughout the war under General Lee.

The record for nailing apple boxes was set recently by Robert Beal, upper Hood River valley boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Beal. The youth lidded 2029 boxes in ten hours. He received 60 cents a 100 boxes.

The 1929 Oregon grand lodge conventions of the Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters will be held in Portland, according to announcement made at the closing session of the 1928 meetings held in Salem.

The co-operative berry growers of the Gresham section handled 2073 tons of berries and cherries this year, against 2059 tons in 1927, an increase of 50 per cent and they paid for harvesting the crop \$137,515.

One hundred years old, George Washington Wendover, Civil war veteran, celebrated his birthday at his home in Oregon City recently. Wendover is able to read the daily papers without the aid of glasses.

The Wapinitia Cattlemen's association started its annual fall ride for upper range stock pastured in the Mount Hood national forest recently. The fall drive takes on the nature of a rodeo, with social campfire circles at night.

Because of the marked increase in registrations for the November election, it has been necessary for the secretary of state to order a second edition of voters' pamphlets. These pamphlets are now being sent out by the state department.

E. R. Pooley, Pine Grove orchardist who has completed packing his d'Anjou pear tonnage from a five-acre full-bearing tract, reports 1420 packed boxes per acre. The pears were sold for \$2.50 per box, bringing the total value of the year's crop from each acre to \$3550, or \$17,750 for the block.

Combined efforts of the North Bend and Marshfield fire departments saved more than \$500,000 in the Western Lumber Manufacturing company, Ostland Furniture, Inc., and the Coos Veneer & Box company plants, when a fire started in the Oregon Products plant. The loss was estimated at \$50,000.

There were 137 fires in the state outside of Portland during September, 1928, as against 57 fires during the corresponding period in 1927, according to reports received at the offices of Clara A. Lee, state fire marshal.

Fire losses during September, 1928, aggregated \$392,000 as compared with \$250,900 in September, 1927. Farmers in the vicinity of Redmond in Deschutes county are changing rapidly to the raising of clover for seed. W. M. Wilson, president of the Redmond Land & Loan bank said. In the past season, approximately 550 acres were planted to red and Alaska clover. A survey of the district indicates the planting this fall and next spring will amount to about 2500 acres.

The road over Mapleton hill, which is one of the present routes between Mapleton and Florence, is now closed and will remain so until spring, according to announcement at the office of the Siuslaw national forest. The forest service has had a crew of men at work improving the road over the mountain and to use it this fall and winter would damage it badly, it is stated.

Increasing popularity of Crater Lake National park in Oregon is clearly indicated in attendance figures for the 1928 season just issued by department of interior. None of Uncle Sam's great parks showed as great an increase in visitors as did Crater lake this season. According to department figures, 113,323 persons visited this national domain, as compared with 82,354 during 1927. This is an increase of 39,969.

Plans for the season's turkey activities have been tentatively outlined by the Douglas County Co-operative Turkey Growers' association, a new marketing agency said to control about 60 per cent of the county's crop. At a meeting of growers in Oakland, headquarters of the association, an estimate of the birds already signed up with the organization showed a total of about 40,000, with others still expected.

Walnut growers of Oregon are in better shape this year from a marketing standpoint than they have ever been. The crop is a record one for the state, and with crops in all other walnut producing countries of the world small, prices are high and the demand strong. The Oregon nut harvest is now on and will continue for about 30 days. The walnut crop is estimated at from 1200 to 1500 tons as compared with about 500 tons in 1927. The filbert crop is close to 100 tons and last year was only a third as large.

Twenty-eight hunters worked a total of 778 days during September and took 449 predatory animals, including 376 coyotes, 52 bobcats and 12 stock-killing bears. It was reported by Stanley G. Jewett, leader of predatory animal control for the United States bureau of biological survey in Oregon. Charles B. Brown of Malheur was credited with the largest catch, turning in 37 coyotes and 14 bobcats during 30 working days, a total of 51 animals with the largest number of both bobcats and coyotes.

## DR. HUGO ECKENER



Dr. Hugo Eckener, who was in charge of the ZR-3 in its flight across the Atlantic in 1924, and who commanded the giant liner Graf Zeppelin in its flight from Friedrichshafen, Germany to Lakehurst, N. J.

## GRAYSON COMMANDS VETERANS OF 1898

Havana.—William L. Grayson of Savannah, Ga., unanimously was elected next year's commander in chief of the Spanish War Veterans at the 30th annual encampment here.

Otto Raugh of St. Paul, Minn., was elected senior vice commander in chief, and Rev. Arthur O. Sykes of Rochester, N. Y., was elected chaplain in chief. They were elected without opposition.

Denver was unanimously selected as the meeting place for the 1929 encampment.

Among the resolutions adopted was one asking for increased pensions for veterans of 1898 and 1902, and another thanking President Machado and the Cuban people for the hospitality extended convention visitors.

It was announced that 1474 delegates have been registered so far, with an attendance of 9000 veterans.

## LIQUOR RUM TRADE BRISK

Canadian Whisky Exports to U. S. Show Big Increase

Ottawa, Ont.—Canada's exports of whisky to the United States increased in value from \$17,471,437 for the previous year to \$18,629,150 for the 12 months ending last August 31, it was shown here in official Canadian trade figures. Exports of beer and ale decreased in value.

During April, May and June of this year, according to the figures, the United States absorbed the total export of Canadian whisky—44,689 gallons, valued at \$1,010,355. This was a heavy increase over the corresponding period of 1927.

## Famous Driver Killed in Truck Crash.

Salem, N. H.—Ray Comer of Los Angeles, one of the best-known drivers in the country, was fatally injured when a tire on his car blew out, hurling the machine off the huge wooden bowl. After turning over several times, the car burst into flames.

## Former Christian Science Leader Dead

Rochester, N. Y.—Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson, formerly one of the leaders of the Christian Science church, died here at the Sagamore hotel after an illness of two months. Friends estimated her age as more than 85 years. She would never divulge it.

## Ontario Ministers Asked Not to Smoke

Toronto, Oct.—A resolution adopted by the Ontario branch of the Women's Temperance union requested clergymen not to smoke in public. Forbearance was asked as an example to the younger generation.

## U. S. Mining Man Slain by Bandits.

Mexico City.—Charles Smith, American mining man, has been murdered by bandits near Mascota, a dispatch from Guadalajara to the newspaper Excelsior said.

## THE MARKETS

### Portland

Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, hard white, \$1.46; soft white, \$1.21; western white, \$1.20; hard winter, \$1.12; northern spring, \$1.11; western red, \$1.13.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$17@17.50; valley timothy, \$17@17.50; eastern Oregon timothy, \$20.50@21.

Butterfat—55c.

Eggs—Ranch, 24@47c.

Cattle—Steers, good, \$12@12.50.

Hogs—Medium to choice, \$8@10.75.

Lams—Good to choice, \$11@12.50.

### Seattle

Wheat—Soft white, \$1.21½; western white, \$1.20½; hard winter, \$1.11; western red, \$1.14½; bluestem, \$1.46; northern spring, \$1.11½.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$22; timothy, \$28.

Butterfat—52c.

Eggs—Ranch, 34@47c.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$12@12.50.

Hogs—Prime, \$10@10.35.

Lams—Choice, \$11.25@12.50.

### Spokane

Hogs—Good, and choice, \$9.65@9.75.

Cattle—Streets, good, \$10.75@11.50.

## PAUL V. M'NUTT NEW LEGION COMMANDER

Louisville, Ky., Selected as 1929 National Convention City.

San Antonio, Texas.—Paul V. McNutt of Bloomington, Ind., was elected national commander of the American Legion at the closing session of the organization's 10th annual convention here.

Louisville, Ky., won the 1929 national convention.

For the second successive year, Miami, Fla., was adjudged to have the best American Legion drum and bugle corps in the contest at the convention.

Fifteen survivors took part in the finals. Salem, Ore., was second, Frankfurt post of Philadelphia third and South Pasadena, Cal., fourth.

The most important items of business of the session were reports from the child welfare, rehabilitation and Americanism committees.

The child welfare report recommended a program of further co-operation between the auxiliary and the veteran's bureau. It also stressed the importance of using preventive measures to minimize relief work.

The rehabilitation committee made several recommendations to improve the business operations of the rehabilitation bureau. They also moved that a uniform gift program be provided to limit the expenditure for each gift to a hospitalized veteran to not more than \$3.

The Americanism committee recommended indorsement of the program provided by the American Legion committees for national defense. They recommended that auxiliary units make a survey of historic flags within their departments and provide for their preservation. They suggested an international reception for all foreign-born students attending colleges and universities in the United States.

Mrs. Boyce Picklen Jr., Washington, Ga., was chosen president of the national auxiliary. Five regional vice presidents were elected. They were Mrs. George Murphy, Pleasantville, N. Y.; Mrs. Fred Kraemer, Madison, S. D.; Mrs. Louis Julienne, Jackson, Miss.; Mrs. A. L. Hoyal, Prescott, Ariz., and Mrs. Nellie Hart, Cumberland, Wis.

## BYRD HEADS SOUTH ON POLAR CONQUEST

San Pedro, Cal.—Commander Richard E. Byrd sailed away from here toward the silences and mysteries of the Antarctic.

He and members of his party bade goodbye to American soil as the whaler C. A. Larsen put out past the breakwater of San Pedro harbor, with the shrieks of whistles, the boom of guns, and the cheers of thousands of persons wishing them God speed.

They will go down to the bottom of the world, to study the birth place of winds and to fill in the blank spaces of the world's map.

For 18 months, possibly two years or even longer, Byrd and his comrades will be in the icy wastes as they seek to fly over the south pole and adjacent regions.

The famous explorer and aviator headed one of the largest and most scientifically equipped polar expeditions the world has known.

## CARNES SHORTAGE \$953,000

### 14 New Indictments Returned Against Alleged Embezzler.

Atlanta, Ga.—Fourteen new indictments charging embezzlement of Baptist home mission board funds over three years and involving \$203,666 were returned against Clinton S. Carnes, former treasurer of the church body.

Each was based on a specific alleged offense discovered by investigation of Carnes' accounts, to which a total shortage of \$953,000 has been ascribed by board officials. Carnes previously had been named in three indictments charging embezzlement of \$280,000.

### Philadelphia Police Convicted of Graft

Philadelphia.—Three Philadelphia police officers found guilty of extortion after a special grand jury started an investigation of extensive racketeering, awaited sentence that could reach a maximum of 172 years in prison.

### Mississippi School House Stolen.

Wiggins, Miss.—Somebody has stolen the schoolhouse at Peace, Harrison county, it was revealed here. The small frame building disappeared the night before school was to open. No clew was left.

### Lightning Kills Minnesota Farmer.

Owatonna, Minn.—Earl J. Bork, 30, a farmer of near here, was killed when lightning struck him. He was riding on a tractor.