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The American Nation Welcomes Lindbergh

Trans-Atlantic Ace Greeted by Thousands in National Capital.

Washington, D. C.—As conqueror of the air over the Atlantic and ambassador of good will, Charles A. Lindbergh received from the hands of President Coolidge a Distinguished Flying Cross, the highest award of the American flying corps.

The ceremony crowned a reception such as the nation's capital never before had given to any person, no matter what his rank, station or accomplishment.

His entry into the national capital over a roadway that had known the tread of victorious armies and the passing of kings and of presidents was one of sublime triumph.

Hundreds of thousands, straining impatiently against police barriers, tumultuously acclaimed the blonde young Viking who conquered the air over the Atlantic in a daring flight alone in the cockpit of a monoplane.

As the chief executive pinned the bronze medal, the first to be struck off, on the lapel of the blue sack coat of the world's hero, a mighty roar went up from the thousands upon thousands who were massed in the broad expanse of park surrounding the towering granite shaft erected to the memory of the first president.

Mr. Coolidge called him "our ambassador without a portfolio." Lindbergh seemed unmoved. He stood straight as a top sergeant and smiled at the greeting of the crowd.

"On the evening of the 23d of May last I arrived at Paris," he said. "During the week I spent in Paris and the time I spent in Brussels and London, the people of Europe asked that I bring back one message to the people of America.

"At every gathering I heard the same words, 'You have seen the affection of the people of France for the people of America demonstrated to you,' they said.

"I want to bring back to you this message of affection."

That was the whole of Lindbergh's speech.

"I thank you," he smiled, and sat down.

This speech of just 124 words brought a renewed ovation from the enthusiastic thousands of his immediate audience, but if their applause or that of the thousands upon thousands who greeted him along Pennsylvania avenue stirred his emotions, they were kept under control by those same nerves of steel which carried him safely through a night of fog, sleet and rain out on the broad ocean expanse just three weeks ago.

During most of his triumphant ride he lounged down in the back seat of an open White House automobile and talked with his mother, who greeted him aboard the Memphis and remained at his side until they reached the seclusion of the temporary White House at DuPont circle, where they are the guests of the president and Mrs. Coolidge.

COOLIDGE STARTS WEST

President Will Spend Three Months in Black Hills.

Washington, D. C.—With a retinue of 85 White House attendants, photographers and newspaper men, President Coolidge set out Monday night aboard a special train to spend three months in the Black Hills of South Dakota.

There, in the locale of six-shooting bad men and Indians, he will devote himself primarily to fishing, walking and avoiding guests.

Accompanying the president will be Mrs. Coolidge, Postmaster General New, Secretary and Mrs. Sanders, Major General James F. Coupal, his personal physician, and Colonel Blanton Winship, his aide, with members of his office staff, household employees and secret service operatives. There will also be 26 newspaper men and six photographers.

Lowman Formally Named Director.

Washington, D. C.—President Coolidge formally appointed Seymour Lowman, former lieutenant governor of New York, to be assistant secretary of the treasury, succeeding General Lincoln C. Andrews, director of prohibition enforcement, resigned. The appointment will become effective August 1.

Funeral of Mrs. Booher Was Largely Attended

The funeral of Mrs. Minnie D. Booher who died at Walla Walla Wednesday of last week, was held from the Christian church in this city Saturday forenoon at 11 o'clock, attended by a large number of friends of the deceased. Many beautiful floral offerings were in evidence.

Mrs. Booher, whose husband preceded her to the grave but a few months ago, is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Johnson, and the following brothers and sisters: A. M. Johnson of Athena; Tom Johnson of Nevada; Elmer Johnson of Marshfield, Oregon; Alf Johnson of Walla Walla; Lee Johnson of Bend, Oregon; Mrs. Grace Catron, Mrs. Ethel Montague and Mrs. C. O. Henry of Athena.

The deceased was born at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, October 10, 1870, and was aged 56 years, seven months and 28 days at her death. She moved to Oregon with her parents in 1874, and grew to womanhood on the home place west of Athena. On December 6, 1893, she was married to W. H. Booher, who died at his home in Athena November 27th last.

Milton Sills and Ken Maynard at Standard

Tomorrow night Milton Sills will be seen at the Standard Theatre in First National's fine picture, "Puppets." He will be supported by Gertrude Olmstead and George Archibaud.

Sunday night the Standard presents Renee Adoree and Conrad Nagel in a picturesque comedy of southern France, "Heaven On Earth," supported by an all-star cast.

For the first time, Ken Maynard, new Western hero of the screen, will be seen at the Standard in its mid-week offering next Wednesday night. This new and popular screen star comes in First National's fine western picture, "Senor Daredevil," at regular admission prices.

Banister Car in a Collision

John Banister and party met with an automobile accident Tuesday afternoon while returning from the upper country, reports the Weston Leader. At a point 20 miles the other side of Dayton their car collided almost head-on with another machine, the vision of the two drivers having been partially obscured by just. Three of its glass windows were broken, and Mrs. Vern Smith, daughter of Mr. Banister and driver of the Banister car, was wounded behind the ear by the jagged particles. An artery was severed and she lost much blood before medical attention could be secured, but is now reported to be convalescent. A lady occupant of the other car was also injured by glass.

Bishop Rescues Child

Caught in the treacherous current of the Umatilla river while in swimming Thursday of last week, Martha Isaacson, 10, was rescued in an exhausted condition several hundred yards down the stream by Rt. Rev. William P. Remington, bishop of the Episcopal diocese of eastern Oregon. Bishop Remington was in his home about a block from the river when he heard the screams of the child and plunged into the water fully clothed to pull her out.

Build New Road

Forest service men start this week building a new road from McDougal springs to Toll Gate, following the lines of the survey recently completed by the engineers of the Bureau of Public Roads. The road will have a maximum grade of five per cent and will be six miles long. Forty men will go into camp to do the work.

Pioneer Association Officers

Thomas Thompson of Pendleton is the new president of the Umatilla County Pioneer association. He was chosen at the close of the pioneer picnic on Saturday afternoon. Other officers, all from Weston, are T. L. McBride, vice-president; S. A. Barnes secretary, and Charles L. Pinkerton, treasurer. The executive board will continue for another term.

6,000,000 Bushel Crop

Umatilla county's 1927 wheat yield is estimated at 6,000,000 bushels by Henry Collins, grain man and miller. Collins says that the recent rainfall was a boon to the light wheat lands in this county. Counties west of Umatilla are also said to have good prospects.

Thomas Kay Favors The Proposed Tax

He is State Treasurer and a Manufacturer of Woolen Goods.

Thomas B. Kay, state treasurer, favors the proposed income tax measure, which is to be voted on June 28. Mr. Kay is in a position to say what the financial situation of the state is, and what will relieve it, other than to further sock on the property tax.

And, further, Mr. Kay is a manufacturer, being owner of the Kay Woolen Mills. Therefore it is pertinent to remark that being a manufacturer, he does not fear being driven out of the state by an income tax, such as is claimed will be the case of manufacturing industries, by the Oregon Voter et. al. Mr. Kay says:

"I did not favor the income tax measures proposed for adoption at the general election in 1926 because I considered them unfair and discriminatory. I was further opposed to them then for the reason that I thought the adoption by the State of Oregon of an income tax law of the tenor of the two measures voted upon would be detrimental to the interests of the state at large in that, if they had been adopted, Oregon would have been the only western state with an income tax law. The adoption of either of the measures submitted at that time in my opinion would have had deterrent effect upon the establishment of new manufacturing and industrial enterprises within the State.

"Notwithstanding this fact I now believe that the present income tax law to be submitted to popular vote on June 28 next should be approved. The condition of the finances of the State of Oregon at the present time calls for emergency relief and warrants the enactment of a reasonable law to provide necessary revenue for state purposes. I consider the terms and provisions of the proposed income tax law fair and reasonable. While the objection that Oregon would be the only western state with an income tax law would still exist if the present measure is approved by the people, the proposed law is nevertheless much more equitable in its provisions than was the previous law in operation in Oregon or those voted upon at the November election. The exigency of the present situation renders imperative the passage of laws which will provide the funds with which to pay State obligations based upon legislative appropriations in excess of current revenue.

"The income tax law together with the companion measure providing for an amendment to the constitution authorizing a property tax levy in December 1928, of \$3,500,000 plus six per cent thereof less estimated receipts from income taxes during the year 1929, and authorizing for ensuing years a successive increase at the rate of six per cent, less estimated receipts from income taxes, would provide the necessary revenues. These measures, if approved, would serve the further purpose of relieving to a considerable extent the tax burden on real property. The burden, in fact, would be shifted to incomes received by persons who at present are paying little if any of the expense of state government.

Boys Sign for Camp

Umatilla county will be represented by 17 boys at the Citizen's Military Training camp which opens at Vancouver Barracks, June 17. The boys who will go from this county are: Winslow Allen, Elmer Phal, William Arnold, Forrest O'Connell, all of Pendleton; Roland Bean, Jennings Beard, Howard Hardesty, Ray Williams, all of Freewater; George McKenzie, George Davis, Raymond McKenzie, Sumner Robinson, of Hermiston; Bob Steward, Burdett Walker and Max Walter, all of Milton and Hugh Roberts of Stanfield.

Band Music in All Schools, Aim

President of Federation of Music Clubs Outlines Plans of Her Organization.

Elkhart, Ind.—A band or orchestra in every public school in the country is the goal of the Federation of Music Clubs, according to information received by the Conn Music Center here.

"Music has too long been considered a mere accomplishment rather than a necessary part of our educational system," said Mrs. Edgar Stillman Kelley, national president of the federation, in outlining the plans of her organization. "Fortunately the delusion is now beginning to give way and the true value of tone in educational work is being more generally acknowledged. The value of teaching instrumental music in all schools can scarcely be overestimated. The Federation of Music Clubs is working enthusiastically for the inclusion of bands and orchestras as well as glee clubs in the schools because the officers of this, the largest musical organization in the world, are convinced of the worth of this procedure.

"The public schools are preparing our business leaders of the future, why not our musical leaders? Welcome will be the day when every school in the land will give credit for executive as well as theoretic music. We will then be training the men and women who will later give America a great music of its own. Not every child so trained will make music their life-work but all of them will be bettered by the training."

The prospective sale, if negotiated, will be about the largest shipping transaction in American history. There are 375,000 gross tons of modern ships in the fleet of 41 freighters to be placed on the block. With their sale the United States will be completely out of the shipping business on the Pacific coast.

The lines involved are the American-Australian-Oriental, the Oregon-Oriental and the American-Oriental Mail. The lines are operating out of Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle. Under the present operation, they are losing a comparatively small sum and the shipping board believes they may be profitably operated by private owners.

The big point of difference among members of the board is on the question of whether the purchaser will be required to guarantee service with the same ships or replacements for a period of five or 10 years. There are, however, other differences of greatest importance to the coast ports. One of these is whether the lines may be consolidated and terminals transferred.

The question of the price to be demanded has not been discussed extensively. The ships, however, cost a minimum of \$1,000,000 each, and no member of the board has any idea that private operators will offer anything like so much in spite of the fact that the ships now are operating on well established trade routes and give every promise of making substantial earnings within the next few years.

The shipping board declines to say whether tentative offers have as yet been made, but it is understood that a powerful group of San Francisco bankers plan the organization of a company to take over the lines and have submitted an informal proposal which is responsible for the decision to sell.

Moon in Eclipse

For 22 minutes the moon was in total eclipse Monday night. The change started at 9:34 p. m. and ended after midnight.

Portland Lines Are Ordered to Be Sold

The Sale of All Government Owned Ships Sailing Out of Pacific Ports.

Sale of all government owned ships operated out of Pacific coast ports was definitely decided upon by the United States shipping board Tuesday, says a Washington special.

The board was unanimous in the decision to put this mighty fleet on the block, but is sharply divided on the terms of the proposed sale and such guarantees as may be demanded from the purchasers.

For this reason it is believed that it will be at least two weeks before the difference can be ironed out and the specifications for sale advertised. However, the general counsel was instructed to begin preparation of specifications to be considered at a meeting of the board a week from Tuesday.

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Marion Keys Here

Marion Keys, accompanied by his wife, son, and Mrs. Nancy Jacobs his mother, called on old Athena friends for a few hours Tuesday. They were en route to San Francisco, where Mr. Keys is employed in the Chinese mission of that city. They had been at Walla Walla, where they attended commencement exercises at Whitman college, of which Mr. Keys is an alumnus.

Dancing at Bingham Springs

With the employment of Rogers' Strand Theatre band of Walla Walla, Dolph Thompson announces that hereafter dances will be given at Bingham Springs every Saturday and Sunday, hereafter, during the recreation season. Dances will take place from 9 o'clock until midnight on Saturday's and on Sunday's from 2 to 5 p. m., and from 9 p. m. until midnight.

Whitman Graduates

A class of 95 graduates, the largest in the history of the college, received degrees and diplomas from Whitman college Monday afternoon in the beautiful setting of the Whitman natural amphitheatre.

Weston Marriages

Two prominent Weston couples were principals in marriages last week. On June 2 Miss Evelyn Sowers became the bride of Mr. Cecil Greer. June 1 Miss Helen Johnson and Mr. Ellis Brown were wed.

Athena Contributes to the Red Cross Fund

Without any organized solicitation locally Athena has come to the front with a contribution for the Mississippi Relief Fund, a check being forwarded to Red Cross headquarters at Pendleton by Mrs. R. B. McEwen who had charge here.

The following organizations contributed:

Mignonette Rebekah Lodge	\$15.00
Etude Club	5.00
Ladies of Baptist church	28.00
Miscellaneous	4.00
Total	\$52.00

Independently Contributed

Mrs. Cowan, president of the W. C. T. U., wishes to thank the people of Athena for help in sending two large boxes of clothing to the flood sufferers. From a cooked food sale this society raised \$24 for the cause, and the Eastern Star sent the sum of \$15.

Dentist Says Enemy Set Fire to Offices

Accusing J. O. Kenyon, formerly of Milton, Oregon, of twice setting fire to his dentist office in that city, A. D. Woodmansee Tuesday filed suit in court for \$14,600 aggregate damages. On November 8, 1923, Woodmansee alleges, his office was fired and the fittings ruined. Another fire January 31, 1924, also was laid at Kenyon's door in the complaint.

Woodmansee, enumerating his claims for damages, declared he was compelled to hire a watchman after the second fire, and that ultimately he was compelled to seek a new location. He now is in Portland.

Legion Post Stunts

La Grande, Ore.—Special.—Stunts of every kind and description will be staged by various posts represented at the American Legion State Convention to be held here on July 21-22-23. Everything from cannibals to a circus have been listed by posts as their entries. To the post winning the prize for the best stunt a purse of \$100.00 is offered by the convention committee. These stunts will be staged on the streets of La Grande during the three days of the convention and much rivalry will be shown by the boys who will represent the different posts.

Indications show that there will be plenty of spectators for these various stunts and La Grande is preparing for from 2000 to 3000 visitors.

High Price for Land

It transpires that 183 acres of wheat land on the W. P. Willby estate near Athena, brought the highest price since wheat acreage changed ownership during war time. For the 183 acres, with no building improvements, George Sheard paid \$45,000, or \$245.90 per acre. The land joins Mr. Sheard's farm on the east, he purchased the estate shares of Mrs. O. M. Castleman, and Mrs. Goldie Bacon. Mrs. Fred Kerahaw did not sell her share in the estate, which contains the farm house.

OWYHEE IS FAVORED

Plan Outlined at Conference Subject to Approval by Mr. Work.

Portland, Ore.—Colonization of the 80,000 acres of the Owyhee reclamation project in Oregon will be undertaken by the government, providing land owners will agree to the terms stipulated by the government. Attracting settlers will not cost the land owners a penny and by placing the sale under control of the government all suspicion of speculation in values by owners will be eliminated. Thus one of the big handicaps to making reclamation projects successful will be surmounted, thanks to the efforts of Uncle Sam.

Such was the proposal made by Dr. Elwood Mead, United States commissioner of reclamation, to a delegation of Owyhee land owners at a meeting here. Dr. Mead explained that the proposition is subject, of course, to approval of Secretary Work of the department of the interior, his chief.

Idaho Education Commissioner Named

Boise, Idaho.—Idaho has a new commissioner of education in Wilbur D. Vincent, for the last seven years superintendent of the Idaho Industrial Training school of St. Anthony. He was elected by the state board of education at Moscow.

D'Autremont Twins Run Down In Ohio

Admit Identity but Deny Any Part in Crimes Charges.

Columbus, Ohio.—Calmly admitting their identity, but emphatically denying that they had any part in the crimes with which they are charged, Ray and Roy D'Autremont, twin brothers, 27, were in the county jail here awaiting the arrival of deputy sheriffs who are en route from Jacksonville, Or., to take them back to face charges of murder.

"It would have been better if we had stayed and faced the music," declared Ray D'Autremont, while maintaining that he and his brother were innocent.

Both the D'Autremonts made elaborate efforts to conceal their identity. Ray by bleaching his hair and Roy by growing a mustache. They have worked in coal mines, the mills and other enterprises while in hiding in Ohio during the past year, they said.

A dramatic parting between Ray D'Autremont and his wife and year-old baby occurred after their arraignment in the Steubenville courtroom. The young woman married D'Autremont under the name of Elmer Goodwin and never suspected until his arrest this week that his real name was D'Autremont and that he had been the object of nation-wide search for four years.

The twin brothers, charged with the robbery of a Southern Pacific passenger train, dynamiting the mail car and killing four men three and one-half years ago, were arrested at Steubenville.

SOVIET MINISTER ASSAILS BRITISH

Moscow.—Hurling defiance at Great Britain, Clemence Voroshilov, soviet commissar for war, openly accused the English bourgeoisie of helping to accomplish the murder of Pierre Voikov, Russian minister to Poland.

Linking the execution of 20 Russian monarchists with plans of the British to overthrow the present Moscow regime, Voroshilov declared that efforts were being made to bring the soviet to war.

"We accuse the English bourgeoisie not only of organizing the murder of Voikov in Warsaw," he declared, "but by its intelligence service, of organizing and supporting within the soviet union incendiaries, bandits and murderers."

Voroshilov's statement, made at Moscow, caused particular excitement, due to the fact that it was the first official utterance of the war minister since assassination of the minister to Poland, murder of two Russian police agents, a bombing outrage in a soviet club in Moscow, and execution of the 20 political prisoners. All these events had been linked up in utterances of other Russian leaders with British opposition to the soviet.



In such surroundings as this is located the South Dakota lodge chosen by the President for his summer home. The inset shows the "Guardian of the Pool," at Sylvan lake, one of the beauty spots of the Black Hills.