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MAIL AIRPLANES BREAK RECORD

Planes Make Transcontinental
Flights on Schedule of
About 24 Hours.

New York.—The postoffice department conquered its greatest aerial rival, the army, when the transcontinental mail from San Francisco landed at Hasehurst field after a flight of 36 hours and 14 minutes, clipping 36 minutes from the records of Lieutenant MacReady and Kelly in their non-stop dash from New York to San Diego, Cal.

The achievement of the mail plane also exceeded the best hopes of the postoffice department, clipping four hours and one minute from the schedule that had been fixed by the department for the test.

During the time of the transcontinental flights eastward and westward the planes operated on a definite schedule of a little more than 24 hours without an accident, and in relaying the mail from coast to coast flew at night over a light away from Chicago to Cheyenne. Postal officials said even before the tests were completed that the practicability of the project had been proved and announced that a conference will soon be held to determine the nature of transcontinental airplane mail service.

ARBITRATION PACT EXTENDED 5 YEARS

Washington, D. C.—The treaty of arbitration between the United States and Japan, which had expired by limitation, was renewed for a period of five years, without change.

The renewal was announced by the state department after a conference between Secretary Hughes and Ambassador Hanthorn, at which notes confirming the new agreement were exchanged.

The treaty was signed originally in Washington in 1908 and was renewed in 1913 and in 1918. The notes exchanged contained a provision that in case the senate gives its assent to President Harding's proposal for participation by the United States in the

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permanent court of international justice the two governments will consider the making of an agreement under which the disputes of the nature described in the treaty could be referred to the permanent court of international justice. A similar understanding was reached between the United States and Great Britain and the United States and France when arbitration treaties between them were recently renewed.

\$2,000,000 Fraud Charged to Five.
New York.—Five men, including Colonel Lauchlin C. Purnell, ex-chief of the surplus property division of the United States army, were indicted charged with defrauding the government out of about \$2,000,000 through the sale of certain surplus war supplies to private concerns.

Work of Scrapping Warships Started.
San Francisco.—The destruction by hammer and torch of what many nations in the world might consider a fair sized navy was officially begun Saturday in two Pacific coast shipyards in compliance with orders resulting from the disarmament conference in Washington.

Japan to Scrap Ships.
Tokyo.—Official announcement was made that the scrapping of warships in accord with the Washington treaties, ratifications of which have just been exchanged by the signatory powers, would be carried out immediately.

SHIPPERS OF STOCK WANT LOWER RATES

Olympia, Wash.—Another big railroad fight was initiated by the filing of a complaint before the state department of public works by the Northwestern Livestock Shippers' Traffic League and the Washington Wool Growers' association, directed against all the railroads of the state, demanding a general revision and reduction in all livestock shipping rates, and in a second action relief from the additional bedding charge.

The Northwestern Livestock Shippers' Traffic League, as the complaint recites, is composed of more than 1500 livestock shippers residing in Oregon, Idaho and Washington, with headquarters in Portland, and a large part of whose members are and have for the past two years been engaged in shipping of livestock of all kinds intrastate in Washington to Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane.

The general rate complaint alleges that the published rates, charges and regulations of the defendant for interstate shipment of livestock are and have been for the past two years unreasonable and excessive and in violation of section 10345 of Reimington's compiled statutes and that they have not been adjusted by the department of public works but have been arbitrarily set by the carriers and have not been changed so as to be in accord with present transportation conditions of livestock in the state.

AUCTION SALES TO START

Government to Sell Surplus War Materials at Camp Lewis.

Washington, D. C.—Auction sales of more than \$1,000,000 worth of surplus war material will be begun next month by the war department and continued until all stocks at Brooklyn, Chicago, San Antonio and San Francisco are disposed of. The commodities to be sold include a wide range of quartermaster and ordnance supplies and smaller quantities of chemical, electrical, engineer and medical items.

The sales in San Francisco will begin October 30, with items valued at \$125,000.

Sales of real estate, buildings and warehouses at Camp Lewis, Wash., also will be made.

INJUNCTION ISSUED AGAINST I. W. W.

Sacramento.—A temporary injunction declared by prosecuting attorneys to be in effect permanent and enforceable throughout the state of California against the activities of the Industrial Workers of the World, its officers and members, was granted in the superior court here.

By the terms of the injunction, the defendants are restrained "from depredations against property by means of criminal syndicalism and sabotage as defined in the criminal syndicalism act" of the state.

Sacramento is to be subjected to a "reign of terror" by the Industrial Workers of the World, and members of the organization plan to give the city "the same kind of a dose that was administered to Centralia, Wash." It has been learned by state investigators who are probing the activities of the organization in California.

Prosecuting attorneys declare that the granting of the injunction will eliminate a long trial, make membership in the I. W. W. a violation of the injunction and as such, contempt of court. A trial on the contempt charge may be held before the court without a jury in any superior court in the state, according to the district attorney. A person found guilty of contempt can be fined \$500 and sentenced to six months in jail.

FRANCE REAFFIRMS POLICY

Reply to British Note Says Germany Must Pay Debt.

Paris.—Germany can obtain evacuation of the Ruhr only by paying reparations, she can assure attenuation of the rigors of the occupation by ceasing passive resistance, and she can win no reduction in the amount she owes France unless the allied creditors of France see fit to give France credit for equal amounts on her war debts.

These are the conclusions of Premier Poincaré's reply to Marquis Curzon's repatriation note of recent date. The French government also expresses its belief that the allies can agree on methods of bringing about the execution of the treaty by continuing courteous negotiations.

The British proposals for a re-estimate of Germany's capacity for pay-

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John C. Coolidge, father of President Calvin Coolidge.

ment, and Lord Curzon's suggestion that the question of legality of the occupation of the Ruhr be referred to The Hague, are rejected, and the French position is reaffirmed as remaining unchanged.

DIVERS SAVE GOLD SUNK DURING WAR

London.—All except a few bars of the \$30,000,000 worth of gold bullion which dropped to the ocean bed when a German submarine sank the Lauratic off Donegal, Ireland, have been recovered by divers, who since 1918 have been carrying on their labors ninety feet below the surface of the sea.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

A threatened strike September 1 of Chicago gas workers caused 1000 police representatives to be ordered assigned in readiness to quell disturbances.

Elithu Root has accepted first place on the jury that will select the winning \$100,000 plan in the American peace award offered by Edward Bok of Philadelphia.

Damage estimated at possibly \$1,000,000 was caused by the breaking of the Apishapa river dam near Fowler, Colo., 34 miles south of Pueblo, following a cloudburst.

The estate of the late Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, mother of William Randolph Hearst, publisher, has been valued by California state inheritance tax appraisers at \$11,012,900.07, and the state will collect an inheritance tax on the estate of \$1,089,945.20.

MUST AVERT STRIKE, PINCHOT DECLARES

Pennsylvania Governor Says
Proposed Walkout Will
Not Be Tolerated.

Harrisburg, Pa.—Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania assembled leaders of each side in the anthracite controversy around his office table and told them bluntly that the proposed suspension of mining September 1 could not be allowed.

Unless this is done, he told them the state of Pennsylvania would use every means to protect the public's interests.

The governor, speaking to the four representatives of the miners and four of the operators in the big gold reception room of the capitol, stressed the need of the public.

The rights of the miners to a fair wage must be accepted, he pointed out. The rights of the operators to a fair profit cannot be violated.

"But the general public is a party to this controversy," he said, "and its rights as well as the rights of the other two parties must be represented and recognized."

SOVIET DISPUTES CLAIM

Russia Reasserts Rights to Control of
Wrangel Island.

Moscow.—Foreign Minister Tchitcherin has sent a note to the British government protesting against the raising of the British flag on Wrangel island by Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the explorer.

Wrangel was incorporated into Russia's territory in the years 1821-34, the note says. In 1910 Russia built lighthouses on the island and undertook other works there and in 1915 formally notified the allied and neutral governments that Wrangel, together with the other islands and territories along the coast of Siberia, constituted integral parts of Russian territory.

As during the entire intervening period no government has questioned Russia's claim to the island, the note says, the soviet government regards the raising of the British flag there as a violation of Russia's sovereign rights.

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