

# AIR BOMB EXPLODES, 2 MEN KILLED

### In Turning Airplane On Field at Aberdeen, Md., Proving Ground, Rudder Hits Bomb and Explosion Follows—Officer Has Eyes Blown Out—12 Men Injured.

BALTIMORE, May 31.—Two soldiers were killed and twelve, including three officers were injured, two perhaps fatally by the explosion of a bomb at the army proving grounds at Aberdeen, Md., today, according to a brief official statement issued by order of the commanding officer late this afternoon.

The following list of casualties was included in the statement: The dead—Privates A. W. Sherman and E. H. Grimmer, both of the fourteenth bombing squadron, air service.

Probably fatally injured—Captain Joseph E. Hall, air service; Private Samuel Weinstein, 34th ordnance company.

Those injured less seriously—First Lieutenant Charles E. Eliason, air service of Hagerstown, Md., first Lieutenant L. C. Reeder, corporal R. F. Coffe, 34th ordnance company; Private F. F. Knabe, 34th ordnance company; Private L. F. Hite, 14th bombing squadron; Private L. J. Bigelow, 34th ordnance company; Private E. W. Hall, 14th bombing squadron; Private C. J. O'Neill, 34th ordnance company; Private M. D. Blevins, 14th bombing squadron; Robert M. Herr, Baltimore, a civilian employe.

### Rudder Hits Bomb.

Unofficial advices said that Captain Hall had both eyes blown out and that Mr. Herr had his left leg blown off.

The official report stated that three bombs, weighing 100 pounds each and one weighing fifty pounds had been loaded upon an airplane for tests. As the plane was about to start its flight it was decided to turn it around and all the injured and dead were about the big plane helping in the operation.

As the plane turned the fifty-pound bomb fell off and an instant later it was struck by the rudder of the machine as it swung around. This caused the explosion in the very midst of the men about the machine.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Two enlisted men were killed outright, two officers and another enlisted man were injured, and perhaps fatally, and nine others, including one officer, were more or less seriously hurt in the explosion of a bomb in an airplane at the Aberdeen, Md., army proving grounds today, according to latest reports to the war department.

The bomb was one being used by the army air service in connection with tests preliminary to the joint bombing experiments to be carried out off the Virginia capes in June and July by the army and the navy.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Two enlisted men were killed and three officers and nine enlisted men were injured in the explosion of a bomb today at the Aberdeen, Md., army proving grounds, according to private messages received from Aberdeen. Reports to the war department said that three officers had been injured, two seriously and eight enlisted men hurt. These reports told of none killed.

### Airplane Wrecked

BALTIMORE, May 31.—The bomb which exploded at the Aberdeen proving grounds today was being taken up in an airplane when the accident occurred an officer at the proving grounds said over the telephone. As the machine started to ascend the bomb fell from its fastenings. The three officers who were injured were in the plane, he said.

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# WM. JENNINGS BRYAN ABANDONS NEBRASKA FOR MIAMI, FLORIDA

NEW YORK, May 31.—William Jennings Bryan will vote in Florida in the future. While here today he announced that his actual residence in that state would become his legal residence. He was influenced in making the change, he said, by the state of Mrs. Bryan's health, and in his new home as expected with public affairs. He said: "Mrs. Bryan's health is such that it is necessary for us to live in the

# France and England Reach Dead Center Silesian Question

PARIS, May 31.—(By Associated Press.) The exchange of views between London and Paris regarding a meeting of the allied supreme council to consider the Silesian question, has reached a sort of dead center. Mr. Lloyd George, British prime minister, is insisting that the premiers meet previous to the creation of an expert mission to examine the Silesian problem. Premier Briand handed the British ambassador here last evening a note repeating the French argument and dwelling upon the impossibility of the premiers taking effective action previous to the examination of the question by the experts.

# MARINE STRIKE FLARES AGAIN; RIOTS STARTED

### Baltimore Ship Set Fire to and Matson Employees in San Francisco Attacked—Portland Engineers Refuse the Latest Proposal.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—The local union of the Marine Engineers Beneficial association last night voted unanimously against accepting the latest proposal for settling the marine strike on the basis of fifteen per cent reduction, according to announcement today by Barney Dionne, financial secretary. He refused to verify the report given out unofficially Sunday that at a meeting Saturday night the union voted in favor of acceptance.

Local shipping board officers announced that the steamer Coaxet would leave for the Far East late today with a non-union crew.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.—Thomas A. Colleen, a chauffeur of the Matson Navigation company, was severely beaten today and five others received minor injuries in what the police described as a riot in the waterfront district between non-union marine workers and union sympathizers.

An attack was made, the police said, on an automobile driven by Colleen containing eight non-union men.

BALTIMORE, May 31.—The passenger and freight steamer Buckeye State, one of the large liners plying between Baltimore, San Francisco and Pacific ports, caught fire shortly after five o'clock while tied up at a Baltimore and Ohio railroad pier. The steamer is one of the shipping board vessels affected by the marine strike. The blaze was confined to the boiler room where oil waste was ignited by sparks, according to reports.

BUENOS AIRES, May 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—Fire of unknown origin broke out this morning on board the United States shipping board steamer, Martha Washington, but the blaze was quickly extinguished. The strike of longshoremen continues, but the employment of non-union labor is increasing in the port area, which is being guarded by military forces.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 31.—Tommy Milton, winner of the ninth 500-mile automobile race at the speedway yesterday in record-breaking time over a field of internationally known drivers representing five countries, brought his American-made car through to victory by a margin much less than his three-lap lead on Roscoe Saries, second place finisher. Indicated, it became known today. Milton drove the last few miles of his race with only seven cylinders hitting and was on the verge of going out several times.

# HEAVY DROP R. R. WAGES TOMORROW

### Slash By Railroad Labor Board to Take at Least \$300,000,000 From Payrolls—Freight Rates to Be Cut to Meet Water Competition—E. D. Chambers Testifies.

### S. P. TO REDUCE FREIGHT RATES ON DRIED FRUIT

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.—The Southern Pacific company has decided to reduce freight rates on rice, barley, canned goods, dried fruit, dried beans and dried peas from California points to Galveston and New Orleans for export to Europe, it was announced today by the company. The reductions range from 15 per cent on rice to 43 per cent on dried fruit in boxes, the average being about 32 per cent.

### CHICAGO, May 31.—The United States railroad labor board today completed work on the decision which it will hand down tomorrow, cutting the wages of employes of 104 railroads.

Eventually the new rates to be established will apply to every road in the country. Advance estimates of the slash to be ordered by the board place the figures somewhere between ten and fifteen per cent, with the general belief that it will be nearer the lower figure than the higher. A ten per cent cut would subtract some \$300,000,000 from the nation's railway wage bill.

Tomorrow's decision will be effective July 1, just fourteen months after the \$600,000,000 increase of last year took effect.

### Cut Freight Rates

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Transcontinental railroad freight rates are being altered to meet ocean competition via the Panama canal, Edward Chambers, vice president of the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe declared today before the senate committee investigating the railroad situation.

"We shall fix the rates from San Francisco to New York to meet the water carriers," Mr. Chambers said, "and then modify the interior rates, and we so that Kansas City, Chicago and Cincinnati, for instance, will get the same rate as that to New York and producers in all parts will be placed on a competitive basis."

"What that means," said Chairman Cummins, "will be that you will then be carrying freight from Chicago or Kansas City to New York or vice versa, for nothing."

Senator Pomerene, democrat, Ohio, read into the records a series of rates showing that interior cities pay greater freight rates on a number of commodities than coast cities pay for longer hauls on the same products.

Mr. Chambers declared that the water rates should be regulated by the inter-state commerce commission and that the rates should be high enough to allow the Panama canal to pay interest on the costs of construction.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Existing freight rates are not responsible for the stagnation in the building industry and have not operated to curtail railroad construction, E. D. Chambers, vice president of the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe said today in resuming his testimony before the senate inter-state commerce committee which is inquiring into the transportation situation.

"In cities on the Pacific coast and through the west, south and east," Mr. Chambers said, "conditions surrounding the building industry appear to be about the same. The general report is that a comparatively small amount of building is being done. At San Francisco, Seattle and Portland where lumber is at the door, conditions are the same as at Kansas City, Omaha, Chicago or Cleveland."

WASHINGTON, May 31.—With two men on bases "Babe" Ruth hit a home run in the ninth inning of the game here between the New York and Washington Americans. Zachery was pitching. It was Ruth's fifteenth home run.

NEW YORK.—Rocky Kansas wcr from Gene Delmont in twelve rounds.

# 3 British Soldiers Killed Instantly By Sinn Fein Bombs

CORK, May 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—Three soldiers were killed instantly, three mortally wounded and others badly injured when mines were exploded this morning under a party of soldiers who were proceedings from the Yeough barracks here to the rifle range, says a statement issued by the military authorities this evening. The men who exploded the mines ran off.

# FINAL TRIBUTE TO SIMON HAWK INSPIRING ONE

The military funeral given Russell Simon Hawk, one of the Jackson county heroes who fell in battle at Chateau Thierry, yesterday afternoon was so largely attended that not nearly all the crowd could get into the Christian church where at 2 p. m. the services were held. The funeral procession to the cemetery was one of the largest in the city's history, and another large crowd witnessed the military burial rites at the grave. Altogether this funeral made the Memorial day observance of Medford doubly impressive.

At the church the services were in charge of Rev. D. E. Millard, the subject of whose funeral address was "Glory of Our Hope," and the services at the grave were in charge of the American Legion.

Interspersed with the address at the church were beautiful selections by a male quartet entitled "Sometime, Somewhere," and "A Beautiful Land." There was a wealth of floral tributes and on the flag-draped and flower-covered casket was a picture of Russell Simon Hawk in his marine uniform. Scattered around among the floral tributes were some of the citations for bravery in action he had received from the French and American governments. The picture on the casket showed him wearing one of these citations.

In his eloquent funeral address Rev. Millard reviewed the career and services to his country of the Butte Falls soldier and in line with his address, brought out the idea that in the great world war and other wars the American soldiers were able to go into battle unflinchingly led by their hope of reward for sacrificial deeds in the life beyond, if they fell. This hope also inspired the Christian nation in war, and was the inspiration of that inspiring song written during the war: "Have You Seen Him in Flanders?"

The services over, the military procession marched to the cemetery to the strains of a solemn dirge played by the D. O. K. band, in the following order: Band, escort of ex-service sailors in uniform, American Legion officers and speakers, the hearse with the pallbearers, all ex-marines in uniform, relatives, the American Legion post, and finally many autos containing friends.

Commander Frank P. Farrell of the Medford post assumed charge of the services at the grave and the American Legion ritual was observed with George Gates acting as chaplain. Lieutenant Colonel E. E. Kelly pronounced an eloquent eulogy which was all the more impressive through his giving a personal touch by relating incidents of the campaign and battles and hardships in which Russell Simon Hawk and his comrades passed through prior to the fall of the brave Marine at Chateau Thierry.

The sailor squad fired a salute, taps were sounded and thus concluded the tribute to the memory of the departed soldier.

# BORAH RESOLUTION UP IN PARLIAMENT

LONDON, May 30.—(By Associated Press.) The Borah resolution recently passed by the United States senate, suggesting the calling of an international disarmament conference, to be participated in by representatives of Great Britain, Japan and the United States was under discussion in the house of commons today. In reply to a question regarding the passage of the Borah proposal, Mr. Lloyd George, the prime minister, said he had observed the proceedings in the senate but had not yet received any invitation from President Harding to consider the mutual limitation of naval armaments.

# DIKE BREAKS ON COLUMBIA PEOPLE FLEE

### 5000 Acres Near Woodland, Washington Flooded—Damage Estimated at Half Million—Warning Is Given in Time to Prevent Loss of Life—Water Spreading.

WOODLAND, Wash., May 31.—Flood waters of the Columbia river, which broke through 75 feet of dike six miles north of here last night, were spreading today after having flooded nearly 5000 acres to a depth of eight to ten feet. No loss of life was suffered as warning was given all residents of the flooded area. Damage was chiefly to crops and was estimated at \$200,000 to \$500,000.

At five o'clock this morning the water broke through a culvert on the Northern Pacific railroad fill, causing further spread of the flood. The culvert had been blocked up with sandbags against the rising waters during the night. Neither the town of Woodland, which is on high ground, nor the railroad track, appeared in any danger from the waters today. Crops of wheat, oats and potatoes were destroyed and some cattle were endangered.

### Expect Water to Spread

The water was expected to spread today over additional land to the south of this town as the level of the water outside the break still is several feet above that inside.

Warning was given all persons in the danger zone in time for them to escape shortly after the break at about 7 o'clock last night, and about 1000 men hurried to the flooding area to render any possible aid. Hundreds of head of livestock were rounded up and driven from the land upon which the waters were spreading. About a hundred head of cattle still were to be taken from the flooded district today.

Grant Burke son of James A. Burke pioneer farmer of Kalama and Woodland, had a narrow escape from being carried away by the water when a pump house on the dike was washed away as the dike broke. Young Burke with his father and F. C. Burke of Oregon City, was inspecting the dike when the break came and was in the pump house.

Diking district number five in which the flood waters are spreading, includes from 6000 to 7000 acres. The dike is eleven miles long and is three fourths of a mile inland from the banks of the Columbia.

# BASEBALL SCORES

National League	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	5	8	2
New York	5	9	2
Cincinnati	6	13	2
Walkner and Clemens; Luque and Winsor.			

R. H. E.			
Philadelphia	10	15	2
New York	5	9	3
Madoux, Hubbell and Broggy; Barnes, Sallee, Perritt and Smith.			

R. H. E.			
Brooklyn	4	1	0
Boston	2	10	4
Grimes and Miller; Fillingim, Scott and Gowdy.			

R. H. E.			
Chicago	7	17	1
Pittsburg	6	14	2
Vaughn and Daly; Cooper, Carlson, Hamilton and Schmidt.			

American League	R.	H.	E.
First game:			
Boston	5	10	1
Philadelphia	3	8	2
Myers and Walters; Harris and Perkins.			

R. H. E.			
Second game:			
New York	8	11	0
Philadelphia	4	9	6
Pennock and Ruel; Hasty and Perkins.			

R. H. E.			
St. Louis	8	14	2
Chicago	7	16	3
Kulp, Palmer, Shoemaker and Seveid; Collins; Mulreanan, Davenport, Freeman, Hodge and Yaryan.			

R. H. E.			
Cleveland	7	12	0
Detroit	4	8	1
Mails and Thomas; Daus and Ainsmith.			

R. H. E.			
New York	5	13	2
Washington	12	17	1
Hoyt, Sheehan and Schang; DeVormer; Zachery and Gharrity.			

# Sen. McNary Starts Intervention Suit Henry Albers Case

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Senator McNary of Oregon, announced today that he would file with the supreme court a petition for leave to intervene as a friend of the court in the case of Henry Albers, a wealthy citizen of Portland, who was convicted there of violations of the espionage act. When the case was appealed to the supreme court, the government confessed error and the conviction was reversed, to be reconvicted, according to Solicitor General Frierson for a new trial. If the permission he seeks is granted, Mr. McNary will ask the court to vacate its mandate and to hear the appeal.

# JAPAN PLACES NAVY CONTRACT WITH AMERICA

### N. Y. Shipbuilding Corp., to Build Supply Ship of 20,000 Tons for Imperial Navy—Evidence of Good Will, Says Jap.

(By International News Service) NEW YORK, May 31.—The first naval contract placed in many years by the Imperial Japanese government with an American shipyard, has been signed in the offices of the New York Shipbuilding corporation, according to an announcement made by Captain M. Yokura, I. J. N., chairman of the Imperial Japanese Naval commission visiting the United States on behalf of Captain Goto, chief of the Imperial Japanese Naval Inspector's Office, No. 1, Madison avenue.

The contract was signed by Captain Yokura and Captain Goto representing the Imperial Japanese navy, and was accepted by Marvin A. Neeland, president of the New York Shipbuilding corporation. It calls for the construction of a unique type of vessel, a combination coal and oil supply ship of 20,000 tons for fueling the various units of the Japanese navy.

Captain Yokura, who with Captain Goto, represented the Japanese government in placing this contract, stated that it was an evidence of the cordial feeling which Japan has for the United States. Captain Yokura further pointed out that the placing of this contract was proof of Japan's desire to have only the most friendly commercial relations with the granary of North America, which for over half a century has been Japan's true friend and ally.

After accepting the contract for his corporation, Mr. Neeland issued the following statement: "It is a matter of profound satisfaction and pride to the entire organization of New York Shipbuilding corporation that its plant has been selected as the medium for giving so tangible a proof of the mutual good will between the two countries. No more convincing proof is needed of the friendly relations between the two countries than the fact that the government of Japan has entrusted the construction of an important fleet unit to American shipbuilders."

### To Be Electrically Driven

George J. Baldwin, chairman of the board of directors of the New York Shipbuilding Corporation, said: "In the past England alone has been entrusted with such construction. The impetus given to shipbuilding in the United States since 1914 has developed our old-line shipyards to a position which is not generally appreciated in this country. It is an indication of the changed industrial conditions of the world that Japan has come to this country for the construction of this naval vessel."

The vessel will be constructed with both oil and coal bunkers, while a feature of the new craft will be the installation of an anti-torpedo boat battery.

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# JAPAN HAS CONTROL OF MANCHURIA

### Russell Declares Chinese Espion in Richest Province Is Hand in Glove With Nippon—Plans to Be Made King Under Japanese Protection—Only Obstacle Is People.

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PEKING, May 31.—"The Chinese Emperor," said an English friend at Shanghai, will be restored to his throne next Wednesday morning about sunrise. I got this information from the best inside sources and you can depend upon it absolutely. Everything



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has been arranged, and the republic is done for." "This was on a Friday night. A monarch kicked off his throne and then managing to crawl back to it is rare in history and must be admitted to afford some spectacle. Therefore I took a train from Shanghai early Monday morning for Peking to get a front seat at the show.

Alas, for the vanity of prophecy! There wasn't any show. I went out to the Forbidden City Wednesday morning and saw the house where dwells the poor little neurotic descendant of a long line of Manchu kings, and there wasn't any more sign of uprising, rebellion, riot or rumour than there is at a prayer meeting. The English press kindly explained that as a restoration was the only logical and proper outcome of the present situation it was certain to arrive some day, perhaps next week; to this being the eighteenth time in three years that it had been scheduled and had blown up without any rain checks the spectators have lost interest and say it is a punk entertainment.

Still I cannot deny that many foreigners in Peking, including all the British, and I think the Japanese, believe that monarchy is on its way back. No doubt the thought has the same old familiar parentage in Wash. The British and Japanese want the empire back because to both it is in their line of business; the British being against all republics everywhere and the Japanese thinking they can the more easily get from a monarchy the concessions and other good things they are after.

### Japanese Own Chang Tao

Our Japanese friends, by the way, would seem to the casual eye to be doing pretty well under the present management of the shop. Helped by the Twenty-one Demands and the liberal use of money they look like the

# GREEN BAY ASKS WISCONSIN STATE TROOPS TO QUELL PAPER MILL RIOTS

MADISON, Wis., May 31.—Request was made of Governor Blaine today by the sheriff of Brown county for immediate dispatch of troops to Green Bay to quell disturbances which are said to have grown out of a strike in three paper mills there. Governor Blaine said he would get in touch with Brown county officials at once and determine if state action is necessary.

GREEN BAY, Wis., May 31.—All officials, office employes and strike-breakers employed at the Northern Paper mills were turned away this morning when they sought to gain entrance to the mill, by more than 1000 strikers doing picket duty at the mill, according to Louis Altard, local president of the papermaker's union. Earlier two men said to be strikers were slashed in an affray with four men declared to be mill employes.