

Today

By Arthur Brisbane
Watching 7300 Tickers. •
Good Rain, Good Crops.
Another Flying Lady.
Heavy Loss Stabilized.

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"Everybody" is a big word, but it is a fact that almost everybody is in the "street," that is to say, speculating in stocks. The business man, grown rich at something he understands, may feel sorry for himself later. The girl with a typewriter in front of her has a few shares, and wonders when she will have a million.

There is more interest in 7300 stock exchange tickers than in all the books in all the libraries.

There was trembling among tickers and ticker watchers when call money, used for speculation, went to 7 per cent, and stocks went down.

"Big people" apparently want to discourage excessive gambling by the little people.

Crops in the corn belt have taken an upward turn. Rains in Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri and Oklahoma cheer the farmers. The Arkansas River valley reports, "Wheat will make 35 bushels to the acre."

All that is cheerful for the Republican candidate, whoever he may be.

Nothing melts irritation on the farms like good rains, good crops, good prices.

LaFollette's vote dwindled away as the price of wheat went up.

Farmers who demand a presidential candidate "in favor of farm equality," really need equality in methods of production. A blacksmith making an automobile with his own hands would vainly demand equality with production on a big scale.

Farmers, in this age of perfected industry and quantity production, do their own producing, largely, with the methods of one hundred years ago.

They will remember that it is easy to make promises.

"There shall be in England three halfpenny loaves sold for a penny; the three-hooped pot shall have ten hoops; and I will make it a felony to drink small beer."

In a general way, the public feels that young ladies trying to attract attention might find some better plan than adding their weight to a dangerous trans-Atlantic flight. But there will be sympathy for Miss Earhart, now flying with Pilot Stultz.

When she isn't flying, Miss Earhart is looking after poor children, giving her money and her time. An excellent flier, she has never had an accident and was one of the first to put capital into the Dennison airport.

The franc will be stabilized, probably at four cents. Thousands of French people with incomes from the French government "rentes perpetuelle" will have their fortunes permanently reduced by 80 per cent.

It is as though millions of Americans should suddenly find their dollars worth twenty cents. France won the war, but war does not pay, even when you win. And that important fact will do more than all the peace treaties to discourage future wars.

John J. Raskob, chairman of General Motors Finance Corporation, is worried by prohibition. Three hundred thousand workmen are em-

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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1928.

Weather Year Ago

Maximum 89
Minimum 52

No. 76.

"SOUTHERN CROSS" HOPS OFF AGAIN

BIG PLANE STARTS FOR AUSTRALIA TWO GIRLS READY FOR SEA FLIGHT

Captain Smith and Three Companions Fly From Albert Park to Beach at Nazelai—Final Take-Off Due at 7 o'Clock Tonight.

SUVA, FIJI, June 6.—(AP)—The Southern Cross will hop off at 7 p. m. tomorrow from the beach at Nazelai, 16 miles from here, on its 1750-mile flight to Brisbane, Australia. Flight Commander Kingsford-Smith announced late tonight.

This would be 7 o'clock Wednesday night, Pacific coast time.

A stretch of sand three miles long, as described by Kingsford-Smith as "equal to the best runway in the world," will serve to get the Southern Cross in the air in continuation of its long flight from Oakland, Calif., to Sydney, Australia.

The government yacht Pioneer will leave at 7:30 a. m. tomorrow (11:30 a. m. Wednesday, Pacific coast time) for Nazelai, carrying 800 gallons of oil and a supply of lubricating oil.

The four aviators, Kingsford-Smith, Charles Ulm, co-pilot; Harry Lyon, navigator, and James Warner, radio operator, will hop off from Albert Park here, where they landed after a 2188-mile Australian flight at 10:45 a. m. (2:15 p. m. Wednesday, Pacific coast time) for the beach at Nazelai.

It was announced that the two Americans, Lyon and Warner, would accompany the Australians to Brisbane.

Honored at Ball.

At a brilliant ball at the Pacific hotel, in the aviators' honor tonight, the governor presented them gifts from the colonists in the form of 299 sovereigns in a Fiji-made tortoiseshell casket and a tortoiseshell badge inlaid with gold.

Two young women presented floral tributes, designed as the Stars and Stripes, to Lyon and Warner, and a floral piece of the Australian flag of red, white and blue, to Kingsford-Smith and Ulm.

Charles Ulm made a speech describing a phase of the flight which was fraught with many thrills.

"I am telling you on behalf of myself and comrades that we would have been cold meat but for the aid of our two American friends, Harry Lyon, navigator, and James Warner, radio operator.

"Imagine the roar of the plane's 600-horsepower motors, the plane's small cabin deafened with the roar of the motors, trying to send and receive radio messages 100 per cent efficient, 4,000 to 5,000 miles away.

"Jim Warner possessed no mean skill and was full of courage getting back to the old seagoe again. (Warner was a former steamship radio operator.)

"Night before last in the middle of the Pacific, the fates were not with us.

"We struck bad weather, our job was intricate. The direction was taken from the hands of the navigators. The wild flying was getting to the stage where one might just go mad. Smith was doing skillful flying, dodging storm clouds, turning at right angles when flying 100 miles an hour.

"The navigator's skill, resource and initiative were shown when, after all these quick movements throughout the night, that he could plot out our position, and when we came out of the mists, to say: 'Here, boys, here's where you are.'

"That we came through was not luck. Get the right men and equipment, co-ordinate them, and you will get through."

In opening his speech at the banquet, Ulm said the "difference between an aviator and a parrot was that a parrot could talk but not fly, and an aviator can fly but not talk."

Lyon then addressed the gathering.

"I had to navigate," he said. "If I hadn't found Suva, where would I have been? I have had such a good time in this world that I want to carry on."

SAN FRANCISCO, June 4.—(AP)—The Examiner has received from Captain Kingsford-Smith at Suva the following cable:

"I particularly request that you

Miss Boll Declares She Will Hop Off Tomorrow From New York, While Miss Earhart Will Start As Soon As Weather Looks Favorable.

TREPASSEY, N. J., June 6.—(AP)—Reports of bad weather conditions in mid-Atlantic caused the crew of the trans-Atlantic plane Friendship to announce late this afternoon that their hop-off for Europe would be postponed again. No definite time for the start was assigned.

TREPASSEY, N. J., June 6.—(AP)—Last minute preparations for the attempt of the trans-Atlantic Friendship to cross the Atlantic were made today. Only a strong wind from the northwest delayed the flight.

The three fliers—Miss Amelia Earhart, Wilmer Stultz, pilot, and Louis Gordon, mechanic—had a good sleep last night and awoke with renewed determination to get away as soon as a moderation or shift of the wind should make it safe to try to lift the plane with its heavy load of gasoline from the harbor and head it out over the ocean.

Early in the forenoon Stultz and Gordon went out to the plane. Although the refueling was believed to have been completed yesterday, they decided to put a little more gasoline aboard. They attended also to a few other details of the final preparations. Miss Earhart did not go to the plane with them at that time.

The sky was clear and the fliers were hopeful that the start could be made some time today.

CURTIS FIELD, New York, June 6.—(AP)—Miss Mabel Boll with a crew of two men will attempt a non-stop flight to Europe tomorrow in the trans-Atlantic plane Columbia of Charles A. Levine, the latter announced this afternoon. The pilots will be Oliver Ledwith, formerly of the British army, and Captain Arthur Argolis of Minnesota.

Mr. Levine said that only four hours would be required to fuel the plane with gasoline already at the field. The long runways of Roosevelt field, adjoining, were fast drying in the sun this afternoon and it seemed that they would be in good condition tomorrow. Levine expressed the belief that Miss Boll stood an excellent chance of fulfilling her long-standing desire to be the first woman to fly across the Atlantic.

The Columbia's destination in Europe has not been fixed and will depend entirely on conditions encountered in the flight.

Baseball Scores

National.	
	R. H. E.
Chicago	5 9 9
Philadelphia	6 6 1
Malone, Bush, Jones and Hartnett; Miller, Walsh and Schulte.	
American.	
	R. H. E.
Cincinnati	5 7 1
Brooklyn	8 12 2
Kopf, Mays, Edwards and Pincus; Harava; Mcweeney, Ehrhardt and Henline.	
	R. H. E.
St. Louis	11 17 6
New York	6 10 2
Alexander, Mitchell and Wilson; Abridge, Faulkner, Chapin and O'Farrell.	
Pittsburgh at Boston postponed; rain.	
Washington at Chicago postponed; wet grounds.	
Boston at Detroit postponed; rain.	
	R. H. E.
New York	8 14 1
Cleveland	2 7 1
Fenwick and Grabowski; Uble, Bayne, Levens and Sewell.	
	R. H. E.
Philadelphia	2 8 6
St. Louis	5 7 1
Batteries, Ehmke, Rommel and Cochrane; Gray and Manion.	
Bally Is Nominated	
INDIANAPOLIS, June 6.—(AP)—Frank C. Bally of Indianapolis, an attorney, was nominated as the democratic candidate for governor of Indiana at the state convention here today.	
Victory came on the first ballot. Other contestants were John E. Frederick, Kokomo; George Dale, Muncie; and Earl Crawford, Milton.	

DARING TRANSPACIFIC FLIGHT IN "SOUTHERN CROSS"



Successfully completing the first leg of their transpacific flight attempt, two Australian airmen, Captain Charles Kingsford-Smith and his relief pilot, Charles T. P. Ulm, accompanied by Lieutenant Harry Lyons, Jr., navigator, and James Warner, radio operator, both Americans, are confident of accomplishing the remainder of their 7,778-mile flight to Australia. Above is a view of the Southern Cross, their Fokker plane, in flight; center, a map of the route across the Pacific, with inset of the fliers; and, below, scenes at Hawaii, the Fiji islands, and Sydney, Australia, stopping points on the way across.

NEWSPAPER IS HELD UP BY 6 ARMED BANDITS SENATE STARTS ON CASH TRAIL OF GOV. SMITH WILL ROGERS IN PLANE CRASH AT LAS VEGAS

Payroll of \$65,000 Grabbed at Detroit News By Band of Yeggs in Broad Daylight—Escape Made in Shower of Bullets.

DETROIT, Mich., June 6.—(AP)—Six men armed with sawed-off shotguns held up more than 150 persons in the Detroit News building shortly after 11 a. m. today and escaped in an automobile with the greater part of the newspaper's weekly payroll, the total of which was \$65,000.

Some of the money was dropped in a dash from the building and during a gun fight on the street in which a patrolman was probably fatally wounded.

Leaving their car parked in front of the newspaper plant the robbers dashed up a stairway to the second floor. Some of them covered the 150 or more employees in the business office with shotguns while others leaped over the top of the cashier's cage and hurriedly scooped up all the money in sight.

DENTIST BLOWN UP BY DYNAMITE

PORTERVILLE, Cal., June 6.—(AP)—Dr. Seymour Davies, 45, dentist and prominent orange grower, was blown to fragments late yesterday when a quantity of dynamite which he was carrying in the rear end of his automobile exploded.

The death cut short a romance which was scheduled to have culminated in his marriage to a Porterville young woman in less than a week.

Steiner Committee Inquires Into Methods of Awarding Large Contracts in New York State—Witness Deals in Large Figures.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—(AP)—Details of contracts made by various departments of the New York city government with corporations controlled respectively by William H. Todd and William F. Kenny, ardent supporters of the candidacy of Governor Smith of New York for the democratic presidential nomination, were inquired into today by the senate campaign funds committee.

Albert Goldman, city commissioner of plants and structures, which controls operation of the municipal ferry system and maintenance of the boats, told the committee that a total of \$12,522,101 had been expended by his department on boat repairs since July 1, 1918. Of that amount he added, the Todd company had been awarded \$2,259,920.

Goldman also gave figures on traffic control signal contracts let since the same date, putting the figure at \$509,714. Of that work the Kenny company was awarded \$10,511 in contracts and the Hickey company, allied with the Kenny interests, \$29.

Fire Commissioner John J. Dorman placed the total of contracts and "open market orders" given by his department since January 1, 1918, and including June 5, 1928, at \$7,926,358 of that sum the Todd Drydock corporation had received \$224,527 and the Hickey company \$49,844.

Dorman explained that open market orders involved amounts less than \$1000, but added that even these small orders, though not required by law, were never placed except under competitive bidding.

Chairman Steiner of the committee questioned Dorman as to whether his department purchased gasoline tank wagons made by only one company.

Famous Humorist Lights On His Head, But Is Not Seriously Injured—Puts All Blame On the G. O. P. Convention.

LAS VEGAS, N. M., June 6.—(AP)—Will Rogers, the humorist, and Dr. L. D. Cheney, passengers, and Pilot Fred Kelly narrowly escaped death near here today when the new monoplane air mail carrier of the Western Air Express, flying from Los Angeles to Salt Lake, turned over nose first and landed squarely on its back. The three men were practically unhurt. The right wheel broke and caused the accident when landing.

Rogers, after being released from the upside-down plane, was a little dazed, but quickly recovered and said:

"I just started for the republican convention at Kansas City but landed on my head at Las Vegas. Serves me right for not going to the democratic convention instead. I want to make it clear that Pilot Kelly is not to blame for this little accident."

Pilot Kelly said:

"The right wheel broke and the ship ground looped. The time from Los Angeles to Las Vegas was one hour and forty minutes."

Dr. Cheney received a slight cut over the right eye from flying glass.

PALMITER AGAIN HEADS GRANGE

RAINIER, Ore., June 6.—(AP)—The State Grange today ratified the following officers elected at the referendum vote:

George A. Palmiter, Hood River, master; Mat C. Glover, Clackamas, county overseer; Berta J. Beck, secretary; Minnie E. Bend, lecturer; C. P. Bailey, Ray W. Gill and W. P. Geckler, executive committee.

Southern Bishop to Turn Republican If Al's Nominated

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 6.—(AP)—A petition containing 500,000 signatures protesting against the nomination of Al Smith is being prepared for presentation to the democratic national convention, according to Bishop H. M. Dubose of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, who in an address here last night said he would "turn republican" if the New York governor were nominated.

STILL HOPE TO FIND ITALIA AT FRANZ JOSEPH

In Spite of Radio Errors, Russian Rescuers Believe Nobile and Missing Crew Are On Franz Joseph Island—Planes Fly North

MOSCOW, June 6.—(AP)—Elation in Moscow caused by a growing belief that the missing dirigible Italia had come down on Franz Josef land east of Spitzbergen gave way to vague doubts today when at least one of the SOS messages thought to have been picked up in Siberia turned out to be a false alarm.

It appeared today that the Murmansk station which yesterday reported hearing the Italia, mistook radio instructions sent out from Moscow concerning rescue plans for the missing dirigible's call.

The failure of the big Siberian radio station which has been calling Nobile regularly at intervals of 10 minutes, to secure a response, has caused further misgivings.

Still, the most noted Russian Arctic explorer, such as Vize and Zarembovich, cling to the idea that the Italia came down on Franz Josef land and that the first message reported to have been picked up regarding this in north Dvinsk was genuine.

Guided by expert opinion, the soviet rescue commission has decided to continue its preliminary preparations to search Franz Josef land and Nova Zemlya, to make sure that Nobile and his crew are not stranded in those regions.

The powerful dirigible's call, Malign, bearing the plane U-3, will proceed to the western shores of Nova Zemlya and to Admiralty Nobile knew and probably would have tried hard to reach.

From Cape Flora, Chuchovsky will fly over Franz Josef land and will either land or drop provisions and medical supplies for the missing ship.

The soviet rescue commission has appointed three leaders for its expedition. These being Professor Vize, Arctic explorer; Chuchovsky and Captain Anufriev.

Find No Trace.

OSLO, Norway, June 6.—(AP)—Advice from Spitzbergen today said that Lieutenant Luetzow Holm, Norwegian flier, had made one flight in search of the missing dirigible Italia and found nothing.

Holm, the first flier to try to find the Italia from the air, operated from the sealing ship Hobby, now off the northern coast of west Spitzbergen.

KING'S BAY, Spitzbergen, June 6.—(AP)—The sealer Hobby, which has arrived at Lofde bay in search of the dirigible Italia, reported that it had explored the district between Amsterdam island and Widge fjord without finding any trace of the airship.

Amsterdam island is one of the northernmost points of Spitzbergen.

HOOVER IS VICTORIOUS IN TEXAS

Four More Delegates Added to G. O. P. Nominee's Total, Giving Him 37 Victories for Contested Seats—Ralph Williams of Oregon Aids Hoover—Feeling Grows Strained.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 6.—(AP)—The four Greater delegates at large from Texas, instructed for Herbert Hoover for president, today were granted seats in next week's republican convention over the protest of a rival faction headed by Representative Wurzbach of San Antonio.

No roll call vote was taken. Ralph E. Williams, committee man from Oregon, who has been directing the fight in the committee for the Hoover forces, proposed after a hearing that the slate sponsored by R. B. Creager, national committee man from Texas, be seated.

C. C. Littleton of Fort Worth, one of the delegates at large on the Wurzbach slate, was in the executive committee session holding a proxy from South Dakota. He proposed a substitute that the "big four" delegation, of which he was a member, be recognized but his motion was rejected by an overwhelming vote. The committee then made a quick job of it in voting to place the Creager delegates on the temporary convention roll.

In addition to Creager, those seated were Eugene Nolte of Seign, Orville Bullington of Wichita Falls and R. P. Lee of Houston.

Lowden Gets Four

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 6.—(AP)—Four delegates at large to the republican convention pledged as supporters for F. O. Lowden, were seated today when the national committee ratified the withdrawal of a contest against them.

The delegation whose credentials were recognized is headed by Jas. W. Tolbert, national committee man from South Carolina. The other three delegates are Samuel J. Leaphart of Lexington, Wesley S. Brown of Barnwell and John H. Goodwin of Columbia.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 6.—(AP)—The drive to clinch the republican presidential nomination for Herbert Hoover, but whether it succeeds depends upon the ability of his managers to overcome the many obstacles opponents are placing in his way.

33 Delegates for Hoover

Encouraged by national committee decisions which in the last two days have brought 33 delegates definitely under the Hoover banner, his backers are expressing increased confidence that he can go over on an early ballot.

The convention will be in full blast a week hence, but many of the men who will play a big hand in the selection of the nominee are not yet on the scene.

Lowden is still to come. Curtis of Kansas is an absentee. Mellon, the man who has not yet shown his hand, won't be here until Sunday. Leaders of the so-called farm revolt are just beginning to show up.

Until the whole picture is completed and some of the big unstructured delegations reach the convention city, hold their caucuses and chart their course, the final word cannot be written. Even then, many party leaders point out that no national convention is bomb proof against the numerous uncertainties which crop up at any time in political maneuvering.

One of these is considered in some quarters as apt to come to a head as a result of the disarrangement expressed in the corn belt over President Coolidge's veto of the McNary-Haugen farm bill.

The farm leaders have served notice that they will be on hand to press their claims, but so far there has been little concrete evidence of their program getting underway.

Hoover Leader Confident
No one in the Hoover camp, where there has been activity for days, professes to be worried over the outlook. James W. Good, the Hoover campaign generalissimo, in a statement made public today, said that national committee decisions, seating Hoover delegates from Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi, "will, of course, disappoint many who had hoped that Mr. Hoover could be robbed of a block of southern delegates."

"The rubric of the national committee," Good declared, "not only

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