

EX-MEDFORDITE STAR WITNESS AT GRAIN HEARING

PORTLAND, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—Arthur M. Geary, Portland attorney, testifying today at the in-grain rate hearing, said that if railroads in the United States were operated as efficiently as those in Canada, wheat could be shipped here cheaper than in Canada.

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When one of Geary's answers did not suit the St. Paul attorney, he charged the witness with "trying to sneak out of giving an answer."

Later the Great Northern representative, in answer to a question by the witness, declared he "was not in the habit of getting these things out of the air as is the witness."

After a large number of statistics introduced as exhibits had been given a fine-tooth comb examination, Hagman declared to the witness:

"Not one word in your exhibits shows what it costs to carry a ton of freight on an American railroad and on a Canadian road."

One of Hagman's main objections to the comparison given in the exhibit was that Geary did not mention the large amount of taxes the American railroads have to pay, whereas the western section of the Canadian Pacific railroad is tax free.

"I do not think the matter of taxes would make any material difference in this question," said Geary, to which there was a chorus of opposition from the railroad attorneys.

Asked by the Great Northern attorney if the witness could tell how the American railroads could be operated more efficiently, Geary replied:

Baseball Scores

AMERICAN. NEW YORK, July 14.—(AP)—Babe Ruth hit his 25th home run of the season in the second inning of the first game of today's doubleheader with Cleveland.

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H. SCHOOL GIRL SHOT FATHER AT MOTHER'S WORD

BISMARCK, Mo., July 14.—(AP)—Ada Riggs, 19-year-old high school graduate, was in the county jail at Farmington today after police said she had admitted killing her stepfather, William Silas Simpson, a garage owner and mechanic.

With the girl were her mother, Mrs. William Simpson, and an uncle, Oscar Greenwald, who police said confessed they had loaded and cocked the shotgun with which the girl shot her stepfather.

The girl, who graduated from high school this spring, said she had her mother and uncle had planned for some time to do away with Simpson, "to bring peace into the family."

According to stories of the trio, Greenwald and Mrs. Simpson loaded a shotgun and gave it to the girl. They cocked the weapon because she was unfamiliar with firearms.

Ada was then sent outside while Mrs. Simpson and Greenwald raised a window. They managed to get Simpson unscathed before the open window, where he was shot in the head by his son-in-law.

Four small children of Mrs. Simpson by her present marriage were asleep in the home at the time. The uncle had been using in the Simpson home and worked in Simpson's garage.

The shooting brought a crowd to the Simpson home and efforts to track the slayer with bloodhounds were futile. Greenwald was later arrested on suspicion and his confession paved the way for confession of the girl and her mother.

DRUNK HUSBAND KILLS WIFE AND SHOOTS 2 MEN

POCATTELLO, Ida., July 14.—(AP)—John Alfred, 42, farmer of Aberdeen, 25 miles west of here, shot and killed his wife and her brother, Joseph Russell, and wounded another brother-in-law last night.

The tragedy, according to the details received here, occurred upon the Alfred ranch which is three miles from the town.

Following the shooting, Alfred made his escape and headed toward the Crater of the Moon, the lava fields and bad lands of the state.

Sheriff J. D. Jensen of Pocatello is at the head of one posse and Constable L. Aberdeen, of Aberdeen, heads a second posse searching for him.

From Aberdeen it was learned Alfred had been drinking heavily throughout the day and returned to his ranch, where he found his wife and her two brothers, who had been summoned by her.

It was stated that as soon as he entered the home Alfred opened fire upon his wife and her two brothers, who rushed to her aid.

When he had emptied his revolver it was said that Mrs. Alfred and her youngest brother were dead and the other brother seriously wounded.

The two Alfred daughters, about 19 and 22 years of age, who were included in another part of the house, rushed into the room as their father dashed from the house.

Advices from Aberdeen were to the effect the posses had Alfred surrounded in the lava fields.

LARGEST AIR BEACON IN WORLD STARTS

CHICAGO, Ill., July 14.—(AP)—The world's largest night beacon light for aviators, located on Roosevelt avenue in Chicago's Loop district, shone for the first time last night.

Aviators named by mayors of 13 cities located within the visibility of the twin 3,000-candle-power beams watched the first official flashes of the light, to be known as the Chicago central aerial beacon.

Four planes depart (Continued from Page One) or, Captains Collins and Broese, who spent 10 to 15 minutes telling them the details of their duties.

Air Field Too Small The clear impression was left by the visiting pilots that the Medford airport, which by all who were briefed on the subject, was declared to be too small and rough to take care of such a large proposition as the air tour.

Free Lunch Enjoyed However, another impression of a more pleasant nature was the report by many of the pilots and passengers, that Medford was one

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of the new places to provide free lunches. Captain Collins, flight instructor, declared that the majority of the men at the officers' mess were made to receive a light lunch, but the promise were not kept, forcing the pilots and passengers to miss their noonday meal.

Coffee for the luncheon was served by the courtesan of Reid, Murdoch & Company, which had a plane entered in the tour flying for the Monarch coffee. A coffee filling station was also established at the airport under the charge of Robert Boyd, local Monarch representative, with the Aviation Army of this city in charge of making the beverage and filling the specially constructed Thermos bottles that had been supplied each pilot.

Woods Leads Tour Although it was impossible to figure out points credited to each pilot of the tour, Chief Score, Broese reported this forenoon that John Woods, pilot of plane No. 18, a Waco biplane, was leading the tour and so far holds first place for the trophy cup offered by Edsal Ford, and cash prizes.

Vega Plane Is Fast The Lockheed-Vega plane, of which Scheuchlar is pilot and which is a duplicate of the ship in which Wilkins recently flew over the North Pole, is the fastest ship in the tour, but desires that fact is holding fourth place. The ship this forenoon left Corning, Cal., at 15 others had gone and arrived here first, nearly ten minutes ahead of the next arrival. It has a cruising speed of 115 miles per hour and a high speed of 140 miles.

NOT A JOYRIDE

Asked whether or not the tour would come through Medford next year, Harvey Campbell, tour chief, explained that there is a possibility, but as yet no definite plans have been made. He indicated that the tour might be made one of an international nature, the ships visiting Mexico and Canada in addition to the middle west and Pacific coast of the United States.

The radio program that was to have been broadcast from the Crosby-Waco plane was not broadcast, due to trouble that developed in the plane's broadcasting equipment. The program was to have been re-broadcast from the plane's low waves, through KAMEI, through the courtesy of the Medford radio establishment of this city.

The value of the planes entered in the tour ranged from \$260 to \$500.

PORTLAND MEETS AIR TOUR HERE

PORTLAND, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—Ten Portland airplanes left for Medford before noon today to greet the 22 planes entered in the national reliability air tour, which is due to arrive at the Port of Portland airport late today.

Portland prepared an elaborate greeting for the pilots and passengers in the 6000-mile trip of the planes, which left Detroit June 26. The visiting pilots will be taken for a drive over the Columbia river highway for lunch at the estate of Julius L. Meyer, chairman of the committee which sponsored the bringing of the tour to Portland.

The national air tour resumed its flight this morning from Mills field, the first of the 22 competing planes taking off at 8 o'clock for Portland, Ore.

SOCIETY MATRON HIT BY AIRPLANE IS NEAR DEATH

WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—Suffering from a fractured skull, the result of walking into a whirling airplane propeller, Mrs. Hugh D. Archinckless, who is prominent socially here, and in New York, was in a critical condition at a Providence hospital.

Landing at the naval air station late yesterday after a short flight over the city, Mrs. Archinckless emerged from the cabin of the plane and hurrying to the other side, stepped directly into the orbit of the spinning propeller.

A naval ambulance was hurriedly summoned and the injured woman was rushed to the hospital. On the way, emergency treatment was conducted by an army physician attached to Bolling field. A blood transfusion was ordered at once and Dr. H. G. Grove gave more than a pint of his blood in an effort to save her life.

The physicians said she had but a remote chance of recovery. Prior to her marriage in 1925, Mrs. Archinckless was Maxa De Chapovitski, a member of a family for the Russian nobility. At the time of the Russian revolution her family fled to America.

In addition to her social activities, Mrs. Archinckless has been prominently identified with relief work in the Far East. She is 26 years of age.

A Laxy Baseball Town. AMARILLO, Tex., July 14.—(AP)—Amarillo business men raised \$10,000 within a few minutes today for the purpose of operating the local club of the Western league for the remainder of the 1928 season.

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CHINESE LEADER IN TURKESTAN IS ASSASSINATED

SHANGHAI, China, July 14.—(AP)—Nationalist authorities were informed today that Yang Chen-Hsi, military governor of Turkestan, had been shot to death on July 7 by soldiers of the escort of the commissulogor of foreign affairs.

The governor was distributing prizes at the Russian school of languages at the time. The assassins were reported to have been arrested.

Chinese fear that the assassination portends an outbreak of trouble in Chinese Turkestan which is believed to be permeated by soviet influence.

Death Toll of the Automobile. PORTLAND, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—Joseph McGinty, of Portland, was killed and Mrs. Joseph O'Reilly was injured seriously when an automobile, which Mrs. O'Reilly's husband was driving, collided with a tree on the Sandy boulevard. O'Reilly was about to turn when he heard an automobile horn behind him and in veering to the side of the road, his car leaped the curb and ran into a tree.

Pendleton, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—Dick Calpus, of Colville, Wn., an Indian died here Sunday from pneumonia received when struck by a hit and run driver on the Old Oregon Trail east of Pendleton. He was badly cut and received internal injuries. An inquest will be held tonight.

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July's Biggest Surprise Is at BREIER'S 2 Extraordinary Surprises Starting Tuesday, July 17--Until Sold Out A Spectacular Demonstration of Breier's Leadership in . . . Hosiery Values We offer here the largest single one-price group we have ever featured at one time in LADIES' FULL FASHIONED PERFECT QUALITY Pure Silk Thread Hose These are genuine \$1.75 to \$2.00 values and now priced at \$1—they become the best and biggest hosiery surprise ever offered. Pure Silk Thread—Silk clear to the top, with double reinforced toe and heel. High spliced heel, 10-strand, 42-gauge. OUR GREATEST HOSIERY SALE Sale of Summer Silks They sell "for a song" in this lucky surprise event \$2.65 to \$2.98 Printed Georgette Delightful "airy, fairy" floral patterns \$1 on various colored backgrounds. This big economy should certainly influence women to lose no time in supplying their needs. Printed Crepe de Chine Regularly sells at high as \$2.50 per yard; \$1 SURPRISE PRICE In polka dots, new floral and other prints so popular now. Here's another saving which speaks well for Breier's method of merchandising. Plain Crepe de Chine A BIG BREIER VALUE. \$1 at only Beautiful shades, including black, white, peach, Mr. C. J. Breier, who is now in New York City Nile, orchid, navy and flesh. First Quality—12 Mommie Silk Pongee, 3 Yards \$1.00 Department Stores C.J. Breier Co IN THE WEST ARTHUR HUBBS, Manager. Remember, while we have an ample stock, and this is a very large purchase, we do not guarantee late shoppers that we can fill their orders. The values are so prominently so, almost unbelievable, that we cannot definitely say how long the supply will last. It is the policy of C. J. Breier Co. to never advertise a "Special" or an "Event" unless we have a fair and adequate stock on hand. But it is almost impossible for us to calculate exactly what our sales will be. Copied numbers shown by all the Breier Stores continue to over 50,000 yards of silk, BUT PLEASE DO NOT WAIT TO GET YOUR SHARE, be cause you may be disappointed.

METEOR FALLS NEAR PORTLAND

TACOMA, Wash., July 14.—(AP)—A meteorite so large that it filled the sky for miles and the sound of its hitting the earth or the water woke many from their sleep, buried itself somewhere in this vicinity shortly after midnight this morning.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 14.—(AP)—A meteorite, visible at Portland shortly after midnight, was declared by several spectators to have lit the sky with a bright red and green hue and apparently to have struck the ground north of the city.

OVATION FOR HOOVER

The Brule river, far up in the Wisconsin hills. They spent a short time on the river and then left the island to pass for photographers on an adjoining peninsula. Later Mr. Hoover talked with the newspapermen, but said he would have nothing to say about politics and issues until after he had delivered his acceptance speech on August 15.

The point of major interest is whether any fish-ave left in the Brule. Mr. Hoover said with a smile, "I fished up here 15 years ago, but I wonder whether any trout are left, now that the president has been here."

The candidate was informed that a new aviation field was being constructed near Falls Ave and was interrogated as to whether he contemplated making use of it during his stay in California. "I do not," was the emphatic reply.

GIRL SWIMMER KILLED WHEN HIT BY SPEED BOAT

SPokane, Wash., July 14.—(AP)—Mrs. Mabel Schweaney, 29, swimming about 800 feet off shore at Newman lake near Spokane, was run over by a speed boat Sunday and so badly slashed that she died 20 minutes later. The speed boat, driven by the Ringel, well-known Spokane automobile dealer, and having no passengers Mrs. Ringel and two others, was dashing up the lake and Ringel did not see the victim until almost upon her. He turned and dashed back to the victim and Mrs. Ringel jumped overboard and assisted Mrs. Schweaney to the boat. The victim was immediately taken ashore, but it was impossible to stop all the numerous hemorrhages.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 14.—(AP)—Following four days of frantic firefighting, which climaxed late yesterday when fire engines were free-bound at Lake Quinault, north of here, the Grays Harbor forest fire situation was materially improved today. Increased humidity gave fire-fighters new hope in the Quinault blaze, which late yesterday the fire broke across the Olympic highway at the edge of the national forest.

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