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Today

By Arthur Brisbane

The Great Ship Arrives. What Is Man. Admirable. He Begins A New Era. Daedolus A Reality.

October 13 will remain an important date in the history of science and progress. The arrival of the great Zeppelin after difficulties natural to so great an experiment marks the beginning of a new era for the human race in travel and in thought.

Men used to creep over the earth, timidly looking at the sky, trembling at the lightning.

Now they will sail proudly among the clouds looking down upon the earth that once held them prisoners.

And what a magnificent road the airship travels. As wide as space, with every road leading everywhere. The Zeppelin giant, at the order of its captain, could sobel, across the ocean, a road to suit wind and weather, and here go straight to the waiting hangar at Lakehurst or turn to sail above New York, letting the biggest city see the biggest material accomplishment of man.

The Zeppelin brings a score of passengers and is a marvel. Successors to this flying ship, different in shape and build, indifferent to wind and storm, will carry thousands of passengers as one load over the oceans and continents of the earth.

Electric trolleys and automobiles enabled city crowds to visit, first city suburbs, then points far away.

The flying machine will take entire populations to see the whole world.

Little imagination is required to show us, in the future, flying school houses and universities. Students and teachers on flying ships, actually seeing and learning at the same time, will be carried by wireless power, taken up from the earth, by moving airships.

It is pleasing to think of Niagara's power, sending and bringing ships across the Atlantic, while the power of the Colorado River carries airships over the continent and out on the Pacific.

What men can imagine, they can do, and there is no limit to their imagination.

When Virgil described Daedalus, flying from the labyrinth in Crete across the Mediterranean to safety, "Daedalus, at fama est, fugiens minota, regna, etc.," he little thought that men—dozens together—would actually fly the Atlantic, compared with which the Mediterranean is a small pool.

Meanwhile the presidential campaign goes on. In these days of unlimited possibilities, the presidency offers great opportunity to a capable man.

Mr. Hoover was in New England, campaigning, while Gov. Smith, brown derby in hand, was laying a wreath at the side of the cabin in which Lincoln was born.

When asked to make a speech in the little cabin, Governor Smith, with good taste and good political judgment, declined. He went to SEE Lincoln's birthplace, not to make a speech in it.

Chicago Stock Exchange seat sold for \$60,000, a new high price. New York brokers pay \$450,000 for a seat, which shows how speculative money goes to New York.

Intelligent men in the American Legion demand a separate department for the American air fleet, competing with General Mitchell, dismissed for knowing too much.

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TINY PLANE ON OCEAN TRIP TODAY

English Airman Hops Off On Solo Flight Across Atlantic — Novice Flier And Midget Plane 35 Hour Flying Range — 'Hunch' Takeoff.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Flier Commander MacDonald will have "peculiarly favorable weather" on his flight from Newfoundland to England, Dr. Jas. H. Kimball of the weather bureau told the Associated Press today. From reports received here there are no storm areas over the Atlantic and the flier will have the advantage of a following wind. This wind should attain a velocity of 20 miles an hour. The plane probably will encounter cloudy weather here and there, with some rain.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Oct. 17.—(AP)—Commander H. C. MacDonald, English aviator, took off from Harbor Grace today in a Moth-type airplane in an attempt to fly across the Atlantic ocean to England. The take-off was at 1:21 p. m. Newfoundland time, or 11:51 Eastern standard time.

MacDonald, who is 28 years old, came to Newfoundland about three weeks ago and began assembling his plane in preparation for the attempt. Although he said he had had only 50 hours of flying he was confident that he could make the flight alone in the small plane.

Since his arrival here the young English flier has been awaiting favorable weather conditions. He had declared that he would not take off until he had a "hunch" that everything was right.

MacDonald said that the flight was being financed privately. He was assisted in preparing for the flight by A. F. Williams, a mechanic who accompanied him from England.

Flier Commander H. C. MacDonald arrived from England with his Haviland Gypsy Moth plane on September 26 with the announced intention of attempting a trans-Atlantic flight from Harbor Grace.

Four days later he said he would take off on October 2. It weather conditions permitted. He made a series of test flights shortly after his arrival by steamer.

The plane, which he used in his flight, was but a midget compared to Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis." Known as an aerial sports car, the Gypsy Moth had been secretly prepared at the Star Line airrome in London for many weeks for the flight. It has a wing spread of only 25 feet and when empty weighs less than 500 pounds.

Extra fuel tanks were fitted to the plane, giving it a range of about 35 hours, sufficient for 3600 miles of cruising.

Commander MacDonald is comparatively a novice at piloting, although he has eight hours solo flying and took a date on a long successful flight through Europe.

SEVENTY DROWN CHINESE WATERS

SHANGHAI, China, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Seventy persons were drowned, according to reports from Tientsin, when two coasting steamers of the China Merchant Steam Navigation company collided near Taku. The Yang Hsing was sunk and 50 of the 300 passengers she carried, together with 19 members of the crew, were missing. The other vessel was the Hainan.

Lottie Schoemmel Returns Crown to Lady Swimmers

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Lottie May Schoemmel, woman world swimming star, broke the world endurance record today when she left a hotel at 12:43 p. m. Sunday and swam 72 hours, two minutes and 48 seconds. The former record was set up Sunday by Jimmy Cherry in a Los Angeles pool. Cherry's mark was 65 hours, two minutes.

Mrs. Schoemmel left the water at 12:47:48 this afternoon apparently in fine condition, she entered the water at 12:43 p. m. Sunday and has been swimming steadily and steadily water steadily up to this afternoon.

COURT ATTENDANCE IS W C T U FEATURE FOR COMING YEAR

ETGENSE, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Putting in of a court attendance committee in every local of the Woman's Christian Temperance union in Oregon will be a new feature of the coming year. It was developed at the state convention of the W. C. T. U. in session here today. This group will attend court regularly in a "citizen's watchfulness" program. The convention continues until Friday.

A strong sentiment was expressed in the convention for the re-election of Mrs. Ada Jolley of Portland as president of the state group for the next year.

Addition of 1,000 new paid members to the state membership rolls was reported for the past year.

Oliver Meek Riley Dead

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 17.—(AP)—Mrs. Olive Meek Riley, 84, daughter of Joe Meek, first United States marshal for Oregon, died late yesterday at Eugene, according to word received by relatives here. Mrs. Riley was living at the home of her daughter, Jennie Riley, 836 E. 12th street, Eugene. Dr. Meek, 11th Street, her brother.

Mrs. Meek was born in Oregon four years after her famous father settled on his homestead near Geneva in Washington county.

Faithful Friend Role Reversed by Michigan Man

DETROIT, Oct. 17.—(AP)—A dog's master assumed the role of faithful friend last night and appeared before the city council of Wyandotte, a suburb, with a plea that his dog be protected from "lickings" administered by a neighbor's dog.

The plea was made by John Campbell, who explained that his dog is ten years old and no match for his neighbor's younger canine. The latter, he said, has been trouncing his veteran pet regularly of late.

AVIATORS AND JANE ADDAMS VISIT HOOVER

Hassell and Cramer, Rockford Fliers See Candidate — Jane Addams Luncheon Guest — Statement Endorses Hoover — 'Qualified To Represent Whole People.'

By James L. West, Associated Press Staff Writer.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—(AP)—Herbert Hoover today greeted Bert Hassell and Parker Cramer, the two aviators who were forced to land in Greenland on an attempted flight from Rockford, Ill., to Stockholm, Sweden. Later the fliers were received by President Coolidge at the White House.

"I am very glad to have the privilege of meeting you," Hoover said, "of meeting men who have come through a great adventure with great courage and with success. We certainly welcome you to the United States. We are all proud of you and of all the citizens in our country who come from the same blood. It is quite appropriate for you to be here."

"I deeply appreciate your coming to call on me."

The aviators were accompanied by Mayor Allen of Rockford and Elmer Eley, who found Hassell and Cramer after they were forced down in Greenland and took them to safety.

Jane Addams Visitor

Miss Jane Addams of Chicago also called at the headquarters of the Republican presidential candidate and was a lunchtime guest at the Hoover home.

Before calling on Mr. Hoover, Miss Addams visited headquarters of the Republican national committee, where a statement on her behalf was given out in endorsement of the nominee. The statement said Mr. Hoover, more than any one man in America, was "qualified to represent the interests of the whole people" in the period of vast economic development the country was entering.

"If big business is increasingly directing the essential policies of our government," she said, "then it is of great moment that we should be able to depend upon the next president to keep these forces within social control."

CITY COUNCIL GIVEN REPORT AIRPORT SITE

Bird Road Property Is Favored — \$120,000 Is Needed — May Await Court Decision Before Bond Election.

That the site for the proposed new airport for Medford, chosen as the best available in every way from the standpoint of location, economy and practicability, from among the only four available sites, and for the purchase and equipment of which a bond election will be held for \$120,000 in the latter part of November or early December, comprises 247.5 acres on Bird Lane was made known in reports to the city council last evening.

A delegation of four members of the Chamber of Commerce airport commission, consisting of Seeley Hall, chairman; M. M. Hogan, Frank C. Dillard and C. T. Baker, and with Messrs. Hall and Dillard as spokesmen, made the report.

Further a general discussion it was felt that it would be inadvisable to hold the election before the Roseburg circuit court decision, which declares cities have a legal right to bond for an airport as a public purpose, has been passed on by the state supreme court, before which the case is now pending, although there seems to be no doubt whatever that the decree will uphold the Roseburg decision.

Therefore it was thought best to have City Attorney Carlin get into touch at once with the supreme court to find if the decision will be rendered within the next week or two, and then if it is learned that it will come later to take a chance against a possibly later and more adverse decision and call the election beforehand. As soon as it is learned just when the supreme court decision can be expected a special meeting of the city council and airport commission will be called to set the date of the bond election.

This election must be held as soon as possible because the flight of the air mail ships will be inaugurated June 1 next, by which time the new airport should be practically ready, else Medford will be abandoned as an air mail port, especially if the new airport of the present one is not located.

However, in case the new airport, which it will take months to fix up and equip, is not ready by that time, Chairman Hall said that the old field could be lighted and used for a couple of months until the new airport was ready, when the lighting could be transferred from the present to the new one. The urgent point is, however, that it must be known that the new airport is assured and under way in order for Medford to be retained as an air mail transport station.

Bird Lane Site Chosen

The Bird Lane site chosen for the new airport is regarded as ideal, is only three and one-half miles northeast of the Chamber of Commerce building and seven minutes' ride from that location, the tract of 247.5 acres being some 100 rods and a half mile wide, and consisting of five parcels, by and to which W. H. Gore owns the majority. The cost of the land would be \$26,000, about \$80 an acre. The airport commission has an option on this site. This airport would be adequate for many years to come.

In stressing the point that no action must be taken soon because night flying by air mail planes would be hampered by the old field, Mr. Dillard thought that the new airfield could not be completed and lighted by that time, therefore an adequate lighting system must be installed on the present air field for use for a month or more until the new one was ready.

The cost of installing this lighting system demanded by the government will be about \$700,000. Each city must do the lighting of its own airport.

Also in submitting figures of cost of building the new airport, Mr. Dillard made it plain that the airport commission's figures were not final—were only tentative, but were approximately correct.

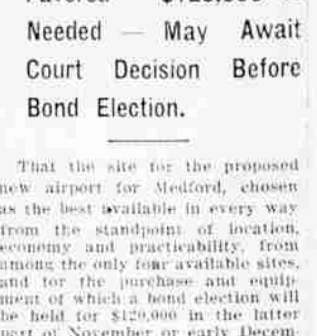
The total estimated cost of the land and equipment for the new airport would be \$105,000, to which would be added two years' interest on the bonds at \$13,000, this making the total bond issue \$120,000.

In detail the estimated cost of the new airport is as follows:

Land purchase	\$ 26,000.00
Lights	2,000.00
Hangers	14,000.00
Rest room	1,500.00
Administrators' building	1,000.00
Outside storerooms	1,000.00
Furniture	1,000.00
Gravel, 7500 cubic yards at \$1.50	11,250.00
Water, well and pressure system	2,000.00
Grading, 188 acres at \$125	23,500.00
Ditch	2,000.00
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CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 17.—(AP)—Senator William W. Borah of Idaho will make his second and final appeal here tonight to the voters of normally Democratic North Carolina to support Herbert Hoover's presidential candidacy in an address which will be broadcast over the nation by a coast-to-coast radio hookup.

Following a day of conferences with the Republican nominee's supporters in this section of the Tarheel state, the senator will speak to a crowd of listeners which it is anticipated may exceed any other meeting of his campaign trip to date through Virginia and North Carolina.

The local Hoover leaders have installed amplifiers in three halls nearby the city auditorium, where he will deliver his address, to take care of an expected overflow crowd. His speech will start at 7:30 p. m. eastern standard time.

The Idaho senator is expanding Hooverism, he told newspaper men today, and not Republicanism, on his campaign trip to southern cities recently visited by Gov. Smith.

Working for Hoover

"I am working only for Hoover's election," he declared. "I am particularly interested in the individual and if he were not the nominee I would not be here."

At Salisbury, N. C., 10 miles northeast of here, where he delivered last night from Charlotte to deliver an address, Senator Borah cited his reasons for his advocacy of Hoover. He declared that the Republican nominee by experience and fitness was qualified to solve the economic problems of the nation if selected to be the chief executive.

"These economic problems, including farm relief, have not to be solved," he said, "or they may endanger the structure of the American nation. I know of no one who is better fitted to solve them."

Hoover was characterized by the senator as "one of the marvels of the century in his ability to deal with the economic problems." He reviewed the career of the Republican nominee as head of the Relief work in Belgium and central Europe, declaring that Hoover administered these two tasks with "one of the most successful and only one of the most successful of the nation's statesmen, adding that the contributions for the operation of his relief machinery."

"There is one way to test the honesty of Hoover," said the senator, "and that is the fact that he spent millions upon millions of dollars of the people's money in his relief work and not one cent has been misused or misappropriated."

France, he added, did not audit Hoover's accounts submitted to her government for the Belgian relief work.

Prohibition, with another attack upon Governor Smith for his stand on the question, formed a major theme of the senator's address. He declared the women should see to it that prohibition is retained on the nation's statute books, adding that the amendment "has only been given a short test and it takes years often to achieve complete success in such great reforms."

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