

SPANISH FLIERS ATTEMPT HOP CROSS ATLANTIC

Radio Advices Say Jimenez and Iglesias Expected to Reach Brazilian Coast Tonight - Made Secret Takeoff Sunday.

RIO JANEIRO, Brazil, March 25.—(AP)—Radio advices received on the island of Fernando de Noronha off the coast of Brazil, from Dakar, state that the Spanish trans-Atlantic fliers, Captain Francisco Jimenez and Ignacio Iglesias, are expected to reach the Brazilian coast about midnight or shortly thereafter.

The Lescage company has ordered night lights on all fields from Natal southward to Rio Janeiro to guide the airmen while the navy is co-operating, directing all naval vessels along the northern coast to report sighting of the plane.

SEVILLE, Spain, March 25.—(AP)—Two Spanish aviators, bachelors and neither over 30 years old, this morning presumably were winning their way southward across the Atlantic ocean on an attempt to make a non-stop flight to Rio Janeiro, Brazil.

Captains Francisco Jimenez and Ignacio Iglesias, Spanish aviators in the Moroccan campaign, left Seville in a secret take-off yesterday at 5:42 (2:42 p. m., eastern standard time) in their Spanish made plane, "Jesus del Gran Poder." They have not been reported since. Their course lay down the west coast of North Africa to Capo Blanco, Mauretania, thence across the ocean, probably to Pernambuco, Brazil, by way of the Cape Verde Islands, the total projected flight being about 4800 miles.

RIO JANEIRO, Brazil, March 25.—(AP)—The direct flight from Seville to Rio Janeiro of the Spanish aviators, Captain Francisco Jimenez and Ignacio Iglesias, is attracting much attention in Rio Janeiro.

Weather conditions off the Brazilian coast are forecast as most favorable for the next 24 hours for such a flight. The airmen are expected to pick up the Brazilian coast between Natal and Pernambuco after flying over the island of San Fernando de Noronha.

R. R. JOHNSON DIES

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ling position. Drs. C. T. Sweeney and R. W. Sleeter were summoned but they found life extinct. Born in Michigan in 1874, his father, Dr. James F. Johnson removed with his family to Lisbon, N. D., where he received his public school education. Dr. Johnson later entered the Northwestern university at Chicago, where he received his degree in dentistry in 1899. He returned to his home in Lisbon, practiced dentistry for two years, and was married to Miss Florence Severance September 26, 1899.

From Great Falls In 1901, he moved to Great Falls, Mont., and opened his office in conjunction with Dr. C. T. Sweeney, now also of Medford. This association continued pleasantly for several years until Dr. Sweeney came to Oregon in 1910. Dr. Johnson visited Dr. Sweeney several times in Medford and was finally persuaded to also move to this city, which he did in 1923.

Dr. Johnson is survived by his wife, Florence May, one son, James, a student in the Portland Dental college, department of the University of Oregon; one daughter, Mrs. Norman Smedes, of Walla Walla, Wash. The eldest child, Lucille, passed away in Great Falls in 1794. One brother, Bert C. Y. Johnson, of Lake Alfred, Fla., and two grandchildren also survive him.

Dr. Johnson and family were active members of the Congregational church of Great Falls and after removing to Medford united with the First Presbyterian church of this city, where he had acted as one of the trustees, rendering efficient service during the building of their splendid new church. Dr. Johnson was an active member of the Medford lodge of Elks, the Scottish and York Rite Masons, being a member of the chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Malta Commandery No. 4, Ashland, Ore., and a charter member of the Rotary club of Great Falls, Mont., and at the time of his death was an active member of the Medford Rotary club. His hobby in the club was boys' work, especially in the Boy Scouts, a work in which he always took an active interest. Recently, feeling that he needed more of outdoor exercise, he became a member of the Medford Golf club, a sport which he was beginning to enjoy immensely.

Brief funeral services will be held at the First Funeral Home, Monday, March 25, at 5 o'clock. Rev. E. P. Lawrence officiating, after which the members of the Masonic lodge and other organizations are expected to escort the remains to the 6:20 p. m. train and the body will be forwarded to Great Falls, Mont., where formal funeral services will be held from the George funeral parlors Friday of this week. Funeral arrangements will be in charge of W. H. George, an old time friend of Dr. Johnson. Interment will be in the family plot in the Great Falls cemetery.

Construction of store in Glenwood fast nearing completion.

English Vicar Says Enjoy Bible Study During the Ablation

LONDON, Mar. 25.—(AP)—"Read your Bible in your bath." With these words the Rev. A. Wellesley Orr, vicar of St. Paul's, Kingston Hill, opened an address at a conference on "Bible Criticism." "The proper place to read the Bible is not in your study, but your bath," said Mr. Orr. "The best picture of last year was of a Reading Girl—a nude maiden reading a book. If it was the Old Testament the picture was a symbol, for the best way to read the Old Testament is in a metaphorically primitive state of nudity, when you have divested yourselves of the clothes of civilized knowledge and modern progress."

SHANTUNG AREA MAY BE SCENE CHINESE BATTLE

U. S. S. Trenton Recalled to Tsingtao Because of War Reports - Refugees Seek Safety in Flight - Conditions Very Bad.

CHEFOO, March 25.—(AP) The U. S. S. Trenton started yesterday from here for Tsingtao but because of disquieting reports from the Shantung area today was ordered to return.

The reports were from Tengchow and Hwang Hsien and said that the forces of Chang Tsung-Chang, reinforced by 7000 men, were proceeding to an engagement with Lie Chen-Nien, commander here, near Kusien, with Chang Tsung-Chang himself commanding.

Liu had his defenses in good condition and was prepared for a battle.

The conditions over the countryside continued frightful, with thousands of refugees pouring in daily in an endeavor to reach Dalien.

CANTON, China, March 25.—(AP) Military leaders in the provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi have begun mobilization of their forces preparatory to aiding Wuhan in the Wuhan-Nanking breach, Chinese reports today said.

Large forces in eastern Canton were reported concentrating at Waichow preparatory to marching northward, while the Kwangsi units stationed at Lichow, in that province were reported evacuating northeast to Hunan.

It was estimated at least 20,000 soldiers were involved in this initial outward movement against Nanking.

GUN FRENZY IS SEQUEL TO LOSS RICHES, HEALTH

Once Prosperous and Happy Family Blighted - Father Slays Mother and Self - 15-Year-Old Daughter Left Alone By Deed

CHICAGO, March 25.—(AP)—Prosperity to poverty, poverty to madness, madness to murder—the bottom was reached early Palm Sunday when a woman shrieked: "Marie, for God's sake help!"

Marie Carlson, 15 years old, jumped from bed and ran to the living room where she found her father, Rockford Carlson, 39, and her mother, Harriet, 35, fighting for possession of a double-barreled shot gun.

"Marie, help me," the mother cried. "Get this gun away from him, or he will kill us."

A shot was fired, shattering the ceiling. Finally the women got the gun and took out the unfired shell.

Marie ran upstairs to call the police. She ran back just in time to hear the gun roar again and to see her mother topple from the top step of the front porch and pitch to the sidewalk.

"Don't shoot again," she shouted, but her father aimed and sent another charge into the body of his wife, and she lay still.

Marie ran to her mother. Her father disappeared into the basement. When police arrived, they found he, too, was dead. He had propped the gun against the furnace and pressed the trigger with a stick.

A few months ago the Carlsons were happy. He was president of a roofing company. Business failure struck suddenly. Days of plenty ended. There came a zero cold night when Carlson fell asleep in his car. Mrs. Carlson found him, half frozen. A paralytic stroke followed and left Carlson seemingly deranged in mind.

A teetotaler all his life, he took to drink. He began to have cruel suspicions regarding his wife. In the hour before yesterday's dawn a shot gun relieved him of his troubles and laid them on the shoulders of his orphaned daughter.

S. P. WORKERS DISCUSS HIGHER PAY SCHEDULE

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 25.—(AP) Wage increases of from 8 to 10 cents an hour were discussed here today by brotherhood officers representing 15,000 skilled mechanics of the Southern Pacific company.

The base wage rate of 74 cents an hour expires April 1. Plans to present a demand for the increase by that date were being formulated.

The increase, if granted, will affect machinists, boiler-makers, sheet metal workers and car repairers.



STATE DEPARTMENTS AT CAPITOL MOVING

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 25.—(AP)—State departments that are changing quarters are now completing the moving process. The removal of the state printing department from the supreme court building to the first floor of the Steiner building, several months ago, left vacant the first floor on the court building. This space is to be occupied by the attorney general and the state educational department. The former has already moved from the third floor of the same building and the educational department is today moving from the main capital building. The space on the third floor of the supreme court building vacated by Attorney General VanWinkle is to be occupied by the office of Chief Justice Coshaw and by conference quarters for the court. The office vacated by the chief justice will become a stenographers' room.

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What Will the Airport Cost the Average Taxpayer?

READ-- The Following Letter From Assessor Coleman

Office of The Assessor of Jackson County J. B. COLEMAN, Assessor LINNIE HANSCOM, Chief Deputy Medford, Oregon, March 18, 1929.

To the Taxpayers: There seems to be some apprehension among the taxpayers of Medford as to what it is going to cost them if the Airport Bonds are voted.

If a property owner of Medford has property assessed for \$1000.00, he will pay not to exceed \$2.00 per year for the port, and if the city continues to grow, as in the past four years, the extra tax would be less than \$1.50 per year.

The valuation of Medford is \$7,608,925.00, and if the city continues its growth, it should reach a valuation of ten million dollars within the next three or four years. If the valuation should make an increase of two and a half million, then the average taxpayer would contribute not over \$1.50 per year in support of the airport.

J. B. COLEMAN, County Assessor.

How Much Would YOUR Property Be Worth if Medford Were a City of 30,000 People?

A Modern Airport is a Profitable Investment for Every Taxpayer

Vote for the Airport Bonds on April 2nd

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