

The Weather
Forecast — Fair tonight and Sunday. Not much change in temperature.

Daily—Twenty-fourth Year.
Weekly—Fifty-eighth Year.

Today

By Arthur Brisbane
Denver, Colorado.
And F. G. Bonfils.
Living One Mile High.
In Pikes Peak Shadow.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 16.—Denver is the biggest city and the capital of Colorado. The fine state capitol, with a dome as fine as that in Washington, D. C., reminds you that this is a gold state. Its dome is gilded with 22-karat gold.

You stand on the fifteenth step from the top, at the western entrance to the capitol, and you are exactly one mile above the ocean's level.

Go on to Colorado Springs on your way to Pike's Peak and you are two miles above the ocean. Climb the peak or motor up on Mr. Boise's perfect motor road, and you are nearly three miles above the ocean. Here you live high, and in good health.

Height makes difference. In Denver the atmospheric pressure on every square inch of your body is 20 per cent less than in New York. This means that your lungs work harder to draw in the oxygen. That is good for them.

A man from the east came here many years ago with a \$20,000 life insurance policy. Broken cheeks, a sad eye. The insurance experts looked him over, gave him, mentally, six more months to live, offered him \$10,000 to cancel his policy. The man accepted, started a furniture business with the money, and is still running it. He's rich, and says your very "husky" informant, he's huskier than I am.

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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1929.

Temperatures
Highest yesterday 93
Lowest this morning 54

No. 147.

TROUBLE IN TAKING GAS TO SUN GOD

Contacts With Nurse Ship Difficult in Wyoming, Due to Thin Air—Dissension Between Fliers Develops—Notes Carry Imperative Tone—Head for Nebraska

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Aug. 17.—(AP)—The transcontinental endurance plane Spokane Sun God was late to face with a serious altitude hazard today in its attempt to fly from Spokane to New York and return.

In two contacts with a refueling ship in Cheyenne the plane piloted by Nick Mamer and Art Walker was able to take on only 70 gallons of gasoline and eight gallons of oil. Apparently worried over the delay he has encountered in Wyoming, Mamer gave instructions for the refueling ship to follow him to North Platte, Neb., where an attempt will be made by the Sun God to take on a capacity load and start east for Cleveland.

The thin air over Cheyenne prevented the refueling ship from carrying a heavy load and 50 gallons of gasoline were exchanged on the first contact and only 25 gallons on the second. A kink in the hose, discovered after the gasoline was turned loose, caused the shortage on the second attempt.

North Platte is 2,000 feet lower than Cheyenne and Mamer believes no trouble will be experienced in making a contact there. Vernon Bookwalter, pilot of the refueling ship, expressed doubt that he would be able to refuel his ship with a capacity load off the ground.

The reason given for the delay in refueling here was that the ship had to maintain a speed of 80 miles an hour in the thin air to maintain a steady course. Officials at the airport said that at such a fast speed the hose was blown out of the Sun God repeatedly.

Notes dropped from Mamer's plane, however, revealed that there was dissension between the fliers, resulting in a heated exchange of words.

One of the notes tossed over from the Sun God read: "For God's sake quit fooling around and bring up that gas." Other notes carried a more imperative tone.

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FAIR PILOTS SEEK FAME IN NATIONAL AIR DERBY



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"You see," he said, "I have to travel in my work and every time I get into a strange town I get lonesome. Whenever I get lonesome I went out and met a girl and then I didn't stop until I married her."

JAP RADIO IN TOUCH WITH ZEP

Government Stations Hear Air Liner En Route to Tokyo—Passed Half-Way Point Early Today—Following Great Circle Route Over Siberia—Motors Stand Strain.

TOKYO, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Japanese government wireless stations tonight began picking up the air liner Graf Zeppelin, as the steadily drew nearer Japan on her round the world flight.

HAMBURG, Germany, Aug. 16.—(AP)—The Hamburg American line received a wireless message from the Graf Zeppelin this afternoon stating that Dr. Hugo Eckener expected to arrive in Tokyo Monday night, mid-European time, or presumably some time Monday afternoon, eastern standard time.

Dr. Eckener informed the station he was using only three of his five motors because of the favorable winds over Siberia.

He said the motors were showing no strain and that all was well on board.

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, Aug. 17.—(AP)—The air liner Graf Zeppelin, far over isolated Siberia, today was speeding eastward just south of the Arctic Circle and at 7:00 o'clock this morning, mid-European time (1:00 a. m., E. S. T.) gave her position as 64 north, 94 east.

The position given by Dr. Hugo Eckener to his home port at Friedrichshafen placed the Zeppelin definitely beyond the half-way mark of her 7,000-mile journey to Tokyo on the second lap of her round-the-world flight.

She had crossed the central Siberian steppes and was approaching the extended mountainous region before reaching the next great river valley, that of the Lena. Her course was carrying her toward the Tyrkonok mountains, north of the Irkutsk region.

The Zeppelin was far north of the trans-Siberian railway line, being about 500 miles due north of Krasnoyarsk.

The time and position given by Dr. Eckener conflicted with previous advices from Moscow which had placed the Graf Zeppelin at 52 degrees east and 60 north at 2:00 a. m., eastern standard time today.

If the figures as relayed from the Graf Zeppelin were correct, it would indicate that the ship was following closely the great circle course over Siberia while the Moscow figures would indicate that she was swinging in a southerly direction toward the city of Yeniseisk and the trans-Siberian railroad.

Aside from the discrepancy in position and time, it was clear that the Graf was past the half-way mark and was making good time toward the heavily mountainous region in the eastern half of Siberia.

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He Wants Out



Harry F. Sinclair.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Harry F. Sinclair has applied to President Hoover for executive clemency from the sentence he now is serving in the Washington jail.

District Attorney Leo A. Rorer announced today that a plea for commutation had been referred to his office by the department of justice.

MOBILIZING CHINESE TO GUARD R. R.

Manchurian Marshal Orders 20,000 Troops to Railway Duty—Soviet War Craft Leave for Unannounced Destination—Report Red Cavalry Invasion Chinese Area.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Marshal Chang Hsue-Liang of Manchuria has ordered the mobilization of 20,000 troops to guard the Chinese Eastern railway. The regular troops of the Mukden garrison are now stationed on the Peiping-Mukden railway below Chinchow.

Some of them have been ordered to proceed to Hailar and another portion to Kirin. Chang Tso-King, governor of Kirin, has taken command of both bodies of troops.

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Honor for an unannounced destination, Baltic sea cruisers Profintern and S. S. R. R. (formerly the Avrova), with four mine crafters, left Kronstadt yesterday.

TOKYO, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Dispatches to Asahi Shimbun from Peking today said Chinese and Russian officials had clashed south of Paganichnyaya on the morning of August 14, when Red cavalry, allegedly invaded Chinese territory.

Since the clash the Chinese garrison at Paganichnyaya has been reinforced strongly.

Tengo dispatches from Khatlar said a band of guerrillas, believed to be members of a "Young Mongolia" party, raided a village eight miles east of Hailar August 15, and killed several civilians before Chinese troops drove off the marauders.

Tengo dispatches from Hailar said Chinese and Russian troops clashed at 5 p. m. yesterday near Hailar, a station on the Chinese Eastern railway, 21 miles north-west of Paganichnyaya. After a brief exchange of firing the Russians retired.

BRIBE FOR PANTAGES WITNESSES

Municipal Judge Orders Theater Operator Bound Over On Both Counts of Girl's Complaint—Early Plea and Trial Expected—Defense Lawyers Are 'Satisfied.'

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17.—(AP)—District Attorney Byron Pitts said today that two of the state's principal witnesses in the Alexander Pantages case had given him signed statements accusing "certain parties" of attempting to induce them to change their testimony.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17.—(AP)—An information accusing Alexander Pantages, 54, theatrical magnate, with a criminal attack on Eunice Pringle, 17, a dancer, was filed by District Attorney Byron Pitts today. Arraignment for plea and setting of the date of trial was ordered at 10 a. m. Monday. Pitts said he would ask for immediate prosecution.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Alexander Pantages, 54, multi-millionaire theater operator, today had been ordered to stand trial in superior court on charges of attacking Eunice Pringle, 17-year-old dancer, in his private office more than a week ago. Arraignment and plea was expected to follow in a few days.

The action came at the close of a three-day preliminary hearing late yesterday. Judge Leonard Wilson of municipal court, in ordering Pantages bound over on both counts of a complaint charging that he criminally and with force and violence assaulted the girl, stated that "there is sufficient cause to believe the defendant guilty."

The statement was tempered with the explanation that he was not passing on the guilt or innocence of the man except insofar as evidence admissible to legal trial was concerned.

District Attorney Byron Pitts, indicated that he would seek an early trial. The defense attorneys also signified their willingness that the defendant should stand trial at an early date.

Pantages made no comment as he left the courtroom. His lawyers said they were "completely satisfied" with the state of the case. Miss Pringle and her mother and father were not present when Judge Wilson read his decision.

The preliminary hearing opened last Wednesday when Miss Pringle testified as to the alleged improper actions of Pantages when she went to his private office eight days ago in an effort to have a dance act booked for his vaudeville circuit.

Oregon Weather.
Oregon: Generally fair tonight and Sunday; but cloudy or foggy on the coast, probably becoming unsettled in the northwest portion. Cooler in the interior of the north portion Sunday. Moderate northwesterly winds on coast.

Net Champ Beaten.
LA GRANDE, Ore., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Anne Stange, La Grande, upset the dope in the east Oregon "Bunk" tournament at Union, Ore., today by defeating Jennie Bell, Pendleton, women's singles champion, for three years, 2-6, 4-3, 6-2. All finals will be played tomorrow.

Will Rogers Says:
BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Aug. 17.—A banker, head of a savings bank in Brooklyn, had a boil on his neck and the Brooklynites heard of it and started a run on the bank and drew out \$15,000,000.00 before the poor fellow could prove to them financiers are part human and can have boils. If Andy Mellon ever gets a carbuncle I can see Brooklyn seeding from the Union.

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Twenty to Take Air in Santa Monica to Cleveland Race—\$25,000 Prize Money—Many Veterans Will Participate.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Twenty women, most of them veteran pilots, made last preparations today for the \$25,000 Santa Monica-Cleveland women's air derby, planned to start here tomorrow, as a part of the national air races in Cleveland, beginning August 25.

The race will mark the first women's cross-country contest and it will be joined together most of America's most famous women pilots, including Amelia Earhart, Ruth Elder, Bobbie Trout, Nancy Crosson, Louise McPhetridge Thaden and Mary Hazley.

Sixteen ships were here and the remaining four were expected late today. The start is set for 2 p. m., Pacific Coast standard time, with departures at one minute intervals. The entry list follows:

Marvel Crosson, Louise McPhetridge Thaden, Bobbie Trout, Amelia Earhart, Ruth Elder, Thera Kinsey, Mary Hazley, Opal Kutz, Mary R. Von Meek, Phoebe Omlie, Vera Davis, Ruth Nichols, Edith Polk, Portland, Ore., Keith Miller, Elaine Faby, Florence Lowe, Barbara Blanche Nogos, Margaret Perry, Gladys O'Donnell, Mabel Water.

The race will require nine days, with overnight stops at San Bernardino, Cal.; Phoenix, Ariz.; El Paso, Tex.; Abilene, Tex.; Fort Worth, Tex.; Wichita, Kans.; St. Louis, Mo.; and Columbus Ohio. The fliers expect to reach Cleveland about 2 p. m., August 26.

Donkey Engineer of San Andreas, Cal., Held As Member of Lamar, Colo., Robber Band—Killed Four Men—Took \$118,000.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Herbert L. Royston, 36, his chin scarred by a bullet that led to his arrest, in the Sacramento county jail here today awaiting action on extradition to Lamar, Colo., following his arrest at San Andreas yesterday for alleged connection with the holdup of the Lamar First National bank in May, 1928, in which four men were murdered.

Royston is suspected of having been associated with G. J. Ashby, who was arrested at San Andreas at Grand Junction, Colo., Ralph Fleck, who is in jail at Lamar, and Jake Fleagle, who is still at Berkeley and being sought for alleged participation in the robbery which netted \$118,000.

A. N. Parrish, president of the bank and his son, John Parrish, were shot to death during the hold-up. Everett A. Koenig, assistant cashier, was kidnapped by the four bandits and his bullet-riddled body later found by a Kansas roadster. Dr. R. W. Winger of Dighton, Kans., was shot to death after treating authorities stated, wounds received during the holdup.

Royston, the "Smiling bandit suspect," was captured while he slept in his home at San Andreas. Sheriff Zwinger, who stated he had known Royston, said Royston had been employed as night donkey engineer at the cement plant near San Andreas for the past four years. In April, 1929, Royston left the plant, returned in August for two days and resumed his work in October, Zwinger said.

The Lamar bank robbery occurred May 22, 1928. The bandit suspect carried a scar on his chin when he returned, and explained it to his wife of a few months then by stating he had been in an automobile accident. That scar led to Royston's arrest.

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Reports of the transaction have been prevalent in the city and orchard circles for several days.

LA GRANDE, Ore., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Strong development near Lewiston in Wallawa county has been promised by Edgar Marvi, secretary of the Contact Mining and Milling company of Spokane, Wash., said today.

Marvi said the company will be spent on development work on the gold mine that has been unworked for twenty years.

GRANTS PASS TO HAVE PASSENGER PLANE SERVICE HOLD NEGRO TEACHER FOR DEATH OF YOUTH

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