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COSTE NOT SO KEEN ON GLOBE TRIP

French Flyer Delayed By Weather — May Change Plans and Fly to New York — Race With Zep Viewed As Effort Belittle Eckener.

LE BOURGET, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Diendonne Coste, famous French flyer, had his plane removed from Le Bourget to the Villacoublay air field today. This move was generally interpreted here as meaning indefinite postponement of any attempt to make a record-breaking flight for the time being.

LE BOURGET, France, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Captain Diendonne Coste, France's premier aviator, announced this morning he would take off on his mysterious long distance journey—to Tokyo, or to New York—as soon as weather conditions permitted.

This information was accepted generally as explaining his failure to appear at the field this morning for scheduled takeoff at dawn. He made a three-hour test flight this morning in his plane, the Question Mark, and at the end of the flight announced that the wireless apparatus which had not functioned properly yesterday, was now working at its best.

The French flyer was silent today as to his exact plans but if he has abandoned his project announced yesterday of a flight to Tokyo, it is believed due to the pressure of friends. It is understood that they have been pointing out it might seem ungracious to Dr. Hugo Eckener, and to Germany to inaugurate a race around the world and might be interpreted as an attempt of the French flyer to detract from the honor which Dr. Eckener is receiving for his great dirigible flight.

It was thought therefore that this might induce Coste not to pursue the Zeppelin and to head instead for New York, perhaps meeting the dirigible on American soil. As he jumped out of the cockpit after today's trial flight, Coste said: "I don't know myself what I will do."

VINING THEATER STAFF GIVES MANAGER PARTY

ASHLAND, Ore., Aug. 22.—(Special).—The employees of the Vining theater with some of the former employees gave a surprise party on Monday evening after the second show in honor of the manager, H. B. Hurst. Music was furnished by the vintagers and dancing occupied the most of the time until at a late hour refreshments were served. Those who were present were: the honor guest, H. B. Hurst, Irwanda Bateman, Floy Johnson, Katherine Blood, Glen Myers, Gertrude Albrecht, Wanda Schwinn, Ruth McRae.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Christianson and son Bobby, from Linden, Calif., are at Phoenix visiting with Mrs. Christianson's mother, Mrs. J. Reames. They will also visit with old friends in various parts of the valley.

Miss Ellen Waters and Miss Margaret Arnold, who have spent the past month at Lake of the Woods as counselors in the Camp Fire Girls' camp, will stop for two or three days in Ashland after the closing of the camp and will be guests at the home of Mrs. Bertha Denton on North Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McNeil and their son Jamie, left Ashland on Tuesday for Crescent City and will be away until Saturday.

Clark Payne and his sister, Mrs. Sara Jordan, visited both Diamond and Crater Lakes on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Evans, of Medford spent Monday in Ashland attending to business matters.

Mrs. Katie Sorvig, Miss L. A. Sorvig, Miss L. A. Sorvig and Lennie Sorvig have just returned from an extended visit in Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Nittinger have gone to Roseburg for a few days.

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Richard Howard, 11, (left) fatally shot Frank S. Howard, (lower right) Los Angeles automobile dealer, when his father was said to have struck Mrs. Howard.

Old Embassy Memories Linger As New British Building Rises; Fate in Hands of Sir Esme Howard

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WASHINGTON.—(AP)—As a new home for British ambassadors nears completion the shadow of oblivion falls upon one of the most interesting and historic buildings in this nation's capital—the old embassy.

How swiftly and in what manner the old building's life cycle ends will be determined when Sir Esme Howard moves into the new structure next fall. The present embassy was built in 1876, Sir Frederick Bruce, minister, supervising the construction by an American builder.

The dealer who holds the title in escrow is negotiating with a motion picture corporation which may buy it for movie settings. It is possible also that the 38-room mansion may be reconditioned and occupied as a residence, or demolished to make way for another.

There are few houses in Washington richer in dramatic memories than this, with its quiet library in which Sir James Bryce pore over the manuscript of "The American Commonwealth" with its massive portico which protected the first ambassador to the United States as he stepped into a beplumed official carriage, en route to present his credentials to the White House.

In this library, too, toward the end of President Cleveland's first administration, Lord Sackville West wrote a letter which led to his departure for home one bleak day the next December.

The ambassador intended the epistle for a single individual whom he asked to vote for the free trade

candidate for president. But the letter received wide circulation, with the result that it was seen as an effort to direct United States nationals in the interest of Great Britain.

In one of the embassy's walnut-clad bedrooms Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, dressed for the wedding of Miss Mary Lett and Lord Curzon, in which the ambassador served as best man.

Literally thousands of remembered spring flowers decked the great rooms for the wedding reception of Hon. Lillian Pauncefoot and Sir Robert Brompton. And in a sleeping chamber above, the bride's father, Sir Julian Pauncefoot, died two years later.

In 1882 it was decided to raise the rank of the British representative, and thus the house—located on the first land purchased by a foreign government for its diplomatic use to the United States.

With the appointment of Sir Michael Herbert in 1902, his wife, the former Lilla Vanderbilt—sister of Cornelius, Sr.—became mistress of the mansion.

After Sir Cecil Spring-Rice resigned and war missions were established came Lord Chief Justice Reading, and later Sir Edward Grey and Sir Auckland Geddis.

With the appointment of the present dean of the diplomatic corps in 1924, the house gained a familiar master—for Sir Esme Howard had worked in it as counselor 18 years previously.

A total of 12 ministers and ambassadors have left contributions to the memories of the old embassy.

MERMAIDS READY FOR LONG PADDLE ON LAKE ONTARIO

TORONTO, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Forty-four mermaids stand ready today for the ten mile swimming marathon of the Exhibition Park seawall in Lake Ontario tomorrow afternoon. This number passed the physical test yesterday when physicians examined 45 entrants. The only young woman to fail was long Lett of Memphis.

Miss Lett had entered the lists with her mother, Mrs. C. N. Lett. The daughter's blood pressure was found to be 196, and physicians said this would prevent her from swimming in water colder than 49 degrees. Mrs. Lett said she might give up the race because of her daughter's inability to compete, but at the last report, she had not withdrawn her name.

Officials plan to give a special examination today to prospective competitors unable to present themselves yesterday.

Most of the swimmers have been training lightly this week, and will taper off with limbering exercises in the water today. Among the notables entered are: Ethel Hertle and Martha Norelius of New York, Doris Berford and Olive Gatter, chairman of Toronto, Ruth Towers of Denver, Dorothy Widmer of Seattle and Della Sullivan of Holyoke, Mass.

Burling Grimes' hopes of winning 30 games this year were blazed when he hurt his pitching hand.

SONG WRITER THOUGHT A SUICIDE, TOOK 'LONG, LONG JOURNEY' IN CAB

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—(AP)—A \$28 taxicab fare proved to be the "long, long journey" taken by Mrs. W. C. Edwards, song writer of Beaumont, Texas, when she disappeared last Saturday, leaving a suicide note.

Police, on the strength of the note and appeal from relatives in Texas dragged the East river in the vicinity of Brooklyn bridge in a search for her body.

Mrs. Edwards, who was also known as Lola Endow, was located yesterday at the Hotel Pennant, where she had registered as Lola Kelly. She was traced when she telephoned to another hotel to have mail addressed to Lola Endow forwarded to "Miss Kelly." She professed to have no recollection of events since her disappearance other than that she rode "hills and miles in a taxicab." Police found out the fare for the ride was \$28.

A week ago Mrs. Edwards appealed to Vice-President Curtis to help her reach music publishers who would buy her songs.

Killed By Hornets.
VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Stung by hornets about the face and neck, E. H. Mitchell, 54, is dead from acute blood poisoning. Mr. Mitchell had taken a friend to see some flowers in bloom when he was attacked by the hornets.

Grants Pass.—Construction under way on main line sewer on South Fifth street.

LIFE SAVER WILL PUT WILLAMETTE EELS IN CURRENT

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Employment of a life saver for eels that founder about in pools when the Willamette river gets low was one of the suggestions offered today at a meeting of the state board of health.

The board met after hundreds of residents along the Willamette river protested strenuously about the dead eels in the river, and methods were sought by board members to bring an end to what has been termed a "health menace."

Representatives of the paper mills at Oregon City, the Oregon City chamber of commerce and various committees from various sections were present, although nothing official was accomplished. An appropriation from the next legislature probably will be asked to aid in ridding the river of dead eels. Even a factory where dead eels would be converted into chicken feed was opposed by the health officials.

"It would be as big a nuisance as the eels," they said. A "chipping in" proposition whereby a man would be employed to pull the eels from potholes and dump them back into the river was finally agreed upon by those interested.

Dundee.—Construction under way on addition to walnut packing plant.

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CAUGHT IN SWITCH LAD LOOKS DEATH IN FACE, IS SAVED

CHATHAM, Ont., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Donald McGregor, 7 years old, with his hand caught in a switch started at approaching death today as a locomotive rushed down the rails which pinioned him. Prompt action by section men and the watchful eye of the engineer in charge of the locomotive saved his life.

The boy had been sitting on the switch rail watching section men ballast the road. A short distance away a tower operator closed the switch for the approaching engine and Donald's fingers were caught in a vice-like grip.

His cry of pain brought section men to his aid. Some endeavored to pry the rails apart with crow-bars but failed. Others ran toward the oncoming engine and waved to the engineer who was able to bring the locomotive to a stop a short distance from the trapped youngster.

Calvert to Conference.
SALEM, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Governor Patterson has appointed Ronald G. Calvert, editor of the Oregonian, to represent him at the conference of western governors which will be held in Salt Lake City August 28 and 29.

Oregon Weather.
Oregon: Increasing cloudiness tonight and Friday with rain in the northwest portion, cooler east and south portions Friday. Moderate southerly winds on the coast.

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MUSEUM ATTRACTION TO VALLEY VISITORS

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Aug. 22.—(Special).—People from out of town who visited our museum this week were Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Lewis, Forest Grove, Ore.; Wm. Beckling, Princeton, Neb.; Mrs. W. J. Ramey, Medford, Ore.; C. S. Sorenson and wife of Williams, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Payson, Millwaukie, Ore.; and Mrs. Walter Back of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lewis and son Carroll, Mrs. Bertha Keegan and Frank Matney left Saturday to spend a week's vacation at Crescent City.

Mrs. Sarah Ann McKay, pioneer of Jacksonville who died at her home at Willow Springs Tuesday was buried in Jacksonville cemetery Saturday afternoon. There were many friends at the cemetery with beautiful flowers to pay their last respects to their departed friend.

Wesley Hartman and father, J. Hartman of Jacksonville, and William Hartman of Bluffton, Ohio, spent Sunday at Crescent City.

Mrs. Marie Barnes, who has been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Leonard Lyons, and family the past month, started to work Tuesday morning at the Josephine County hospital as head nurse on the surgical floor.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. White and son Buster spent the week end at the Zimmerman ranch near Prospect.

Joe Broad, who is building on Forest Creek, was a business visitor in our city recently.

FOREST GROVE LUMBER MILL LOST IN BLAZE

FOREST GROVE, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP) Fire last night destroyed the Woods Lumber mill here causing damage estimated at \$200,000. The blaze was believed to have been started by friction when a belt broke. Henry Hawkins, night millwright, was seriously burned about the arms and neck while fighting the blaze.

The adjoining lumber yard with a large supply of finished lumber was saved.

About 150 men were thrown out of work as a result of the fire.

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