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News From the Air.
Britain Always Prepares.
Fifty Years of C. S.
Life in a Graveyard.

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Much news in the air.

Dr. Eckener is flying across the Pacific, going, at this writing, 100 miles an hour on his 5,470 mile hop.

Semjon Shestakov, not discouraged by a recent crash, starts again to fly from Moscow to New York to prove that Russia understands airplane building.

Young ladies from the Pacific coast, flying in the face of tragedy, are just now somewhere between Fort Worth and Wichita, above Kansas. And it is hot.

Captain Guiseppe Motta entered for the Scheider cup race, plunged into Lake Garda, during a trial flight, and was drowned.

Italy officially requests postponement of the race, that another flier may take Captain Motta's place.

Britain probably will consent, as Italy is believed to be the only real competitor, against England, and the speed race. This country, with hundreds of millions invested in air plane stocks, should cut some figure.

Most important to aviation and to real estate is the success of a Spanish flier and inventor landing his plane vertically, and "as lightly as a falling feather."

A machine that can go straight up and come straight down softly, instead of hitting the earth at fifty miles an hour, will change flying conditions. Also real estate conditions.

When business men fly from their office or factory roof to residences on hill or mountain tops, hundreds of miles away, there will be drastic revaluations in real estate.

Don't be in a hurry to sell.

While the French and British tell how much they love each other, with an occasional discordant note from Mr. Snowden, the two friends across the channel are actively building up fighting air fleets that each intends for the other.

Three engine passenger planes, subsidized heavily by Britain, flying between Paris and London, are simply bombing planes, kept ready in case of trouble.

France has established the world's most powerful air base near mount Saint Michel, across the channel from Britain.

The British say it can be meant only for them and they don't like it. Well informed Britishers tell you "we must be polite to France in everything now, her superior air fleets could wipe out our big cities, in a forenoon."

But we shall gradually change that situation.

In America, we rely on brotherly love, and, platitudinous peace facts.

Fifty years ago, yesterday Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, and six students, organized the first Christian Science church, known as the Mother church.

This writer talked with Mrs. Eddy, at her request, when she was long past eighty. Her energy and clearness of mind were remarkable, although she

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ZEPPELIN MAY SHIFT TO SOUTH

Graf May Forego North Pacific Visit Account of Weather — Due in San Francisco Early—Half of Sea Hop Completed—Vessels Ready to Aid.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Copyrighted dispatches from correspondents aboard the Graf Zeppelin to the New York American and allied Hearst newspapers indicated the dirigible, if favorable winds continued, should sight the Pacific coast at 5 p. m. Sunday, Pacific coast time (9 p. m., New York daylight time).

At 5 p. m., Saturday, New York time, the Zeppelin was 2135 miles west of Seattle and 2400 miles northwest of San Francisco.

At its present rate of progress, it was said, the ship would reach Los Angeles early Monday, favorable winds at the time the dispatches were filed, had pushed the speed of the dirigible up to 80 miles an hour.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Radio messages from the world touring Graf Zeppelin indicated that the giant airship late today was more than half way across the Pacific on her brave flight from Kasumigura, Japan to Los Angeles, California, 5,470 miles.

If the rate of progress which she has averaged since leaving Japan at 1:13 a. m., E.S.T., Friday was maintained, she was expected to be seen over San Francisco in the early hours of Monday. Adverse winds made it possible that Seattle would not be visited, and that San Francisco, directly on the great circle route of shipping would be the first mainland point of western America to sight the airship.

Breasting the winds over the great waste of the Pacific ocean, ploughing through the fog and the night, drenched with the rain, the great vessel of the air bore its nineteen passengers and crew of forty-one safely on toward their goal, the achievement of an epochal flight in the world's history.

Only occassionally did the great craft's veteran commander, Dr. Hugo Eckener think it necessary to give her position, for she had ploughed the skies at the rate of 67 miles an hour average since she left Japan's soil, at 2 p. m., E.S.T. the Graf Zeppelin's position was given as 22 degrees, 20 minutes north latitude, and 174 degrees, 20 minutes west longitude. She was even then 2,488 miles on her way to Los Angeles, with 2,982 miles to go.

The United States government stretched a welcoming hand over the seas to draw the Graf Zeppelin safely to America's shores. The weather bureau gathered its reports and radioed them to the commander, Dr. Eckener, to guide him in dodging adverse winds, and developing storms. All American ships of war were ordered to stand by to aid should the Graf Zeppelin falter in flight.

Commercial shipping was mustered into the service of the dirigible, too, to give reports of position and to be ready for emergency.

On the mainland, civic communities prepared to do honor to the visitor. Seattle still hoped to be the first to welcome her, despite the advice of the weather bureau to Eckener to avoid reaching the coast at that northern latitude because of meteorological disturbances. At Tacoma, preparations were made to use a mooring mast, should emergency speed the dirigible there.

But Los Angeles, confidently awaiting the airship's arrival went forward with plans to acclaim the conclusion of the Pacific flight and later to speed the Graf Zeppelin on to Lakehurst, N. J., the start and finish of her flight around the world.

TOKYO, Aug. 24.—(AP)— With a third of the Pacific ocean behind her, and speeding on to the half-way mark on her 5,400-mile flight to Los Angeles, the Graf Zeppelin at midnight Saturday was racing toward America at a speed of nearly 70 miles an hour.

Her position at midnight Saturday, Tokyo time (10 a. m. Saturday E.S.T.) was more than 500 miles to the north of the western Aleutian Islands and approximately 2,00 miles east of Tokyo.

This was 32 and ½ hours after she left Kasumigura naval airfield at 3:15 p. m. Friday and indicated a speed of approximately 82 miles an hour as an average for the run.

The Oshiishi government wireless station picked up numerous messages from the Zeppelin during yesterday and today.

The Graf announced she was picking up speed again since weather conditions began improving after night fall last night and was

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COURSE OF ZEPPELIN'S FLIGHT

Associated Press Photo

FOREST BLAZE MENACES TOWN OF KALISPELL

Refugees Flee Before 75,000-Acre Fire in Montana—Wind Whips Stricken Area — Campers Seek Safety — Fire Fighters Helpless.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(AP)—The forest fire situation in Montana and Idaho was regarded today by the forest service as verging on a disaster.

The district forester at Missoula, Mont., reported today that fires in northern Idaho and southern Montana, were the worst in 19 years and that conditions were such that there was little hope for control except in rains. Weather reports, forestry officials said, indicated but little relief from this source within the immediate future.

Offsetting the ominous reports from the Idaho-Montana region were reports from Portland, Ore., saying that the situation in Oregon and Washington had improved.

KALISPELL, Mont., Aug. 24.—(AP)—with the Kalispell company of the Montana National Guard on duty at Columbia Falls in an attempt to save that city from destruction by a raging forest fire, and the mobilization of the remainder of the guard authorized to assist in combating the flames, Montana tonight was facing the most serious forest fire situation of the last 19 years.

Columbia Falls word received here indicates, has become crowded as refugees from the territory in the vicinity of the flames and that part of the state now threatened, have camped in the city.

Already more than 75,000 acres of timber have been destroyed by the fire in the Flathead section in the vicinity of Glacier National park and by the great half moon fire in the vicinity Apgar, Coram and Lake Five. The Lewis Resort hotel at the head of Flathead lake, in Glacier park, however, will escape destruction, fire fighters today indicated, unless the wind should change.

Mrs. Charles M. Russell, widow of the noted painter, who has a cabin near the lake at Columbia Falls, today refused to leave her home. Although she sent her 12-year-old son, Jack, her house guests, her string of horses and valuable paintings away from the place.

South of the Flathead river a big area has been burned over from Coram directly east to Nyack, burning out many settlers.

In the Lochsa region of the Selway and Wales creeks in the Blackfoot valley fire fighters were facing a gigantic task in their efforts to combat the flames. High winds were driving the fires and today the Lochsa fire advanced between four and five miles, past three crews, eastward on Bear mountain and Warm creek springs.

New Police Chief

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 24.—(AP) Detective Oscar Hankedahl was today named chief of police by Leroy Lambert, public safety commissioner. Haukedahl, a member of the police department since 1913, succeeds J. Wesley Turner who was removed this week because of personal differences between him and Commissioner Lambert.

Hop Dryer Burns

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 24.—(AP) A fire that started from a kiln destroyed the new hop drying plant owned by Frank E. Needham on Brown's Island, southwest of Salem, this morning, with a loss that will range around $7000.

PORTLAND WILL EAT TO LIVEN PUBLIC'S FAITH

Mayor Baker and 400 Citizens Bind Themselves Together 'In Biggest Thing Ever Undertaken Along This Line'—Full Details Wednesday.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Four hundred leading Portland citizens, under the chairmanship of Mayor George L. Baker, have bound themselves quietly together during the last few weeks in an organization designed to quicken the public faith in the city and state, it was learned here today.

A dinner for 2500 persons will be given at the public auditorium Wednesday night, September 25, at which time complete details of the organization will be made public.

"It is the biggest thing Portland has ever undertaken along this line," Mayor Baker said tonight.

BOOTLEGGER DAD HAS SON JAILED FOR OWNING STILL

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 24.—(AP)—A 20-year-old boy was in jail here today because his father, who had "done time" for making moonshine whiskey, led federal officers to his son's still and asked them to arrest him.

The father, James Moore, insisted that he was "doing the best thing for the boy," and that "it was the only way to teach him a lesson."

The son, William Arthur Moore, on the other hand, was bitter, blaming his crime on the father.

Moore led the officers to the still, in the country about 20 miles from here yesterday. His son and Eugene Morehead, 40, were tending it. Taking the youth by the arm, Moore said, "take the boy and let the rest go. I want to teach him not to mess with whiskey."

The son pulled from Moore's grasp and answered: "You should have thought of that when I was a kid, before you beat me into learnin' this game. You're a fine father, you are, to turn on me like this."

Moore admitted the charges to the extent that he had made whiskey, saying he "got caught, did time and was through."

RAIN THIS WEEK IS WEATHER PROMISE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 24.—(AP)—The weather outlook for the week beginning August 25 was announced here today by the United States weather bureau as follows:

Far western states: The outlook is for generally fair weather except unsettled during the fore part of the week over the Pacific northwest with rains west of the Cascade mountains.

Temperatures normal in California and Nevada and below normal elsewhere, but rising toward the close of the week.

HOLLYWOOD ORCHARDS SALE NEAR

Local Fruitmen Buy Keith Estate Property for Sum 'Well Over $100,000'—Formal Transfer Next Tuesday—Largest Comice Pear Block in World.

Negotiations were completed Saturday for the sale of the Hollywood Orchards, owned by the KKeith estate of Salt Lake City, Utah, to W. E. Brayton and Everett Brayton, and others of this city, for a sum "well over $100,000." The formal transfer of the property will take place next Tuesday.

The Hollywood orchards contain the largest block of Comice pear trees in the world. It is one of the best producers in the valley.

The property consists of 240 acres, situated on the Medford-Jacksonville highway. 100 acres are in Comice pears, the remainder in Newtown apples and farm land.

"The others" concerned in the purchase are said to be Weldon Biddle, James E. Edmiston, O. O. Alenderfer, all of this city, and Oscar French.

By the terms of the sale, the new owners harvest this season's crop, forecasted to be one of the largest, since the orchard was planted.

The orchard is located midway between this city and Jacksonville, near the Oak Grove school. It has a large oak tree grove. It has been under the operation of William E. Brayton for several years.

The amount involved in the transaction is the largest of the year and will exceed the $112,000 paid by Biddle and Edmiston for the Three Oaks Orchard last spring.

A representative of the Keith estate has been in the city for several days conducting the final details of the sale. The negotiations were conducted through a Utah company.

HIGH SHIPMENT OF PEARS FOR SEASON ON WAY

Fifty cars of Bartlett pears, the largest single days' shipment of the 1929 season, were started on their way to markets in the east and to canneries in Oregon and California last night. Most of the cars were consigned to canneries.

Last night's shipment brings the total of cars to leave here this month up to approximately 250, railroad officials state. Heavy shipments will continue thru the next several weeks as the Bartlett season has now reached its peak with all orchards in the valley picking. Several of the large packing plants of the city ceased operation for part of yesterday. They all expect to work all day today, however, in order to clean up the pick of yesterday.

Nearly 175 cars of the 250 shipped have gone to canneries, shippers announce. In addition to this there is considerable tonnage in the pre-cooling plants which will be shipped in the near future.

Howell pears, the earliest of the later varieties, will be ready for picking late this week, it is generally believed. A few orchards with Howell acreage are planning to start picking even earlier. The entire Howell tonnage is packed for the eastern fresh fruit market.

EUGENE SPEEDER TO FACE A JURY

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 24.—(AP)—A warrant was issued here today for the arrest of Ivan Brent, 23, of this city, on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Kenneth Dillard, 23, of Springfield.

Dillard died as the result of injuries said to have been received when his machine was struck by Brent's at an intersection Thursday night. Officers blamed excessive speed for the mishap.

Arraigned in court, Brent furnished bail.

LA GRANDE, Ore., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Dr. William Pearc, member of the state board of optometry, today was appointed a member of the legislative committee of the American Optometric association.

BANDITS CONFESS BANK MURDERS

Associated Press Photo

Captured at different points three suspects have admitted holding up a bank at Lamar, Colo., and killing four persons in May, 1928, police report. Top, left to right: Ralph Fleagle, in jail at Lamar, Herbert L. Reyston, taken at San Andreas, Cal., and (lower) William Fleagle, still at large, and George J. Abshier, caught in Grand Junction, Colo.

INNOCENT MAN IDENTIFIED AS BANDIT, FREED

Former St. Louis Realtor Gave Up Hope of Escaping Prison—Seven Good and True Citizens Sure They Saw Him, But Confession Clears.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Alfred A. Oliver a former St. Louis real estate man who was one of seven suspects rounded up by officers in connection with the holdup and murders at the First National bank, Lamar, Colo., in May, 1928, said he fell down on his knees in his cell and prayed in thanksgiving when he learned this week that confessions had been made which cleared him of any connection with the holdup.

Oliver, who had been identified by seven residents of Lamar as one of the bank robbers, said he had about given up hope of proving his innocence, and that he was overwhelmed when a fellow-prisoner told him that three members of the Fleagle gang had confessed the robbery.

Oliver was brought to Denver where police charged he cashed $270 worth of stolen travelers' checks at a bank and escaped in a commandeered automobile.

He said he had offered an alibi in the Lamar case but that he had no hope of convincing a Lamar jury of his innocence.

NEVADA HONORS HER FLYING ACE

RENO, Nev., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Captain Roscoe Turner, now flying from New York to California in an attempt to set a new transcontinental record, is no longer a captain. He is a lieutenant-colonel and he probably does not know it yet.

He was appointed a lieutenant-colonel of the staff of Governor Fred B. Balzar of Nevada by the governor this morning in recognition of his flight across the continent a few days ago.

As lieutenant-colonel of the staff of the Nevada governor he will be accorded the privilege of riding a horse instead of an airplane, can wear a big saber and plenty of gold braid, but he has to buy his own uniform.

Speed Boat Pilot Hurt

RED BANK, N. J., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Ralph Snoddy, veteran speedboat driver, was injured today when his boat, the Miss Los Angeles, overturned in the second heat of the gold cup race. The boat was traveling at a speed of approximately 45 miles an hour when she overturned. The extent of Snoddy's injuries was not at once determined.

POLITICAL ASPECTS OF TARIFF IRK

G. O. P. Fears New Bill Will Be Primary Vote Issue, While Democrats Plan Fight On Every Item—Leader Watson Issues Warning.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Increasing signs of a spirited contest in the senate over the party old issue of tariff were apparent at the capitol today as Democrats revealed plans to broaden the attack to be made against the bill, as revised by Republican members of the finance committee.

The minority disclosed it intended to direct its drive against not only many proposed higher levies, but also against scores of existing rates, which it regards as unduly high and in need of revision downward.

Amendment will be prepared on virtually every industrial item in the measure. Details of these and other phases of the Democratic program will be worked out next week at daily meetings of the eight Democrats on the finance committee.

From the Republican camp word also went out during the day that the tariff would be kept constantly before the senate until disposed of, with no other business allowed to displace it.

In addition, from high Republican councils, there was issued a warning that should a filibuster develop, endangering passage of the proposed legislation at the special session or early in the regular session, a move would be made to defer action on the tariff for another year.

Under no circumstances, it was said, would the Republicans countenance any effort to postpone action for into the regular session, beginning in December or until the time of the spring primary campaign for the next congressional elections.

Attributing this warning to Senator Watson of Indiana, the Republican leader, Senator Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, said the move was not surprising.

"This administration and those who have brought forth this tariff inquity," he said, "are beginning to feel the aroused indignation of the American people.

"They have retreated step by step and now are only looking for some excuse to extricate themselves from the position they have taken."

Instead of a filibuster, Harrison said there "is going to be orderly, reasonable debate." The Democrats, he added, would "not be bludgeoned by coercion or threats from a full and frank discussion of every item and a record vote on the various increases in present duties and on amendments that will be offered upon the floor."

"That is what the country wants, and that is what the Democratic minority will demand," he asserted, adding that the measure was indefensible, that the Republican leadership was beginning to see this, and that "Leader Watson's move is the first step in the retreat."

Chairman Smoot said today that as one time-saver he would not make an extensive speech in explanation of the bill at the opening of debate, but would confine his remarks to a brief explanation of proposed changes as each revised paragraph was reached.

He said he formally would introduce the bill september 4, and ask that consideration begin the following day. The senate probably will recess on the first meeting day out of respect to Senator Tyson, Democrat, Tennessee, who died early today.

Smoot said he "hoped" the bill would be passed at the special session, but would not make a definite prediction that this would be done.

A Small Son

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug. 24.—(AP)—A son, weighing two pounds and six ounces, believed to be the smallest baby in the state of Oregon, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Surdun, Klamath Falls, Friday night.

PENDLETON, Ore., Aug. 24.—(AP)—A deed to property owned here by the city will be conveyed to the state of Oregon, the city council decided last night. The land will be used for highway department shops. It was reported that $8000 worth of work would be done this year in building storage sheds and to repair shops.

MISSOULA, Mont., Aug. 24.—(AP) More than 2,000 men today were fighting forest fires in western Montana and northern Idaho. Rain remained the only hope of saving large areas of timber from the fires which have burned over thousands of acres.

LINDY VEXED, BUT DENIES HE SHOOK A FIST

Training Flight for Wife Is Called Off On Account of Zeal of News Cameramen in Flying Too Close—Lone Eagle Finally Gives Up.

HICKSVILLE, N. Y., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Fear that news photographers in their zeal to obtain action shots of Mrs. Lindbergh at the controls of her plane might actually endanger her life, forced Col. Charles A. Lindbergh today to interrupt the training flights he had planned over the Long Island Aviation club's field.

It was not until Colonel Lindbergh had made every effort to avoid the closely flowing photographer's plane, that he finally gave up and landing, left the field with his wife.

Close friends of the flier said later that his efforts to elude the photographers were not because of any desire to block pictures, but solely because the proximity of the second plane distracted the attention of his pupil.

Observers denied that Col. Lindbergh had shaken his fist at the photographer after bringing his instruction plane to earth. If there was a gesture, these said, it represented and was intended as nothing more than a wave of surrender—marking his abandonment of the day's tutoring.

SCIENTISTS WILL STUDY FRUIT FLY IN NATIVE LAIR

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(AP)—The department of agriculture today announced it would begin an immediate study of the Mediterranean fruit fly in countries bordering on the Mediterranean Sea whence the fly derived its name.

On a ship donated by Allison V. Armour, New York, wealthy patron of science, H. F. Quayle, professor of entomology at the University of California and expert on the fruit fly, will conduct an investigation in the hope of discovering some means of eradicating the pest from Florida, where it endangers the entire fruit industry.

Another advancing his sabbatical year to permit the study was granted by the university. It is expected the work will require the greater part of a year.

The Weather.

Oregon: Fair Sunday; Monday, fair east and cloudy west portion; cooler west portion Monday; moderate south and southwest winds. Normal humidity.