

Today

By Arthur Brisbane

The Unimaginable. Failure, Says Coolidge. Low Prices? Not in France. What Will Mr. Smith Do?

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The giant British airship, R-100, flying over the sea above the clouds at 60 miles an hour, is expected to land in Canada this afternoon.

A few years ago the average man could not have imagined that. Now that it has happened, not one in a hundred realizes what it means.

Long after steam railroads were operating successfully in England, wise men, in and out of parliament, said the locomotive could not possibly be a success.

Many equally "wise" men think that "flying can never be practical."

Mr. Coolidge says the farm board effort of last spring to hold up the price of wheat and cotton is a failure.

Europe's capital couldn't maintain steel prices, our government failed in its effort to stabilize silver. The British couldn't corner rubber, or Brazil coffee. And Cuba failed with sugar.

It is not possible to repeal the law of supply and demand, cause and effect, action and reaction, says Mr. Coolidge.

And he adds, which will interest wets and dries, "An act of Congress has small jurisdiction over what men think."

What does Mr. Coolidge, himself a total abstainer, think about the Volstead act?

Can it control "what men think?" Can it really control what men DRINK?

While Mr. Coolidge was writing his "piece" about the farm board failure for Wednesday's newspapers, wheat was dropping to a new "lowest price" cotton, to the year's lowest, and sugar to the lowest price in 70 years. It is hard to fight the law of supply and demand.

Refined sugar held its price 4.70 a pound, and will probably drop soon. This is the time to put up preserves.

Meanwhile, the wise French, whose farmers get \$1.70 for their wheat while their government increases its gigantic gold reserve day by day, see their government bonds sailing upward.

Americans that paid \$100 and much less for French 7 1/2 bonds

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Abe Martin



At the newspaper to the newspapers the country must be alive with 'em, but in all the devils I do here, there, an' ever'where, I've never yit run onto a sheriff's posse," remarked Lile Kite, as he tossed aside his newspaper. With Elder's husband now trains does for arctic explorers. You can't keep a good man down.

COPCO PLAN MEANS BIG EXPANSION

Klamath River Power Application Would Entail An Expenditure of \$27,500,000 and Creation 245,420 Horsepower.

SALEM, Ore., July 31.—(AP) Expenditure of \$27,500,000 and the creation of 245,420 horsepower by the California Oregon Power company in its development of Klamath river from the Grant power site to the California line are indicated in applications for water rights filed today with State Engineer Luper. The Grant power site is about 16 miles west of Klamath Falls.

Luper said there was no doubt that the applications would be granted with reservations for the protection of irrigation interests above the power sites. Luper thinks the program of the power company has been formulated to cover a period of about 20 years. The company has before the federal power commission applications for license to use right of way on federal land, which, it is understood, will be granted as soon as state approval of the applications now before the engineer and the state reclamation commission is given.

Five Applications. The applications received today, five in number, are in addition to an original application that has been pending since 1924. The original application proposed the development of 76,957 horsepower at the Grant power site at an estimated cost of \$7,000,000. Each of the five new applications, as did the old one, requests the appropriation of 1500 second feet. One proposes the utilization of a fall of 200 feet and the development of 34,091 horse power at an estimated cost of \$4,000,000; the second application utilization of a fall of 314 feet, 36,477 horsepower at a cost of \$4,500,000; the third a fall of 384 feet, 65,455 horsepower at a cost of \$5,500,000; the fourth a fall of 100 feet, 17,045 horsepower at a cost of \$2,600,000; and

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LINDBERGH ON RADIO HOOKUP AUGUST EIGHTH

NEW YORK, July 31.—(AP)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, making his first prepared radio address August 8, will talk over two nationwide broadcasting chains from studios of the Columbia broadcasting system.

Announcement was made today that the National Broadcasting company would co-operate in the transmission, carrying the talk at the same time it goes over the Columbia system. The 15-minute address to America had been set for 10 p. m., (c. s. t.).

The talk, in which it is anticipated that Col. Lindbergh will advocate the calling of an international aviation conference by the League of Nations, is to be delivered twice, the first at 11:25 p. m., to Great Britain, Europe and other sections of the world. For the 10 p. m., broadcast next week, Lindbergh will visit 150 stations in America, will be hooked together.

HASBROUGH HEIGHTS, N. J., July 31.—(AP)—Charles A. Lindbergh landed at Teterboro airport from Washington at 10:30 a. m. (c. s. t.). He left Bolling field in Washington with Harry S. Gurneheim, ambassador to Cuba, at 8:15 a. m.

Lindbergh left immediately by motor for the home of his father-in-law, Dwight W. Morrow, in Englewood.

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WINONA LAKE, Ind., July 31.—(AP)—The fire department has come to the rescue of the Venus De Milo, and a scheme to clothe the goddess' statue in poison ivy has been thwarted.

STATE SUPREME COURT REOPENS BILLINGS CASE



Conflicting statements of John McDonald, recanting witness of the Mooney-Billings Preparedness Day bomb trial, were sifted by justices of the supreme court in San Francisco when Warren K. Billings, serving life sentence in Folsom, re-applied for a pardon. The requested pardon from Gov. C. C. Young by Thomas Mooney, life term in San Quentin, hinges upon the court's decision in Billings' hearing. Left to right: Justices Preston, Shenk, Seawell, Chief Justice Waste, Justices Richards, Curtis and Langdon.

CANADA HAS PROBLEM IN WHEAT BINS

Low Prices May Prove a Blessing in Lowering Stores of Grain—Traffic Tie-Up Feared in West As Elevators Bulge.

WINNIPEG, Man., July 31.—(AP)—Low grain prices brought hope today of relief from an impending grain storage crisis in Canada. As the 1929-30 crop year came to an end, stores are piled higher in grain bins than they were a year ago, and a far greater crop is in the offing, but grain men believe wheat prices, lowest in 17 years, may stir overseas buyers into action.

Unless greater export demand comes soon and is sustained, a repetition of last year's grain tie-up in the west is threatened. Lakehead elevators are filled to almost the same level as a year ago, within 25,000,000 bushels of capacity. Grain stores in the western inspection division total some 16,000,000 bushels more than a year ago.

Embargo Last Year. Last fall both the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific railways put into effect an embargo against grain movement to packed lake head bins.

Today the best cash wheat is selling for less than 90 cents per bushel. Grain men believe the new low marks may start the buyers.

Not only is the wheat yield forecast as some 100,000,000 bushels, larger than last year, causing the storage worry, but barley and oat crops are expected to be much larger than in 1929, since considerable extra land was seeded to coarse grains because of cheap wheat prices.

KLAMATH TRIO TO PAY LIQUOR FINES

PORTLAND, Ore., July 31.—(AP)—George Rice, 28; Art McKee, 30 and James Quinn, 36, all of Klamath Falls, were fined \$250 each in federal court today on liquor charges. They made no court appearance.

Sentence was read by Federal Judge McNary. Through Francis Marsh, assistant United States district attorney, the three men entered pleas of guilty to liquor possession and transportation charges. They were arrested by federal prohibition agents in the "Last Chance" soft drink "saloon," operated in connection with a Fourth of July celebration in Klamath Falls.

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Baseball Scores

Table with National and American columns, listing scores for St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Grimes, Lindsey and Wilson, French and Hoel, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Phelps, Heimach and Lopez, Sweetland and McCurdy, Boston, New York, Zachary, Frankhouse, Cunningham and Spohrer, Mitchell, Pruett, Carroll and Hogan.

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Table with American column, listing scores for First game, St. Louis, Chicago, Gray and Manion, Braxton and Tate, Second game, St. Louis, Chicago, Coffman and Manion, Lyons and Tate, Detroit, Cleveland, L. Cantrell and Hayworth, Ferrell and Sewell, Philadelphia, Washington, Earnshaw, Grove and Cochrane, Hadley and Spencer.

Table with New York column, listing scores for New York, Boston, Wells, Sherid and Dickey, MacFayden, Kussell and Heving, Berry.

OHIO DROUGHT BRINGS DREAR CROP OUTLOOK

CLEVELAND, O., July 31.—(AP)—With millions of dollars worth of farm crops at stake, Ohio is facing heavy losses if the drought of the last three months continues, a survey of the state showed today.

Less than 74 inch of rain fell in the Cleveland area during July, where the normal is 3.55. May and June also were far below normal.

The corn crop is the most seriously affected, and prospects are that many farmers will be feeding their livestock on wheat this fall, due to the low price of wheat and the shortage of corn.

Production of dairy products has been impaired seriously and higher prices of milk and butter are predicted for the near future. Wells and streams on many farms are dry, and in numerous cases, farmers have been forced to glut the markets with cattle, sheep and hogs for butchering at low prices.

Wire Report on the Pear Market

NEW YORK, July 31.—(AP)—Pear market weaker; 33 cars arrived; 24 California, 2 Alabama cars unloaded; 20 cars on track. California Bartlett: 18,955 boxes, ordinary and best \$2.65-3.00; few \$4.00; common \$1.75-2.00; few \$1.65-1.70; average \$2.14. Haldys: 1355 boxes, \$1.65-3.00; average \$2.31.

CHICAGO, July 31.—(U. S. D. A.)—Pears arrive: 21 California, 1 Alabama; 16 California cars on track; 22 cars sold. California Bartlett: 11,614 boxes, \$1.60-3.40; average \$2.15.

GARDENS WILL GET REMAINING WATER SUPPLY

Main Gates of Medford Irrigation District Closed—Talent Has Week's Supply Remaining.

The main gates of the irrigation ditches of the Medford Irrigation district have been closed. E. J. Leach, manager said this morning, and the slight supply of water in Bear Creek is being used for the gardens of the Phoenix and Talent districts.

With the co-operation of the gardeners and conservative use of water, it is thought there will be sufficient to carry the gardens through, which is a rather extensive acreage.

The Talent Irrigation district has sufficient water to last a week or ten days. The Game Department through Warden Roy Parr, yesterday ordered the Hyatt Prairie reservoir closed to all fishing, in order to preserve fish therein.

According to O. Armpfner, district manager, there will be sufficient water from springs to keep the fish alive, after all the irrigation water is withdrawn.

AIR TOURISTS IN IDAHO CITY TODAY

SPOKANE, Wash., July 31.—(AP)—Taking off from Feltz field at 10:45 a. m., 27 planes of the Pacific Northwest Air tour, headed for Moscow, Idaho.

After a brief stay here, the ships will spend the night at Lewiston, Idaho, before continuing their demonstration tour.

Their arrival here yesterday from Pasco was uneventful, except that Virginia Ogden set her plane down in a field when gas ran short and her delay caused a search to be made.

LIBBY PLANNING BIG PEAR PACK

THE DALLES, Ore., July 31.—(AP)—With the harvest of Bartlett pears started at Yakima, Superintendent Day announced today that Libby McNeill and Libby company will open Aug. 10 on a heavier than normal pack of pears and apples.

"We have a job for every local woman who applies at our plant," Day said. The run is expected to extend past the Christmas holidays.

U.S. SAILORS SLAY FIFTY CHINA REDS

Communists Fire On Gunboat Palos in Siang River—Three Inch Guns Open Up On Attackers—Five Seamen Wounded.

SHANGHAI, July 31.—(AP)—Intensive Red activity sweeping middle China, which culminated yesterday in an attack by Chinese communists on the American gunboat Palos near Changsha in which about 50 Chinese were killed and five bluejackets wounded, today threatened to engulf Hankow, Wu-chang, Hanyang and other important cities in the Yangtze valley.

The Hankow refugees, all Japanese press dispatches from Hankow today said refugees arriving there today expressed the belief unidentified foreigners had been murdered when communists ravished Changsha, capital of Hunan province. The refugees said all other foreigners not rescued were in the hands of the Reds.

The Japanese, all Japanese, stated the communists also had abducted 200 wealthy Chinese merchants of Changsha and were holding them for ransom.

SHANGHAI, July 31.—(AP)—American sailors killed about 50 Chinese communists and wounded many more while defending the United States gunboat Palos from an attack near Changsha yesterday in which the Reds raked the ship with machine gun and rifle fire, wounding five bluejackets.

The Reds attacked from the banks of the Siang river as the Palos was approaching the communist-ravished city to make a survey of the ruins. Opening fire with 100 rifles and 10 machine guns, the communists showered the Palos with bullets.

Caught in close quarters and unable to turn back, the Palos brought its three-inch rifles and machine guns into action, firing into the attackers at close range.

The battle raged for an hour before the communists were taken to positions behind stacks and in underground along the bank.

FILM ACTRESS DRUG USER IS NURSES CLAIM

LOS ANGELES, July 31.—(AP)—Federal Narcotic agents disclosed today that entry into a hospital of Mary Nolan, screen actress formerly known as Imogene Wilson, follows beauty, had prevented them from serving warrants for her arrest on charges of possessing narcotics.

United States Commissioner David Head issued the warrants yesterday, chiefly on the basis of an affidavit by Miss Claire Anderson, Hollywood nurse, who said she had attended Miss Wilson since July 29. The nurse stated in the affidavit the actress since that date had taken narcotics every two or three hours daily.

Names of two physicians, which the affidavit mentioned, were withheld by the authorities. They are being sought also.

Schenck Asks Divorce

LOS ANGELES, July 31.—(AP)—Harry Schenck, film director, in filing suit for divorce today, complained his wife, Lillian, held that the movie and movie people were "the bunk."

Rolling Bones Decide Penalty Crap Shooters

ROCKVILLE, Md., July 31.—(AP)—Three crap shooting dockets "rolled their own" sentences on the police court bench presided over by Judge Charles W. Woodward after being found guilty of playing ATJ on golf.

"Snake eyes (two ones) and you get fourteen days," the court said. Roll anything else and you get what you make.

Paul Stewart, Fred J. Frank, Butler and Frank Peters began serving ten, seven and six day sentences, respectively.

TONG WARS RAGE ANEW IN GOTHAM

Police Watch Chinatown Denizens As Hostilities Follow Indictment for Murder—Boston Has Echo New York Trouble.

NEW YORK, July 31.—(AP)—Police reserves patrolled Chinatown today after the killing of one Chinese and the wounding of another signalled outbreak of a new tong war. Seven Chinese were in jail.

Opening of hostilities between members of the On Leong Tong and the Tong On here was echoed in Boston where an On Leong member was killed.

Last night Nap Ling was killed at the door of a Mott street laundry in the heart of Chinatown.

Police were on their way to the scene of that attack when Soo Hock Ling was shot 10 times at a bazaar a few doors away.

The shootings, police said, followed the circulation of a report in Chinatown, Sam Wong, an On Leong member, had been indicted for the murder of Hung Wah Hong, president of the Tong On who was shot and killed while watching a performance in a Chinese theater on July 5.

Jong Tuck was in jail today charged with homicide in the killing of Nap Ling. Loy Hong and Sing Say were held for the shooting of Soo Hock Ling.

BOSTON, July 31.—(AP)—Death from hatchet and bullet wounds came late last night to Leon Toon, 39, unemployed restaurant worker, outside his door in a dark place in Chinatown.

FABRIC TROUBLE SLOWS DIRIGIBLE

QUEBEC, July 31.—(AP)—The dirigible H-100 passed over the island of Orleans, near Quebec, at 4:10 p. m. (E. S. T.). The ship passed low over the island and her speed was estimated at not more than ten knots.

ST. HUBERTS AIRPORT, Que., July 31.—(AP)—Fabric trouble aboard the British airship R-100 had caused a reduction of speed and the ship may not arrive here until tomorrow morning, according to a wireless message received at the flying field late this afternoon.

M'DONALD UNCOACHED AVERS COP

Identification of Billings and Mooney From Photo Voluntarily Made Declares Frisco Police Captain Before Court.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 31.—(AP)—Police Captain Charles Goff today denied before the California supreme court he had coached John McDonald, recanting witness, to falsely identify Thomas J. Mooney and Warren K. Billings as the bombers of the 1916 preparedness day parade here.

Goff, sergeant of the bombing squad in 1916, declared McDonald came voluntarily to the police and identified Billings and Mooney from photographs before he had seen either of the accused men. The officer denied snappily he had told McDonald while approaching Billings' cell "there's your man."

The captain said McDonald walked ahead of him at city prison until he came to Billings and pointing at the prisoner said, "here is one of them."

Not Sure of Mooney. In the case of Mooney, McDonald was hesitant in identifying the photograph because Mooney wore a mustache. Goff said he put his thumb over the mustache in the picture and that McDonald then tentatively identified him, saying, "I think that's him."

Of Billings, Goff said McDonald told him: "Here is the one that put the suitcase (containing the bomb) down."

Goff occupied the stand most of the morning making snappy and emphatic denials of categorical statements elicited from McDonald during his interrogation yesterday and the day before. He also related from memory many incidents of the time, chiefly remarks and acts attributed to the recanting witness who has changed his story to clear his conscience, he says.

The hearing is specifically on Billings' application for a pardon recommendation by the court.

TEST CAR FOR PEAR SHIPPING IS ALLOCATED

A telegram was received today by A. S. V. Carpenter, chairman of the commerce and trade committee of the Fruitgrowers league stating that the Pacific Fruit Express had assigned a car for the refrigeration and icing tests on pear shipments from this city under the direction of the Department of Agriculture.

The car will arrive in the local yards in time for shipment, probably August 25th, and will be in charge of B. C. Mallinson, Department of Agriculture. He will accompany the car, taking frequent tests covering the temperature of the car at various points, condition of the pears, preservation of ice through salting, and other data.

Last season some delay was experienced in procuring the car, but this season the Pacific Fruit Express and Southern Pacific railroad have readily co-operated with the trade and agriculture committee.

WILL ROGERS SAYS

BEVERLY HILLS, July 31.—Oklahoma and Texas have an original primary system. They have so many seeking office that the first primary is only to find out how many are desirous of living off the state.

The second primary is to eliminate 50 per cent of these. The third is to get rid of half of what is left. The fourth is to eliminate any good man that might have crept in by mistake. Now you have just politicians, so the fifth one is to leave in the two worst ones, and they run it off.

Will Rogers