

AIRWOMEN EQUAL TO MEN IN RACE ASSERTS WRITER

Skill and Courage Demonstrated in Many Events — Ban at New Orleans Port Dedication Rankles

By SWANEE TAYLOR United Press Aviation Writer NEW YORK.—(UP)—At the recent Pan-American air races, held to dedicate the new \$4,000,000 super-airport at New Orleans, La., women pilots were conspicuous in their absence.

Not a single lady-bird was allowed to enter any of the competitive events. The reason for this ban took the form of a weak play on chivalry: The ladies have been judged too frail and tender to compete (even among themselves) in such grueling, such stamina snapping physical ordeals.

Well, to anyone who ever has flown in a race, this view is utterly preposterous. About the only stamina called upon, in flying "round and round a five-mile triangular course, is mental stamina. But to say that women, as a gender, suffer brain lag when called upon to think clearly and sanely for 25 or 30 minutes, not only maligns them, but it also casts a baneful reflection on the entire human species.

As far as smart racing is concerned, our American lady-birds have by far topped the men. Since the start of feminine racing, that first horrible Powder-Puff derby from California to Cleveland, the girls have proven repeatedly that sex has nothing to do with flying an airplane. This same promoter, incidentally, is responsible for the celebrated "Powder-Puff" cross-country races. And, it must be said, that in planning his various itineraries he never has spared frailty.

Tough Trip The Southern California to Cleveland route transgresses the most varied and most difficult part of this continent. Yet thirty-odd girls came through with only one loss, and much less complaining than men. Also, in his numerous closed-course races only one girl lost her life. And she, when her highly coupled-up engine went bad on her, had the courage to pull out of the race course so her crash would endanger no one. That girl, for one, didn't suffer brain fatigue.

ATTORNEY SLAYS MATE WITH AXE, ENDS OWN LIFE

CLEVELAND, March 19.—(AP)—R. B. Newcomb, prominent Cleveland attorney, killed his wife early today with an axe and then committed suicide, police reported, by slaying his throat with a knife.

Newcomb had been under treatment for a nervous breakdown. The two bodies were found in the Newcomb home at daybreak by a maid. Coroner A. J. Pearce, summoned by Cleveland Heights police, pronounced their deaths a murder and a suicide.

Newcomb was a member of the law firm of Newcomb, Newcomb & Nord. Coroner Pearce said a preliminary investigation indicated that Newcomb awakened about 5:30 a. m., went to the basement to get the axe, and returned to his wife's bedroom.

He struck her one blow over the head as she slept, the coroner theorized, and then descended to the basement to commit suicide.

Mrs. Mabel Warner, aged mother of the murdered woman, said she heard her daughter cry out about 5:30. She did not investigate immediately, and the bodies were not discovered until the landlady, Myra Johnson, came to work.

A son of the dead couple, Miller J. Newcomb, about 20, also was in the home at the time of the tragedy.

Adrian G. Newcomb, a brother of the dead attorney, said "he had been better for the last two or three weeks. He had been coming to the office almost every day."

Two Counties Pay First Quarter Tax

SALEM, March 19.—(AP)—Two counties completed in full their first quarter state tax payments to the state treasurer today. Union county paid \$19,991 and Klamath county \$41,158. All state taxes are due on April 1.

HEADSTONES LEVELLED BY ERRATIC STORM

PARIS, March 19.—(AP)—The people of Jonzac awoke today to find every headstone in the local cemetery flat on the ground. The stones were blown down in a hop-skip-and-a-jump which struck odd spolia along the western coast over night after giving most of France wind, rain or hail.

Farm Credit Secretaries Instructed



Secretaries of newly-organized production credit association of the northwest district were in Spokane last week for instruction on operation methods of the Production Credit corporation and rules of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank. Shown in this picture are seated, left to right: W. J. Soderlund of the Midland association at Columbia, Mont.; F. S. Johnson of the Southwest Washington association at Chualar; N. O. Miller, of the Bozeman association at Bozeman, Montana; Charles Hatfield of the Miles City association, and T. G. Montgomery of the Baker, Oregon, association. Standing are W. E. Meyer (left), president of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Spokane, and B. L. Jenkins, field organizer for the Production Credit corporation of Spokane.

Vivid Pictures Of Pistol Battle At Philadelphia; Policemen Rout Recluse Holding Two Girls Captive



Holding two girls captive in his barricaded Philadelphia house; Walter Bevin, 65-year-old war veteran, defied police in a pistol battle until he was critically wounded after a tear gas barrage brought him staggering from the house. A bystander and one of the girls also were wounded. Above picture shows police, with pistols in their hands, creeping up on Bevin's house. (Associated Press Photo)

SOCIETY GIRLS SHINE 'EM UP



These young Boston society girls donned dungarees and took up shoe shining kits to raise funds for sweet charity. They are, left to right: Barbara Horton, Ellen O'Donnell and Mildred Allen. They polished shoes for funds for the Boston dispensary and the Boston floating hospital. (Associated Press Photo)

PHILIPPINE MEASURE PASSED BY HOUSE

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(AP)—The McDuffie-Tydings Philippine independence bill passed the house today and was sent to the senate.

Having administration approval, the measure was brought up by Chairman McDuffie of the insular committee under a suspension of the house rules, which required at least a two-thirds majority for passage.

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MARY OWLSLEY RITES CONDUCTED TODAY

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon from the Perl funeral home for Mrs. Mary Owsley, Reverend W. R. Baird of the First Christian church being in charge of the services. The body will be shipped this evening to Mounds, Okla., for burial.

Tourist Balance Off

ISTANBUL.—(UP)—The tourist balance in Turkey is upsetting the authorities. Only 52,000 foreigners visited the country last year, and they spent a mere three million Turkish pounds. On the other hand, Turkish tourists to Europe and America took nearly seven million pounds out of the country.

Calif Had Five Legs

PHILOMONT, Mont.—(UP)—A calf on the J. P. Miller farm here is "one up" on his barnyard fellows. The freak was born with five legs, lived, and is perfectly normal otherwise.

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ITALY TO EXPAND, IL DUCE SERVES NOTICE ON WORLD

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tions which have already arrived in Africa do not block at every step Italian expansion—a demand said to have been aimed particularly at France.

Later, referring to France in a general discussion of Italian foreign relations, Mussolini said: "Relations with France are better from a general standpoint. But reality demands I state that none of the problems which have existed between us for 15 years have been solved."

Il Duce turned to touch upon internal development phases of the program. The audience, gathered in the Rome opera house one week before the five-year elections, sat in rapt attention.

"In this age of plans," he said, "I want to lay before you a plan not for five years or ten years—but for 80 years, carrying on to the 21st century, at which time Italy will have the primacy of the world."

Under the program, he declared, "Every rural person will have a clean and healthy house... to halt the rush to the city." He said 500,000 rural houses would be rebuilt, 930,000 repaired.

He outlined plans to complete swamp reclamation by 1940, build new aqueducts and highways and to recreate Italian municipalities.

Mussolini reiterated Italy's intention to help Austria preserve her independence and the absence of any reference to relations with Germany—cooled over the question of Austrian independence—was considered significant.

He did refer to Germany in discussing arms. It was after he had said reform of the League of Nations "will be made when disarmament is settled."

"Cannot Disarm Germany "Heavily armed states," he said, "will not disarm. An Italian memorandum states the problem in all of its reality. If nations will not disarm they cannot logically oppose the parity of arms required by Germany. They cannot pretend to disarm people like the Germans."

As for Italy's military expenditures, Il Duce reiterated that she would never attack.

But, he added, she will be "ready for any eventuality."

Soviet Wins Radio Contract. MOSCOW.—(UP)—The soviet government has concluded a contract with the Turkish republic to erect a 150-kilowatt radio station at Ankara.

The soviet electric trust takes pride in the fact that it secured the contract, despite competition from several other companies of capitalistic countries.

Youths Sentenced to Church. SEATTLE.—(UP)—Two youths, charged with attempting to steal a small lamp from the First Baptist church, were sentenced to attend church every Sunday for two months and attend Sunday school and both morning and evening services.

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A. E. Horn

W. F. Carper, local district manager for General Petroleum, called southern Oregon representatives together here today to learn the organization's 1934 merchandising plan from Assistant Oregon Manager A. E. Horn of Portland, who arrived here Sunday.

L. A. Schmitt, General's Grants Pass agent, and Charles F. Miller, agent at Klamath Falls, attended with distributors and representatives from their territories. General Petroleum announces that the 1934 advertising volume will double that of 1933 and that a new gasoline will shortly be introduced.

J. T. BROADLEY, FORMER MEDFORD RESIDENT IS BURIED IN CALIFORNIA

According to a clipping from the March 12 edition of a Sacramento newspaper, "funeral services were held today from the parlors of Miller and Skelton for John Thomas Broadley, who died Friday. Broadley, a resident here for four years, was a native of England and was a close friend and neighbor of the brother of Charles Dickens, the author."

"Broadley, who was a musician played before Queen Victoria and King Edward of England. He was born in Bradford, Yorkshire, England, and came to the United States in 1890, making his home in New York. He had been active in National Co-operative Festivals in England, and in 1890 was awarded a certificate for valuable service at the Crystal Palace in London."

"He came to California 16 years ago after having operated a floral establishment in Medford, Ore. "He is survived by his widow, Mrs. J. A. Broadley, a daughter, Mrs. Elaine B. Montgomery and two grandchildren, as well as two brothers and a sister in England."

Many friends here will be saddened to learn of Mr. Broadley's passing, as he was well known here, formerly having his greenhouse on the hill near the reservoir, and later had a shop on West Main street, across from the Liberty building. He was a member of the Baptist church.

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Taxi Dash to Hospital Impresses Lady Visitor

DENVER, Colo., March 19.—(AP)—One Los Angeles woman undoubtedly will recall her visit of a few days ago in Denver.

Carl S. Milliken, commissioner of safety, is authority for the story. Witnesses are a taxi driver, still somewhat sensitive on the subject, and a couple of motorcycle policemen.

According to Milliken's story, the woman was en route to Los Angeles from New York and when she learned she had several hours to wait for her train decided to visit a friend, who had just become a mother.

"Drive me to the Presbyterian hospital—I'm in a hurry," Milliken the woman told the taxi driver. At break-neck speed and ignoring

traffic signals, the driver swept through the city. A couple of traffic officer swung alongside, primed for trouble. A few whispered words from the driver and they darted out in front, sirens screaming.

At the hospital the driver called excitedly to attendants to take his passenger to the maternity ward. They did—rapidly, without asking questions.

Arriving at the operating room, the woman gasped as she understood the mistake, Milliken said. Then she convinced the attendants all she wanted was to visit her friend and the friend's new baby.

Milliken declined to give the woman's name.

GRAM A VETERAN IN LABOR OFFICE

SALEM, Ore.—(UP)—Charles H. Gram, candidate for re-election as state labor commissioner, has been longer in office than any other elective official.

Next January, Gram will complete 16 years as labor commissioner. He has served in the labor department for 27 years, being one of the oldest state servants. No other candidate has thus far announced himself for the post. Gram is a Republican.

Most outstanding accomplishment of his administration, the labor leader believes, is the "tri-state agreement." By this pact Oregon, Washington and California have united in uniform regulations of hours and minimums in the canning and packing industries. The agreement, affecting 65,000 women, has forestalled untold trouble and losses on the Pacific coast, it is claimed.

L. H. Tucker, 87 Dies At Home

L. H. Tucker, 87, who resided at 801 Dakota, died Sunday evening at his home. The body is now at the Perl funeral home, and a complete obituary will appear tomorrow.

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Russian Air Hero Discovered Safe

MOSCOW, March 19.—(AP)—The Russian air hero Llapidevsky, missing five days on a flight of mercy, has been located safe and well at Cape Van Karen, the government rescue commission announced today.

The flier was forced down by engine trouble 6 miles from Koluchino island after hopping to rescue a party of 89 stranded on cracking ice floes in the Bering sea.

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