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ROGERS, POST KILLED WHEN PLANE CRASHES IN ALASKA



By PAUL MALLON Copyright, 1935, By Paul Mallon WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—The fast backward political flip-flop on record, bar none, was that of President Roosevelt's tax leaders in the senate. One day they were for the La Follette bill to soak everybody and the next they voted for the opposite scheme, which would hardly dampen anyone.

The charge is being made that Mr. Roosevelt engineered the switch. Also that the means and groans of Senators Borah and Norris caused the La Follette plan to be dropped.

The suspicions are plausible. There may be something in them. But what actually happened was this: A gentleman who happened to be peering in the window at the secret session of the finance committee noticed that the La Follette plan was being voted upon. He saw the members of the committee voting, and he saw the members of the committee voting.

But far more amazing was the fact that the chairman counted nineteen hands voting, whereas the window peeper could plainly see only about a dozen senators were present and none of them voted with both hands.

The explanation apparently is that Chairman Pat Harrison had proxies for several absent hands in his pocket, and he counted them. The absence authorized Mr. Harrison to vote, but when they read in the newspapers what had been done they began to get cold feet. Especially chilling was the editorial comment.

Two or three of them complained in effect, that, gosh, it was all right to pull a little strategy like that to keep Senator La Follette quiet, but after all, the La Follette plan was terrible and they would not like to get caught voting for it, even with absent hands.

Therefore it was arranged that new deal's faithful friend Senator Barkley (who also may have heard the White House) would move a reconsideration. Four senators conveniently absented themselves, permitting La Follette to lose by the narrow margin of 5 to 7. On this occasion the vote was legitimate and irrevocably announced.

The moral, dear children, is that machine work is always done by hand.

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HARRY LYMAN RITES ASHLAND SATURDAY

Funeral services for Harry Sterling Lyman, who died at Talent Wednesday after an illness of only a few days, will be held from the Stock-Lincolnton funeral parlors in Ashland Saturday afternoon at 2:30, it was announced today.

The Rev. Temple of Talent will officiate at the chapel, and the Masonic temple of Ashland will have charge of the services at the grave. Interment will be in the Mountain-view cemetery.

Johnny Millard, timekeeper, scrambling madly away from the ring-side last night to avoid being crushed by a veritable hail of falling rascals from over the ropes.

Motor Failure Brings Instantaneous Death In Fall of Fifty Feet

JUNEAU, Alaska, Aug. 16.—(AP)—A large Pan American Airways airplane under directions received from Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and officials at New York, left here today for Fairbanks to fly the bodies of Will Rogers and Wiley Post back to Juneau. Alex Holsten was pilot and Lloyd Jarman, mechanic. At Fairbanks, another Pan American plane was "standing by" if it should be needed.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and officials of the Pan American Airways system here have been instructed by Mrs. Will Rogers to fly the body of her husband from Point Barrow, Alaska, to Juneau, it was learned today.

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SATLETT, Wash., Aug. 16.—(AP)—Wiley Post and Will Rogers, flying to Barrow, northernmost point in Alaska, were instantly killed last night, 15 miles short of their goal, the U. S. signal corps reported today, when Post's plane fell 50 feet head-on into the water.

Details of the tragic ending to a pleasure jaunt through Alaska, the Yukon and Northwest territories, were received here today by Col. George K. Kumke in the following message from Sgt. Stanley R. Morgan, signal corps operator at Barrow: "Ten p. m. (1 a. m. Friday P. S. T.) native cabiner reported plane crashed 15 miles south of Barrow. Immediately hired taxi launch. Proceeded to scene. Found plane complete wreck, partly submerged in two feet of water.

Bodies Recovered. "Recover body Rogers, when necessary to tear plane apart extract body Post from water. "Brought bodies Barrow. Turned over Doctor Griest. Also salvaged personal effects which am holding. Advise relatives and instruct this station fully as to proceeding with bodies. "Natives sampling small river 15 miles south here claim Post and Rogers landed and asked way to Barrow. "Taking off engine misfired on right bank only 50 feet off water. Plane, out of control, crashed nose-on, saving right wing off and nose-off, forcing engine back through body of plane. "Both apparently killed instantly. Bodies badly bruised. "Post's wrist watch broken, stopped 8:18 p. m. "Mrs. Post and Rogers notified Los Angeles. "Sergeant Morgan said the accident occurred at 5 p. m. (8 p. m. P. S. T.) last night. "Post and Rogers left Fairbanks, in the interior of Alaska, yesterday in their pontoon-equipped monoplane, but a down on Harding lake, 30 miles away, to await better weather. "Dense fog, low clouds and rain were reported at Barrow at the time.

Washington, Aug. 16.—(AP)—The capital, where Will Rogers was loved as few others of his time, grieved today to hear of his death. "Oh, that is awful bad!" exclaimed Vice-president Garner, raising his hands on learning that his humorist friend and Wiley Post had crashed. "Just two mighty good men have been lost to the world. "I can't talk about it. Rogers was one of the best friends I had." "Speaker Byrne, incredulous at first, later said he could not find immediate words to express his sorrow. "Patrick J. Hurley, secretary of war (Continued on Page Ten)

TIENTSIN, China, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Japanese military authorities launched an investigation today into the holdup and robbery of a Mukden-Peking express train during which three persons were killed and scores of passengers injured.

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PROSPECT WOMAN IS FOUND DEAD

Mrs. Florence McInnis, about 50, owner of the Log Cabin service station about five miles this side of Prospect, was found dead in her bed at about 8:30 last night by a group of Grange members who have been holding meetings at her place.

Death was apparently due to heart failure, she having been receiving medical care for some time for that trouble. She had apparently been dead since about noon yesterday, according to Coroner Frank Perl who was summoned to the scene and brought the body to Medford last night. Mrs. McInnis lived alone at the service station, but there are several homes in the district.

The Grange members went to the McInnis home last night, not falling to arouse an answer to their repeated knocks, forced an entry and found the body.

She is survived by one brother, F. J. Kirby of Butte, Mont. Coroner Perl wired Kirby last night, and funeral arrangements will not be announced until word is received from him.

FAST GAME PROMISED AT PROSPECT SUNDAY

Prospect's baseball team will clash Sunday with a COC contingent in what is expected to be one of the best games seen at the mountain resort the present season. According to Dewey Hill, Prospect's baseball major-league coach, teams have been practicing hard and intend to put up 425 battle of their lives.

Roger and Harriet Kayer driving all the way down from Grants Pass in search of a kitten lost last week.

Sad Sam lathers fondling a dusting pistol from a collection at the Armory, and dividing to smash it under the trunk for the next battle-royal to be staged up in.

Victims of Air Tragedy



Will Rogers (left) and Wiley Post, who met death last evening near Point Barrow, Alaska, while on an 'aerial vacation' in the north. (AP Photo.)

\$27.50 OFFERED BY S. O. S. FIRM FOR BARTLETT'S

Offers of \$27.50 per ton for 2 1/2-size cannerly Bartlett's, and \$25 per ton for 2 1/2 size, were made late yesterday to the growers for their 1935 crop. The offer was made by the Southern Oregon Sales Co., Inc.

Growers have been holding out the past week for at least \$30 per ton, with the cannerly buyers reportedly offering \$25 per ton.

During the past three days there have been many conferences between packers, growers, and cannerly buyers relative to the Bartlett price and the \$27.50 per ton offer was the first break.

Whether or not the growers will accept the price is not known, as there is a strong disposition among the majority to ship to eastern markets rather than accept a low price.

Packing houses of the valley were prepared to pack and ship Bartlett's, and several plants have started on the crop. The Rogue River and E. T. Newby plants started yesterday afternoon.

The picking and packing of Bartlett's will be in full swing by next Monday and Tuesday, all of the plants expecting to be in operation by Tuesday morning.

Rogers greeted all comers in the Mail Tribune and "loshed" his guests with the light heartedness that won him fame. He talked of his world travels, his meetings with famous men of Europe and America, and was the soul of good nature. He strolled about the city for an hour before (Continued on Page Ten)

Income Shares

Maryland fund, \$16.73; \$18.09. Quarterly income shares, \$1.40; \$1.53.

Aerial Vacation Ship of Rogers, Post



The ill-fated cabin monoplane in which Wiley Post and Will Rogers had been enjoying an aerial vacation in Alaska, was a land plane until it arrived in Seattle from Los Angeles. Then Post had "sea legs" put on the ship. It is shown here with its new pontoons shortly before departure from Seattle for the north. (A. F. Photo.)

SELASSIE WILLING GIVE CONCESSIONS TO SIDETRACK WAR

Security to Italian Colonies and Economic Facilities Offered — Will Not Accept Military Occupation

LONDON, Aug. 16.—(AP)—British and foreign military authorities here said today that the Italo-Ethiopian war is likely to break out between the first and third week of September. Although it was stated that the British military intelligence service had been unable to ascertain the exact date for the opening of hostilities, it was understood Premier Mussolini had told his army chiefs that attack plans awaited the outcome of the present negotiations in Paris.

By RICHARD G. MASSOCK Associated Press Foreign Staff PARIS, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Emperor Selassie tonight stated Ethiopia was willing to grant security to the Italian colonies on its borders, to give economic facilities and to make economic concessions to Italy, but would not accept military occupation.

The offers were made directly to the diplomats of Great Britain, Italy and France, gathered here by the impending Italo-Ethiopian hostilities. The emperor's offers were as follows:

1. An Ethiopian guarantee of the security of the Italian colonies of Somalia and Eritrea and a similar guarantee for the security of Italian living in Ethiopia.

2. Ethiopia is willing to grant economic facilities for mining, road-building, and railroad operation.

3. Ethiopia may even grant more extensive agricultural concessions to Italy.

Conference quarters stated, however, that the emperor would not permit any military occupation of his nation.

IMPORTANT FISH MEETING TONIGHT

Fred J. Foster, regional director of the U. S. bureau of fisheries in Seattle, accompanied by P. B. Hawley, superintendent of the Oregon division of the bureau, and Matt Rockman, director of hatcheries of the Oregon state game commission, are in Medford today to conduct what is expected to be the most important meeting of fishers held in this city in the matter of fishing conditions in southern Oregon.

The three officials will meet with all interested southern Oregon fishermen at the county court house building at 8:30 o'clock tonight, in an open discussion of fishing problems in this district. Said Mr. Foster today: "We are here to hear the problems of the fishermen, and to help them in every way we can, and we'll also, undoubtedly, pick up many pointers from them."

One of the matters to be discussed is the possible establishment of a fish hatchery in this district.

BASEBALL

Table with columns for National, American, and R. H. E. for various teams like Cincinnati, Boston, Chicago, etc.

Washington 8 10 0 Detroit 1 4 3 Hadley and Bolton; Auker, Sullivan, Hogsett and Cochran.

New York 8 11 2 Cleveland 8 8 1 Allen, Malone, Brown and Dickey; Feuzon and Phillips.

Widow



Mrs. Will Rogers

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Aug. 16.—(AP)—Mary Rogers, 19, only daughter of Will Rogers, actor, famous comedian, killed in a plane crash in Alaska today, was at rehearsal with the Lakewood summer theater players when word of her father's death reached here.

Mrs. Rogers, widow of the man whose humor had placed him high in American life, also was here. She arrived Tuesday afternoon from California with Miss Theba Blake, her sister.

Rogers' son, James, had planned to come here next Monday. Mrs. Rogers, always shunning publicity, only yesterday declined to pose for news pictures with her daughter.

Word of Rogers' death cast a pall of gloom over the summer colony here, where Rogers had visited a year ago to see his daughter's stage performances.

Hundreds of people from all sections of southern Oregon and northern California enjoyed the brilliant "open house" at Mann's new store in this city last night. It was a gala occasion and guests who enjoyed Mann's hospitality were enthusiastic in their praise of the beautiful new store and to wish in their congratulations to John C. Mann, founder and owner of Mann's Department Store. Mr. Mann; John Moffatt, general manager; Harry S. Hinman, advertising manager, and other officials and staff members were present at last night's colorful affair.

Orchestra music and styles shown are living novelties were among the features of Mann's opening party and no merchandise was on sale during the evening. Saturday, August 17, will mark the opening of the store-wide "opening sale" featuring special values in every department of the store.

STOPPEL WAIVES HEARING RIGHTS

Henry Stoppel, arrested here Wednesday night in connection with the robbing and burning of the post office at Bonadad, Wash., on February 1, 1934, and the passing of money orders stolen from the post office, was yesterday arraigned before United States Commissioner Victor Tengwald here, and waived extradition to Washington authorities.

He is held in the county jail under \$25,000 bond awaiting action from Seattle, and will be returned here soon by Deputy U. S. Marshall Leo McLaughlin. A federal grand jury indictment has already been returned against Stoppel in Seattle, and he will be cited for appearance on the charges as soon as he arrives in Seattle.

GRIEF PROSTRATES WIDOW OF AVIATOR

PONCA CITY, Okla., Aug. 16.—(AP)—"I wish to God I had been with him when he crashed," Mrs. Wiley Post, widow of the famed globe flier, cried here today as she received word of her husband's death in Alaska.

Prostrated by grief, Mrs. Post went to bed for several hours, then left by airplane for Oklahoma City on her way to Mayville, the Post family home. The Post's had no children.

WORK ON SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT OPENS NEXT WEEK

Site to Be Staked Out and Materials Moved for Construction Monday—Completion Due 10 Months

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—(AP)—R. N. Coey, state PWA inspector for Oregon and Washington, announced here today that construction work will be started next week on the Medford sewage disposal plant. The project is backed by a \$100,000 loan and grant.

Gilbert Stuart, of R. I. Stuart and Sons, contractors awarded the construction job on the new plant, stated today that he had received telephonic communication from Portland yesterday to the effect that Engineer Buckingham, to be in charge of the work here, will be here tomorrow.

On Monday the site of the plant will be staked out, and materials will be moved so that work can be started immediately, Stuart said. He stated that some of the crew will start to work on Monday, but estimated that it would be the end of the week before the full crew of 40 men would be getting full-blown.

The Stuart contract, awarded on a bid of \$102,256.75, calls for the completion of the project within 10 months of the start of actual work.

POST'S AIR EXPLOITS INCLUDED TWO TRIPS CIRCLING THE GLOBE

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Here are the aerial exploits of Wiley Post, who with Will Rogers, film comedian, was killed today in an airplane crash in Alaska.

With Harold Gatty, Post flew around the world in eight days, 15 hours, and 51 minutes in 1931. In 1933, he made a solo "round-the-world" flight in seven days, 18 hours, and 49 1/2 minutes.

The following year, Post announced he would concentrate on the practical side of aviation. He made two sensational high altitude trips over his home town of Bartlettville, Okla., wearing a "supercharged suit" of his own design.

Post made four unsuccessful attempts to make a transcontinental flight through the stratosphere. Each time he was forced down on the way from Burbank, Calif., to New York, the last failure June 1, this year.

He used but one ship in all of his achievements—the "Winnie Mae."

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Aug. 15.—Well, we had a day off today and nothing to do, so we went flying with friends, Joe Crosson, Alaska's crack pilot, who is a great friend of Wiley's and helped him on his difficult climb up here on his record trips, and Joe Barrows, another fine pilot, in a Lockheed Electra.

We scaled Mount McKinley, the highest one on the American continent. Bright sunny day and the most beautiful sight I ever saw. Crosson has landed on a glacier over half way up in a plane and took off. Flew right by hundreds of mountain sheep. Few low over crones and bear down in the valley.

Now out to visit Matanuska valley, where they sent those 1933 model pioneers.

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