

PASSENGERS OF BIMINI FLYING BOAT ARE LOST

Women, Exhausted, Slip Into Sea; Others Jump; Pilot Is Rescued

MIAMI, Fla., March 25.—Two of the women passengers of the flying boat, "Miss Miami," which left here Wednesday for the island of Bimini and was forced down in the open sea by a broken propeller, died of exposure.

Two other passengers, crazed by exposure, jumped overboard into the sea, according to the story of Robert Moore, pilot of the craft, told to the crew of the steamer William Green, which rescued him last night from the wrecked hulk of the boat.

The fifth passenger, a man, slipped into the sea yesterday after becoming exhausted from clinging to the craft.

LUMBER RATE HEARING

Evidence Taken Before Interstate Commerce Commission Examiner

PORTLAND, March 25.—Falling off in lumber shipments from Western Oregon and Western Washington to southwestern states because of alleged discriminatory freight rates favorable to lumber manufacturers of California and the Inland Empire was shown in statistics submitted here Thursday by Herbert N. Proebstel, traffic manager of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, at a freight rate hearing at the court house before Examiner S. P. Hillyer of the interstate commerce commission. Taking of evidence in the case was begun at 10 o'clock Thursday and was continued throughout the week.

Proebstel's figures showed a falling off of 31.8 per cent in the volume of lumber shipments from 119 identical mills of the West Coast Lumbermen's association during the twelve months following August, 1920, when the new freight rate went into effect, and the twelve month period preceding that date. The territory covered by the survey covers seven southwestern states with a population of 13,000,000, using an average of 300 board feet of lumber per capita.

Shipments of lumber into the southwestern territory amounted to approximately one-tenth the entire consumption of lumber in the United States, Proebstel stated. Toal, Minor & Winfree, attorneys for the West Coast association, stated that they are prepared to submit an abundance of evidence in support of their application for a revision of freight rates which would give Oregon and Washington mills an even break with their competitors in this important market.

A number of attorneys representing California and Inland Empire lumber interests were present at the hearing, and all important rail lines entering the southwestern territory are represented by attorneys and traffic experts.

WARFARE CONTINUING

Bulgars Are Ordered Not to Return Fire of Greeks

SOPHIA, Bulgaria, March 25.—Reports from the Greco-Bulgar frontier say there was firing over the border all day yesterday. Bulgarian authorities ordered that there should be no reply to the Greek fire.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 25.—

The Turks distrust the proposal for an armistice between Turkey and Greece, saying the Turks have been deceived by the very statesmen who offer to settle the present trouble. They believe the Greeks would take advantage of an armistice to prepare for further warfare.

MARKET REPORT

PORTLAND, March 25.—Live-stock, eggs and butter, steady. Wheat \$1.31 to \$1.34.

GETS BIG FINE

PORTLAND, March 25.—O. D. Price today was awarded \$140,000 as fee for acting as trustee of the Henry L. Pittock estate.

SEVENTEEN ARE DEAD AS RESULT OF MINE EXPLOSION IN COLORADO

TRINIDAD, Colo., March 25.—The total dead and missing as a result of the explosion in the Sopris mine No. 2 of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company yesterday afternoon was fixed definitely today at 17. Eight bodies have been recovered and a ninth was sighted by rescuers this morning.

AMENDED SOLDIER BONUS PROVIDES \$1 DAY, HOME SERVICE

Overseas Veterans Would Receive \$1.25; Limit Is \$500; Pro- vide, Certificates

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—The amended bonus bill passed by the house provides:

A bonus of \$1 per day for home service or \$1.25 per day for foreign service, but not exceeding \$500. Cash payment to all whose bonus does not exceed \$50.

Adjusted service certificate to all others for amount of bonus, payable in twenty years with 25 per cent added and interest compounded at 4 1/2 per cent. Immaterial loan provision for banks to lend up to 50 per cent of the face value, at 2 per cent interest.

Vocational training aid in place of the adjusted compensation. This to be at rate of \$1.75 per day while training, but the total not to exceed what the adjusted compensation would be, plus 40 per cent.

Farm and home aid in place of adjusted compensation. Certificate will be paid in full, provided satisfactory evidence be given that it is to be used to buy a farm or improve farm or home already owned.

Land settlement aid, in place of other provisions, gives veterans preference in work of reclamation by drainage or irrigation, and allows them to buy farm units in the reclamation projects when ready. Amount of adjusted service certificate will be deducted from purchase price. Balance with interest at 5 per cent, to be payable in installments covering twenty-five years.

Who is eligible. All men who served except those over grade of captain in army or marines, lieutenant in navy, lieutenant in coast guard or passed surgeon in health service.

POLITICS WARMING UP

Probable Democratic Candidate and Another G. O. P. in Offing

Now comes a probable democratic candidate for circuit court judge in R. C. Groesbeck who, while not having openly avowed his candidacy, is said to be giving serious consideration to the advisability of running. In addition to E. L. Ellett, another probable republican candidate appears in Police Judge A. L. Leavitt, who is said to regard the circuit bench not unfavorably.

As the law provides petitions must carry signatures equal to two per cent of the last congressional vote, republican candidates therefore would need less than 50, the last vote being approximately 2300. The democratic vote was between 700 and 800, thus not over 18 signatures would be required of democratic candidates.

TRAFFIC MAN VISITOR

Representative of Stanton & Berry to Confer With Shippers

B. G. Lindeman, traveling auditor for Stanton & Berry, consulting traffic managers of San Francisco, is here to confer with local shippers regarding collection of freight overcharges and refunds. He expects to be here for three or four days.

Stanton & Berry have several clients here, who will receive through a rate adjustment just made by the interstate commerce commission, a refund that will aggregate between two and three thousand dollars.

SODERLUND CLEARED

Is Found Not Guilty on Bad Check Charge; Hixon Trial on

A verdict of not guilty was returned by the jury late yesterday afternoon in the case of Osa Soderlund, charged with issuing a check without funds.

Trial of Lester Hixon, charged with stealing horses, was started this morning, and probably will continue over to Monday.

BANK BANDITS WOUND DEPUTY IN GUN FIGHT

Three Men Who Robbed Sequim Institution of \$20,000 Escape

TACOMA, March 25.—Rex Melnes, a deputy sheriff, was wounded this morning by three bank robbers who yesterday robbed the state bank at Sequim, near Port Angeles, of \$22,000.

Melnes was guarding the railroad trestle near Malard when three men approached at 3 o'clock this morning. In the pistol battle which followed the deputy was shot through the leg. The robbers escaped.

RETURNS FROM SALEM

Deputy Lodges Upton and Hicks in State Penitentiary

Deputy Sheriff Bert Hawkins returned last night from Salem, where he took Dean Upton and Ray Hicks, recently sentenced to serve terms in the state penitentiary and Hicks in the reform school.

Sheriff Low, the first of the week, plans a similar trip, taking Plymouth Storm and the Haskins brothers to the penitentiary and Freddie Haskins to the reform school.

DOG TAGS RECEIVED

Owners Warned to Procure Licenses or Risk Losing Pets

Chief of Police Wilson announces that he has received a supply of dog license tags, and all dog owners can secure them at his office. The police department will enforce the law against unlicensed dogs, and all owners, who have not yet paid their license fee, must do so or run the risk of losing their pets.

FAIR BOARD MEETS

Committee Appointed to Prepare for Exhibits

Preparation for the annual Klamath county fair was started here this afternoon when the fair board, composed of Clyde Bradley, R. E. Bradley and Prof. R. B. Wilcox, met in the farm office for the purpose of appointing committees on exhibits.

ADAMS IS DENIED LEASE ON UPPER LAKE MARSH LAND

Secretary Fall Rejects Claim, But Hopes to Find Method of Reim- bursement for Expenditure

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—Frank Adams has been denied a lease on Klamath lake marsh lands and will probably be reimbursed in some way for the money he has expended for diking, claimed by Adams to be \$25,000. Secretary Fall notified the chairman of the public lands committee that he finds no authority which justifies him in signing the lease.

Some method of reimbursing Adams in an equitable way for expenditures which inure to the public benefit is to be recommended, the secretary said. This reverses the position previously taken by other interior department officials, who have steadily indicated a purpose to approve the Adams' claims.

The lease has been opposed by the Klamath Falls American legion. Secretary Fall hopes to open for soldier settlement the lands in question, some 20,000 or 30,000 acres. He is uncertain whether this can be done through organization of a reclamation district and by means of dykes to reclaim the land or whether it will have to be done under some future appropriation made by congress for reclamation purposes.

Before definitely committing the department on such a subject the secretary wants to determine by actual test the efficiency by diking these Klamath lake lands.

CUBS AND SEALS IN EXHIBITION GAMES

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—

Four games are to be played here during the spring training season between the Chicago Cubs and the San Francisco club of the Pacific Coast league. The dates are March 28 and 29 and April 1 and 2.

CARNAHAN GETS APPOINTMENT

PORTLAND, March 25.—J. H. Carnahan of Klamath Falls was elected one of the vice presidents of the State Bar association today. Charles H. Carey of Portland was made president.

NEW BOOZE ORDER

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—All federal prohibition agents have been ordered to avoid unnecessary display in the destruction of seized liquors. Commissioner Haynes said today.

TOWNLEY TO QUIT

FARGO, Ind., March 25.—A. C. Townley today announced he would resign as president of the national non-partisan league at a meeting of the Minnesota organization in Minneapolis on March 31.

TROUBLES ARE NOT ENDED FOR PACIFIC TREATY

Must Run Gauntlet of the French Chamber of Deputies

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—The validity of the senate's ratification of the four power Pacific treaty was challenged today in the senate by Hitchcock, democrat, of Nebraska, but was defended vigorously by Lodge of Massachusetts and Lenroot, republican, of Wisconsin.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—The four power Pacific treaty, approved yesterday by the senate, must run the gauntlet of another legislative body.

Great Britain can ratify through the privy council and Japan through the council of peers. Action by the French chambers, however, is more doubtful, and while ratification by France is expected it would not be surprising if serious attempts were made to place the reservations, or even the amendments on the treaty.

PHONES FOR AUTOS

Passenger Buses to Be Equipped With Wireless Telephone

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., March 25.—All passenger buses of a local motor transit line will be equipped with wireless telephones if the company's application to J. L. Dillon, radio inspector for the state department of commerce, is granted.

If permission is granted, the company plans to keep in almost constant communication with its mountain and valley cars through central stations at San Bernardino, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Such a device would enable a dispatcher at San Bernardino to give movement orders via wireless and in case of a breakdown of an automobile at any point in the mountains, the driver could summon a relief car without delay.

The forestry service is expected to co-operate in the wireless service in the mountains as drivers frequently sight fires.

BEND POLICE CHIEF IS DISMISSED BY COUNCIL WHEN FAILS TO APPEAR

BEND, March 25.—R. M. Fox was dismissed by the Bend city council as chief of police following his failure to appear at a hearing of the council called last night on charges of inefficiency preferred by the mayor.

MAN CONVICTED ON VAGRANCY CHARGE IS GIVEN 60 DAYS

"Curley" Harrison Draws Jail Sen- tence; George White Arrested; Sheriff Promise, Clean-Up

"Curley" Harrison, without visible means of support and, according to Sheriff Low, with a general reputation of living by boot-legging and gambling, drew a 60-day sentence in Justice Gaghagen's court yesterday on a vagrancy charge.

George White, familiarly known as "Sap," was arrested last night and awaits trial for vagrancy. "Sap's" general reputation, says the sheriff, is similar to Harrison's. The sheriff's investigation shows a residence here since July last, during which time "Sap" worked five weeks.

"There are still two cogs in the jail," said Sheriff Low, "and they will probably be filled before long, and if there are future vacancies I'll try to provide lodgers. Not wishing to tip my hand, but still in the way of fair warning, I'll say when I get back from Salem, the sheriff's office is going to devote a little attention to this non-producing class."

R. R. PLANS EXPANSION

Northern Pacific Budget Amounts to \$16,000,000; to Buy Lumber

PORTLAND, March 25.—The Northern Pacific's budget for this year amounts to \$16,000,000, and of this sum \$3,200,000 will be expended in Oregon and Washington. This includes purchase of lumber in these two states for constructing new freight car equipment. Revival of traffic is in prospect and the railway system's officials intend to be prepared for good times when they begin to appear.

In making this announcement, President Charles Donnelly this morning mentioned the placing of orders for 1000 new refrigerator cars and the rebuilding of 1000 box cars and 500 coal cars. He added that the Northern Pacific's program to have all of its transcontinental passenger trains fully equipped throughout with steel coaches would be completed in June.

Business Gains

Speaking of increasing car loadings, President Donnelly said that for the first half of this month \$600 more cars had been loaded on the system than during the same period a year ago. Although most of this larger traffic was of coal in anticipation of the coal mine strike, enough other commodities appeared in the increased movement to indicate that increased business is in prospect for the railways.

President Donnelly expects the Portland, Astoria & Pacific, the thirty-two mile line from Wilkesboro to Vernonia, to be completed for operation the early part of July. This line, with the Gales Creek & Wilson river railroad, recently was acquired jointly by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern with the intention of making the two important traffic feeders in lumber products.

GERMANS TO BUILD AMERICAN ZEPPELIN

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, March 25.—German engineers and workmen who were forbidden by the armistice to continue the construction of airships are expected soon to begin work on the dreadnought type of Zeppelin for the American navy.

The new airship will be the largest in the world, and will require six months to build. The United States will supply part of the raw materials.

American officers will design the construction and dimensions of the motors, which are expected to produce a speed hitherto unattained in this type of aircraft.

PSYCHOLOGY CLASS TO MEET

The psychology class will meet Monday night in the Library club room, promptly at 8 o'clock. Miss Mary Ball will have charge of the meeting.

MINERS' STRIKE WOULD AFFECT HALF MILLION

20,000 Canadian Workers Involved; Union Head Issues Statement

(By The Associated Press)

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 25.—Suspension of work in the coal industry throughout the unionized fields of the country will directly affect more than a half million workers in the coal fields of twenty states. Twenty thousand Canadian miners also belong to the United Mine workers of America, Nova Scotia forming one union district and the western provinces forming another district.

The great numerical strength of the United Mine Workers of America is in the soft coal industry, the Central competitive field, comprising western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois having a combined membership of approximately 215,000. The anthracite industry, centered in three fields, in Pennsylvania, employs 155,000 men, of whom approximately one-half are in the union. In past strikes, however, the union has practically succeeded in bringing a complete walkout in the anthracite fields.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 25.—President John L. Lewis, of the United Mine Workers of America, today gave his interpretation of the miners' demand for a six-hour day, five-day week, being a part of any new wage agreement affecting the soft coal industry. In a formal statement he said:

"There has been so much misunderstanding among the people as to the real meaning of the position of the united mine workers of America with regard to the proposed six-hour day and five-day week that I believe something should be said that would set the public right on the subject. It has been charged by coal operators that the miners are demanding more pay for less work. The principle of the shorter work day does not mean anything of the kind. They do not ask for the six hour day as the maximum, but they do ask that they be given reasonable assurance that they will have reasonably steady employment six hours a day throughout the year.

"Many years ago miners were compelled to work ten, twelve or more hours a day, and when they made their fight for a shortening of the work day to eight hours they were met with the same kind of fight they are now facing in their request for a six hour day. But they won, and the country has had all the coal it could use ever since.

"The six-hour day is not a scarecrow, nor is it a menace to the country, as some employers would have us believe. It is simply a humane principle."

ELLENSBURG, Wash., March 25.—More than 2000 miners in the Cle Elum and Roslyn fields are expected to quit if the national coal strike becomes effective April 1, according to union officials.

BURDICK WANTS CHAIR

Candidate for Republican Nomination Would Be Speaker

BEND, March 25.—If re-elected to the state house of representatives, Denton G. Burdick of Redmond will seek the speakership, he declared here last night. He will base his candidacy on the fact that he will be the second oldest member of the house in point of service. Burdick will not formally announce his candidacy for the republican nomination for two or three weeks, he said.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy has registered a falling barometer today, and indications are thus rather favorable for a change in weather conditions. Cloudy unsettled weather, with moderate temperature.

Forecast for next 24 hours:—Storm brewing to the South. The Tyros recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures, today, as follows:
High 44
Low 18

ALL THE GHOSTS DON'T HANG OUT IN ANTIGONISH

