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MITCHELL SLAPS SHENANDOAH DISASTER BLAME ON DEPT.

Outlaw Of Aviation By Navy Department Stupid Policy; Men Sacrificed Needlessly; Mitchell Faces Trial

ANTONIO, Texas, Sept. 5.—(United Press)—Bitter charges of incompetency, criminal neglect, and unreasonable administration of national defense by the navy and departments were hurled at departments by Col. William Mitchell, air service officer of the corps area, here today.

A lengthy written statement, former assistant chief of the air, blamed this alleged incompetency for the disaster to the Shenandoah and the PN-9-1, naval plane, which apparently has been an attempted flight to the Hawaiian islands.

Court Martial Likely

It was said, expressed belief that he would be placed in military arrest for his utterance. He left San Antonio, however, after issuing the statement for a week-end fishing trip.

A fiery officer attacked the Pacific fleet maneuvers; the disaster's ill-fated flight, and the attempt to make a non-stop flight to Hawaii as merely attempts to get by.

He charged the navy with neglect in starting the non-stop flight to Hawaii with "primitive flying machines" and with vessels stationed along the coast to patrol the route in places entirely too far apart.

Navy Administration

The whole Pacific fleet should have been employed there instead of being around the antipodes," Mitchell asserted.

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He tributed to Commander Lansdowne, who was among the killed, when the big dirigible, Shenandoah, Mitchell believes, about 50 per cent overweight structure.

bulletins are not available in the air service, Mitchell said, although published "for the benefit of cabbages and onions."

officer declared there was no reason for the attempted flight. His statement grasped the five men of the crew of the PN-9-1.

PN-9-1 Was Worthless

It happened to this really nothing, big lumbering flyer when its brave navigators ran short of gas over a sea," the statement reads.

probability is that they held long as they could. As they were in the water, caught by a sudden gust, she might have been in a stall and spun down and straight under the waves. We had some passing fisherman have picked them up as our man Wade was picked up in the air. Our navy did not know, either. All they did was wash his plane when it was over to them by the fisher-

or the Pacific fleet maneuvers. Mitchell said, "steam was gotten up on one hand to disprove the value of air power and on the other hand to fool the public with the value of anti-aircraft machine guns."

Brands It "Stupidity"

The Pacific maneuvers showed conclusively, it was that acting from land bases, can by any surface fleet coming within its radius of operations," Mitchell said in his statement.

making his denunciation of the navy and departments' aerobics, Mitchell said he deplored protest following the deaths of service officers, due to alleged incompetency of non-flying officers in heads of the departmental divisions and to "official stu-

Gigantic Super-Ship Twice Shenandoah's Size, Will Be Built

Private Interests Start Plans For Largest Zep In World

AKRON, Ohio, Sept. 5.—(United Press)—Plans for a gigantic super-Zeppelin twice the size of the Los Angeles or the ill-fated Shenandoah, and safer than either, are being drawn up here by the experts of the Goodyear-Zeppelin corporation.

Dr. Karl Arnstein and Capt. Ernst Lohmann, German Zeppelin experts, who are now vice presidents of the concern, are in charge of the work on the plans.

The proposed super-Zeppelin has been christened in advance the GZ-1.

The experts believe that the value in increasing the size of the ship lies in that it will be able to carry more passengers and freight, and travel at a greater speed, and have a greater cruising radius.

They feel confident that these ships would weather the most severe storm. In fact, they feel that smaller ships can also ride the severest storm.

Expert Optimistic

Dr. Hugo Eckener, who brought the Los Angeles across the Atlantic, is now stationed in Akron. He was grieved to hear that the Shenandoah had broken.

"I had always understood that it was too perfectly constructed for such an accident," he said. "However, I can guarantee no such fate will ever befall the Los Angeles."

Officials of the Goodyear-Zeppelin corporation believe that the future progress of the Zeppelin will be steady and swift.

The proposed GZ-1 would hold 5,000,000 cubic feet of helium. The Los Angeles holds 2,500,000 cubic feet, while the Shenandoah held 2,150,000.

The Los Angeles is 660 feet long, while the Shenandoah was 680 feet long. The proposed GZ-1 will be between 860 and 930 feet long.

The bag would have a diameter of about 120 feet, while the height of the whole ship from floor of the control car to the top of the bag would be about 130 feet. It would carry engines developing a total of 4,000 horsepower. Officials believe that it could make a 6,000-mile non-stop flight at a speed of 85 miles an hour.

Flights made at slower speeds could be extended to 8,000 or 9,000 miles, it is believed.

EXCURSIONISTS CRASH GATE IN WINDY VILLE

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—(United Press)—Thousands of persons were left waiting at the gates tonight as railroads were unable to meet the unprecedented demand for week-end accommodations to summer resorts.

Excursion trains pulled out of city stations packed to the vestibules with persons seeking a double holiday from the oppressive heat that has gripped the mid-west since Monday.

Railroad officials declared they were unable to provide accommodations for more than half the prospective passengers, who crowded their stations.

BLOODHOUNDS ON TRAIL OF MORON CHILD ABDUCTOR

Six-Year-Old Daughter Of Wealthy Jersey Family Believed Brought Into Hidden Cave By One Of Several Suspects

MONTCLAIR, N. J., Sept. 5.—(United Press)—A young man, the son of a wealthy family of Montclair, and who at one time was an inmate of an asylum, was questioned tonight by police in connection with the kidnaping of six-year-old Mary Daly, and the murder of Raymond Pierce, negro chauffeur.

No charge was filed against the man, but Chief of Police Edward F. Reilly questioned him closely about his movements yesterday. He was reported to have been seen yesterday near the spot in Cedar Grove, where Pierce's body was found.

A check of a nearby insane hospital and all jails of this locality was made tonight in an effort to place the blame for the kidnaping of six-year-old Mary Daly on an escaped maniac or convict.

Slew Driver to Escape

With police confident that a man under homicidal mania abducted the girl after slaying Raymond Pierce, a negro chauffeur, all Montclair turned out in a thorough search through the wooded, hilly section known as Van Gibson's gap, where the taxi-cab, blood stained and hard driven, in which the kidnaper and Mary escaped pursuers, was found abandoned.

Bloodhounds were brought to the search from the state penitentiary. Posses, both of police and citizens, appeared from a dozen cities, and a band of state troops joined in the hunt.

A detail of policemen and fifty Boy Scouts have left here for Bear cave, about six and a half miles away, near the spot where the car was found. The cave, dark and malodorous, has been seldom fully explored, and the expedition is being made on the theory that Mary may have been killed by her abductor and the body placed in the foul recesses of the cavern.

Child Is No Longer A Toy Of State, Says Hill

After a brief visit in Klamath Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Hill left Saturday for Portland. Mr. Hill, who is president of the Hill Military academy, led the fight against the Oregon school law, which would have practically put all the private schools out of business. In the decision given by the supreme court of the United States, it was established for the first time, Mr. Hill stated, that the child is no mere creature of the state. He belongs to the parents. The highest court of the land declared the widely discussed law unconstitutional. Mr. and Mrs. Hill went to Washington for the hearing. Mr. Hill was received by the president, and Mrs. Hill had tea at the white house with Mrs. Coolidge. While here they were entertained at a luncheon by Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Johnson, whose son, Fred Behn, is a cadet at the academy, and by Mrs. Grimes, whose son, F. H. Grimes, will leave soon for the fall term at Hill.

Woman Fined \$400 For Selling It To Prohib

Selling some liquor to officers of the law proved rather expensive to a woman who gave her name as Mrs. E. E. Stearns, according to Deputy Sheriff Money-maker.

Four hundred dollars was assessed the woman when she was arraigned in justice court. Officers Burke and McBride assisted in the arrest.

SENATORS COME HERE THIS P. M.

MEDFORD, Sept. 5.—Members of the senate public lands committee, now holding a series of hearings throughout the western states, arrived here from Seattle today.

They were banqueted here tonight, and tomorrow they will go to Crater lake, enroute to Klamath Falls.

A hearing will be held at the latter city Monday. The committee men will go to Portland Tuesday.

Four Days' Silence And No Word From Ill-Fated Aeroplane

Naval Officers Refuse To Give Up Ghost While Search Continues

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 5.—Four entire days have passed since there was any definite news at naval headquarters here of Commander John Rodgers and his crew of four men on the seaplane PN-3-1, and each passing hour brought nearer the certainty that the men are lost.

The navy has not given up hope of finding the gallant crew, which came so near to accomplishment of the non-stop hop to Hawaii, but admits that the hope is slender.

Twenty destroyers and planes were rushed to the Kausal channel in the Hawaiian islands to follow the "drift circle" in the hope of finding trace of the lost plane.

Flares seen at several points were believed by Capt. Stanford Moses, flight project commander, to be phosphorus, although there was a possibility that they might be signals from Commander Rodgers. He was equipped with red and green and white flares, also smoke bombs.

CHIEF LOUCKS TO WORK FOR BETTER K. F. POLICE DEPT

Will spend Vacation Time In Other Cities To Learn Efficiency

A better police bureau for Klamath Falls is due within the near future if the plans of Harry Loucks, chief of police, can be realized.

Chief Loucks, realizing that Klamath Falls has outgrown the small town stage, hopes to offer the city a police department where calls may be handled more expeditiously, where records will be readily obtainable, where accident reports may at all times be filed by motorists—in a word, a bureau more in keeping with the requirements of a city of 8,000 residents.

"I realize," Chief Loucks said, "that the things I'm after cannot be accomplished over night. It will take time. Since I have been in office we have made an effort to reorganize to a degree, but the department at the present time is not at all the department that I wish it to be."

During his vacation Loucks plans to visit other cities and study the methods employed by them in handling their police work. He hopes to go into California to confer with experts in the conduct of police business.

In some other cities, it has been pointed out, the police department submits at regular intervals a report of all its activities over a regular period, and this would be possible in Klamath Falls were some kind of an organized record bureau established. Already the chief has begun to segregate his various reports, and to plan for further organization.

"I believe that all of my men are good officers, and I know they're on the job," Loucks said. "There's no complaint about the way affairs are handled on the street, but I do want to see the office itself modernized."

Chicagoans Go To Neb. To Escape Heat; While Nebraskans Go To Colo.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 5.—While Chicagoans were taking week-end trips to Nebraska to take advantage of low excursion railroad rates, and incidentally to escape the heat, Nebraskans were steaming to the Denver mountains for the same reasons.

With the temperature hovering around the 100 mark for three days, low excursion rates over the double holiday lessened the population of Lincoln and vicinity by at least six hundred.

DAWES DOES HIS OWN TALKING

OAKLAND, Sept. 5.—Charles G. Dawes, militant vice president of the United States, does all of the talking for his family.

SENTIMENTALISTS RESPONSIBLE FOR DISORDER IN PEN

Gene Hawley, Former Ass't Warden At Salem Blames No Present Officials At Salem, But Politics And Sob-Sisters At Fault

Who was responsible for the recent prison break at Salem? Ask Gene Hawley, now in Klamath Falls.

Now that two fearless guards and a convict have been buried, now that a coroner's jury has reported, now that newspapers have pointed out the fact that the prison is poorly equipped, now that the warden has been censured—who was really responsible for one of the most sensational escapes in the history of Oregon?

Gene Hawley has a ready answer. It is unique.

Hawley, at the time he quit the penitentiary, was assistant to James Lewis, who administration is acknowledged by those in a position to know, to have been one of the most successful in the history of the prison. Lewis, a victim of Governor Pierce's axe, went, and with him went Gene Hawley, at all times said by Lewis to be one of the most valuable men behind the walls. Hawley, before Lewis became warden, had served under many prison heads and had gathered his information of convicts from many years' contact with them.

Weak Sisters Cause

"Who was responsible for the break?" Hawley was asked last night.

And Hawley, ignoring the personnel of officials now at the prison, answered:

"Sentimentalists."
"What do you mean?"
"Con lovers. Sob-sisters."
"On the inside of the prison, or the outside?"
"Outside."

Hawley explained. He said that the men, the women, who forever protest at prison discipline—discipline which, Hawley says, is absolutely necessary for order—are, indirectly, responsible for the recent Salem outrage.

Persons who know Hawley will tell you Hawley is a "square shooter." Convicts will tell you Hawley is a "square shooter" and that he is just. But Hawley insists that rigid prison discipline is necessary and that, with public opinion forever with the man who has sinned against society, that it is virtually impossible for the right sort of discipline to be maintained.

Political Lowlights

If one convict knocks another convict down, thereby causing disorder, and he in turn is knocked down by a guard, some woman on the outside learns of it and immediately writes to a newspaper and the governor. A "sob" sister on the newspaper writes of the cruel guard, politicians see their chance to make capital of the incident, and perhaps there is an investigation.

The convict, who might have started a prison riot, wins a moral victory, and the morale of the prison drops another notch.

"I saw Tom Murray when he was arraigned in Salem," Hawley said. "He is the typical convict, although he has been painted by the newspapers as a sort of nice-looking young kid. The 'con' is all over him. He is shifty-eyed, nervous," (Continued on Page Two)

Mt. Evans, Colo., May Be National Park

DENVER, Sept. 5.—(United Press)—The Mount Evans region, one of the most rugged and picturesque mountain sections in the state, will be considered for a national park, when President Coolidge's advisory committee on national parks meets here next Tuesday.

E. W. Tinker, assistant federal forester here, in charge of the land, has been advised by the commission to arrange for transportation to the region, that it may be gone over.

The council will be headed by Stephen Mather, Washington, D. C., director of national parks. Others in the party will include L. F. Knapp, assistant federal forester, Washington; Charles Seldou of the Boone and Crockett club, Major William A. Welsh, member of the New York state park commission; Congressman Temple of New Hampshire; Barrington Moore, New York, and Arthur Ringland, Washington, D. C., secretary of the council.

Kiddies Peeved But Mothers Glad That School Is Starting

Local Schools Expect This Year's Enrollment To Show 200 Increase

Tomorrow morning about 8 o'clock hundreds of Klamath county youngsters, complaining, will be washed behind the ears by mothers who wish them to look their best.

Tuesday morning scores of Klamath Falls boys and girls will be treated accordingly, and will express opinions, long entertained, as to the utter foolishness of them longer continuing a quest for enlightenment.

Today, for some, will be a day of brooding; Johnny will kick aimlessly at imaginary objects as he makes his way home from Sunday school. For others it will not be so bad, for 11-year-old Jane is quite content to display before envious pupils the new gingham dress her mother has just completed.

Tomorrow will be registration day in the county schools and Tuesday the local students will be enrolled. Little work, however, will be done until the following day.

It is estimated there will be an attendance of about 1200 in the city schools. County school officials declined to make a guess concerning the rural enrollment.

TWO KILLED AS TANK EXPLODES

SALT LAKE, Utah, Sept. 5.—Two men were killed, two more were critically burned and one man was slightly burned when a tube in a high pressure still burst and caused a fire which raged for more than one hour in the plant of the Utah Oil Refining company this afternoon. Officials of the company estimated the damage to the plant at \$125,000.

The dead: Frank Storm, 32, shift boss, R. J. Arnold, Utah Oil fireman. The injured: Hugh Burdick, 32, body burned, condition critical, Otto Larsen, 35, all of body burned except feet; condition critical, F. M. Eatchel, 22, neck and hip burned.

Coolidge Winds Up 11-Week Vacation

SWAMPSCOTT, Mass., Sept. 5.—President Coolidge is winding up his vacation after 11 weeks with a Labor Day holiday and a few quiet days of visiting his fellow citizens of Massachusetts.

This afternoon he received about 50 bay state men, including a half dozen labor leaders. The visit with the labor men was said to have no special significance.

Mr. Coolidge has made engagements for the first three days of next week and it is deduced therefrom that he probably will entrain for the national capital Wednesday night or Thursday although the vacation may be prolonged.

Recommends Bigger Dirigible Program

CALDWELL, Ohio, Sept. 5.—(United Press)—Contrary to assertions otherwise and despite the Shenandoah disaster the government should not give up lighter-than-air craft development, but should go ahead and build dirigibles larger and of more rigid construction.

The government should not give up dirigible development for the dirigible can serve as a scout of great value.

This was contained on a formal preliminary statement issued tonight by Commander George W. Steele, Jr., in charge of the naval air station at Lakehurst, who is head of the board of inquiry investigating the Shenandoah disaster.

7 KILLED; 10 ARE MISSING IN WASH. WIND-RAINSTORM

Rain Deluge And Terrific Wind Sweeping Through Canyon Takes Big Toll; Girl Railroad Clerk Is Heroine Of Night

WENATCHEE, Wash., Sept. 5.—(United Press)—Seven persons were killed, at least 10 were missing and three were seriously injured in a cloudburst and wind storm which struck in the Squillichuck canyon near here tonight.

Most of the dead were killed in a three story hotel, which was swept off its foundations in a storm. Five houses were also wrecked.

Water swept down the canyon, carrying buildings and bridges before it.

Searching parties were sent out from here and tolled through the wreckage for dead and injured.

Rescue Workers Busy

At 9 o'clock tonight 150 rescue workers, headed by doctors and firemen were searching for eight persons, who were known to have been swept away by the flood waters and who have not been accounted for.

The cloudburst struck the draw and came upon the stricken section of the city without warning. Five dwellings were crushed like egg shells by the 12-foot wall of water and the three story Springwater hotel was moved from its foundations.

People Taken Unawares

The people in the houses had no chance to save themselves and some of the dead and missing were from these homes. Those in the hotel were warned by the roar of the waters and the crashing of the dwellings and made wild efforts to escape but many were caught and carried with the building.

Up to a late hour identification of the dead and injured was impossible owing to the confusion. At 9 o'clock the water was still six feet deep and this handicapped the rescue work as well as the darkness, the workers being forced to do their best with torch light.

Later this evening the railroad yards were still covered with water. Firemen with lung motors tried valiantly to revive some of the victims but doctors who examined them said all showed evidence that they were killed by contact with the wreckage.

Rail Traffic Paralyzed

Miss L. M. Lovegrove, clerk in the railroad roundhouse office, probably averted further loss of life when she notified the train dispatcher's office and the east bound passenger train No. 4 was halted for water swept masses of tangled wreckage over the tracks on which the train would have been traveling had it proceeded.

The path of the cloudburst as it hit the terminals was 100 yards wide. Six locomotives, with steam up were stalled in the yards tonight, the water covering their drive wheels. Hundreds of box cars were also marooned.

A dozen automobiles were swept away from a tourist camp near by and wrecked but the people of the camp managed to escape.

Constable Cozad And Wife Are On Vacation

Constable Gary Cozad, of the Klamath Falls district, is leaving today for Bend for a short time. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Cozad. Mrs. Cozad will vacation in the John Day country while Cozad will attend business matters.

FISH NOT BRAIN FOOD

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 5.—The old theory that fish is a brain food probably is all wrong. Dr. D. K. Tressler, of the Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh told the United States Fisheries' association. "However, fish roe may have a claim to that distinction," he said. "Roe contains certain organic phosphorus compounds found also in the human brain, and the body may use these compounds to build up gray matter."

PROBI DIVES IN CHEESE

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—A pungent odor wafted from a drifting motor boat gave Patrolman Allegio visions of a neat liquor haul. He plunged into the water and swam to the craft. The boat contained \$1,000 worth of frozen Italian cheese.