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ZEPPELIN PASSES PARIS AFTER RECORD FLIGHT OVER ATLANTIC

25 Men Trapped in Canyon With Forest Fire Near Passenger Hits Freight, Kills 3

GRAF EXPECTED TO END FIRST LAP OF WORLD FLIGHT EARLY TODAY

Plane Will Drop Food, Water to Marooned Party

Greatest Fires in History Are Consuming Wealth of Virgin Timber in Northwest; Mt. Rainier Forests Endangered.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Trapped in the recesses of a mountain canyon, with a terrific forest fire raging in front of them, 25 men looked to the skies for relief today as preparations were made to drop food and water from an airplane.

The trapped crew was believed to be in no danger from the fire, but it was impossible for them to scale the walls of the canyon and return to civilization.

George Fisher, Tacoma flier, was preparing to soar over the canyon and drop supplies, including food, water and blankets, in a parachute.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—More than a thousand men fought the greatest enemy of the Pacific Northwest in three states today on a score of different fronts where fire was attacking the world's last great stands of virgin timber.

In Washington, in addition to destroying thousands of acres of valuable timber, fires had paralyzed highway traffic and electric power lines at one point, and an irrigation system at another.

Springdale, a small town 40 miles from Spokane, still was without electric power today as the result of a fire which destroyed a high tension line and blocked the highway into Spokane.

The fir-clad foothills of Mt. Rainier were in danger of being stripped of more than a million acres of green timber and lush mountain meadows.

Thousands of acres of majestic forest giants have been sacrificed. In Washington one life has been lost as a direct result of the fires. Frank Franz, a laborer who was struck by falling rocks while fighting the Mt. Rainier fire, died yesterday.

In Oregon a fire on the Klamath Indian reservation and one in the Crater Lake National forest, are the most serious. Five or six other fires are burning in the state but are considered only minor.

The situation in Idaho is comparatively minor nature or confined by lines of firefighters who have been able to bring them under control.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif., Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—The brush fire raging in the Santa Lucia mountains in the Rinconada section still was out of control today and additional men were arriving to take up the fight.

While they strove to control that blaze, two new fires developed, one near Creston, to the northwest of their battleground, and the other

Whole L. V. Addition Sold In Summer; Prepare for Fall Influx, Says Rear

Who thinks Las Vegas real estate hasn't been selling this summer? Comes the report that James S. Rear, who has been handling the Fourteenth Street city addition, owned by A. W. Ham, Dr. Roy W. Martin and T. M. Carroll, has disposed of all the unsold lots in the entire subdivision, to parties in Portland, Seattle and Vancouver, B. C., during this summer, for a total consideration of over \$125,000.

WHEN THE ZEP LANDED AT LAKEHURST



In the brilliant glare of a battery of flood lights, the Graf Zeppelin nosed down to a perfect landing at the Lakehurst, N. J. Naval Air Station. Landing lines were dropped to the waiting ground crew and the giant ship soon was safely at rest, having been in the air four days and nights on its 5000-mile voyage from Germany. This striking night photo shows the Graf in the hands of its human anchors before it was walked to the mooring mast, there to await the dying wind which would allow it to be berthed in the hangar beside the Los Angeles.

Center Parking Rule Effective For New Roads

Cars Must Not Be Left Near Curbs During Sixty Day Period, to Cause Packing Of New Pavement.

Beginning this morning automobiles parked on streets in the newly paved district must be left within two feet of the center of the paving, instead of at the curb.

This rule will obtain for sixty days, according to the city ordinance recently passed providing for such parking, and is for the purpose of packing the new pavement on the sides near the curb as it has been packed in the middle by the traffic which has used it since it was completed.

Penalties are provided for failure to obey this rule, the entire ordinance being published for the last time in this morning's Age.

Cars may be left at the curb only long enough to unload passengers or freight.

Cars must park with sufficient space between them and other cars to allow the other cars to get out should their owners so desire.

on the coast near Avila

YREKA, Calif., Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—The great Badger Creek forest fire was brought under control today and the town of Hawkinsville saved. The fire left a wide trail of ruin and desolation in its wake.

Hundreds of deer and cattle were burned to death. A \$10,000 automobile camp was reduced to ashes, and tourists were forced to flee for their lives.

An area from the Klamath to the Shasta river has been devastated Hawkinsville, directly in the path of the advancing flames and at one time thought doomed, is two miles north of Yreka.

All the installations are being made by the Western Electric.

New Equipment Soon

Equipment for automatic writing machines will be installed soon, it is said, including test board, voice frequency terminal ringers, differential duplex telegraph repeaters and complete power plant for all the new equipment.

The Las Vegas terminal of the company is now located in the plant of the Consolidated Power and Telephone Company, their line running down the alley parallel to Fremont and immediately south of it, to the alley just west of Fifth, which it follows to Charleston boulevard, where it runs over to the highway, following it toward Los Angeles.

The temperature reached 97 at one time today. Street thermometers registered as high as 120.

PACIFIC TELEPHONE COMPANY PLANS NEW BUILDING HERE FOR LONG DISTANCE TERMINAL

New Line Being Built to Connect Las Vegas and Los Angeles Will Be Finished About September 1; Headquarters to Be Built In From Three to Six Months; Plan Growth.

A new building to house headquarters and offices of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in Las Vegas will be constructed and ready for use from three to six months from now, it was learned here yesterday from a reliable source.

The ten-wire line from Las Vegas to San Bernardino being constructed by the company, will be completed and in use by September 1, it is expected, at which time the long distance service between Las Vegas and Los Angeles will be shifted from the leased Union Pacific wires to the company's own line.

The stretch of new line between Daggett and Las Vegas was finished July 1, following the highway for the greater part of the distance.

The crew is now working between Daggett and San Bernardino, and when this section is finished the connection at San Bernardino will complete the Las Vegas-Los Angeles connection.

The crew now working on this line, and which built the stretch into this city a little over a month ago, living in special train cars, instead of camping out, installs several miles a day, including poles, wires and all.

Utah Hookup Next

Upon completion of the unit now under construction, the crew will be shifted back to Las Vegas, it is planned, and the unit begun from here to the Utah State line, where it will connect with the American Telephone and Telegraph company line now under construction.

Since the long distance connection was inaugurated here January 31, the company has leased the Union Pacific telephone line, superimposing telephone carrier, and making possible the carrying of conversations over the wires at the same time telegraphic messages are being transmitted.

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Dope Addicts, Vagrants Are Jailed, Floated

Police Continue War on Undesirables; Justice Court Kept Busy as Prisoners Have Hearings.

Narcotics and vagrancy have hit hard this week by the city police force.

Two men caught in possession of morphine were yesterday bound over to district court, having waived preliminary hearing in the justice court before Judge Roger Foley. They are J. E. Davis and Rex L. Evans. Bail was set at \$500 each, and in absence of bail they were shifted from the city jail to the county jail.

Depe Peddlers Held

Rube Feld, who came from San Francisco a little over a week ago with a can of dope, and was caught peddling it, also is in the county jail, awaiting transportation to Carson City, where his case will be taken up by federal grand jury and federal court.

May Brown yesterday was fined \$100 for possession of liquor. He paid his fine and was released.

Art Jackson pleaded guilty yesterday morning to vagrancy, and was given until 10 a. m. today to appear for sentence.

G. W. Harris and Fred W. Marlin pleaded guilty to vagrancy several days ago, and were released on their own recognizance Thursday.

Marra Asks Leniency

Tony Marra, whose head was severely injured a week ago by a bottle in a brawl, slept over night in the city jail Thursday and yesterday appeared with Attorney Schurr, who pleaded for leniency for his client on grounds that he was not physically fit to be kept in jail, because of his injury, from which he has not completely recovered.

Marra's case was continued until 2 p. m. today.

Johannie Velarde, of the prize fight game, paid \$50 bail yesterday pleading not guilty to a vagrancy charge, and his case was set for August 20.

Frank Napier and J. W. Fuller were floated out of town a few days ago, according to Police Chief Percy Nash, who insists he is going to continue his war on undesirables without visible means of support.

Trees and other vegetation are dying in the area surrounding Tokio, some portions of which have been without rain for five weeks.

Siding Switch Left Open Is Cause of Wreck

Locomotive Demolished, Cars Piled Up; Engineer, Passenger and Hobo Dead, 3 Others Injured.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Three persons are dead and three injured, and several are reported missing as the result of a fast train between Milwaukee and Chicago on the Milwaukee railroad having gone through an open switch to crash into a freight on a siding.

The locomotive of the passenger train was demolished, the tender and baggage coach badly damaged and four cars forward wrecked.

The dead are the passenger train engineer, A. R. King, a passenger, and an unidentified negro tramp who was on the baggage car.

An investigation to determine how the switch was left open was begun by railway officials tonight. Orders were sent for additional workers to clear the tracks so that traffic might be resumed Saturday.

Snook Says His Confession of Slaying False

Doctor Breaks Down as Details of School Girl's Murder is Bared in Court. Prosecution Rests.

COURTROOM, Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—The battle of wits between Dr. James Howard Snook, on trial for the alleged murder of Theora Hix, and Prosecutor John J. Chester, Jr., who was cross examining Snook, came to a sudden end at 2:25 p. m. today when Chester broke off in what seemed to be the midst of his questioning, came to the defense table and said "he is your witness."

Dr. Snook had just completed repudiation of his entire alleged confession and of all statements read from the transcript of his examination before the alleged confession.

Dr. Snook's redirect and rebuttal examinations were completed at 3:25 p. m., and he left the witness stand with evident relief after having testified for more than 16 hours.

Dr. Snook fought hard on the witness stand to save himself from conviction.

He repudiated his alleged confession that he had cut her throat. He told a dramatic story of her death, claiming he struck her but not with intent to kill, when she made a frenzied, vicious and painful assault upon him.

He said his memory failed after four blows had been struck.

He charged while he was being questioned Prosecutor John J. Chester, Jr. struck him three times.

Once in the morning when required to tell down to the last repulsive details of Theora's last moments, and again in the afternoon when he recalled detectives telling him of the "dirty look on Theora's face" as she lay dead, his nerve broke and he wept.

He charged that Prosecutor Chester had dictated the confession after he himself had broken down and been unable to go on after the first few lines. Snook then declared he gave out a newspaper interview containing damaging admissions a few hours later believing if he did not the process of alleged "third degree" would be resumed.

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French Pour Into Streets In Night Clothes To Watch Famous Dirigible Near Last of Speedy Journey From America; Expected To Land at 5 a. m. Eastern Time.

Flyer Fights Gale, Retreats, Comes to Las Vegas Later

Fighting a terrific battle with the elements, Pilot Perry of Nevada Airlines had to make two attempts before he could reach Las Vegas Nevada airport safely on the trip from Reno last night.

Within thirty miles of this city, the plane, carrying two passengers, encountered such a gale as to drive its pilot to an altitude of 14,000 feet to avoid the storm.

Finding it as stormy there, the pilot came down to 2,000 feet, and, deeming it unwise to fight the storm further, he retreated 70 or 80 miles to Carrara, landed there and waited a few hours for the storm here to subside. He then took off again from Carrara, made the trip to Las Vegas and landed safely under comparatively mild atmospheric conditions, several hours late.

Pantages Held Charged With Attacking Girl

Dancer, 17, Says Theatre Magnate Assaulted Her in Private Office; Vaudeville King Charges 'Frame-Up'

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—Alexander Pantages, multi-millionaire theatre magnate, tonight is held under technical arrest by order of Police Captain Louis Cato for investigation of alleged assault of Eunice Pringle, seventeen, dancer who had gone to Pantages' private office to arrange for a vaudeville appearance.

The theatre magnate denies the charges of Miss Pringle that he attempted to attack her.

The girls was turned over to juvenile authorities for questioning and physical examination.

Pantages told police he booked the girl for a dancing act two weeks ago but she proved a failure. For the past two days she had been annoying him, begging another chance. Today she said, "I'll make you take my act" pushed him in another room and ran screaming into the hall.

Witnesses said the clothing of the man and girl were in disarray. Pantages declared the girl deliberately "framed" him.

Pantages, the girl, several theatre employees and witnesses were taken to the police station for questioning.

Lunch Man Asks Pay For Coffee Is Shot

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 9.—(U.P.)—A stranger last night entered the lunch counter George Engell has conducted here for 25 years and ordered a

cup of coffee.

"Now try and get your nickel," the man told Engell after the coffee was served.

Engell reached for the coffee cup and the man shot him in the abdomen.

Doctors Dine Together on Sausage, Near Beer; Association May Result

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