

SHIPWRECK TOLL 70 LIVES

Zep Threatened With Attachment By New Jersey Undersheriff But Escapes Three Named to Select Aqueduct Route

WOULD-BE PASSENGER SEEKS \$100,000 TO PAY FOR HIS 'HUMILIATION'

Lakehurst Commander Intervenes for Great German Dirigible; Zeppelin Will Leave at Midnight Tonight, With Hopes of Setting New Record Time for Circling Globe.

LAKEHURST, N. J., Aug. 30 (U.P.)—The United States navy, which is sheltering, fueling and replacing the Graf Zeppelin for its departure Saturday night on a fast trip to Friedrichshafen, saved the giant liner from attachment by an undersheriff late today.

When Undersheriff J. E. Holman, of Orange County, N. J., appeared at the hangar to attach the Zeppelin for \$25,000 in a suit filed by a would-be passenger whose round trip ticket had been canceled, Commander Maurice Pierce of the Lakehurst station intervened.

"This is federal property," he told Holman, "and the court order cannot be enforced here unless the navy department at Washington says so."

He asked Washington for instructions as to whether to give Holman possession of the dirigible and the answer came back "no."

Escape Posting \$50,000

Had the answer been "yes," representatives of the German owners probably would have had to post \$50,000, twice the amount of the attachment, to release the monarch of the air for its trip.

As it was, the incident caused some nervousness. Capt. Ernest von Schiller, who was in command of the Zeppelin at the time, told the United Press he didn't see the undersheriff.

"It is possible," he said, without smiling much, "we will laugh."

The suit was started at Tom's River, by Otto Hillig, wealthy property holder, who claimed to have paid \$9,000 to the Hamburg-American steamship line, agents for the Graf, and that his passage was cancelled without reason or reimbursement.

Asks \$100,000

"He sued for his money and also \$100,000 to cover humiliation and embarrassment."

Hope of establishing a new round the world record speeded crews in preparing the Graf for the flight to Germany. The schedule calls for departure at midnight Saturday, and she should be in Friedrichshafen early the morning of September 3, with two full days clipped from her newly established record.

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Sir Hubert Wilkins Steps From Zep, Is Married to Actress

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 30 (U.P.)—Sir George Hubert Wilkins, aviator and arctic explorer, and Miss Suzanne Bennett, 28, Australian actress, were married here late today by Justice of the Peace Myron J. Penny.

After alighting from the globe-trotting Graf Zeppelin yesterday, Captain Wilkins joined Miss Bennett in New York and came here today.

Fight Fans Set For Three Hot Bouts Tonight

Harris, New Matchmaker, Promises Revival of Old-Time Thrills When Three Fast Local Boys Box Outsiders.

Every bout a headliner!

"That's the dope for tonight's season opener for fistic enthusiasts here, according to Earle "Buck" Harris, promoter.

If Sammy Kasper doesn't put on a show by himself that's worth the full admission price in his eight round scrap with Mission Bolo of Los Angeles, Buck and all the rest are going to be mightily surprised.

Sammy has been dubbed the Las Vegas Wild Man and he promises to make the title stick tonight, making good his reputation for being a knockout king of first water.

These two will fight at 145.

Ross Sly is a popular local boy, and Jesse Vasquez, clever Los Angeles lad, is going to have to be more than clever to steal the six round bout from Sly.

The sly Los Vegas has slipped a defeat over on Bobby Garcia, he it recollected, and is one of the best liked scrappers on the local market.

"Kid" Duff will do his stuff against K. O. Kelly, Phoenix whiz. "Tisn't explained where Kelly got the K. O. on the front part of his name, but the "Kid" is determined to give him another K. O. if the fast Phoenixer will give him but half a chance to land 'er just right.

Every bout is a headliner, and a four round prelim. to whet the appetites of the fans.

Parade Will Start Labor Day Festivity

Most of Stores Announce They Will Be Closed All Or Most of Day Monday, Observance Urged.

The parade with which the labor unions will open Labor Day festivities will start at 10 a. m. Monday at Main and Fremont, going down Fremont to Fifth, down Fifth to Carson, and down Carson to First.

Inasmuch as the day is set aside to dignify the great force of labor, mental and physical, and those who contribute it, most of the stores in the city have agreed to remain closed during the day, or part of the day.

The Vegas Credit Bureau canvassed of business houses showed the following stores on the list of those which will be closed on Labor Day.

The following will be closed all day: Chamber of Commerce, A. C. Delkin, both stores; Skaggs Safeway, Adcock and Ronnow, Will Beckley, Thomas Quality Shop, J. C. Penney Co., Friedman's Toggery, all union barber shops, Ullom Hardware, Las Vegas Hardware, Garhime's music house, Hollywood Shoppe, Las Vegas Loan and Jewelry Shop, Happy Day Shop, Carroll Gift and Toggery, First State Bank, Bank of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas Office and Supply Co., all county offices, all city offices, Delkin's Jewelry store, W. W. Davis Jewelry store, Las Vegas Print shop, Gilbert Bros., West Side, Hassan Bros., Lasky Shoe Store, Clark Forwarding company.

The following will be closed from 12 noon the remainder of the day: All meat markets, Las Vegas Bakery, Mesquite Grocery, Boggs Bros. Tower Market, Joplin's Grocery, Second Street Grocery, Bozarth's West Side Store, and Ward's Cash and Carry.

The White Cross Drug store and Las Vegas Pharmacy will be closed from 1 to 6 p. m.

"Labor Day has become one of our national institutions," said W. J. Flowers, manager of the credit bureau, "and we encourage all to observe it in the proper spirit thereof. To appreciate labor best we must needs be deprived of the privilege thereof."

Woman Tells Doings of Torso Murder Suspect

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 30 (U.P.)—Edna Maudlin, said to be a former sweetheart of Dr. Frank P. Westlake, took the witness stand today in the physician's trial for the alleged "torso murder" of Mrs. Laura B. Sutton.

The young woman testified Dr. Westlake sold her stock certificates endorsed with Mrs. Sutton's name after the early April date when the state contends Mrs. Sutton was killed and her torso thrown into the Los Angeles river.

The witness also told of going for automobile rides with Dr. Westlake and of attending a theater with him.

L. F. Slater, bank teller, testified the physician attempted to borrow money, offering Mrs. Sutton's stock as security. It was found that the signatures were false and the loan was refused, it was testified.

ENGINEERS ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE DECISION ON WATER LINE BY FIRST OF JANUARY

Task of Choosing Between Several Proposed Routes for \$150,000,000 Aqueduct From Colorado River to Los Angeles Delegated to Idahoan, Utah and New Yorker.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 30 (U.P.)—The Metropolitan Water board of directors today announced the selection of three engineers to choose the route for the proposed Colorado River aqueduct which will bring water from Boulder Dam to Southern California.

They are A. J. Wiley of Boise, Idaho; R. R. Lyman of Salt Lake City, and Thaddeus Merriman of New York.

The route for the aqueduct, which will cost \$150,000,000, will be selected by January 1, it was stated.

Chief Engineer Frank E. Weymouth, of the Metropolitan Water district, said the survey will cover more than 50,000 square miles from a point north of the Grand Canyon to the Mexican boundary and from central Arizona to the Pacific Coast.

In selecting the three engineers the board of directors made a thorough study of the qualifications of all engineering authorities except those of California, Arizona and Nevada, because engineers residing in these states might be regarded as prejudiced.

BIDS TO BE ASKED SOON FOR BOULDER TEST PLANT WORK

Place Will Be Ready to Operate in Four to Six Weeks, Choosing Materials for Construction of Dam, Says Director Patch.

The government testing plant for use in determining what materials should be used in the construction of Boulder Dam will be ready for operation within a month or six weeks. Bids for the remodeling of the old fort at the Old Ranch for this use will be called for immediately.

This is the assurance given by O. C. Patch, who will be director of the laboratory, shortly after his arrival in Las Vegas yesterday to start actual work on the first preliminary to the actual construction of the great dam.

Hope has been expressed that the remodeling will not greatly destroy the original form and appearance of the historic old fort, which is now the oldest standing structure in the state, and rich in historical lore. Assurance has been given that the present walls will be preserved almost as they are, and that the new roof will be of thatch, the original material.

Cement floors will be laid thru-out the whole structure, with slopes toward the doors for drainage, with plentiful use of water inside.

New and larger windows must be cut in the old adobe walls, and one side will have to be rebuilt completely, now being crumbled in ruin, with the roof sagging nearly to the ground in a few places. Adobe similar to the original will be used here, it is planned.

The entire structure is 74 feet long, 12 feet wide most of the distance, and 18 feet wide at the southern end. There will be three rooms, each with one door to the outside and with doors from room to room.

Specifications for the remodeling were drawn up at the Denver bureau of the Bureau of Reclamation and are now in possession of J. F. Foremaster, who has the lease on the Old Ranch from the Las Vegas Land and Water Company, and who is sub-letting it to the government.

Track Cementing Soon

The lease calls for improvements not to cost less than \$475, in exchange for which the government will have use of the structure until June 30, 1930, without rental, after which time the government will be charged \$30 a month rental.

Concrete testing machinery including crushing machines, mixing machines and other equipment, will be installed, and the plant will be prepared to determine the quality of the gravels and sands throughout this vicinity, to determine what sources of supply to use for the two or three millions yards of concrete to be used in the dam.

Patch, who will have supervision over the remodeling and equipping of the plant drove here from Kittitas valley project in Washington, where he had supervision over similar work, with 20 to 25 inspectors under him. He worked there under Walker Young, the engineer who was responsible for much of the preliminary surveying work for Boulder Dam.

A one and a half ton Ford truck will arrive here September 1, via A. C. Grant's Ford agency, for use by the testing plant. This was ordered some time ago by the Bureau of Reclamation.

Mrs. Rineland Reid, California, Plans to Fight, Says Harmon Breaks Solo Flight Record

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 31 (U.P.)—Thomas G. Reid of Downey, Calif., aviator, at 12:30 a. m. Eastern standard time today had eclipsed by more than two hours the solo endurance flight record established by Lieut. Herbert Fahy of Los Angeles.

Reid continued his flight with the intention of setting a mark that will withstand all assaults for many months.

The record held by Lieut. Fahy was 36 hours, 25 minutes and 34 seconds. Reid went aloft Thursday at 11:04 a. m.

notification that the divorce action would be contested was filed yesterday by Sapiro & Brandeis, New York law firm, is erroneous, Mr. Harmon states.

Electric Storm Does Great Harm at Yuma

YUMA, Ariz., Aug. 30 (U.P.)—A cyclonic wind and electrical storm struck this section tonight, causing property damage estimated at thousands of dollars.

The fury of the storm hit Bard, California, where nearly every building was wrecked and hundreds of acres of farm lands were laid waste. It was reported that three persons had been injured. Communication with Bard was interrupted.

A local department store was set on fire by a lightning bolt and burned.

U. S. Students Surrounded by Hostile Arabs

Rescuers Rushing to Save Americans in Moslem-Hebrew Warfare; Many Killed, Homes Wrecked.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 30 (U.P.)—Fourteen American students of the art school at Haifa, together with 15 students of other nationalities, were reported today to be surrounded by unfriendly Arabs along the Palestine-Syrian border where they were halted during a bicycle tour through Syria.

The American consulate general here appealed to the British military authorities to lend their aid in transporting the boys to safety. It appeared that the boys set out on their expedition before the Arab-Jewish riots broke out here a week ago and knew nothing of the danger which awaited them along the roads.

Comedian to Work On Chain Gang 'Til Alimony Paid

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 30 (U.P.)—Unless Al St. John, the acrobatic screen comedian, can raise \$1,642, his histrionic abilities will entertain the county road gang. For an indeterminate period.

Superior Judge Charles Burnell late yesterday sentenced the actor to road work until he has paid that much back alimony to his former wife, Lillian St. John.

St. John, brought into court several times for failure to keep up payments, pleaded with Judge Burnell for more time on the ground that the recent equity strike had kept him out of work and that he was forced to support three families.

Keating Wins Wrigley Swim, \$25,000 Prize

NEW YORKER PASSES NORMAN ROSS AND ERNEST VIERKOEFTER IN LAST LAP OF FIFTEEN-MILE MARATHON IN TORONTO.

TORONTO, Ont., Aug. 30 (U.P.)—Edward Keating, of New York, captured the annual \$35,000 fifteen-mile Wrigley swim late today. Keating's share of the prize money is \$25,000.

An estimated crowd of 150,000 saw the finish.

The winner had stayed behind the leaders for seven laps, but at the start of the final one spurred past Norman Ross of Chicago, and Ernest Vierkoetter of Germany to assume the lead which he never lost.

Using a strong overhand stroke, he won handsily in the record-breaking time of 8 hours, 25 minutes.

NEW BUILDING FINISHED NOW CARL RAY MAY BUILD HOTEL

Monument to Owner's Faith in Las Vegas, Professional Building Is But One Unit of Plan for Development Here.

The new Professional Building just completed at 425 Fremont by Carl Ray at a cost of close to \$100,000, is but one evidence of the faith the Hollywood builder has in Las Vegas. The next probably will be a \$100,000 hotel, one that will be second to none in this city, Ray stated yesterday. This will be built if he receives the right co-operation, he stated.

Two stores and a number of professional offices have been and are being installed in the beautiful new Professional building. C. E. Pembroke's Frigidaire business and a new drug store are being installed in two of the street locations, with the Boulder Realty Corporation to move in with Pembroke.

The third store space, for which several applications have been made, probably will be occupied by a ladies' ready-to-wear store or a shoe store, Ray said yesterday.

Offices Occupied

Dr. William Taylor, Osteopath, has established headquarters in one of the second floor suites, while two other doctors are expected within the next ten days or so.

James A. Fleming, well known architect, has had offices in the

Lady's Fight for Life Beclouds Plane Festival

By MERTON T. AKERS
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MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, Cleveland, Aug. 30 (U.P.)—With Lady Mary Heath fighting tenaciously for life, the National Air Show went on today.

Massed bands started off the program an hour earlier today than yesterday so that all excitement could be run off within the limit.

There was a shadow of gloom over the airport on account of Heath's accident. Her condition was announced as still "critical" but she had regained consciousness and had recovered.

Another accident narrowly today when airline Lindbergh's famous flyer, arriving in a tri-motored plane, piloted by G. R. Mays, came down and was damaged. Mays swerved to avoid a crash and was unhurt. His plane was aged slightly.

A moment later a plane from a navy plane carrier, piloted by G. R. Mays, did not see Heath's plane and crashed.

To avoid a crash, Mays swerved and landed safely. Heath's plane took to

'RETIRED' CAPTAIN GOES DOWN WITH BOAT NEAR S. F. ON 'LAST VOYAGE'

Ancient Vessel With 110 Aboard Is Rammed In Fog, Sinking Within Five Minutes; Piteful Tales of Worst Disaster in Years Is Told by Rescued; Legal Action Is Filed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30 (U.P.)—The greedy Pacific tonight had swallowed up the last trace of the ancient steamer San Juan, which sank with 110 persons aboard, in one of the west coast's worst maritime disasters.

Two coast guard cutters reported tonight that only forty had been rescued and that as each hour passed likelihood of saving the other 70 dwindled.

Capt. Adolph Astlund, wealthy retired sea captain, who had taken over command for "just one more voyage" followed the tradition of the sea and went to the bottom with his ship.

With the jovial captain at the helm, the San Juan was ploughing through a heavy fog early today when suddenly she was rammed broadside by the oil tanker S. C. T. Dodd.

The San Juan's timbers, weakened by buffeting of the seas for 47 years crumpled under the impact. Within five minutes her entire complement of passengers and crew had been dashed into the sea.

The coast guard cutters, brought rushing to the scene by the San Juan's radio, searched all day for survivors, near Pigeon point, fifty miles south of here.

The heavy white fog which caused the disaster, hung over the scene like a shroud throughout the day and made search unusually difficult.

Twenty-nine of the rescued were taken from the sea by the cutter Shawnee, which sped from San Francisco this morning.

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BALL SCORES

COAST LEAGUE SCORES	
Oakland	2 6 0
Mission	0 8 1
San Francisco	
Seattle	7 15 3
San Francisco	4 9 2
Sacramento	
Hollywood	10 11 2
Hollywood	9 9 1
Los Angeles	
Portland	7 10 1
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