

NEW PAVING PROJECT STARTED

Arrowhead Trail Gets Preference Over Lincoln Despite Delay at Bridge T.A.T. Plane Clue False, New One Discounted

FOUR WHO WAVED TO SEARCHING FLYER ARE FOUND TO BE INDIANS

Hunt for Missing T. A. T. Ship With Eight Aboard Believed Virtually Clueless as Checkup on Third Report Fails to Bring Confirmation or any Hint of Plausibility

NEW YORK, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—Conflicting reports regarding the missing T. A. T. airplane, City of San Francisco, neither confirmed, emerged tonight from the mountain country where the greatest search in aviation history is being made for the plane and its eight occupants.

One was issued by the T. A. T. office at Columbus, Ohio. It was picked up on the company's automatic telegraph wire in the form of a message to the Los Angeles office, and purported to be from a mine owner, Lloyd Burnham, quoting a mine foreman that the plane, wrecked, had been found with all aboard dead except Mrs. J. B. Raymond, of Glendale, Calif., the only woman passenger.

The plane, it was said, was located near Celestial mine, Hachita, New Mexico. The message was absolutely unconfirmed.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—Just "another nut," was the comment of high T. A. T. officials here tonight when the report that the missing air liner City of San Francisco had been found near Hachita, New Mexico, was discredited.

"We have been absolutely unable to locate Burnham," said a message received over the firm's private wires from the west.

"Neither have we been able to locate the Celestial mine," the message continued. "Personally believe the report has absolutely no basis of fact."

WINSLOW, Ariz., Sept. 6, (U.P.)—After a day's search of the rugged country out of Winslow, three pilots returned here tonight without trace of the Transcontinental Air Transport City of San Francisco.

The only clue of the day was discarded when four waving figures on the ground near the Village of Walpai, in the Hopi Indian territory, were accepted to have been Indians.

Sighting of the four who waved white cloths was first reported by Lieut. D. W. Tomlinson, former navy flyer. Later, Charles Goldscrap, Phoenix pilot, went into the same country and apparently found the same people.

He was able to put his plane, smaller than Tomlinson's, closer to the ground, and observe the quartet at short range. Goldscrap said they were two men and two women and identified them as Indians.

After reporting the clue, Tomlinson went out at the same time Goldscrap did, but was unable to locate the four. However, when both returned and Goldscrap had identified the four as Indians, they discussed the country, and were certain both had seen the same party.

Hope of finding the plane, missing since it took off from Albuquerque last Tuesday for Los Angeles by way of Winslow and failed to arrive here had been raised by the Tomlinson report. Tonight, however, the search was once more on a clueless basis.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 6, (U.P.)—A possibility that the T. A. T. plane "City of San Francisco" may have plunged into the Grand Canyon was added to rumors yesterday when Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Beranek stated that on their return from a motor trip last Tuesday they saw a huge tri-motored plane flying over the Red Butte mountain district in Northern Arizona.

Beranek said that he saw the plane circle three times, each time losing altitude, then he added there was a sudden cloudburst with flashes of lightning.

"The noise of the hall on our automobile drowned out the noise of the motor and it grew so dark that we couldn't see," Beranek declared.

Winslow Teeming With Excitement During Plane Hunt

WINSLOW, Ariz., Sept. 6, (U.P.)—The railroad town of Winslow today teemed with unprecedented activity as it became the focal point of the gigantic search for the City of San Francisco, missing T. A. T. plane.

The interest centered in the local airport, from where almost 50 planes were directed in an attempt to comb the bad lands in which the huge plane apparently crashed up.

By noon thousands of persons occupied vantage points to watch the searching ships as they landed, refueled, received instructions and then took off again.

The great pitch to which the local citizenry was aroused was reflected at the office of the Winslow Daily Mail. The telephone lines were busy through the day with inquiries regarding the search and for the third consecutive day the Mail sold every paper it could print.

Rodeo King of California Scouts Vegas

"Harry" Rowell May Stage Show Here in Near Future, Is Director of Salinas, Neptune, Livermore Rodeos.

With the possibility of staging a rodeo in Las Vegas in the next two or three months in view, J. H. "Harry" Rowell, rodeo king of California, visited Las Vegas Thursday.

Rowell stages the famous Salinas show annually, besides the Neptune, the Livermore and Hayward's rodeos. He is one of the colorful characters of California, and is said to be the largest buyer of horses in the West, at the present time.

During his stay in Las Vegas the showman visited with Ernest J. Engler, whom he has known in Oakland for many years.

Rowell will be in this city again in the near future, according to Engler, and probably will stage a show here when condition warrant it. Rowell buys wild horses and transforms them into chicken feed, his plant turning out 90,000 cans of feed a day. This is a side line of the show man.

\$10,000 Offered for Finding T.A.T. Plane

NEW YORK, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—Rewards offered for finding the eight persons aboard the missing T. A. T. plane City of San Francisco were swelled to \$10,000 today.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. F. Canfield, parents of Maynard Canfield, courier aboard the lost plane, offered \$5,000 to any individual or group discovering their son either dead or alive.

Previously the T. A. T. had offered \$5,000 for locating the plane and its occupants.

GERMANY IS ASKED TO AID RUSSIANS IN MANCHURIA

MOSCOW, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—The soviet foreign office tonight asked German consulate in China to take steps to end what was described as "a reign of terror against soviet citizens in Manchuria."

The foreign office said that unless some move is made to end the situation it will be forced to resort to

Chief to Start Campaign For New Fire Truck

Present Machine Inadequate, Not Dependable, Has Failed Three Times Recently, Says Harold Case.

Contending that the city's fire-fighting apparatus is inadequate for the city's immediate needs, Fire Chief Harold Case plans to start a campaign for purchase of a new fire truck upon his return from his two-weeks' vacation, which will start today.

The present fire truck is more than six years old and is undependable, according to Case, having gone bad twice recently en route to fires, and had to be towed in from drill on another occasion.

"The truck has not been given a real overhauling for at least six years," said the chief, "because of the fact that we haven't dared to let it go from service long enough to give it an overhauling."

Then, too, the rotary pump blades have been cut by the sand, reducing the pressure efficiency from the original 180 pounds to 120 pounds. The fire chief wants a centrifugal pump instead of a rotary, for that reason. He wants a pumper which will pump 750 gallons a minute instead of 350.

"In going to ask for a new Seagrave truck," said Case, "we really need two trucks, so that they can be properly taken care of and overhauled when necessary."

"We should have an awning to put over the front of the truck to protect it from the weather, and we also need some new hose."

Priest has been imprisoned since Thursday morning. The rescue squad, directed by John Morrell, reported they hoped to reach Priest through a tunnel sometime between midnight and daybreak. They have been working in relays since 6 a. m.

Musser Sues Railway For \$35,000 Because Of 1927 Accident

Seeking \$35,000 from the Los Angeles and Salt Lake railroad company for injury to his ankle alleged to have been sustained two years ago in performance of his duties as a U. P. employee, Gerald D. Musser has filed suit against the railroad company.

Musser was employed as a motor car operator at that time, he alleges, and on September 3, 1927, started for Caliente from this city to take Ralph Charlton, traveling watch inspector, from Las Vegas to that city.

He had just completed the adjusting of the carburetor of the motor and stood up in the car when it hit an open switch and was derailed. He landed in the middle of the track ahead of the car, which continued from momentum and one wheel of which ran over one of his ankles, causing a fracture.

Taken to the Hewitson hospital, he alleges he was there from September 5 to November 3, and that despite his treatment he has never regained the complete use of the ankle, which is now swollen.

He asks \$25,000 actual damages and \$10,000 punitive damages, through the provisions of the Federal Employers' Liabilities act of April 22, 1908, the railroad company having rejected the Nevada Industrial Insurance act of March 15, 1913. The suit is filed under the federal statute on grounds that interstate commerce was involved in his employment at the time of the accident.

Chas. Lee Horsey is attorney for Musser.

400 CARS TOWED OVER VIRGIN AFTER FLOOD DELAYS 200 ALL NIGHT

New Spell of High Water Holds Up Traffic Again, But Utah Auto Club Sends Motorists This Way; Diversion Dam Built to Make Possible Repairs to Riverside Bridge

Even though two hundred automobiles were held up until morning yesterday by a new flood which prevented crossing the Virgin river at the Riverside bridge on the Arrowhead trail, tourists are being directed from Salt Lake City to California by this route rather than via Reno.

Washouts on the Lincoln highway are said to have rendered that route much worse than the Arrowhead trail, according to word given motorists in Salt Lake City by the Auto Club of Utah.

Four hundred cars were towed yesterday across the Virgin, where the Riverside bridge is condemned, 75 miles northeast of this city, because of the washing out of ten pilings.

Teams Kept Busy Eight teams were kept busy for several hours yesterday, beginning at 5:30 a. m., until the two hundred cars which had accumulated during the night had been taken across. This took up to 9 a. m.

Four teams worked the remainder of the day, and traffic was kept going, through the diligent work of the state highway department.

A diversion dam is being built under the direction of C. C. Boyer, state highway division engineer, to divert the principal flow from the point at which the damage was done on the bridge.

Materials for repair of the structure are virtually all on the ground the last truck-load to be taken up this morning, according to Boyer. Actual repair work will be started about Sunday, and the job will then take several days to complete it is expected.

The motorists who were stranded at the bridge for the most part took their delay cheerfully, according to Boyer.

This was made possible largely by the fact that the proprietor of the store at the Las Vegas end of the bridge had two trips made to this city for loads of supplies, to take the place of the goods he had sold out early in the week.

When the first break occurred and several hundred cars were held up all night his whole stock was sold out, along with all the coffee he could make. The renewal of his stock came in handy during the second delay yesterday.

Pickwick busses are taking their passengers to the bridge, walking them across and meeting them on the other side with another stage, service thus being uninterrupted.

Rescuers Work to Extricate Man From Quicksands in Well Bottom

OTTUMWA, Iowa, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—William Priest, 55-year-old well-digger who is imprisoned in quicksand up to his chin in a well 35 feet deep, told Doctor Rater tonight at 11 o'clock that he was "getting weaker and hoped the boys can hurry."

Priest has been imprisoned since Thursday morning. The rescue squad, directed by John Morrell, reported they hoped to reach Priest through a tunnel sometime between midnight and daybreak. They have been working in relays since 6 a. m.

OTTUMWA, Iowa, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—Trapped by quicksands for 24 hours at the foot of a 35-foot well, William Priest, 55, although weakened, still was alive today, aiding his rescuers by suggestions.

Priest was caught in the treacherous sand while cleaning out the well yesterday. Since then, held helpless, he has shouted ideas to the men trying to extricate him through the long hours of the night.

His only complaint was of the cold and the lack of air at the bottom of the well.

Workers dared not exert too much speed. A false move always resulted in a shower of brick from the crumbling side walls. In one such fall Ed Kirkland, a fireman working inside the well, was struck on the head by a brick and injured.

Workers in the well, who are trying to build up the walls, said Priest's head, the only part of his body above the sand, was covered by bricks and debris, but that he was able to breathe as the air filtered through the loose covering.

At one time, before the sand had sucked Priest down too far, the upper part of his body was exposed and efforts were made to pull him out with ropes tied about his body. The effort failed, however, when bricks showered down and threatened serious injury to the trapped man.

Then the process of dipping up a bucketful of sand at a time was started, while others began building up the walls.

L. V. Pharmacy Will Open New Store Near P. O.

Frank Crookston Manager Of Pharmacy Being Established in Sullivan Building on Carson Street.

The Las Vegas Pharmacy, oldest drug store in Las Vegas, is establishing a new store in the new Sullivan building next door to the post office on Carson street.

Frank Crookston, who has been with the Pharmacy for the past five years, will be manager of the new store, fixtures for which have been ordered specially made in Los Angeles.

Crookston is a graduate pharmacist, having graduated from Seattle College, and having become a registered pharmacist in 1915. He spent three years with the Thornton Drug Company in Delta, Utah, from which position he came to Las Vegas. He lives at Third and Garces with his wife and daughter.

A beautiful soda fountain will be installed in the new store, which will contain everything that a complete drugstore establishment should carry, according to Crookston.

Although the opening date has not been set, it is expected it will be ready about September 20.

The Las Vegas Pharmacy was established twenty-five years ago, and W. E. Ferron has been manager for the past thirteen years.

The opening of the new place will bring the number of drug stores in Las Vegas up to five.

Minerals Company Sued for Salaries

For salary and automobile travel expense claims due him, Cecil F. Cross Thursday filed suit against the California Non-Metallic Minerals corporation, which has its principal offices in Las Vegas.

Last June Cross entered the employment of the corporation at a stipulated salary of \$250 a month, he alleges, at which figure he worked for three months, to August 31.

He also furnished his own auto transportation or 3,212 miles, at an agreed rate of 10 cents a mile, he states, for all of which he has been paid but \$48.65. He is suing for \$1,022.55 due on these two counts, \$250 for non-payment and \$250 for counsel.

He is suing also for \$425 alleged to have been earned by A. C. Houghton and which amount has been unpaid, claim for which was transferred by Houghton to Cross.

In addition to this amount he demands \$300 for non-payment and \$250 attorney fee.

Ham and Taylor are attorneys for Cross.

Duncan Sister, Nils Asther Patch it Up, Are Engaged Again

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—After their romance had been broken almost two years ago, Nils Asther, screen actor, and Vivian Duncan, of the famous stage sisters, were engaged again today.

They plan to be married when their present pictures are completed and the wedding will be a "quiet little affair."

They met three years ago. A year's engagement followed. It was broken by mutual consent. Then they met again last Saturday and it was "love at second sight."

"I can never stop loving her," Nils said.

"And I always loved him," Vivian added.

CITY BOARD LAUNCHES MOVE FOR NEW SEWER, STREET IMPROVEMENT

Commissioners Order Estimates, Plans and Diagrams for Oil-Bound Gravel Work in Southern Section; Three Proposals For Sewer System Engineering are Received

The Board of City Commissioners last night considered the first steps in providing an adequate sewer system for the rapidly expanding city of Las Vegas.

In reply to a request for proposals for engineering services as the first step in planning and building the system, the board received proposals from the following engineering firms:

Nevada Engineering & Construction Service, Inc. by C. D. Baker of Las Vegas.

King & Malone, Reno, Nevada.

Koebig & Koebig, of Los Angeles.

In view of the fact that the documents are rather lengthy and require careful study before a decision is made, the board laid the matter over for further consideration and recessed until next Thursday evening.

Men's National Tennis Tourney To Start Today

Tilden Will Attempt to Fight Way to Former Position As Titaist; Ninety Will Compete.

By GEORGE KIRKSEY United Press Staff Correspondent NEW YORK, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—The Men's National Tennis Championships will commence at Forest Hills tomorrow, with William T. Tilden trying to fight his way through a field of 90 players and back to his former glory as champion of the United States.

Barred from amateur ranks last year, Tilden was forced to sit on the sidelines and witness the 1928 championships. In the two previous years, 1926 and 1927, he was beaten by the French.

Again, there exists a strong and popular hope among many tennis followers that Tilden will be beaten by one of the younger players.

After all, they point out, Tilden has won the title six times and has garnered all the laurels that any tennis player can ever hope to own. It's high time he was properly beaten, they say, to help the growing suspicion that he is practically through.

As far as Tilden against the field is concerned, there is plenty of money available—they really bet on tennis matches quite avidly, believe it or not—that Big Bill will not win the championship.

But if you like a run for your money and ask them to pick a man who can beat Tilden, they can't do it. They can only point out that there are some mighty fine youngsters like Frank Shields, Bunny Austin, Berkeley Bell, John Van Ryn, Johnny Doeg, George Lott and Gregory Mangin—any one of whom might catch Big Bill at the right time and beat him.

Bunny Austin, the little English star, is favored by some to beat Tilden in the semi-finals, granted both reach that round.

Mrs. Pechart Files Suit for Divorce

Bessie Pearl Pechart filed suit Thursday for divorce from Walter M. Pechart, on grounds of willful desertion. She asks for alimony of \$150 a month.

The pair were married in El Paso, Texas in 1917. Louis Cohen is attorney for Mrs. Pechart.

JOE DUNDEE WILL TRY TO REGAIN WELTER TITLE

NEW YORK, Sept. 6, (U.P.)—Joe Dundee, former welterweight champion, announced today that he will return to fight wars in a few weeks under the management of James J. Johnson.

He blames the loss of his title on poor management and believes he can stage a comeback under Johnson's banner. He will attempt to regain the crown he lost to Jackie Fields in Detroit, after a month's rest at Hot Springs, Arkansas.