

FLIERS FINISH FIRST LAP OF WORLD FLIGHT

Airmen Reach Mather Field, Near Sacramento, on Schedule Time

BY H. L. PHILLIPS, Universal Service Correspondent. Sacramento, Cal., March 17.—America's flight squadron, bent on modern duplication of Magellan's ancient exploit, completed the first leg of its unparalleled journey on schedule time Monday, landing at Mather field near this city at 2 o'clock, exactly 4 hours and 30 minutes from the time the giant planes hopped off at Clover Field, Los Angeles county.

Though no attempt at a speed record was made by the three pilots, their average time was 80 miles an hour, according to Maj. F. L. Martin, commander of the squadron.

Heavy fog threatened to retard the fliers shortly before noon when they crossed the Tehacapi range, but the powerful ships, specially constructed for the land and ocean journey before them, drove in safety through the dense vapor and into the cloudless sky of the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys.

In Battle Formation The three ships, attended by a fleet of scout planes from San Francisco and Los Angeles, swung into battle formation as they neared Mather field, where state and county officials were assembled to greet the fliers. At the point of the long "V" formation, rode Major Martin and flanking him on either side were the machines driven by Capt. Lowell H. Smith and Lieut. Leigh Wade.

"When we left Clover Field we were confident of success," said Major Martin when he grounded his plane. "Our confidence in these ships after today's trial is greater than ever. We will not fail."

At 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, the three fliers will hop off again for Seattle, the terminal of the second leg in their journey. There they will be joined by Lieut. Erik Nelson, fourth member of the squadron.

To Follow Squadron Nelson and his mechanic, Lieut. John Harding, Jr., will leave San Diego Tuesday morning and are expected to reach this city late in the day. They will immediately follow the squadron in its flight northward.

Aviation enthusiasts from every section of the Sacramento valley were gathered at the flying field when Major Martin and his fellow pilots stepped from their ships. Mayor Albert Elkus of this city acted as spokesman for northern California in welcoming the world flying crew and wishing them success in the perilous task before them.

A touch of humor marked the serious business undertaken by these three pilots and brought smiles to their faces when little 6-year-old Bernice Vogel, of this city, attired in the green of Ireland, pinned shamrocks over the spread wings of their aviation insignia and as a St. Patrick's day offering and a token of good luck, handed a three leaf clover to each.

"These clover leaves will guard you," said the little girl. "Sacramento and all of California joins me in the gift."

Get Good Luck Emblems Horseshoes, rabbits' feet and all other known emblems of good luck were bestowed on members of the squadron by the enthusiastic crowd. A horseshoe presented by the Sacramento Chamber of Commerce will be hung in the cockpit of each of the huge ships when it leaves for Seattle tomorrow.

Each mechanic also was presented with good luck gifts by city and county officials. The three mechanics are Sergeants A. L. Harvey, H. H. Turner and A. H. Ogden. The entire crew was banqueted Monday evening by the Chamber of Commerce.

A sidekick of the round the world flight, expected to make aviation history, was the performance Monday of Lieut. Earl H. Tonkin of Crissley field, who made the flight from Clover Field to Sacramento in 3 hours and 40 minutes, leaving San Joaquin Monday 15 minutes after Major Martin's squadron and reaching Mather field at 1:25 o'clock.

Doctor Worried by Condition of Pope

Universal Service London, March 17.—Pope Pius is suffering from arterio sclerosis, according to a dispatch printed Monday night in the Daily Express. Physician Rossi is said to be very anxious about the condition of the pope's heart, ever since he suffered the attack a few days ago.

Candidate for Governor Opens His Headquarters

Lincoln, Neb., March 17.—A. N. Mathers of Gering, Neb., speaker of the lower house at the last session of the legislature, arrived here Monday and opened headquarters with the intention, he said, of remaining until after the primary election. Speaker Mathers is a candidate on the republican ballot for the nomination for governor.

NOTORIOUS MAIL ROBBER NABBED

Louisville, Ky., March 17.—A man said to have been identified by a picture as Gerald Chapman, wanted in New York city in a \$500,000 mail truck robbery was arrested at Greenville, Ky., Sunday night.

New York, March 17.—Gerald Chapman, reported arrested at Greenville, Ky., escaped from Atlanta prison about a year ago after serving a little more than six months of a 25-year-sentence for participating in a \$500,000 mail truck robbery in New York city in October, 1921.

CALIFORNIA OIL SUIT IS FILED

U. S. Asks Cancellation of Doheny Leases—Fall Is Target

Los Angeles, Cal., March 17.—Suits to cancel the lease of California naval oil lands to the Pan-American Petroleum and Transport company, as well as its accompanying agreements for construction and stocking by that company of naval oil storage facilities at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, was filed by the government here today.

The bill of complaint charges that bribery entered into the making of the agreements as well as alleging fraud, conspiracy and illegality in the case of the suit filed March 13 at Cheyenne, Wyo., with reference to the Teapot Dome lease and contracts. As in the Teapot suit, the government's special counsel, Ailee Pomerene and Owen J. Roberts, asked the United States district court to issue a temporary injunction stopping the production of oil, appoint receivers to take possession and control of the oil lands, and to enter a final decree declaring void and cancelling the lease and associated arrangements.

Fall Is Cited The Pan-American Petroleum and Transport company and its subsidiary, the Pan-American Petroleum company, were made defendants in the action, and E. L. Doheny, president of the oil company and Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, are charged in the bill with conspiracy to defraud the United States "for the private gain of Fall, and of defendants, for whom said Doheny acted."

For the creation of certain rights for the defendants, "Fall was to receive certain rewards from said Doheny," the bill avers, adding that the payment to Fall of \$100,000 by Doheny in November, 1921, was "that certain reward theretofore promised."

In developing the conspiracy the complaint charges, "Fall and Doheny by false, fraudulent and untrue representations induced President Harding in good faith to sign an executive order authorizing the leasing." Secretary Denby of the Navy department it adds, was likewise induced to proceed with the transactions, although the leasing project in its entirety, is declared to be "without authority of law."

Bids Were Juggled Proceeding under his understanding with Doheny, the complaint continues, "Fall, purporting to act on behalf of the United States," invited proposals for royalty oil accruing from the California Naval oil reserves. The proposals however, it adds, were "so drawn that no one but the defendant Pan-American Petroleum and Transport company could or would bid thereon," the object being to permit this corporation to "make a bid not in competition with any other but as the basis of a special secret and non-competitive contract with the United States."

Under this arrangement it is charged, leasing and other agreements were entered into covering oil lands rich in oil and gas in naval reserves No. 1, and No. 2, secretly and privately without competitive bidding. The agreements, it is charged were "obtained by bribery, the result of said unlawful conspiracy, were and are a fraud upon the United States, are illegal, null and void, and of no force or validity, and should be delivered up to the United States to be cancelled."

Point To Damages The Pan-American Petroleum and Transport company is said to have proceeded with the acquisition of all the royalty oil due the United States, while the subsidiary is said to have continued drilling wells and extracting gas and oil from the lease reserve area. The removal of the oil is declared to be a continuing damage to the United States.

Of the arrangements, the bill asserts that the "transaction under said agreements and said leases, and the writing themselves, form but a single transaction and are so inextricably bound together that the plaintiff (the U. S.) cannot obtain full relief except by the joinder of both corporate defendants, who are in fact and law, but one defendant."

Owner of N. Y. Tribune Buys Herald From Munsey

Universal Service New York, March 17. The New York Herald has been purchased from Frank A. Munsey by Ogden Mills Reid, owner of the New York Tribune, according to an announcement made late Monday afternoon. The purchase price was not given. Mr. Reid announced that he would amalgamate the two papers beginning next Wednesday.

STILL OTHERS TO GET BONUS

Adjutant General of South Dakota Is Preparing Worthy Claims

Aberdeen, S. D., March 15. (Special)—Adjutant General W. A. Hazle is filling applications at state headquarters here from the 7,000 soldiers credited as from South Dakota in the World War who did not receive the state bonus. He will ask, at the next session of the legislature, that the balance of the \$6,000,000 bonus bonds be devoted to the worthy claims. Frequently the Adjutant General receives inquiries concerning the state bonus from ex-service men who were not able to file their claims in time because of absence or lack of information. Heirs of dead soldiers will also be listed for payment.

General Hazle expects to recommend a list of just claims for bonus appropriation out of the fund originally created. He has been at work, for the past several weeks, filling and investigating unpaid claims.

Over 30,000 claims, 30,353, to be exact, were filed with the state bonus board from June 1, 1921, until it was dissolved on July 1, 1923, and the account closed on October 1, 1923, by the attorney general. A total of \$5,618,810 was paid in 23,875 claims. The records of the war department credit South Dakota with 35,000 soldiers in the world war and consequently 5,000 have not filed claims and 7,000 have not been paid. The expense in paying the bonus was \$79,965.10, a per capita cost of \$2.77.

ANYWAY RAIDERS HAD EXCITING TIME.

Aberdeen, S. D., March 15. (Special)—Stories from Eureka which stated that county, state and federal prohibition officers were forced to draw guns to disperse a crowd of citizens who protested against the action of officers in making a number of liquor raids in Eureka and elsewhere in McPherson county were denied in part by Eureka citizens today. First reports, which stated that six officers were forced to draw their guns to disperse a crowd of 200 Eureka people were exaggerated, according to Eureka citizens. A meeting of the Commercial club was held to discuss the alleged exaggerated report.

The officers who took part in the raids were: Deputy State Sheriff Ed Glau of Aberdeen, Sheriff Lockwood Smith of Edmunds county, Deputy Sheriff Dave Picton of Edmunds county, Sheriff Johnson of Faulk county, Deputy State Sheriff Wright and Charles Bientiff, federal prohibition officer.

At the farm of Fred Schable, near Eureka, the officers faced the menace of a pair of shotguns, in the hands of Mrs. Schable and a son, but Deputy State Sheriff Glau and his companions kicked their way through a door in the barn and disarmed the pair. A still, 16 gallons of liquor, and 40 bottles of beer were seized at the Schable place and Schable, who was in the barn with his wife and two children when the raid took place, was arrested.

The next place raided was Spitzer brothers livery barn at Eureka, where the officers raided a "drinking party" and arrested one of the proprietors. John Biffert's home was raided and a quantity of liquor seized as Biffert was pouring it out. Biffert was arrested. John Hoff next was arrested at his home, and a still and two barrels of mash, was seized. The farm home of Alfred Keuschle was also raided, and a jug of liquor was seized and further search disclosed a large still, hidden under weeds, three caves, evidently former locations of stills, and a tunnel, leading from the barn, containing empty kegs. Elmer Keuschle, brother of the owner of the farm, was arrested after admitting that he had transported wine from Brovo county.

CONVICTED MAN MAY LOSE AN ARM.

Yankton, S. D., March 15. (Special)—George Cooley, of Tabor, whose conviction on a charge of murder in connection with the killing about a year ago of Mrs. John Mudloff, of Tabor, is before the state supreme court, is a patient at a local hospital, with his arm badly lacerated by catching it in farm machinery. Amputation may be necessary.

MAKES FINAL PROOF ON HIS HOMESTEAD.

Kimball, S. D., March 15. (Special)—Something of a curiosity nowadays for Brule county, appears in one of the Kimball papers. It is the final proof of 126 acres in Wilbur township, by Charles F. Schrader, who took the land as a homesteader and makes the property his home.

SOW SPRING WHEAT IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

Miller, S. D., March 15. (Special)—Wheat seeding has started here by Robert Kane who is finishing a field of 188 acres of spring wheat west of here. Two weeks ago, farmers were reported sowing winter wheat as an experiment.

TWELVE LAMBS IN TWO SHORT YEARS

Arpan, S. D., March 15.—(Special.)—Miss Beatrice Byers is the owner of a ewe which is believed to hold the record for the number of lambs she has produced in a specified length of time. In February, 1922, this ewe gave birth to four lambs and they all lived. In February last year she brought forth a pair and they lived. This year she produced six, but they die.

"GAG RULE" ON SOLDIER BONUS BILL ATTACKED

Advocates of Cash Plan Lambast "Pay After Death" Proposal

BY WINDER R. HARRIS, Universal Service Correspondent

Washington, March 17.—Prohibited from discussing and offering amendments Tuesday to the soldier bonus bill, carrying insurance policies for World War veterans, advocates of a full cash payment plan took advantage of general debate on the navy bill Monday to lambast "pay after death" scheme and the "gag rule" under which it is to be brought up.

Refusal of the ways and means committee to include a cash option, along with the insurance feature, and the determination of the republican leaders to call up the legislation under suspension of rules, which limits debate to 40 minutes and permits no amendments, were bitterly assailed by a number of democrats and some republicans.

Chairman Green, of the ways and means committee, and Representative Chindblom, republican of Illinois, a member of the committee, defended the bill and the plan under which it is to be considered.

Passage Expected The general expectation was that the bill will pass Tuesday in spite of the fact that a two-thirds majority will be required for it under suspension of the rules.

Most of those who denounced the bill admitted they would have to vote for it, because in the event it were defeated and did not come up again in a form in which amendments would be in order, they would be left on record as having opposed the bonus.

Others said they were receiving a large number of telegrams from veterans, urging them to vote for the measure.

Representative Pou, democrat, of North Carolina, asserted he knew the Senate would put in a cash provision. Representative Milligan, democrat, of Missouri, declared the bill and the method of its consideration were "outrageous and unjust."

Bill Disappointment

Representative Hawes, democrat, of Missouri, said the bill was unsatisfactory because "it will disappoint and anger 90 per cent. of the former service men."

Representative Jeffers, democrat, of Alabama, chairman of the committee of former service members named by the democratic conference to work out a bonus plan and which recommended a cash feature, characterized the bill as "an infamous subterfuge" and a "cheap and disappointing gold brick."

Chairman Green insisted a "vast majority" of the veterans wanted insurance. He said the state commander of the American Legion in his home state of Iowa had wired his endorsement of the bill.

MILLIONS PAID ON TAX RETURNS

First Installments for 1923 Pouring in—Comparisons Impossible

Universal Service

Washington, March 17.—A total of \$377,848,841 had poured into the United States treasury Monday night as the first installment on incomes for 1923.

The total for the same quarter last year was \$465,772,015, but it was said that this was for returns received during the entire month of March and that in the remaining days in this month fully \$100,000,000 more in belated tax returns will be paid in.

It was impossible for officials at this time to make comparisons with previous years. It was pointed out that last year a majority of the smaller tax payers turned in the total for the year on March 15, while this year a great many held back at least 25 per cent in the hope that congress will later provide for this reduction.

New York paid nearly one-third of the vast amount, or \$103,479,585. Pennsylvania was second with \$36,943,477; Illinois was next with \$35,243,338; Massachusetts fourth with \$24,905,407. California, New Jersey and Ohio all returned above \$10,000,000.

CONFIRM NOMINATION

Washington, March 17. By the margin of a single vote, the Senate in executive session, confirmed the nomination of Walter L. Cohen, to be comptroller of customs at New Orleans.

Prince of Wales Ordered To Take Extra Day of Rest

London, March 17.—(U. P.)—"An extra day's rest" was ordered for the Prince of Wales and plans for the heir to the British throne returning to London from Aldershot, were changed at the last minute.

Wales' doctors said he was able to return to his town residence if necessary, but that they were recommending he remain at Aldershot until Tuesday.

Respect For Courts

Charles Evans Hughes. Justice in the minor courts—the only court that millions of our people know—administered without favoritism by men conspicuous for wisdom and probity, is the best assurance of respect for our institutions. The stopping of criminal procedure of needless requirements, without impairing the security of innocence, and in general the fearless destruction of provisions which only embarrass the just disposition of controversies, should not long be delayed.

Give Youth a Chance.

From the Minneapolis Journal. In France they have a way of citing for distinguished service or for valor, not men alone, but villages, cities. Then why should not we confer citation, or even the sash of the Legion of Youth, upon the City Council of Detroit, Minnesota? For that official body has closed to vehicular traffic two full blocks in Detroit, in order that the boys and girls may be safe to coast there to their hearts' content.

That Head Hum

Sounds which are too rapid or too faint for the human ear to distinguish are plainly audible by means of a new type of electric microphone. By use of it even the finer vibrations of the human body, as in the brains and heart, can be studied. With it you can hear the "wheels in your head" go 'round.

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Mary Lyon, the 15th anniversary of whose death is to be observed at Mt. Holyoke college in March, was the founder of that college, and a famous pioneer in work for the higher education of women.

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Just Another Story About the Goodness of PE-RU-NA



Mrs. Anna Linder, R. F. D. No. 1, Box 44, Dassel, Meeker County, Minn., writes: "For two years I suffered with that terrible disease, chronic catarrh. Fortunately I saw your advertisement and took Pe-ru-na. Now I am well and the mother of two children. I owe it all to Pe-ru-na. I would not be without that great remedy for twice its cost, for I am well and strong now. I cannot speak in too high terms of its value as a medicine."

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