

MAIL PILOT SNOWBOUND AT RANCH

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Henry G. Boonstra, Missing Since Last Friday, Located in Utah; Only Injury Is Frost-Bitten Foot.

Roamed Hours in Snow

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 19.—Air Mail Pilot Henry G. Boonstra, missing since last Friday morning, when he became lost in a blizzard while flying with government mail from Salt Lake to Rock Springs, Wyo., was found alive and well at Rigby ranch, near Coalville, Utah, early today by a searching party.

Boonstra declared that except for a slightly frost-bitten foot he was unharmed. The pilot said his plane was forced down Friday morning on Porcupine ridge, about 12 miles northeast of Coalville, and that he hiked through the deep snow until Saturday night—36 hours—before finally reaching shelter at the ranch, which is about four miles south and east of Porcupine.

No Telephone Service. There is no telephone service to the ranch, and Boonstra declared he was awaiting better weather before going to Coalville to notify Salt Lake air mail authorities of his safety and whereabouts.

Boonstra said he made a perfect landing on the flat unwooded surface of Porcupine ridge, but predicted that salvage of his plane is impossible because of the snow. He believes it will have to rest where it is as a memorial to air mail pluck.

Throughout yesterday a dozen or more airplanes were scouting over northeastern Utah and southwestern Wyoming in the hope of finding Boonstra. The search was without result until late afternoon when Pilot Paul Scott of Salt Lake came in with the report that he had sighted an airplane apparently wrecked on Porcupine ridge and a searching party was immediately dispatched from Coalville. It was this rescue band that found Boonstra at Rigby ranch.

Boonstra is expected to reach Salt Lake late today when further details of his adventure will probably be learned.

Blue Jackets Removed From Duty at Astoria

Astoria, Ore., Dec. 19.—Bluejackets who have been maintaining guard here since fire wiped out the business section of the city December 9, were withdrawn today and the destroyer Yarrowbrough was to leave if weather conditions permitted. Police and citizen guards took over the patrolling of the burned area and the residence district. Details of special officers, hired by the four banks whose buildings were wrecked by the fire, will guard the ruins until they are opened and the contents removed. All the banks today opened in temporary quarters. They announced they would do business with new accounts, but would not cash checks on prefire accounts until the vaults are opened.

Special precautions are being taken by local and federal prohibition officers to prevent importation of liquor. Every automobile entering the city is subject to search. A car belonging to the Evening Budget and carrying in its tonneau a font of type loaned by the Portland Times was stopped. The guard found on the car of the type case "66-point Howland Caps," and promptly dumped out the font, saying afterward that he believed the caps were dynamite caps.

Convicts Testify Powell Barked Like Dog in Cell

Mount Holly, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Five convicts, shackled to each other, brought here from the state prison at Trenton, testified today for the defense of Mrs. Doris Brunen and her brother, Harry C. Mohr, charged with the killing of "Honest" John T. Brunen at Riverside last March. The convicts were questioned in an attempt to upset the testimony of Charles M. Powell, confessed slayer, who said he shot Brunen at the instigation of Mrs. Brunen and Mohr. They said that Powell raved and barked like a dog in his cell in the county jail here. The defense is trying to prove that Powell was insane at the time of his confession.

New York Man, 106, Dies; Escapes Trip to Poor House

Patchogue, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Death came today to Patchogue's oldest resident, Joseph Vernetto, 106, just two hours before he and his wife, Mary, 97, were to have been removed to the county poorhouse. When officers called at the home to take the aged pair away, they were met at the door by a son, Joseph, 76, who told them of his father's death. The officials did not disturb the widow.

Turk Pact Prepared

Lausanne, Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—It was reported this afternoon that a complete draft of the peace treaty drawn up as a result of the deliberations of the near east conference here would be presented to the Turks on Saturday.

The Trail of the Pioneers



Mails Delayed by Late Trains

Tardy Trains from East Result in Missed Branch Line Connections. Late trains and missed connections at junction points along the main lines are blamed by the railway mail service office in Omaha for delayed deliveries of Christmas packages, mail and daily newspapers in country districts.

Day's Activities in Washington

Breaking records for speedy enactment of appropriation bills, congress sent the treasury and commerce-labor supply measures to the president. A suit challenging the constitutionality of the Sheppard-Towner maternity and infancy act was filed in the District of Columbia supreme court.

Erin Executes 7 Train Wreckers

Sentence Imposed by Free State in Drastic Drive to Save Rails. Dublin, Dec. 19.—Four railway men and three laborers were executed here this morning for interfering with trains in County Kildare.

Two Chinese Treaties Approved by Belgium

Brussels, Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—The Belgian chamber of deputies today approved the text of the two treaties concluded at the Washington arms conference by the powers having interests in China.

Man Arrested Delivering Liquor Fined; Auto Held

Harry Morris Stearne pleaded guilty yesterday to violation of the liquor laws and was fined \$200. Judge Woodruff also ordered his automobile confiscated.

Rare Gift to Church

Boston, Dec. 16.—A gold-embroidered cloth of unusual beauty, used for more than 250 years in the Unitarian church at Kolozsar, Rumania, the oldest Unitarian church in the world, has been presented to King's chapel of the local church.

House to Take Up Question of Tax Exempt Securities

Washington, Dec. 19.—By a vote of 118 to 52 the house today took up for consideration the Green resolution proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the further issuance of tax exempt securities.

Robber Is Thwarted in Holdup

Manager Kicks Door in Face of Highwayman—Shot Twice in Groin—Condition Serious. Day's Receipts Saved. Edward Stone, manager of the Shaefer Oil company filling station at Sixteenth and Pinkney streets, was shot twice in the groin when he attempted to slam the door in the face of a bandit at 6:30 last night.

House Debates Bill to Prohibit Tax Exempt Bonds

Measure Backed by President and Treasury Meets Stiff Opposition, Led by Texas Democrat. Washington, Dec. 19.—After a sharp preliminary skirmish the house took up today a resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution under which issuance of tax exempt securities by the federal government and the states would be prohibited.

Wife Alleges Husband Wooded Like Caveman

Mate Used Ford Instead of Club, However, Says Girls Seeking Annulment. Lincoln, Dec. 19.—(Special)—As attorneys for Lydia Rath Baker, wife of Grover C. Baker, city county farmer, tell it to the supreme court, Grover is a direct descendant of Stonehenge, the well known caveman, and they say that the only difference between his method of wooing and that of his ancestor is that he used a Ford car and a marriage license instead of a stone club.

Denver Police Fail to Locate Robbers of Mint

Entire Department Kept on Duty to Investigate Clues—Rooming House Near Mint Is Guarded. Denver, Colo., Dec. 19.—Denver state and federal authorities tonight, after a day and a night spent searching for the masked bandits who yesterday evening shot and killed Charles Linton, stole a consignment of \$200,000 from federal reserve guards and then made their escape, in one of the most daring and sensational daylight holdups ever staged in the west, were without tangible clues as to the identity of the bandits tonight.

One Auto in Iowa for Every 4 45ths Persons

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 19.—There is in Iowa one motor vehicle for every four and four-fifths persons in the state, according to complete figures for the 1922 automobile registration announced yesterday by Walter C. Ramsey, secretary of state. During the year 469,239 passenger vehicles and 21,354 trucks were registered. The number of motor cars in the state has increased more than 900 per cent in 10 years.

Fire in Packing Plant

Nebraska City, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special)—Fire at the Morton-Gregson packing plant here did damage to the smoke house amounting to several hundred dollars. The plant was saved by the prompt arrival of the fire department and the sprinkling system.

75,000 Blast Dislodges 60,000-Ton Ledge of Rock

Yakima, Wash., Dec. 19.—A 15-ton charge of TNT was set off today at the government construction camp at Rimrock, Wash., and a huge ledge of rock, estimated to weigh 60,000 tons, was heaved upward and upward and then slid down the Tilton river. The rock later will be piled against the core wall of the Rimrock dam, to be the largest earth-filled dam ever constructed in the United States. It cost \$75,000 to prepare the blast.

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One, two, three, four—Sometimes I wish there were more. You'll be tempting fate, if you longer wait. The store will have closed its door.

Hired Man Convicted to "Win Away" Wife, Rich Ranch

Sidney (Neb.) Man Alleges Spouse Obtained Divorce Through Perjured Testimony—Seeks to Have Decree Set Aside. Charging that his "hired man" connived and conspired to "win away" his wife, who he alleges obtained a divorce in Douglas county district court by fraudulent and perjured testimony, Arthur Brandenburg, 40, wealthy rancher of Sidney, Neb., in a hearing before District Judge Sears seeks to have the decree set aside.

The "hired man," Roy Cameron, 32, married Brandenburg's ex-wife, Ida, 30, March 18, 1921, after the divorce decree was granted her by default August 30, 1920.

Brandenburg testified that his wife told him to come to Omaha and not fight the divorce because if he changed his "manners" they would be reconciled. But instead of being reconciled, Brandenburg testified, his wife connived to get \$200 a month alimony and one-third interest in their section of land, worth \$10,000, awarded her in the decree.

Denies Sitting on Lap. Mrs. Cameron denies that she sat on Cameron's lap while he was her "hired man." She testified that a "party" was given in Cameron's honor when he went to Canada in 1920, but only at the request of Brandenburg.

Mrs. Cameron stated that she lived in Idaho Springs for a considerable time and when she went to Sidney for visits she would stop in Denver. There, she testified, she accidentally "ran across" Cameron on the streets two or three times.

On cross-examination she admitted writing "business letters" to Cameron in Denver.

Mrs. Cameron now is living in Lawson, Colo. The hearing was adjourned until today.

Attorney Miles stated that if Judge Sears vacated the decree Brandenburg would file suit for divorce against Mrs. Cameron and seek custody of the children.

The Brandenburgs were married in 1911.

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The girl is the daughter of a farmer, a neighbor of Baker, and had been vigorously wooed by him ever since she was 12. She is now 18. He is 31. The Rath family finally told him to keep away from the girl. He tried to get her to elope with him, but she would not wed without her parents' consent.

She says Baker got a marriage license, called with his sister in a Ford, told her that the license compelled her to wed him, and by duress and fraud induced her to elope. They were married at Saronville, and after a four days' trip returned home. She became conscience-stricken over having disobeyed her parents and had acquired a dislike for him, and at the first opportunity she returned home. The court refused her request to annul the marriage, and she has appealed.

The district court said she was old enough to know what she was doing, and refused to sanction her conduct in leaving her husband, who wants her to return.

Famous No-Hit Pitcher Turns in Shutout for McGraw

New York, Dec. 19.—John Montgomery Ward, famous as a no-hit pitcher in the '90s, turned in a shutout victory for John J. McGraw, manager of the world's champion New York Giants, in supreme court today.

Acting as counsel for Mr. McGraw, Mr. Ward moved for dismissal of a \$30,000 damage suit brought by Mrs. Mary A. Butterfield, for injuries suffered when she was run down in 1917 by McGraw's automobile.

Justice Tierney granted the motion, holding that McGraw was not responsible since his chauffeur was violating instructions when the accident occurred.

Omaha Bee "Want" Ads Will Sell Your Old Apparel

Many women hesitate to purchase new clothes when they think of their already overcrowded wardrobe. A "Clothing and Furs" advertisement in the "Want" Ad section of The Omaha Bee will empty the wardrobe for you and help to pay for new clothes.

Omaha Bee "Want" Ads Bring Better Results at Lesser Cost

Telephone AT lantic 1000 Ask for an "Want" Ad Taker

Nationalists and Laborites Tie in Australian Election

Melbourne, Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—Latest returns from Saturday's general elections indicate that the nationalists (the party of Premier Hughes) and the laborites, have each elected 28 members of the federal house of representatives.

Reports from Sydney are that negotiations are proceeding between the nationalists and the country party for co-operation between the farmers, however, stipulating that the nationalists drop Premier Hughes.

Omahans Visit White House. Washington, Dec. 19.—(Special Telegram)—Harry Lapidus and his wife of Omaha are in Washington. They will be callers at the White House tomorrow.