

# ZR-3 Crosses France; Flying Over Sea

## China Port Captured by Rebel Army

"Forlorn Hope" Corps, Composed of Details of Ten Men From Each Regiment, Claims Honors.

## Air Forces Bomb Town

Darien, Manchuria, Oct. 12.—The Manchurian forces marching on Peking have captured Chihwangtao, a gulf port near the Manchurian border of Chihli province, an aerial bombardment assisting the troops, according to an unconfirmed report here.

Amplified reports from Shanhai-kwan, a town adjacent to Chihwangtao, credit the capture by the Manchurians of Chihmen, the key position to Shanhai-kwan, to a so-called "forlorn hope" corps, composed of 10 men picked from each regiment.

The first Fengtien (Manchurian) army, led personally by Gen. Han Lin-Chun, captured a corner of the Chihli fortifications after four hours of assault. Hand grenades were used effectively. Few of the shock troops survived, subterranean mines swallowing whole groups.

Shanghai, Oct. 13.—After a tactical retreat along the Hanchow railway end from Tsingpu, west of Shanghai, the Chekiang army controlling Shanghai and the coast region has launched a counter attack toward the key city of Sungkiang, which it lost a few days ago. Slight gains were reported early today.

Chekiang headquarters at Lung-hwa it was explained that the retreat had been planned or shortened and strengthen the line west of Shanghai.

The invading Kiangsu troops are concentrated heavily in the neighborhood of Sungkiang.

Heavy firing was audible in Shanghai during the night, but now (3:30 a. m.) it is ceasing.

## By Associated Press.

Pekin, Oct. 12.—An unsuccessful attempt was made yesterday to wreck the train carrying Gen. Wu Pei Fu, commander of the Peking government forces, on his way to the Manchurian battle front.

A short distance beyond Tientsin two galvanized iron tins were taken from the rails. They contained a whitish powder, said to be a high explosive.

The preceding train had struck one of the infernal machines, without affecting the detonator. It is not known when or by whom the wrecking devices were laid. Two Russian railway men, who reported the discovery, are detained pending an investigation.

## By Associated Press.

Tientsin, Oct. 12.—The actual departure of Gen. Wu Pei Fu, the Peking field marshal, for the Manchurian front is reviving the spirits of the Chihli (Peking government) party.

News was received from Shanhai-kwan, on the Manchurian border of Chihli province, that the station there was heavily bombarded this morning. Several railway employes were killed and wounded and serious damage was done.

The railway between Peking and Tientsin and between Tientsin and Shanhai-kwan is in hopeless confusion. Troops still are pouring through Tientsin.

A dozen Chinese steamers are embarking from Taku and elsewhere on the Gulf of Chihli with soldiers for a seaward expedition against Manchuria.

The postponement of the Peking races was not due to the mutiny at Tungchow, but merely to blackmail on the part of the Peking police, who permitted racing yesterday after receiving a share of the gate money.

## MOVIE ACTRESS IS HURT IN FIRE

Los Angeles, Oct. 11.—Kate Lester, motion picture actress, was perhaps fatally burned late today when her clothes and hair caught fire as the result of an explosion in her dressing room at Universal City. The explosion is believed to have been caused by a gas heater.

## We Have With Us Today

C. C. Blanchard, President, Model Laundry Company, Santa Ana, California.

A string of laundries in various towns along the southern coast of California is operated by C. C. Blanchard of Santa Ana, Cal. Mr. Blanchard stopped in Omaha a few days enroute west from a summer spent in Maine where he has a summer home. Mrs. Blanchard accompanied her husband.

In the one laundry in Santa Ana where Mr. Blanchard resides 75 persons are employed. This company owns and operates a number of laundries in towns between Santa Ana and San Diego. Mr. Blanchard has been in the business for many years on the western coast. His summers are spent on the eastern coast, his former home and that of Mrs. Blanchard.

## Famous French Author Dies at Home in Tours



Anatole France.

Tours, France, Oct. 12.—Anatole France is dead, at the age of 80. His end came peacefully today.

From August, last, the state of the great French writer's health has caused anxiety. Gradually his condition became worse, until only a few days ago he himself expressed the conviction that he had but a few hours of life remaining.

Owing to his advanced age, there was no expectation of his recovery, but almost up to the end he retained his interest in those around him and was able at times to converse briefly.

Anatole France was an officer of the Legion of Honor and a member of the French academy. His real name was Jacques Anatole Thibault. He was born in Paris on April 16, 1844, the son of a book seller, and educated at Stanislas college.

For more than a half century he was famous as a critic, essayist and novelist, possessing a style "compounded of neologisms, rare epithets and startling forms of expression. He was a skeptic in religion, metaphysics, morals, politics, aesthetics and science, in doubt often even of his own negative conclusions.

In later years his ideals underwent a change. He became an advocate of Russian bolshevism.

The veteran academician enlisted as a private in the French army at the outbreak of the world war. Ten years ago it was reported that he was engaged to marry Mlle. Brindou, an actress whom he met while returning to France from Buenos Aires.

In October, 1920, at the age of 76, he married Mlle. Emma La Prevotte, more than 40 years his junior, declaring that he was "starting life anew."

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"To meet this situation," he said, "the board believes that the public can best be served by the maintenance of a number of branch libraries. The present urgent need is for a branch building at Twenty-fourth and Ames streets, and funds derived from the proposed bond issue will be used for this building.

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The government has allotted 70,000,000 gold rubles to aid the famished peasants. They have also appropriated 16,000,000 rubles to rebuild those parts of Leningrad which were destroyed by the recent floods.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p. m. Monday at a new "chapel." Burial will be at Graceland Park cemetery.

## U. S. OFFICIALS ARE SUBPOENAED

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 11.—Secretary of the Navy Wilbur, former Assistant Secretary Theodore Roosevelt, Albert B. Fall and a half score of other prominent officials and business men will arrive in Los Angeles during the next week to testify in the federal suit for cancellation of the Elk Hills oil lease, which will be heard in the United States district court here October 29. Atlee Pomerene, former senator from Ohio, will prosecute.

## College Head Dies.

Northampton, Mass., Oct. 12.—President Emeritus Laurence Clark Keely, first president of Smith college, was found dead in bed at his home early today. He was 87 years old.

## Rail Off Is Killed in Auto Wreck

Thomas Boone, Division Superintendent at Norfolk Dies Instantly When New Car Leaves Road.

## Wife Seriously Injured

Norfolk, Neb., Oct. 12.—Thomas Boone, superintendent of the Norfolk division of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, was almost instantly killed, his wife was so badly injured that doctors hold little hope for her recovery, and C. F. Womeldorf, divisional engineer for the Northwestern, was less seriously hurt, when Boone's new automobile in which the three were riding ran off the Meridian highway, two miles south of town, and overturned.

Other persons on the road said Boone was traveling at a furious rate of speed and had passed several cars before the accident. His machine got off the grade, was apparently pulled off the road by the rough roadway at the side, and when it stopped was about 20 feet from the road, standing in a pasture, witnesses said. The accident occurred shortly before 5 p. m.

Boone came here three years ago, succeeding M. W. Pangle. He is survived by his widow.

## Library Board Seeks Bonds for New Extensions

Fifty Thousand Dollar Issue Will Cost Each Citizen Only Five Cents a Year.

For the first time in 30 years, the citizens of Omaha are being asked to give money to the public library board for the annual appropriation from the city council.

The library board, at the election November 4, will ask each citizen to contribute five cents a year for the erection of a branch library and community hall at Twenty-fourth and Ames streets. The board is asking a bond issue of \$50,000 for the purpose.

The bond issue is made necessary, according to J. H. Mithen of the library board, chairman of the committee in charge of the extension drive, by the increased patronage of the branch libraries in preference to the central library.

"The central library appears to have lost a great deal of its usefulness as a distributor of books, having become more largely a reference library and a useful filing system for important newspapers and periodicals," said Mr. Mithen. "The circulation of books, particularly fiction, is now done largely through the branch libraries and branch stations.

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## OMAHA RESIDENT OF 40 YEARS DIES

Mrs. Johanna Jensen, a resident of Omaha for more than 40 years, died Saturday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Peter Rasmussen, 844 South Forty-ninth street. She had been ill for several months.

She is survived by her husband, Jens Jensen, farmer, and by four children, Mrs. Rasmussen, Mrs. William R. Saalfeld, Mrs. William Lemhard, and Martin Jensen, all of Omaha.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p. m. Monday at a new "chapel." Burial will be at Graceland Park cemetery.

## 30,000 MULE DEER FACE STARVATION

Washington, Oct. 12.—Imminent danger of extinction from starvation this winter of the entire herd of 30,000 mule deer now on the Kaibab plateau in Grand Canyon game preserve, northwest Arizona, has caused a committee appointed by Secretary Wallace to recommend killing enough of the herd to prevent death of the remainder. The government has offered to give away the deer and if this does not reduce the herd materially, hunting under proper regulations is suggested. Only about 15,000 deer can be supported on the forage on the area, which is far below normal.

## MEXICAN ENVOY FOR WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C., Oct. 11.—After a lapse of more than four years, a duly accredited ambassador from Mexico will shortly be assigned to Washington, thus restoring in their entirety, the diplomatic relations between the two countries so frequently interrupted in recent years.

The ambassador, it was learned in authoritative quarters tonight, will be Don Manuel C. Telez, the present charge d'affaires from Mexico City, who has played a prominent part in the restoration of cordial relations between his country and the United States.

## YOUTH STANDING NEAR SAFE HELD

Joe Depol, 21, was arrested Saturday night when an officer found him standing before the open safe in the Pink auto shop, 219 South Nineteenth street. Entrance to the building had been gained through a rear window.

Depol was formerly an employe of the Pink shop, but quit several days ago. F. J. Fink, proprietor, told police that he would probably not press charges against the youth.

Depol was arrested by Special Officer J. Barnes, who entered the building after noticing the broken rear window.

## DRIVER HELD UP BY BANDIT

Broadway, Council Bluffs, was robbed of \$50 in cash by a lone bandit, who held him up Saturday evening as he was leaving the rear door of the home of Thimas Guilfoyle, 1528 Second avenue, where he had made a delivery. The bandit's face was masked with a white handkerchief, Hutchens said.

## McLaughlin Sees Victory for G. O. P. in Fourth District

Congressman, After Canvass, Declares McMullen Will Run Two to One Over Norton.

Congressman M. O. McLaughlin of the Fourth district, in Omaha Sunday, said he was well pleased with the outlook.

"Coolidge and Dawes will carry my district by more than both Davis and La Follette combined," he said. "La Follette will run third. McMullen will carry the district by two to one over Norton. I do not look for Norton to more than carry his own county, Polk. He is not popular in his own home section.

"I have made a very thorough canvass of the district, and I believe the following will be the result:

Whole Ticket Leads. The republican ticket, including Coolidge and Dawes, McMullen and myself, will carry Gage county by approximately 3,600; Jefferson county by 1,800; Thayer, 1,200; Fillmore, 800; Sedgewick, 500; Seward, 500; York, 1,200; Hamilton, 500; Saunders, 1,000. The ticket will break even in Polk county, and we will cut down the democratic majority in Butler county to about 500.

"So far, the only opposition I have found in my canvass for re-election to congress is a whispering campaign that is reacting. The voters in my district are like the voters everywhere, they hate the whispering campaign and have little use for those who make use of such tactics."

Dean of Delegation. McLaughlin is the dean of the republican delegation from Nebraska, a prominent and active member of the agricultural committee, of which he has been a member for six years. He is nearing the top in the matter of seniority and is in line for the chairmanship of this important committee. He aided in framing most of the 13 major agricultural bills that have been passed during the last four years.

"With the great strength of President Coolidge in the Fourth district there is no chance that the voters will send a democrat to congress to heckle the president, to line up with the solid south and make the efforts of the administration worthless," said the congressman.

## LA FOLLETTE FOR ENFORCING LAWS

Chicago, Oct. 11.—Senator Robert M. La Follette told an enthusiastic cheering audience here tonight that if elected president he will see to it that "his" laws are enforced "without fear or favor."

Referring to prohibition for the first time since he set out on an extended stump tour, he added: "The trust magnate and the bootleggers will fare alike."

The independent candidate said he wanted his enforcement pledge construed as applying to "all laws which the people through their representatives permit to remain upon the statute books."

"Only through such vigorous and just enforcement," he added, "can respect for law be restored and the statute books be purged of laws which are unwise or obsolete."

## DOLD MANAGER DIES OF STROKE

Philip J. Leacy, 48, sales manager of the Dold Packing company, was stricken with paralysis Saturday noon and died three hours later at Lord Lister hospital. The attack came as he was having lunch at the Dold Packing company plant.

Mr. Leacy had been with the Dold company for 18 months, and before that was general manager of the Morris Packing company plant at St. Louis, Mo. His home was at 3836 Webster street.

He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Margaret and Helen Leacy of Omaha; and by his mother, Mrs. Andrew Leacy, Atchison, Kan.; a brother, Andrew, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Jackson of Kansas City, Mo.

## ANNE DODGE SUED FOR \$200 FOR LACE

Suit for \$200 alleged to be due her from Miss Anne Dodge, Council Bluffs, was filed in municipal court Saturday by Sara Handley, owner of a New York lace shop. Four pieces of lace goods valued at \$200 were purchased by Miss Dodge in New York on November 11, 1922, the petition stated. Miss Dodge was then living at 1000 Park Avenue, New York city.

## Shenandoah to Continue Her Voyage

Big Dirigible Will Leave Coronado Beach Tuesday Morning Upon Trip Up Pacific Coast.

## Damages Are Repaired

By Associated Press. Coronado Beach, Cal., Oct. 12.—Tuesday morning at 7:30 is the new hour set for the departure of the navy dirigible, Shenandoah, on her voyage up the Pacific coast, according to an announcement late today by Rear Admiral William Moffett chief of the naval bureau of aeronautics, after conferring with Lieut. Com. Zachary Lansdowne, commander of the craft.

Weather bureau reports of a storm sweeping down from the Alaskan seaboard caused postponement of the sailing which previously had been set for daybreak Monday.

Repairs would be complete for leaving Monday, the admiral said, but he believes the stormy weather predicted will bring with it haze, fog and probably rain, and in order to give as many cities as possible an opportunity to see the great airship, the take-off has been delayed until Tuesday, when it is believed the gusty weather will have passed.

From North Island, where the Shenandoah is moored to her mast, the craft will follow the coast to a point south of Los Angeles, then swing inland and pass over that city.

From this point onward the state of the weather will determine whether the Shenandoah will follow the coast or take the alley route, Lieutenant Commander Lansdowne said.

Engines Perfect. The lieutenant commander issued the following statement: "Slight damage occurred to a keel girder in frame 60 in the after part of the Shenandoah on her landing at San Diego. The engines of the ship are in perfect condition and have worked constantly since leaving Lakehurst except when moored at Fort Worth, Tex. If the engines had stopped while going through the canyon, we probably all would have had a permanent home in the Rockies. They never faltered.

"What many persons on the ground might suppose is a tear in the outer covering is an opening where the covering was forced after the ship was moored in order to perform the work on the damaged girder.

"The damage sustained could be repaired in a few hours if the ship were in an airship hanger. The fact that the ship is floating high on a mast has increased the difficulty of effecting repairs. However, complete repairs have been accomplished on the ship's structure for the first time at a mooring mast and great credit is due to Lieut. R. G. Mayer, repair officer of the ship, and his assistants for the skillful manner in which it has been accomplished.

Visit Many Cities. "The Shenandoah will be fueled and provisioned on Monday and is scheduled to leave for the morning mast near Tacoma, about 7:30 a. m. Tuesday.

"En route she will call over Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and as many other cities as practicable."

Commander Lansdowne explained that the damage was done after the gondola of the dirigible, swinging off the wind on the landing and striking the ground suddenly. The jolt buckled one of the transverse girders immediately above the gondola strut. Spare parts were at the San Diego station and a new section has been put in which with the reinforcement makes the girder stronger than formerly.

"The strongest wind of the year in this portion of California was blowing yesterday," said Captain Thomas T. Craven, station commander. "Shortly before the Shenandoah arrived it was blowing at the rate of 43 miles an hour, 2,000 feet above the ground, and 30 miles an hour on the ground. At the moment the Shenandoah touched the ground it was blowing at 20 miles an hour and particularly gusty and erratic as it swept over Point Loma."

## UNION PACIFIC EMPLOYEE DIES

Erland P. Nelson, an employe of the Union Pacific railroad for 35 years and a resident of Omaha for 40 years, died at his home, 3191 Meredith avenue, Saturday evening.

Surviving him, besides his widow, are two daughters, Mrs. Delpha L. Steinmetz, and Miss Edna C. Nelson, and one son, Clarence R. Nelson. He also is survived by a sister, Mrs. M. A. Martin, and a brother, J. A. Nelson.

Funeral services will be held at the home Tuesday afternoon at 2:30.

## AVIATRIX KILLED IN PLANE LEAP

Wichita, Kan., Oct. 12.—Mrs. Ruth Garver, member of the Garver flying circus at Atchison, Kan., was instantly killed at the national air congress races here this afternoon when the parachute in which she leaped from a plane failed to open. More than 10,000 persons witnessed the tragedy. The parachute was cut from the plane when it was about 1,000 feet in the air.

## FILM DIRECTOR AND WIFE FINED

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 11.—Jack Sherrill, film director, was fined \$250, with the alternative of a jail sentence of 90 days, for conducting his Hollywood home in a disorderly manner.

His wife, who was also found guilty of the charge, was fined \$1. The fines were paid.

## The Weather

For 24 hours ending 7 p. m. October 12, 1924. Precipitation, inches and hundredths: deficiency, 2.35. Hourly temperatures: 5 a. m., 62; 6 a. m., 62; 7 a. m., 62; 8 a. m., 62; 9 a. m., 62; 10 a. m., 62; 11 a. m., 62; 12 noon, 62.

## Father of Prize Baby Is 63



At the Canadian national exhibition at Toronto, Richard Taylor, 17 months old, was named the dominion's finest baby. His father, James Taylor, now 63, was 62 when Richard was born, which probably will call for a lot of theorizing in scientific magazines. Here's the youngster with his proud parents.

## Wait 'Til the Corn Comes in; Is Story of Return of Gold

Prices of Grain Spell Prosperity, Tale of Nebraska Prosperity in Nutshell.

## By R. H. PETERS, Staff Correspondent The Omaha Bee.

Central City, Neb., Oct. 11.—So much has been said and written of Nebraska's return to prosperity during the past 60 days that it seems almost like gliding the lily to say more. But, the price of corn and the price of wheat, and those prices spell prosperity, are all you hear today at every store and bank counter, the entirely satisfactory world series excepted.

In the 13th verse of the 65th Psalm it is written: "The pastures are clothed with flock; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing."

That is Nebraska 120 miles west of Omaha.

## Christmas Last Year.

True, the only audible shout for joy that I have heard came when fuel raced in with the winning run for Washington, and the flocks are coming into the feeding pens, but the fertile flats of the Platte are covered with corn that no frost can damage. Big ears, with long rows of firm kernels beneath the new whitening husks; corn that will run 40 bushels to the acre and bushels that will bring 55 cents with the possibility of 61.

I was in the same country at Christmas time last year. Into one of the banks came a farmer shaking the snow from an overcoat that would have gone to the church rummage sale in better times. He asked for a past due note.

"I can pay a part of that interest, but you'll have to give more time on that note," he said. "Better make out a new note and add the unpaid interest to it." It was all very casual. There was no suspicion of refusal. And why should there be? It wasn't the first time that note had been renewed. The young cashier, without a word, made out a new note and handed back the old one.

It was all in the day's work. No hope of immediate collection. A suit over the matter was out of the question. I came back in early July. The banker was grumbling.

"Where's all this prosperity you're writing about?" he asked. "Maybe they've got it in the eastern counties, but it hasn't hit us yet."

## Now It's October.

And now it is middle October. No farm relief on the statute books. No artificial methods of marketing. But, a good crop in the fields and a good price at the market.

"Got lots of money now?" I asked the banker. He possesses a caution born of 35 years in the country.

"Not yet," he said. "They're using their wheat money to pay off old bills, but what 'til the corn comes in."

There it is in a nutshell. Wait 'til the corn comes in. And the corn is going to come in, millions of bushels of it from the farmer with the too worn overcoat and his neighbors. Corn at a price that will yield a profit.

"How's business?" I asked one of those salesmen who cover their territory in flippers.

"I've been on this job 60 days," he said. "The man before me held it five years. I'm selling more than he ever did."

The corn's coming in.

## Ship Leaves Continent at Bordeaux

Powerful Motors of Air Leviathan Maintain Constant Speed of 75 Miles an Hour.

## Weather Still Favorable

By Universal Service. London, Oct. 12.—(10:40 p. m.)—Wireless messages picked up indicate that the ZR-3, having taken out over the Bay of Biscay, from the neighborhood of Bordeaux, is now flying in the direction of Cape Ortegal, in the northwest of Spain.

## By KARL H. VON WIEGAND, Universal Service Staff Correspondent.

Friedrichshafen, Germany, Oct. 12.—Like a floating phantom in the night the ZR-3, America's "made in Germany" new levitation of the air, slipped away from Friedrichshafen this morning. Up from the ground, with its nose toward the west, the great ship in a few seconds disappeared into the dense fog of a gray dawn on its long transatlantic flight to Lakehurst.

Throughout the day messages have come drifting back through the air telling of the steady progress being made. At 7 o'clock this morning radio advices reported the ZR-3 had passed over Basel, Switzerland, a half hour earlier, heading toward Marseilles and expecting to leave the continent at Gibraltar, taking the southern route across the ocean. It was then traveling at the rate of 75 miles per hour.

On its way to Basel the ship crossed the German frontier and the Rhine, and at 8:37 was reported passing near Belfort, France.

## Beautiful Weather.

At 10 this morning a radio from the airship to Friedrichshafen said that it was then over Lyons, going at a speed of 150 kilometers (75 miles) at an altitude of 2,800 feet, with beautiful weather and brilliant sunshine.

At noon it was over southern France, heading for Bordeaux.

With the bright weather and warm sunshine continuing at 3:45 this afternoon, Dr. Eckener wireless that he had left Bordeaux, crossed the mouth of the Garonne river and was heading out over the Atlantic. A radio sent at 5 o'clock, when the ship was above Roquefort, said:

"All well aboard. Motors are working perfectly."

At that time an average speed of 75 miles was still being maintained, with the altitude given as 1,800 feet. The weather reports continue favorable and the ship is expected to encounter no difficulty over the ocean.

The getaway from Friedrichshafen was quick and without ceremony. At 5 o'clock, in a chill penetrating fog and long before dawn, every one of the 32 men and officers composing the crew and the American commission promptly on hand at the big air shed. That was the appointed hour.

## Bik Ship Searched.

Another search was made in every nook and corner for possible stowaways. In the meantime a vast thr