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SECOND DAY OF THE MOTOR SHOW IS BIG SUCCESS

Bankers and Kiddies Are Both Honored on the Same Day at the Eleventh Annual Omaha Motor Exposition.

OUT-OF-TOWN DEALERS ATTEND Already Over 1,000 Territory Dealers Have Arrived and Total for Week Expected to Be 3,000.

TODAY IS THE FARMERS' DAY

The second day of the eleventh annual Omaha motor exposition found the big municipal Auditorium crowded from morning until night with an attendance that considerably exceeded that of the opening day. Washington day permitted a holiday or a shorter working day for many Omahans and they took advantage of this to attend the show.

It was Bankers' and Kiddies' day in one yesterday. Admission to the little folk was reduced to 15 cents yesterday afternoon and they took advantage of the offer in great numbers. The boys and girls seemed to take just as much interest in the exhibits as did the grown-ups and many of them could talk much more intelligently of the specifications and designs of the cars than their elders.

Out-of-Town Dealers Arrive.

One of the most gratifying features of the show to the agents is the large number of out-of-town dealers who are coming in. Last year 1,800 out-of-town dealers visited the show, but this week bids well to shatter that record. Already over 1,000 dealers have come in from out-of-town. Every train brings many more in, and before the week is over it is confidently expected that the total number will exceed 3,000.

And these out-of-town men are buying cars. Every single one of them has property for his motto and believes that 1916 is going to be a bumper year in this territory. As a result they are putting in large advance orders. Many are buying whole trainloads of machines for immediate delivery. Trade territory tributary to Omaha is not going to suffer any hard times this year, and the auto men know this. They know business is going to be better than ever before and they are preparing for it.

But dealers are not the only out-of-town men who are visiting the show in large numbers. Farmers and chaps from the smaller towns near by are coming in by the score. The fame of the Omaha show has spread far and wide and the men who are figuring on the purchase of a machine are taking the opportunity to see all the cars at one time in the same place so they can make their comparisons.

Today Farmers' Day.

Today is Farmers' day at the show and it is anticipated that hundreds will be on hand. This is the first time the farmer has been honored with a day at an auto-

Man Charged With Stealing Mail at Utica, Neb., Taken

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 22.—John Cecil McKinney, former convict at Arthur Achen, now serving a term in Stillwater prison for burglary, was taken to Omaha, Neb., late today to answer a charge of stealing a pouch of mail at Utica, Neb.

Robber Loots Bank; Locks Two in Vault

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 22.—A robber entered the Camden Park State bank here late today, locked the cashier and a carpenter in the vault and escaped with \$700.

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AMERICA PLANS A BIGGER NAVY THAN THAT OF GERMANY

Object of Building Policy of United States Formulated in 1903 to Surpass Teuton Power on Sea.

THIS NOT SUFFICIENT NOW

Present Program is to Have Fleet Equal to Greatest Within Ten Years.

ADMIRAL BADGER IS WITNESS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The object of the building policy formulated in 1903 by the navy general board, it was disclosed today before the house naval committee, was to keep the United States ahead of Germany in the race for naval supremacy. The statement was made by Rear Admiral Charles J. Badger, a member of the general board, who explained that the policy had contemplated a fleet of forty-eight first line battleships by 1919 to accomplish its purpose.

The statement did not go into the record of the hearing and Admiral Badger did not amplify it to show why the board had thought such a course necessary. The admiral was replying to a suggestion that the object of the old policy, abandoned this year by the board for the first time, was to keep the American navy in second place. While that was the effect it had, he said, the real object was to keep ahead of Germany.

Change of Policy.

This year the board fixed as its policy the creation by 1925 of a fleet equal to the most powerful afloat at that time. The committee did not go into the board's reasons for changing its ideas beyond drawing out the explanation that the board believed that a fleet 10 per cent superior to any fighting force that might be brought against it would be necessary to insure against the invasion of American soil by an enemy.

Under questioning by Representative Kelley, Admiral Badger said the construction of three additional dreadnaughts and eight battle cruisers would place the navy on a par with the capital ships of the German fleet today. Germany now has twenty-two dreadnaughts and eight battle cruisers, he said, according to the best available information, while the United States has all told nineteen ships of the dreadnaught class.

To equal German "fleet probable" fleet within two years, Admiral Badger said the United States would be obliged to have a total force of forty dreadnaughts, fifteen battle cruisers, twenty-five swift scouting craft, 300 submarines and 250 destroyers. He was not favoring such a program, but merely answering questions by Representative Butler. Such a fleet could not be built in two years, he added, though it might be constructed in four.

Just Not Big Enough.

In urging a big increase in the fleet Admiral Badger said he did not wish to be understood as saying the present force was not a thoroughly efficient one. "I did not want to give the impression," he added, "that our fleet is a good fleet, well drilled, well equipped and well organized. We are now prepared just as far as our power will permit us to be. More power means more ships."

Regarding the present place of the United States fleet among the navies of the world Admiral Badger said he classed it as third in fighting power, with France a close fourth. "I think we are No. 3," he said. "Japan is coming along, but has a good deal to do to equal our fleet. In military power—fighting efficiency—I think we are a pretty good third, with France not far behind."

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On account of the number of relays it required about an hour and a half to send the message to the Pacific coast, more than 2,000 miles from its starting point.

The message, which was authorized by the United States government and signed by Colonel W. J. Nicholson, commander at the Rock Island arsenal, is as follows:

EIGHT KILLED IN WRECK OF HAVEN

Six Firemen and Two Passengers Killed as Passenger Special Hits Freight.

PROMINENT MEN ARE INJURED

MILFORD, Conn., Feb. 22.—Eight persons were killed and many more a score injured today in a wreck on the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad near here. A special passenger train from New Haven ran into the rear of No. 79 from Springfield just as a freight train was passing on the other track. Parts of the three trains were piled in a mass of wreckage and several coaches rolled over and over down an embankment. A statement at 2:30 this afternoon by the New Haven said six trainmen and two passengers were killed.

The know dead are: C. ALLEN, Croton, Conn., died in hospital as result of injuries. PATRICK COLLINS, New York, died in hospital as result of injuries.

Prominent Men Injured.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 22.—Among the injured passengers from the Milford wreck who are at a hotel here are John R. Kilpatrick of New York, former Yale athlete and foot ball player; Allen Corey, son of William E. Corey, former president of the United States Steel corporation and former Yale base ball captain; Morgan O'Brien, son of former Justice Morgan J. O'Brien of the New York state supreme court, and Ford Johnson. All are Yale men and were on the last car of the passenger train. It is not believed any of them suffered serious injury.

Haven Road Statement.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 22.—An official statement issued by the New Haven road here at 1:30 o'clock said: "Train No. 79 stopped on track three, about three-quarters of a mile east of Milford, because of trouble with air hose between engine and head car. While working on it passenger train No. 5 ran into its rear. Engineer and fireman of No. 5, flagman and Pullman car porter of No. 79 were killed. The engine of No. 5 was driven over the embankment and the rear coach of No. 79 was driven over on to a freight train which was moving in the same direction on adjoining track No. 1. Sixteen persons were injured, some of them seriously."

Bonaparte Sees War For United States a Few Months Away

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Plans for "preparations" coupled with a warning by Charles J. Bonaparte, former United States attorney general, that the United States was facing grave perils, were voiced today by speakers at a meeting of the national committee of the American Defense society held here.

Rear Admiral Flak had been expected to deliver an address, but had been forbidden to speak by Secretary Daniels. Referring to this prohibition, Henry Reuterthal, member of the board of trustees of the society, said: "The masters in error in Washington have gagged the officers of the army and navy, who, in the patriotic movement for preparedness cannot even say that two and two make four. The gag rule in general is by order of the highest authority in the land."

The warning issued by Mr. Bonaparte was contained in a letter read at the meeting. In it he said: "The failure to use the days of peace in fitting the country for the trials of war can only lead to monstrous losses, a fearful expenditure of blood and treasure and the gravest danger to the nation's prosperity, honor and even life."

"We have now before us a period which may be very short and cannot be very long, in which to put our country in a respectable state of defense before it can be, in all human probability, exposed to the gravest perils, perils which may well await it even if the war is measured by months rather than years."

More than 100 members of the committee were present, representing every section of the country.

Italian Forces Are Victors in Mountains

ROME (Via Paris), Feb. 22.—The Italian forces have conquered the mountainous zone of Callo, between the Lanza and Cogne Torrents in the Sugana valley region. They have also occupied the towns of Ronchi and Roncigno. This section lies about fifteen miles east of Trent.

LEPERS DRINK WOOD ALCOHOL; FIVE DIE

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GOVERNMENT HALTS TO PAY HOMAGE TO FIRST PRESIDENT

Cabinet Members and Representatives Attend Celebration at the Continental Memorial Hall.

CONGRESS SUSPENDS BUSINESS

Washington's Farewell Address is Listened To by Senators and Representatives.

MANY VISIT MOUNT VERNON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Every agency of the American government paused today to pay homage to the memory of George Washington in the capital which bears his name. President Wilson, Secretary Lansing, Ambassador Jusserand and other national figures gathered at a celebration at Continental Memorial hall, under the auspices of associated patriotic societies.

Both houses of congress suspended business while Senator Johnson of Maine and Representative Raker of California read General Washington's farewell address, with its poignant phrases of warning against "ambitious wiles of foreign influence," "mischiefs of foreign intrigues," and "the impostures of pretended patriotism." The farewell address has been read in congress every year for generations, but probably never before was Washington's words so closely applied to present-day conditions.

At Mount Vernon on the Potomac wreaths and flowers were laid on the first president's tomb, many made pilgrimages to the mansion and reverently passed through the rooms where he lived and died, and others visited his monument which towers from the Mall here. The day was practically a holiday here, with all of the executive departments of the government closed, most of them all day and some after noon.

Views on Preparedness.

At Continental Memorial hall the president and a large audience applauded the reading of Washington's views of national preparedness in excerpts from his message to congress. "Although written more than a hundred years ago, these words of Washington sound as if he had just awakened from his long sleep to utter them, so applicable are they to us now," declared William C. Fitts, former attorney general of Alabama, one of the speakers.

Speech Read in Senate.

Vice President Marshall, in designating Senator Johnson to read the address, said: "In a time of stress and tumult when men bend with the lust of passion and of war are seeking to tear up the ancient landmarks of civilization, so applicable are they to us now," declared William C. Fitts, former attorney general of Alabama, one of the speakers.

Austrians Make Air Raids Over Northern Italy

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—(Via Sayville).—Air raids over Lombardy, with damage reported at points attacked by the aviators, are announced by Austro-Hungarian army headquarters in today's official statement, received here today.

The statement says: "There have been lively artillery combats on the Isonza front, especially near Piava. "An Austro-Hungarian air squadron attacked factories in Lombardy. Two aeroplanes advanced as far as Milan for reconnoitering purposes. Another air squadron attacked the aerodrome and docks of Desenzano on Lake Garda. In some instances hits scored on objects of attack were observed to both enterprises. All the aeroplanes returned safely in spite of heavy artillery fire."

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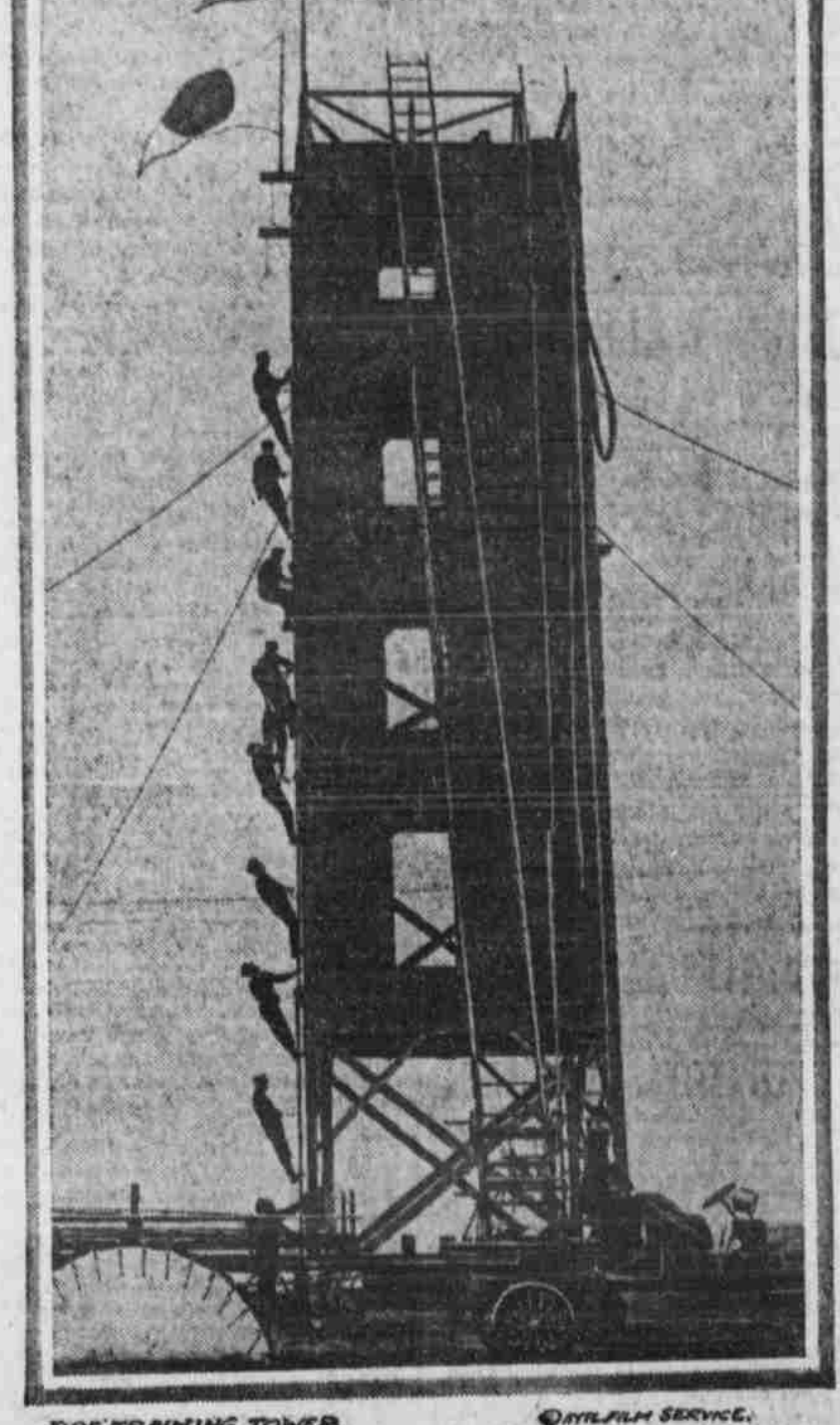
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NEW ORLEANS FIRE LADDIES IN NOVEL PRACTICE

The picture shows firemen being instructed in the latest methods of fire fighting on a specially constructed training tower.



FIRE TRAINING TOWER. CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.

ALL ABOARD LOST ZEPPELIN PERISH

Twenty-Two of Crew of Dirigible Meet Death When Craft is Destroyed in France.

FIRST SHOT BRINGS IT DOWN

PARIS, Feb. 22.—The entire crew of the Zeppelin airship brought down by French guns near Brabant Le-Roi yesterday, twenty-two in number, perished, according to a Havas dispatch from Par-Le Duc. The Zeppelin was brought to earth by the first shot from an auto-mobile mounted cannon at Ravigny, the dispatch adds.

The Zeppelin was one of the latest model, according to the advices, being of the marine type, and numbered L-Z 77. Another Zeppelin was following it fifteen kilometers behind when the French gunners began to fire.

The crew of the second Zeppelin, witnessing the destruction of the L-Z 77, turned their ship sharply and proceeded in another direction. The presence of the Zeppelin was announced between 8:30 and 8:45. It fought against the wind and advanced slowly. As soon as it was within range the cannonade began in the rear of the dirigible, while an incendiary projectile seemed to tear across the Zeppelin, igniting the right side of the craft.

The fire was soon sweeping along the entire length of the airship. It burned steadily, no report from an explosion being heard. Little by little it came down, lighted up by flaming pieces of the envelope which became detached. Touching the earth the bombs which the Zeppelin carried exploded.

An enormous crowd of persons who had crossed the country from all directions gathered, while the road was filled with automobiles on their way to the scene. Those who arrived found on the ground nothing but the debris of the air craft, among which lay from twenty to thirty bodies.

Civil War Veteran Dead.

ALAMEDA, Cal., Feb. 22.—Major Daniel F. Callahan, U. S. A., retired, died at his residence here today after an illness of six months. He is survived by four sons and a daughter.

GERMANS CAPTURE FRENCH TRENCHES

Tuons Report Taking Eight Hundred Meters and Paris Admits the Loss.

GALLIC ATTACK IS FAILURE

BERLIN (Via London), Feb. 22.—The capture of 800 metres of French positions east of Souchez by German troops is announced today by the German war office. The official statement is as follows: "Western theater: After several heavy days the weather cleared yesterday, this leading to lively artillery activity at many points between La Bassee canal and Arras where, following up our effective artillery bombardment we captured by storm 800 metres of French positions east of Souchez and made seven officers and 219 men prisoners."

"Between the Somme and the Oise, on the Aisne front and at several points in the Champagne, fighting activity grew increasingly violent. Northwest of Tahure, a French hand grenade attack failed.

"In the hills on both banks of the Meuse above Dun, artillery battles developed which grew at certain points to considerable violence and continued throughout last night. "There have been aerial engagements between aviators on both sides especially behind the enemy front. A German air ship fell victim to enemy fire near Sevigny during the night.

"Eastern and Balkan theaters: The situation is generally unchanged. Part of Position Retaken. PARIS, Feb. 22.—(Via London).—German forces yesterday evening delivered a strong attack against the French positions at the Forest of Givensy (east of Souchez) according to official announcement made by the French war office this afternoon and were successful in penetrating the first lines of the French trenches for a distance of 200 meters. They then occupied some of the French communicating trenches, but a French counter attack resulted in driving them from all but a few of these positions."

Senator Lodge Advocates Return to Ideals of George Washington

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Feb. 22.—United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts in a speech delivered here today before the Washington association paid tribute to the popular government which Washington founded and which, he asserted, has been lost.

Senator Lodge said that when the opinions of Washington and Lincoln on government by the people were quoted, "we were told that Lincoln lived fifty years ago, and Washington in a period of great antiquity, and although they were undoubtedly remarkable men in their day, they could hardly be compared with the master minds engaged in undoing their work and, moreover, that everything had altered since they flourished."

"I have said frequently and I will venture to say again that while I am far from thinking that all the wisdom died

GERMANY WILL GIVE ADDITIONAL ASSURANCE ASKED

Information from Berlin Indicates that Position of the United States is Accepted in Large Part.

DIFFER ABOUT WORD DEFENSIVE

Kaiser Takes Position Defensive Armament May Be Used for Offensive Against Subseas.

WANTS TO DISCUSS PROPOSITION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Confidential advices from Berlin today indicate that Germany soon will inform the United States that its previous assurances that unresisting liners will not be attacked without warning holds good for future submarine operations, provided, however, that such liners do not carry armament.

The German government will contend, the advices state, that what now is characterized as defensive armament really is offensive armament when submarines are concerned and will propose discussion with the United States of what defensive armament properly may be.

As none of the British and French liners now clearing from American ports carry any guns whatever, such assurances from Germany will be in the nature of reassurances for the safety for the neutrals they carry, even under the terms of the new submarine campaign.

May Not Be Satisfactory.

How far such assurances will go toward meeting the State department's objection that the Lusitania agreement as at present drawn applies only to the past and not to the future, probably only can be determined when they are formally laid before Secretary Lansing. "There were intimations from official quarters today that the United States would not permit the negotiations over the general subject of armed ships to be drawn out indefinitely. The administration, it is said, wants to have the situation clarified without delay."

Wilson Talks with Leaders.

Last night's conference between President Wilson, Senator Stone and Representative Flood, chairman of the congressional committee dealing with foreign affairs, and Senator Kern, the democratic floor leader, was said authoritatively today to have been "fruitful" in order that the president might inform the congressional leaders on the status of negotiations with Germany over submarine warfare.

Children of Slums Healthier Than Those from Farms

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 22.—School children of the city slums are healthier as a rule than those who attend rural schools, said Thomas D. Wood, professor of physical education in Columbia university, addressing the National Council of Education today. He urged that school authorities in the rural districts devote more attention to the physical welfare of children.

"The general death rate in rural New York," he said, "has for five years been greater than that of New York City. Apparently within the last decade or two, the health of rural America has declined below that of the cities, or perhaps it is truer to say that within this period the standards of living and health of the cities have risen above those of the rural regions. Much of the best human stock, particularly within the last half century, has moved from the farms to the cities."

Mr. Wood recommended that rural schools adopt general health rules, including regular examination by health experts of all school children, examination and care of scholars' teeth, service of a school or district nurse, warm lunches, effective health instruction, sanitary buildings, generous spaces for outdoor recreation and better trained and better paid teachers.

Five Men and One Woman Burned to Death at New York

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Four men and a woman lost their lives today in a fire which destroyed a theatrical boarding house above a restaurant in the theater section of the city. Early reports said that a number of the actors and actresses who were stopping in the house had perished, but the dead were identified later as employees of the boarding house, and Thomas Kerassas, one of the proprietors.

Thirty Victims of Avalanche Missing

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—(By Wireless to Sayville).—Reports from Salsburg say that thirty persons are still missing as a result of the avalanche in the Hochknecht region. No further details have been reported in addition to the fifty-five made known yesterday.

The slide occurred at a season when such movements are unusual. Workingmen were clearing the roads for winter sport and had been joined by tourists when the avalanche descended the mountain side in two sections.

One hundred Russian prisoners of war are assisting in the rescue work.

The Weather

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.				
Hour.	Temp.	Deg.		
5 a. m.	35	35		
6 a. m.	34	34		
7 a. m.	33	33		
8 a. m.	32	32		
9 a. m.	31	31		
10 a. m.	30	30		
11 a. m.	29	29		
12 m.	28	28		
1 p. m.	27	27		
2 p. m.	26	26		
3 p. m.	25	25		
4 p. m.	24	24		
5 p. m.	23	23		
6 p. m.	22	22		
7 p. m.	21	21		
8 p. m.	20	20		
9 p. m.	19	19		
10 p. m.	18	18		
11 p. m.	17	17		
12 m.	16	16		
Comparative Local Record.				
Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding period of the last three years.				
Highest yesterday.....	1916	1915	1914	1913
Lowest yesterday.....	26	26	27	27
Normal precipitation.....	21	21	21	21
Mean temperature.....	24	24	24	24
Precipitation.....	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal:				
Normal precipitation.....	26	26	26	26
Excess for the day.....	0	0	0	0
Total deficiency since March 1.....	30	30	30	30
Normal precipitation.....	21	21	21	21
Deficiency for the day.....	0	0	0	0
Total rainfall since March 1.....	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Deficiency since March 1.....	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Deficiency for year to date.....	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Deficiency for year to date.....	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
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