

HARDING'S RAIL POLICY DISAPPOINTS

LEVIAHAN HANGS UP SPEED RECORD ON TRIAL CRUISE

Giant Ship Reaches Maximum of 28.04 Knots Per Hour.

By United Press
ABOARD THE STEAMSHIP LEVIATHAN (By Wireless to the United Press), June 23.—The American flag is being carried through the waters of the Atlantic aboard the reconditioned Leviathan today faster than any merchant steamship flag ever traveled before.

The record of the British speed liner Mauretania was broken when the new American passenger ship reached a maximum Friday of 28.04 knots.

The ship's average for twelve hours was 27.94 knots. The same speed was maintained this morning and prospects are she may average twenty-eight knots for the twenty-four hours.

Elated American ship building experts are going without sleep to watch the battle against other records previously held by German and British vessels.

"For fifteen years we have waited to beat the British and Germans on the seas," W. F. Gibbs, supervising architect in the reconditioning work, said this morning. "Now we are reaping the fruits of our labors."

Members of the Shipping Board believe Congress may be prevailed upon to appropriate funds for building two more giant liners like the Leviathan, to make America foremost in speed travel on the ocean.

The Leviathan is expected to reach New York Sunday morning.

BALLOON RACE IS FREE TO CHILDREN

Another Entry Is Received for Event at Speedway, July 4.

Because of the great interest children are taking in the national balloon race at the Speedway July 4, all children 12 years of age and under will be admitted free to the race if they are accompanied by an adult, Blaine McGrath, promoter of the race, announced today.

Another entry has been admitted. W. T. Vanor of Akron, Ohio, will pilot an army balloon. Two balloons arrived at the Speedway on trucks from McCook field, Dayton, Ohio, today.

Sale of tickets has exceeded expectations. They were placed on sale Friday. Many industrial plants are buying tickets in blocks to present to their employees.

The U. S. A. Air service has shopped from Dayton, Ohio, three balloons each having a capacity of 80,000 cubic feet.

HOLD-UP MEN ROB AND BEAT AUTOIST

John Barnard Felled by Rock While Resisting.

"We are the law out here," declared one of a gang of men that beat and robbed John Barnard, 30, of 2610 N. Alabama St., early today. The attack occurred on Emerson Ave., south of Prospect St.

Barnard and Jack Smock, 18, of the Gladstone Apartments, E. Washington St., were riding on Emerson Ave. when two men jumped on the running board of their automobile. Barnard had slowed his car as it approached the interurban tracks.

As the two men boarded the car others appeared. At least six men got on the running boards.

Barnard knocked two of them off. One of the men seized the steering wheel and the automobile was guided into a ditch. Barnard and Smock were dragged from the automobile.

Barnard fought his assailants who took 80 cents and a pocket knife from him. Barnard had some money in his sweater. The sweater and a blanket lying in the car were thrown into the road by the thugs as they searched the automobile. The money was not taken from the sweater, however.

Smock, who did not resist, was not beaten or robbed.

After Barnard had been knocked down all the men except two—he estimated there were ten in the gang—walked down the road. Barnard thought he saw a chance. He struck one of the men, who staggered. His companion struck Barnard with a rock, felling him.

PARKE COUNTY REUNION

Former Residents to Meet at Garfield Park July 8.

Former residents of Parke County living in Indianapolis will hold a reunion at Garfield Park, Sunday July 8, it was announced today. W. A. Mason is president of the organization and Mayme Jacobs, secretary. More than 200 attended last year's meeting.

Labor Situation Not Acute

By United Press
LA FAYETTE, Ind., June 23.—Out of twenty-one counties in northwestern and central eastern Indiana, only two reported a farm labor shortage serious enough to demand help from cities, according to information received today.

Mother and Her Son Start on Trip of Their Lives



MRS. W. M. BEAVER AND ROSS BEAVER.

The trip of their lives was begun today by Mrs. W. H. Beaver, 157 W. Twenty-third St., and her son

Ross. Ross is the city marble champion and he's on his way to Atlantic City to participate in the national marble tournament next week.

Ross won handily in The Indianapolis Times city tournament and he is determined to bring the national honors home with him.

AFTER EFFECTS OF FLU FATAL TO CAPT. HARRINGTON

Former Recruiting Officer Succumbs in Hospital at Washington.

Taps Sounds for Veteran of Army



CAPT. GEO. W. HARRINGTON

of the American Legion.

His wife died of influenza about a year ago. They lived at 1120 E. Thirty-Fifth St., where his son, Robert, was lieutenant. During the World War he served as personnel officer at Camp Merritt, New Jersey, with the rank of captain. He saw service in the Boxer War, in Porto Rico, and in the Philippines four years. He was a member of the Skidmore-Dean Post

KESSLER BLVD. PLANS APPROVED BY PARK BOARD

Property Owners Appear Willing to Donate Right-of-Way.

Engineer's plans for the east section of the Kessler Blvd. from Meridian St. to Ft. Benjamin Harrison were adopted today by park commissioners.

The boulevard is to be built along Fifty-Sixth St. from the Crawfordsville Rd. to Ft. Harrison. Plans for the west section from the Crawfordsville Rd. to Meridian St. were adopted several weeks ago.

Many property owners appeared before the board and indicated their willingness to donate property for the right of way.

City Engineer John L. Elliott told those present that work on construction of the roadway and grass plats would begin as soon as possible. He said gravel walks are to be laid along the parkway during the first stages of construction and later these will be come bridle paths when concrete walls are built.

The board continued a hearing on the damage roll of Pleasant Run Park way, between Shelby and Prospect Sts. It was estimated by the board that property along this street is costing about \$100,000 more than the original appraisal.

Search for Prowler

Search was made for a prowler around the home of J. G. Gilchrist, 5506 University Ave., early today.

The Russian Soviet government today announced severance of economic relations and a boycott against Switzerland.

HERE'S RELIEF FROM HEAT

City May Install Drinking Fountains on City Streets.

Drinking fountains for thirsty pedestrians will be installed on streets of the city in the park board act favorably on a resolution adopted by city officials today at the regular monthly cabinet meeting.

City Controller Joseph L. Hogue made the recommendation. It was seconded by Mayor Shank who said he would personally see that the board adopted the measure.

KEEP 'EM HAPPY, SLOGAN

Commissioners Will Buy Smokes for Prisoners.

County prisoners cutting weeds along roads have to be kept in a good humor, it was disclosed today.

County Road Superintendent George Burks complained to county commissioners the men were dissatisfied if they did not have tobacco. The sheriff will not let them out until 9 a. m. they have to be returned for dinner and they must be returned at 3 p. m. Burks said.

Weeds must be cut, so commissioners ordered tobacco bought and dinners sent to the prisoners.

HERE'S 'KICK' IN BEER

Accused Man Is Sentenced to Jail; Wife Is Released.

Roy Bernon, 2330 Cornell Ave., was fined \$100 and costs in city court today by Judge Wilmeth and sentenced to thirty days in jail when found guilty of operating a blind tiger. His wife was released.

Police and Federal officers seized 100 gallons of brewing beer and forty-five gallons of finished beer.

President Favors Mergers and Fails to Mention Rate Reductions.

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United Press Staff Correspondent
EN ROUTE WITH PRESIDENT*

HARDING TO HUTCHINSON, KAN., June 23.—President Harding came to Kansas today and planned to turn "dirt farmer."

Entering the very heart of the great fields, Mr. Harding and Governor Davis of Kansas, a real "dirt farmer," intended to take a hand in harvesting the wheat crop that stretched for miles in every direction, fields of gold under a burning sun.

If the sunburn he suffered in Kansas City yesterday is not too painful, the President will put on overalls and straw hat and become farm hand. Mr. Harding comes to Kansas almost as sunburned as a native son. He was forced to rest yesterday afternoon and doctor his sun-blistered lips. He was much better today, and expected, with Governor Davis to furnish the necessary technical knowledge, to climb aboard a binder in a wheat field about a mile from town, and start cutting the crop. The grain he cuts will be threshed at once and rushed to a flour mill, and at dinner tonight he and Mrs. Harding will eat biscuits made of this flour.

Initiated as "Dirt Farmer"

Having thus been initiated into the "dirt farmer" ranks, Mr. Harding will proceed upon the mission that brought him to Kansas on his Western trip—a speech to the farmers of the whole middle West, Southwest and far West. He will deliver his agricultural message at the fair grounds on the outskirts of Hutchinson and it will be broadcast by radio.

Senator Arthur Capper and Governor Davis were hosts to the party.

Hutchinson, a town of 20,000, is one of the nerve centers of the wheat-producing industry. It has grain elevators, flour mills and one of the live stock boards of trade in the middle West.

TWO SPEECHES ON PROGRAM

Two speeches were on today's program—one an informal talk in the morning to school children and the other the agricultural speech at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Harding was given a five-minute ovation in Kansas City last night when he arose to speak. There was no disguising the disappointment that followed his failure to mention in the speech a railroad rate reduction for agriculture. That is one thing about the transportation question the great farming West is interested in, and Senator Capper said today the President made a mistake in not covering the point in some manner. The disappointment his silence caused is likely to be reflected as he continues through the farming country, Capper and others believe.

OUTLINES POLICY

Speaking to a large audience the President outlined an Administration railroad policy based on two points—mandatory consolidation of the country's lines into a few big systems and enactment of a law to prohibit rail road strikes until disputes have been submitted to arbitration.

In doing this, he flew in the face of public opinion in this section of the country on both points, as the Middle West is reported strongly opposed to the consolidation plan. He said in the speech he had been "very much warned" not to make it in Kansas City.

LaFever is opposed to the anti-strike legislation which Mr. Harding indicated he is going to try to put into the railroad law. He recalled his vote for that question when he was a Senator, and said he was sorry it had been stricken from the law.

He said he hoped it still would be possible to give such a plan a trial, not as means as forbidding strikes, but as holding them up until arbitration has been tried. He aimed to slap at the Pennsylvania Railroad for refusal to accept and abide by rulings of the Labor Board.

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WHEAT BELT SHOWS WELCOME

Thousands Pour Into Hutchinson, Kan., to Hear President.

By United Press

HUTCHINSON, Kan., June 23.—Farmers from throughout the western Kansas wheat belt welcomed President Harding on his arrival today.

Thousands of farmers poured into the city in all manner of vehicles, from ancient fliers to the latest model supersixes.

The President's party obtained some relief from the heat here. Although the sun was beating down hot, a typical western Kansas zephyr stirred up the air.

After his farm speech this afternoon, the President will leave for Denver. No speech is scheduled for Sunday. He will deliver a speech in Denver Monday on law enforcement.

MANITOBA OUSTS PROHIBITION LAW

Province Votes for Government Supervised Liquor.

By United Press

WINNIPEG, Man., June 23.—Manitoba province has voted to disband prohibition and adopt a plan for Government supervised sale of liquor, returns from yesterday's referendum indicated today.

The issue voted on was Government control as advocated by the Moderation League Against Absolute Prohibition. With returns from rural districts incomplete, but piling up a "wet" vote hourly, the anti-prohibitionists have a lead early today of 31,253.

Winnipeg gave the wet plan a decisive victory with a majority of 25,958. In the rural districts, counted on by "dry" to defeat the sale of liquor, the vote was 29,017 "wet" and 23,752 "dry," giving the Moderation League project a lead there of 5,265.

Theater Robbed

E. H. Bingham, one of the proprietors of the Colonial Theater, today reported to police a thief took a watch valued at \$85 and three shirts from a room at the theater.

FIGURE THIS OUT

IF you are constipated—
AND have not found relief—
NOR permanent cure—

TAKE

VIUNA TONIC

The Vegetable Builder

It's mild and yet complete action, often resulting in permanent relief will be a pleasant revelation to you.

AT YOUR DRUGGIST

Constipation is the cause of many an ill.

MID-WEST FARMERS

Veteran Engineer Plans to Take Train Ride During His Vacation



SCOTTISH RITE TO HONOR MEMBERS CALLED BY DEATH

Masons of City Will Unite in Observance of St. John's Day, June 24.

Present officers of the four bodies of the rite are William J. Doherty, thirteenth master; Oscar L. Pond, sovereign prince; Obbie J. Smith, most wise master and Colvin W. Busch, commander-in-chief. Services Sunday will be under auspices of the Indianapolis Chapter of Rose Croix, the officers of which, besides Smith, are: William H. Kershner, senior warden; Henry C. Thornton, junior warden; Lewis Brown, orator; William H. Morrison, master of ceremonies; J. Ralph Fenstermaker, captain of the guard. Mr. Kershner will preside.

An invitation has been extended to the Indianapolis Masonic bodies and to the families of deceased members.

Ninety-five members have died since the last service.

They are:

Truman F. Palmer, Joseph L. Smith, Robert M. Coffin, thirteenth degree, and Dallas P. Keast, Richard N. Cording, John R. Harkness, George W. Klotz, Fred W. Conner, Fred S. Blaife, A. J. Smith, Fred W. Snyder, McHenry Owen, E. M. Washington, William C. Clegg, Carl C. Clegg, L. Hartman, B. Salibauber, William Scott, Jacob S. Cole, Charles Bar, Charles A. Tute, John W. Wilson, August M. Kuhn, Jacob R. Gandy, Charles E. B. George, W. W. Wilson, August M. Kuhn, Edward W. Wilson, James A. B. B. Wilson, Harry A. Byrkit, Martin W. Eaton and Lawrence P. Egnew.

to the station I heard an engine whistle. Wife says I clapped my hands and cried, "Hear the whistle!" She says I almost wanted to jump out the window; but I thought that.