

# CITY MANAGER GROUP ORGANIZES FORCES

## NEW YORK-PARIS FLIGHT ATTRACTS SEVERAL ENTRIES

Commander Byrd, Captain Fonck and Lieutenant Davis Will Seek Fame.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, March 28.—With the fame and fortune attendant upon a nonstop New York-to-Paris flight as their goal, several groups of aviators today announced progress in their plans to span the Atlantic.

Commander Richard E. Byrd, first air conqueror of the north pole, said the America Transoceanic Company, Inc., had been formed and is building a plane, America, which will attempt the flight.

### Not Out for Prize

The \$25,000 Raymond Orteig prize for the first trans-Atlantic air voyage will not be sought by Byrd and Floyd Bennett, he said. Byrd and Bennett "have not definitely decided how, where or when we will attempt to cross the Atlantic with this plane," it was added.

Officials of the Sikorsky Manufacturing Company revealed that a twin-motored transport plane now under construction will be used by Capt. Rene Fonck, French ace, whose attempt last September ended in disaster at Roosevelt field, two of the crew of the S-35 being burned to death when the plane caught fire and was destroyed.

### One Less Motor

The new plane will have only two motors instead of three and hence will not have to carry as much gasoline as the heavily loaded S-35.

Lieutenant Commander Noel Davis also will attempt the epochal flight. His Blipane, The American Legion, is being completed and he hopes to take off in late spring or early summer.

Charles Nungesser, second ranking French war ace, and M. Coll, who lost an eye in the war, will set out from Paris toward New York in a one-motor plane.

## FAIRBANKS-MORSE SPLIT IS HEALED

County Compromises With Firm on Track Spur.

Agreement with Fairbanks-Morse Company, whereby the county will be permitted to use a railroad spur on the old warehouse grounds, Northwestern Ave. and Twenty-Fifth St., bought by the firm for \$150,000, will be drawn up immediately, County Attorney Clinton H. Givan told Commissioners George Snider and Charles Sutton today.

The controversy arose three years ago after the sale, when company officials declared the one-seventh acre on which the spur was located had been bought along with the remaining tract. County officials declared records were tampered with and the sale did not include the spur.

Under the agreement the county will have use of the track for three years beginning April 1 and the right to take a line off the track into the county grounds. The company agrees to maintain the spur.

### PLAN NORTH SIDE EXPO

Industrial Show Will Be Staged in Riverside Pavilion.

An industrial exposition will be staged April 18 to 23 in the Riverside dance pavilion by the Better Business League of North Indianapolis, it was announced today by League President Owen Shepherd. North side merchants and manufacturers will have booths at the show.

This is the second exposition of this type, the one last year being attended by 25,000 persons. The arrangements committee: U. R. Lee, chairman; Dr. O. E. Yater, Charles W. Scroggin, Ira Elmore, Charles Weisenberg, D. E. Stephens and John Chapman.

### GAINING AGAINST DEATH

Glenn Hill, Menaced by Paralysis, Better After Operation.

By United Press  
DENVER, Col., March 28.—Glenn Hill, young insurance salesman whose life has been threatened with paralysis, today was "much improved" and doctors have hopes of his ultimate recovery.

For more than a week Hill lay in a hospital here, waging a grim battle with starvation and an unusual attack of paralysis, resulting from influenza and infected tonsils. Dr. W. L. Holcomb, throat specialist, removed Hill's tonsils Saturday, relieving the source of the toxic poisoning that seemed destined to spread to his lungs and bring death.

### LANDRY'S DISEASE FATAL

Young Man Stricken by Paralysis Which Started in Toes.

By United Press  
FALL RIVER, Mass., March 28.—Landry's disease has brought death to Gil Estrella, 22, a mill worker. The patient died last night after a seven-day battle with the same form of creeping paralysis that recently took the life of Alfred Frick of Chicago.

One hundred and fifty members of the Paramount Swimming Club volunteered to furnish artificial respiration as resorted to in the Frick case. A pleuritic condition caused paralysis to decline the offer.

The paralysis, which first affected Estrella's toes, spread rapidly upward, and had reached the heart and lung region when death came.

## FOREIGNERS SAFE, SAYS CANTONESE COMMANDER

Youthful Chiang, in Stating Policy, Outlines Plans of Chinese Nationalist Movement.

By H. Francis Misselwitz  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
SHANGHAI, March 28.—Foreigners in Shanghai are absolutely safe so far as the Cantonese army is concerned, Chiang Kai-Shek, youthful

## BUILDING FALLS SHORT OF DEMAND

Survey Shows Shortage in Three Construction Types.

By Times Special  
BEDFORD, Ind., March 28.—A building shortage in certain types of construction still exists, according to reports to the Indiana Limestone Company.

"Activity in the construction field in the last two or three years has steadily decreased the shortage that followed the World War," it is said. "This year's shortage has not diminished at the same rate as in the past three years."

"A survey of several hundred communities indicates an existing shortage of three types of construction. Twenty-nine per cent of the cities report a shortage of single-family dwellings; 33 per cent show an apartment shortage, while 19 per cent show a shortage of business buildings.

"If construction activity keeps pace with demand, building volume this year will reach a new high figure."

## Far and Near

### FLIGHT CALLED OFF

WASHINGTON — The dirigible Los Angeles, inflated at Lakehurst, N. J., and preparing for a test flight, must forego its trip because of removal of most of the marines at that station for Chinese duty, the Navy announces.

### OPPOSE FILM PLAYS

LONDON—Many politicians and movie men oppose the Government's bill to compel the inclusion of British films in all moving picture theater programs. Opponents said the British films would be bad because the producers would be assured of a market.

### TOURISTS ARRESTED

PARIS—Calm along the Franco-Italian border was interrupted for the first time in several weeks when Italian police crossed the border and arrested two Belgian tourists. The French border population was urged to protest to Rome.

### THREE IN AUTO KILLED

BAY SHORE, N. Y.—Three men were killed when their automobile was struck by a passenger train of the Long Island railroad. The dead: Harry Hansen, 35; his brother, Arne Hansen, 28, and Louis Berg, 30, all fishermen of Islip.

### HAPPY MARRIAGE COURSE

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—A course which will teach husbands and wives to live happily together has been instituted in Vassar College. The course, called eugenics, will be given this summer and will be open to men and women.

### PAPER FROM MONEY

WASHINGTON — The United States Bureau of Standards has discovered that worn out paper money can be converted into excellent writing paper with a profit to Uncle Sam.

### Girl, 15, Blamed for Four Deaths

By United Press  
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 28.—Responsibility for a railroad grade crossing accident near here, which took a toll of four lives, was placed upon a 15-year-old girl today by the fireman of the locomotive which crashed into the automobile. The dead: William Amos, 45 years old; his son, William, Jr., 7 years old, and a nephew and niece, Clifford Ames, 8 years old, and Florence Ames, 5 years old. Floyd Ames, 21 years old, another son of the dead man, died of injuries.

According to William Roberts, on whose side of the train the accident occurred, the girl, who was driving, apparently became excited after she stopped the machine, for it suddenly darted into the path of the engine.

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 28.—Discovery of a Harvard student, with a girl's silk stocking in his hand, in a Radcliffe dormitory, today had resulted in the assignment of a police guard to Barnard Hall, which many a Radcliffe girl calls home.

Previously a love note, attached to a stone, had been tossed through a window of a girl student's room.

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### Mr. FIXIT

Wednesday Deadline for Light Complaints.

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## BUSY WEEK OPENS FOR BOY SCOUTS OF INDIANAPOLIS

City-Wide Swimming Meet Big Event on Today's Program.

Boy Scout week, featured today by a city-wide swimming meet in the pool of the Hoosier Athletic Club, opened Sunday with a mass meeting at Roberts Park M. E. Church, Gifford Gordon of Melbourne, Australia, national secretary of the Disciples of Christ Church temperance board, addressed more than 1,000 scouts and scoutmasters on "The Land of the Kangaroo."

Troop No. 76, of the State Deaf School, had the largest delegation. The speaker's words were translated into sign language for them by their scoutmaster, A. L. Houdyshell. At the conclusion of the program a number of scouts from this troop gave the Scout oath in sign.

Gordon advised adherence to Scout principles. "Give to the world the best you have in you and it will come back to you," he said.

McNutt to Speak

The Golden Rule Orchestra, under the direction of Leslie C. Troutman, presented an opening program. Spirituals were sung by a quartet from the colored branch of the Y. M. C. A.

Following a renewal of the Scout oath, which opened the meeting, a twelve sextette, composed of Scouts Robert Buschmann, Raymond Johnson, Eustace Johnson, Howard Wheeler, Robert Stone and Robert Jones played.

Paul V. McNutt, Indiana commander of the southern armies greeted me without ostentation. He was clad in the plain uniform of a private, which he habitually wears, and he wore no decorations or insignia, unless a necktie of red and blue—the Cantonese colors—could be called such.

"I am cognizant of the friendly sympathy of America," Chiang said, "and needless to say, it is deeply appreciated. The incident at Nanking was most unfortunate and if reports are true that Americans joined the British in the bombardment of the city, I fear the news may cause misunderstanding and doubt of the good will of American toward the revolutionary party.

"The stories of refugees of atrocities at Nanking may possibly be true. I am investigating thoroughly.

It must be remembered, however,

that China is in the midst of revolution. The enemy constantly is seeking to spread ill-feeling abroad against the revolutionists.

Oppose Hostility

"Our policy has always been against hostility toward foreigners, and all my subordinates have from me personally definite instructions to protect lives and property, regardless of nationality.

"The northern retreaters often dress in nationalist uniforms when they are engaged in looting, to spread distrust of the southern cause."

After giving his assurance of the safety of foreigners in Shanghai, Chiang said the southerners were trying to restore peace and tranquility from anarchy.

"We are clearing out the lawless element and the gunmen who cause trouble to foreigners everywhere," he said.

"We will leave the problem of the Shanghai foreign settlements to diplomacy when Foreign Minister Chen arrives. After that, I will not be interested in diplomacy, for I am a fighting man and I will back the Cantonese government's policy to the limit."

MINERS SEEK WAGES

PETERBURG, Ind., March 28.—Liens by 100 miners for back wages totaling \$18,000 were filed today against the Central West Coal Mining Company.

FLYER NEARS U. S.

By United Press  
PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti, March 27.—Francesco de Pinedo, Italian trans-Atlantic aviator, left at 6:30 a. m., today for Havana. He will fly to New Orleans, La.

AUCTION BRIDGE BY MILTON C. WORK

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Tracy



The Indianapolis Times is proud of its children. It wants you to know the folks who make the paper something more than ordinary, the folks who make it a thing of flesh and blood, almost—a welcome interesting visitor in your home, a personality. Today The Times introduces:

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## AMERICAN SLAIN BY MOB IN CHINA KNOWN HERE

Dr. J. E. Williams Has Visited Indianapolis.

According to Dr. Charles T. Paul, president of the College of Missions in Irvington, Dr. J. E. Williams, vice president of Nanking University, who was killed some days ago in Nanking by Chinese mobs, was well known in Indianapolis and had visited here.

Dr. Williams met death while being robbed of his watch. "He was one of the finest men I have ever known," remarked Dr. Paul.

Dr. Paul added that no immediate action to recall missionaries now in China is contemplated by the various missionary boards of Indianapolis.

"I think the trouble which is centered at Shanghai will spread to other parts of China," he said. "Danger to missionaries there from are mobs opposed to foreigners and not from the soldiers."

Dr. Frederick Taylor, Indianapolis Baptist mission board president, said that the missionaries will not be recalled. "They know the situation in China better than the board does," he said, "so it is left to the missionaries to decide what they shall do."

Harry A. King, superintendent of the Indianapolis M. E. district, said that no dispatches from missionaries have been received by the M. E. missionary board. "We will not recall our missionaries," he said. "We shall let them use their own discretion. We know and depend upon the papers for our information as to conditions there."

To Blanket City

"Some persons least expected to back the drive were very enthusiastic over the announcement," declared J. W. Esterline, president of Esterline-Angus Company, temporary chairman.

"We expect to blanket the city with petitions and should obtain the quota without difficulty," said Esterline.

Announcement of the movement met hearty response from many citizens, leaders declared. Many volunteered to circulate the manager petitions.

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