

## U. S. HAS NO AUTHORITY TO HALT FLIGHTS

Growing Public Disapproval Shared, However, by Naval Chiefs.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Growing public disapproval of ocean flights by land planes found response today among Government officials, but circumstances and lack of authority apparently will block any attempt to stop three pending American flights of this type.

The apparently tragic end of Old Glory in mid-Atlantic, the Sir John Carling's ambitious attempt to reach England from Canada, the three long and dangerous Pacific jumps of the Schlee-Brock round-world route, coupled with recent air tragedies, brought general reaction here against what some termed "cheapening of life."

Navy leaders, however, said they could do nothing in the private flying venture of Schlee and Brock, and contemplate no action to prevent Lieut. L. W. Curtin from acting as navigator for Capt. Rene Fonck on his projected New York-to-Paris or Rome flight, or to halt the proposed Elder New York-Paris flight.

Acting Secretary of the Navy T. Douglas Robinson, Admiral E. W. Eberle, chief of naval operations, and Rear Admiral W. A. Moffett, Navy aeronautics chief, agreed land planes were not practicable for ocean flights.

## World Fliers Hop to Siam

By United Press  
RANGOON, Burma, Sept. 8.—William S. Brock and Edward P. Schlee left Rangoon in their monoplane, Pride of Detroit at 6-15 a. m. today for Bangkok, Siam, 350 miles away.

It was believed the fliers after a brief stop for lunch would resume their flight about midday with Hanoi, French Indo-China, as their next stop. The distance from Bangkok to Hanoi is 625 miles.

When they arrive at the Siamese capital Brock and Schlee will have covered approximately 9,025 miles of their 22,937-mile journey around the world.

The fliers will follow a north northeast course from Bangkok until they reach Tokyo, a distance of 1,650 miles.

Tokyo, the half-way mark, probably will not be reached until Sunday night, on the fifteenth day out of Harbor Grace, Newfoundland.

## Weather Ties Up Courtney

By United Press  
CORUNNA, Spain, Sept. 8.—Bad weather over the eastern Atlantic today caused the further postponement of Capt. Frank T. Courtney's flight to Horta, Azores Island, en route to New York.

Hundreds of people who had gathered to see the flying boat whale rise from the water and continue the flight begun last Saturday, were disappointed when a weather report from London made the scheduled departure foolhardy and impossible.

## Plane May Seek Old Glory

By United Press  
HARBOR GRACE, Newfoundland, Sept. 8.—C. A. Schiller and Phil Wood of the monoplane Royal Windsor were unable to depart for England today, but they offered to fly in search of the missing Old Glory.

They informed the United Press that the offer would remain open as long as there was a chance of Old Glory's airman being alive.

There was a strong southeast wind today with fog and rain in this area. The forecast was for unsettled conditions. The Royal Windsor will not start for England until conditions improve.

## CITY SALESMAN DIES

James I. Smith Was Resident of Indianapolis 35 Years.

James I. Smith, 55, of 2732 Shelby st., who died Wednesday at his home, will be buried in Crown Hill cemetery Saturday afternoon. Funeral services will be held at the Shelby St. M. E. Church at 2 o'clock.

The Rev. John J. Collins, pastor, will officiate.

Mr. Smith had been a resident of Indianapolis for thirty-five years. He was a salesman for the Williamson Heater Company.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Emma K. Smith; two daughters, Mrs. C. B. Walton of Buffalo, N. Y., and Miss Katherine Smith of Indianapolis; five brothers, Hardes and Jesse Everett, of Zionsville; Ellsworth, of Bainbridge, and Henry, of Whitestown, and one sister, of Sheridan.

## Uganda Rocked by Quake

By United Press  
CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Sept. 8.—A severe earthquake which rocked houses and agitated Lake Victoria occurred in Uganda today. The shocks continued for three minutes and were followed by roaring sounds.

For more than fifteen hours Captain Bone and the officers kept a strict watch on the horizon and zigzagged over an area where it

## At First Fair



The State fair brings dreams of long ago to these two persons, both of whom attended the first State fair here in 1852. Miss Fannie E. Butler (above) of Greensburg, who is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Brooks, 202 Hovey St., was 11 when she came here for the first fair in Indiana. James W. Beck, former Indianapolis resident now living in Danville, Ind., was 6 when he visited the first fair. Beck, as a soldier in '61, camped on the site of the present State fairground.

## Pains and Aches Keep Fair Physicians Busy

"Doc, I got a pain in my head," is perhaps the most frequent comment heard by Dr. Herbert Wagner, director in charge of the Red Cross Emergency Hospital.

"They come here to the hospital with all manner of ailments and ask for their favorite home remedy," said Dr. Wagner. "We don't usually give them what they ask for, but make a complete diagnosis first. This is a hospital, not a drug store."

The baby clinic, tucked away in one corner of the grounds, goes on from day to day uninterrupted by the noise and confusion on the rest of the grounds. Occasionally a wall of discontent filters through the building, as some infant bemoans its fate.

Judging in the dog show drew entries and enthusiasts from all parts of the country. Competition in most of the classes was keen, according to officials. One lone Dashchund yelped loudly when he met no competition and was awarded first prize.

Although additional chemical tanks were installed in the grand stand Wednesday by the fire department, the heavy rain eliminated all chance of a blaze. Only one fire in the stand has been reported.

Hot dogs were really hot at one stand, shortly after the gates opened. A gas stove explosion in the Coliseum in front of the fairgrounds brought chemical tanks on the scene. Loss was \$20.

Stable little ponies in the horse barns are always the center of an admiring group of children. Most of the animals are gentle and allow the boys and girls to stroke the glossy coats.

Whippet races in front of the grand stand each afternoon cause more excitement than the Grand Circuit events. Spectators stand up in their seats and shout encouragement to their favorites. The races many times develop into a rout as the leading dog stops to grab at the nose of his nearest contestant.

The dogs are enclosed in small boxes at the starting point and are released to race down the course to

the finish, where an attendant for each dog waves a large towel.

Weather-beaten railbirds haunt the grand stand enclosure in the morning to watch the workout of the harness racers. Stop watch in hand, they are perfectly oblivious to anything except fast horses.

Dr. V. Goodman, director of publicity for the fair, receives many queer and unreasonable requests. One sweet voice over the phone asked Goodman to "page Mr. Long, a trombone player at the fair."

There are at least a dozen bands and each carries from one to six trombone players.

"Fool the hen" is the byword of one Purdue University exhibit. It is explained that the hen can be made to lay more eggs by mixing a 2 per cent solution of cod liver oil in feed mash. Ultra violet rays accomplish the same purpose, but are more expensive, it is explained.

Minerals are a necessary part of a chicken's food, but without the vitamins D the mineral can not be taken into the system. Cod liver oil and ultra violet rays supply vitamin D.

## TOLL OF SEVEN DEAD EXPECTED IN CAR WRECK

Three Fatalities at Evansville Likely to Increase Among 45 Hurt.

By Times Special  
EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 8.—Additions to the death list of three are expected by tonight among the 45 persons hurt here Wednesday afternoon when an interurban car crashed into three freight cars loaded with brick. Four are believed fatally hurt.

The dead are William Tilley, a farmer; Chester Brown, interurban motorman; Max Meyers, Evansville.

Bricks Cover Wreckage.

Moving at about forty miles an hour, the car, inbound from the Dade Park race track, went through an open switch which held the freight cars. All seats in the passenger car were torn from the floor and thousands of brick covered the wreckage, adding to the difficulty of reaching dead and injured.

Mrs. Edna White, manager of the New Occidental Hotel, 27 S. Illinois St., was among those seriously injured. Others in critical condition include Mrs. Hancock, Grandview, Ind.; W. L. Yancey, Owensboro, Ky.; W. H. Tuit, Garden City, Ind.; and G. W. Combs, Evansville. Others less seriously injured include:

List of Injured

R. D. Stenson, E. P. Duvall, L. M. Ashley, Jack McArdle, Arthur Royster, Jethro Strickler, Mrs. W. J. Love, Ora Buttermore, M. Buttermore, Miss Ida Mae Strickler, Mrs. S. M. Nonweiler, Alfred Lowell, Ben Lambers, Miss Mary Watson, Marlin Lundberg, Alfred Lasswell, Miss Geneva Jones, Russus Holt, William Williams, Bain Morrison, Thomas Sanford and W. R. Southwood, all of Evansville; Albert Hunter, Negro; J. J. Blacker and George Peger, Louisville, Ky.; Reed McCarthy and Miss Beatrice McCarthy, Madisonville, Ky.; E. D. Cox, C. G. Cox and Collyer Karr, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. Mary Bracker and Mrs. Tieman, Los Angeles; Nathan Weirne and David Kessner, Rockport; R. T. Caddy, Cahoon, Ill.; John Young, Denver, Colo.; C. J. Yancey, Owensboro, Ky.; Thomas Brammon, Detroit, Mich.; B. J. Wall, Gracie, Ky.; T. B. Campbell, Hopkinsville, Ky., and W. G. Hill, Calhoun, Ky.

## Sad Child Remembers 'Sing Me to Sleep'

By Times Special  
NEWCASTLE, Ind., Sept. 8.—"Sing Me to Sleep" today is back among the phonograph records at the tragically-stricken Kindley home near here, after being played Wednesday at the double funeral of Joseph Kindley, slain Monday by his son James, who committed suicide.

Two years ago when the wife and mother died, the "Sing Me to Sleep" record was played at the funeral, on request of the elder Kindley. He then told his little daughter Theodora that he desired the same music at his funeral. Although torn with grief over the slaying that left her alone in the world except for brother "Bill," wounded by their infuriated brother, the little girl remembered about the record and her father's request was carried out at the last rites for murdered and murderer.

## STEVE APPEAL WILL BE FILED

Prisoner Makes Speech at Court Hearing.

By Times Special  
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Sept. 8.—William V. Rooker, Indianapolis attorney for D. C. Stephenson, is expected to appeal to Circuit Court of Appeals at Chicago soon from Federal Judge Thomas Slick's ruling of Wednesday, refusing Stephenson's plea for a writ of habeas corpus for release from Indiana State Prison, where he is serving a life term.

Slick's ruling followed arguments by attorneys and a speech by the prisoner himself, who, in characteristic, dramatic fashion, declared he refused to be bound by anything attorneys might do or say which might imply that the transcript of his murder case from Marion to Hamilton Counties was legal.

The transcript was unsigned by the Marion County clerk and Stephenson contends this means he is held illegally in prison.

## DENTAL BOARD TO RULE

Two Claimants to Vacancy Asked to Abide by Action.

Two regularly appointed and officially sworn-in claimants to one vacancy in the State dental examiners board will be asked to let the board decide between the two, Dr. William F. King, health department secretary, said today.

The board meets but four times a year, for two or three days' session and the annual salary of members at \$10 per diem is less than \$100.

The situation arose when the health board rescinded its appointment of Dr. A. E. Gilchrist of Brownstown. Dr. A. E. Gilchrist of Greensburg was sworn in Tuesday. Both men have almost identical claims to the title of fifth man on the board, the number prescribed by law.

## TEACHERS AT MEETINGS

Accident Prevention Program to Be Organized.

Dr. Howard F. Jensen of the faculty of Butler University addressed the annual city teachers' institute this afternoon at Caleb Mills Hall. His subject was "Education Our Own Demand." Group meetings at Shortridge, Caleb Mills Hall, and School 2 were features of the morning.

Charles F. Miller, superintendent of public schools, will address the institute at its closing meeting in Caleb Mills Hall, Friday afternoon. An active accident prevention program has been decided upon by principals of schools attending the institute. A committee of five to supervise the campaign is to be elected.

## EMBEZZLER SENTENCED

Former Terre Haute Bank Treasurer Given Prison Term.

By United Press  
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Sept. 7.—Deciding to enter a plea of guilty, although his trial had been set for Oct. 6, John G. Shaw, 51, former treasurer of the Terre Haute Savings Bank, was to start serving a sentence of two to fourteen years in the Indiana State Prison today. He was charged with embezzling \$15,000 of the bank's funds.

Shaw was arrested at Seattle, Wash., because he had fled with the money a month ago. The tending company, which made good the shortage, caused his arrest.

## BUSINESS SITE LEASED

Three-Room, One-Story Structure Planned on North Delaware.

Bridges & Graves Company, real estate dealers, of 237 N. Delaware St., have obtained a ninety-nine year lease on property at 239 N. Delaware St. and will build a three-room, one-story business structure on the site as soon as the present brick residence is removed.

The lease, rent for which will aggregate more than \$445,000, was obtained from Edward E. and Helen E. Stout, Oliver H. and Helen V. Stout, Sidney A. Stout and Dorothy May Stout.

## \$300,000 FACTORY FIRE

Garment Plant at Anderson Destroyed—300 Made Jobless.

By Times Special  
ANDERSON, Ind., Sept. 8.—Loss of \$300,000 was faced today by the Ward Sillson Regalia Company as a result of a fire which late Wednesday destroyed its maline garment plant. Insurance covers most of the loss.

Three hundred persons are out of work because of the fire which started in the basement from a cause as yet undetermined.

"We reached this position and searched an area of about thirty-mile radius without result.

"The weather at this time was

## OFFICIAL GONE; FUNDS CLOUDED

Treasurer Setters, Hamilton County, Missing.

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Sept. 8.—Thomas E. Setters, treasurer of Hamilton County is missing and his accounts are believed to be \$10,000 short, following posting of letters at Indianapolis to his deputy, Mrs. O. F. Scott, and his father-in-law, Alex. Hair. The deputy admitted that the letter she received said Setters had gone to Canada and would never return to Noblesville. Contents of the letter to Hair have not been divulged.

Six persons of those who signed Setters' \$35,000 official bond have a suit on file in Hamilton Circuit Court to be relieved, giving as ground "certain things" done by the treasurer.

Setters, serving his last year in office, is a Republican. He is married and has three children, Gerald and Bertha Esther, at home here, and another son, Harold, a student in Indiana University law school at Indianapolis.

Examiners from the State board of accounts today are going over Setters' books in an effort to ascertain the full extent of his alleged defalcations.

A number of Noblesville and other Hamilton County residents familiar with the case express the belief that family discord partially accounts for Setters' flight.

## OLD SOLDIER IS DEAD

Funeral of George Selig, 86, Will Be Held Friday.

Funeral services for George Selig, 86, a Civil War veteran, who died Tuesday afternoon, after several years' illness, will be held at 2 p. m. Friday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Mains, 4557 Winthrop Ave. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mr. Selig came to Indianapolis from Madison, Ind., twenty-five years ago. He was formerly a carpenter.

Besides his daughter, Mr. Selig is supervised by three sons, Deane and Lewis Selig, Indianapolis, and Fred Selig of Pennsylvania. He was a member of the G. A. R.

## NIGHT SCHOOL TO MEET

Y. M. C. A. Pupils to Hold First Session Friday.

Pupils of the Y. M. C. A. night high school will hold their first session at 7 p. m. Friday.

A. F. Williams, educational director, will preside, and will introduce his assistant, C. Richter Castle, and Everett J. Black, night high school principal.

A. H. Goddard, association general secretary, will speak. Thirty-five students have enrolled.

## ORGANIZE FUND DRIVE

Canvass of Railroad Workers Discussed at Meeting.

Discussion of organization plans of railroad workers for the Community Fund campaign Nov. 14 was held at noon today at the Columbia Club. George Torrence and Zeo Leach have been named steam railroads division directors by Campaign Director Walter C. Maxson. Representatives from railroads entering Indianapolis were named to have charge of the canvass.

## TWO-YEAR SEARCH ENDS

Negro Is Arrested on Old Charge of Robbery.

Levi Johnson, alias Crown Johnson, Negro, was arrested Wednesday night after a two-year search. Officers said they had evidence that he robbed the Kahn Tailoring Company, St. Clair St. and Capitol Ave., and the home of Harry Lee, Negro, 823 N. Fayette St.

## Motorist, 16, Fined

By United Press  
CLINTON, Ind., Sept. 8.—Pete Pertile, 16, was fined \$50 and costs in city court here when his parents failed to pay for a boulevard light pole, broken when an auto driven by the boy got beyond his control and crashed into the pole.

## THREE DEAD IN CHICAGO BLASTS

Explosions Are Blamed on Bootlegger War.

By United Press  
CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Differences of rival bootleggers were blamed by police today for explosions which killed three men and destroyed two buildings in which stills were believed to have been operating.

One blast, in the vicinity of Mercy Hospital, broke windows of the institution and caused so much uneasiness among patients that outside physicians and nurses were called to assist the regular staff in quieting them.

One man was seriously injured and two firemen were hurt.

The first explosion came in a garage in the rear of the hospital. A truck driven into an alley shortly before was reduced to a mass of twisted steel and the driver killed. He was not identified.

Louis Kramer, another truck driver, was blown through the windshield of his machine and seriously injured.

Two men were killed in an explosion and fire at a building occupied by a paint company less than an hour after the first blast. One man was dead when police arrived. Another, Joseph Bangora, died in a hospital.

## IMPROVE FAIRGROUND

New Grand Stand Planned for 1928 Exposition.

Visitors to the 1928 Indiana State Fair will be greeted with four much-needed improvements, if plans inaugurated this week are carried to completion by the fair board.

Vehicle and foot tunnels under the race track to the infield will be constructed, and a new steel and concrete grand stand and a new building for the Indiana University exhibit are discussed.

Indiana University has one of the most inadequate buildings on the grounds, and the grand stand has always been considered a fire hazard, officials said.

## A. W. WHELAN FUNERAL WILL BE HELD FRIDAY

Former Teacher and Proofreader Died at Home Wednesday.

The funeral of Alexander W. Whelan, 72, of 821 W. Thirtieth St., who died suddenly Wednesday afternoon at his home, will be held Friday at 10 a. m. at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Evans, 934 Congress Ave. Burial will be in Forest Hill cemetery, Greencastle.

Mr. Whelan was a teacher in the public schools of Indiana and Kansas for more than twenty-five years. He was born in Springfield, Ohio, and had been a resident of Indianapolis for a quarter century. After leaving the teaching profession he became a proofreader for William B. Burford Company, commercial printers.

Mr. Whelan was formerly president of the McGuffeyites, and a member of the International Typographical Union and the Order of Red Men.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Mary E. Whelan; three daughters, Mrs. Fred Evans, Indianapolis; Mrs. William R. Walton, Chicago, and Mrs. Charles Ehemann, Tallulah, La.; and five sons, Henry and Ralph Whelan, Indianapolis; Clifford, Cincinnati; Ray, Louisville, and Richard Whelan, Greencastle.

## Laddergram

'Climb Down!'

SCARE



CROWS

Don't mind the word at the top. It's really not so hard to get down to the crows if you follow the directions and change a single letter only in each downward step. Remember that the order of the remaining letters in each new word must stay unchanged. Watch for our answer tomorrow, and if you have not yet caught the idea, study this answer to the last Laddergram: 1, Door; 2, Boor; 3, Boob; 3, Blob; 5, Slob; 6, Snob; 7, Knob.

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## BUSER VISITS MAYOR

First Time at City Hall Since Naming of Johnson.

William C. Buser, the mayor's brother-in-law, who until last Friday was city controller, visited City hall today for the first time since ex-Police Chief Claude F. Johnson replaced him in the city post. He has been in Michigan on a vacation.

"Whatever the mayor wanted is all right with me," Buser told City hall employees. He said he would rest for a few days.

He and Mayor Duval left the hall soon after they arrived. They were to confer with attorneys in preparation for the mayor's trial Monday in Criminal Court on false election statement charges. It was said. Buser was charged with conspiracy in connection with the alleged false election statement, but his case has not been set for trial.

## LOCK FOILS AUTO THIEF

Can't Guide Machine Found by Police on Sidewalk.

A lock wheel on the auto of Lawrence Hall, 222 E. Fifteenth St., saved it from theft early today. Police, called to 936 N. Pennsylvania St., found the auto on the sidewalk. Tracks revealed that thieves pushed the auto from its park place and were unable to guide it.

## Selling Marion Addition

By Times Special  
MARION, Ind., Sept. 8.—Gerhart Bros., of Kokomo and Elkhart, have taken over the Park Palace addition here and plan immediate development and marketing.

George J. Marott, Indianapolis; T. C. McReynolds, Phoenix, Ariz., and the late Lee Hall, this city, planned the addition some years ago. Although several homes have since been built, sale of lots has not been pushed.

## WRATH FLAMES HIGH OVER DRY CZAR'S TIRADES

Mellon Finds New Storm to Quell as Result of Lowman Speeches.

BY RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Secretary Mellon has returned to his desk to find the prohibition question raging about his head in a new form, as the result of the speech-making campaign against the wet recently undertaken by Seymour Lowman, installed as Federal dry chief just before the treasury head went to Europe.

Faced with protests against Lowman's criticism of wet State officials and the dry czar's request that citizens inform him of prohibition violations in their neighborhoods, Mellon said he would take up both questions with the enforcement officer at the first opportunity.

Though he was not acquainted with details of Lowman's speech and suggestions, Mellon seemed to feel that enforcement was tending to fall into ways which he frowned on when Lincoln C. Andrews and Roy A. Haynes were running the prohibition bureau.

## Combines All Faults

Andrews was subjected to criticism because of his resort to undercover agents and government blind liggers, while Haynes was criticized by his superiors because of his seeming belief that chautauqua speeches were an effective method of enforcing the law.

Some critics have declared that Lowman, by enlisting the public as volunteer "snooters" and assailing Governors who oppose the dry laws, combines the faults of his predecessors.

The situation is regarded as particularly acute by those G. O. P. politicians who want the whole question of Federal enforcement softened because of the approach of a presidential campaign.

## Representative Protests

Representative John J. Boylan of New York, in a letter to Mellon, protested against what he called Lowman's "gross misuse of his Federal position to insult not only Federal at Governor Smith, but also at the people of the State."

New York Democrats are particularly upset. They think Lowman's frequent reference to Smith as part of an attempt by G. O. P. politicians to injure the New York Governor's chances for the Democratic presidential nomination.

## STATE PULLING TITLE WON BY PERCHERONS

Portland (Ind.) Horses Take Honors at Indiana Fair.

Doc and Bill, two Percherons, are the pulling champions of the State today.

The two horses, owned by J. C. Ankrom of Portland, broke a State record to win that honor in the 2,600-3,000 pound class at the State fair Wednesday. They pulled 2,500 pounds the full distance of 27.5 feet, breaking a record of 2,450 pounds set at the Muncie fair last month.

A team of Percherons owned by the United Paper Board Company, Wabash, pulled the same load 14 inches and won second place. Teams of Roscoe York, Winchester, and W. R. Canary, Franklin, won third and fourth places.

Teams weighing more than 3,000 pounds will compete at 10 a. m. Friday in front of the grandstand.

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