

COOLIDGE ENTERTAINS AMERICA'S GREATEST FLIERS

LINDY, MOTHER ARRIVE BY AIR FOR LUNCHEON

15 Aviators Who Conquered Oceans Are Guests at White House.

RUTH COMES ON TRAIN

Geographic Society Medal to Be Awarded to 'Slim' Tonight.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Fifteen of the nation's greatest fliers lunched with President and Mrs. Coolidge at the White House today.

The march to the dining room was led by the President with Ruth Elder, recent trans-Atlantic aviatix, on his arm. Behind him were Mrs. Coolidge and Charles A. Lindbergh, who first spanned the Atlantic in a non-stop flight.

Following these four were Commander Richard Byrd, Berndt Balchen and George Noville, who flew from New York to France; Charles Levine and Clarence Chamberlin, New York to Germany aviators; Emory Bronte, Paul Schuler, Arthur Goble, Lieut. Albert Hegenberger and Lieut. Lester Maitland, California-Hawaii birdmen; Edward F. Schlee and William S. Brock, who hopped eastward to Asia, and Lieut. George Haldeman, Miss Elder's flight companion.

Lindy Brings Mother

Col. Blanton Winship and Capt. Wilson Brown, aides to the President, also were invited guests.

The dirigible Los Angeles flew over the White House while the luncheon was going on. Lindbergh, accompanied by his mother and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Guggenheim, made a perfect landing at Bolling Field at 12:15 p. m., fifteen minutes before the President's luncheon was to begin.

Lindbergh was dressed in a dark tuxedo with the front napped down and a blue serge suit. He wore no overcoat.

All four members of the party seemed gay as they chatted with reporters and posed for photographs.

Neither Mrs. Lindbergh nor Mrs. Guggenheim were flying togs.

Lindy to Get Medal

Most of the fliers were expected to attend a conference called by Commerce Air Secretary MacCracken at which plans for a trans-oceanic flight weather service were to be discussed.

Lindbergh's mother was the only non-flier invited to the President's luncheon, and she qualified by the hop from New York with her famous son today.

The Hubbard medal, given by the National Geographic Society for pioneer achievement, will be conferred on Lindbergh tonight at the auditorium for his New York-Paris solitary hop.

President Coolidge will pin the medal on his lapel following two speeches by MacCracken and Gilbert A. Grosvenor, president of the geographic society. The audience will be members of Congress, the Cabinet, the Supreme Court and diplomats.

Acosta Can't Be There

Fourteen radio stations will broadcast the medal presentation ceremonies with hookups at Washington, Boston, Baltimore, St. Louis, Memphis, Rochester, Pittsburgh, Louisville, Atlanta, Springfield, Detroit, Chicago, Nashville and Charlotte, N. C.

Some of the aviators will stay over until Tuesday to attend a National Aeronautic Association luncheon.

Bert Acosta, trans-Atlantic flier, wired President Coolidge he would be unable to attend the White House luncheon because of engine trouble developed at Rockville, N. Y., while enroute from New York to Washington.

The conference with Assistant Secretary MacCracken proved beneficial, he said, because it gave him an opportunity to learn these experts' views. The conference centered around improvement of weather reporting for trans-Atlantic flights, but other topics, like safety requirements, are understood to have been considered.

Coming out of the conference, Charles Levine said he is developing plans for a trans-Atlantic air service but would give no detail.

Ruth Elder arrived by train.

RETIRE FARMER TO BE BURIED TUESDAY

George D. Hardin Was Leader in Democratic Politics.

Funeral services for George D. Hardin, 64, retired farmer, of 2311 W. Washington St., will be held at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday from the home, with the Rev. Edwin W. Dunlavy, pastor of Roberts Park Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery with Masonic service. Mr. Hardin died Saturday following a stroke of paralysis four days ago.

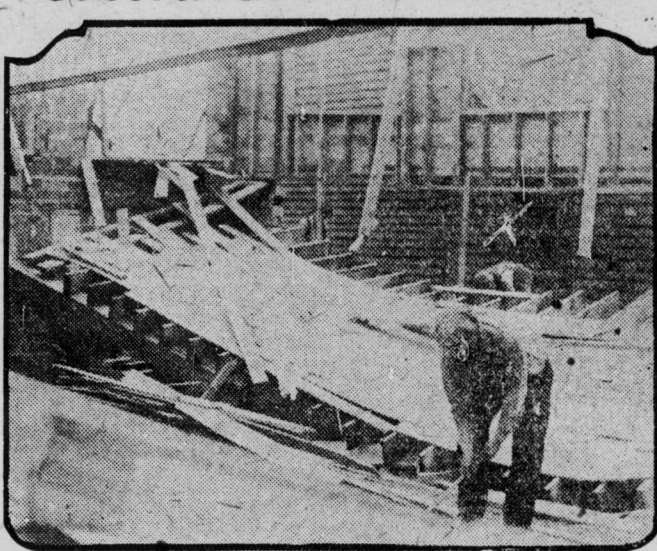
He was born in Wayne Township near Ben Davis. Mr. Hardin had been active in the Democratic party for many years. He was Democratic nominee for county commissioner in 1920, 1924 and 1926.

He was trustee of Wayne Township from 1903 to 1914. Mr. Hardin quit farming and dairying six years ago.

He was a Mason, member of the fraternal Order of Eagles, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Mt. Olive M. E. Church.

Surviving him are the widow; two sons, Joseph A. and Raymond B. Hardin, and a daughter, Mrs. Francis H. Jennings, all of Indianapolis.

Several Hurt in Crash



Wreck of the temporary floor of Tabernacle Baptist church (Negro), North and Douglass Sts., where twenty-four Negroes were injured Sunday. The floor collapsed during corner stone laying ceremonies, dropping 100 persons nine feet to the basement.

Spends Life Sending News of Tragedy; Dies in Fire

Western Union Clerk Leaps to Death to Escape Hotel Flames.

For nineteen years messages of the story of her own tragic death in the Graystone apartment fire Sunday.

Nineteen years ago, Nov. 1, Miss Kimberling went on her job behind the Western Union counter. Thousands of Indianapolis senders of telegrams came to know the tall, dark-haired woman with a pleasant voice and twinkling eyes.

She befriended many persons. Some returned the favor. Through wise investment of her savings she is said to have gathered together sufficient funds to build a pretty cottage in Brown county where she kept an invalid sister and where she planned to spend her last years.

The death of Miss Kimberling was as terrible as any of the sad stories which passed through her hands.

Miss Ruth McDowell, 932 N. Chester Ave., a friend was spending the night with Miss Kimberling in her third floor apartment. The two women awakened by smoke, tied bed clothing together for a rope.

"Who goes first?" Miss Kimberling asked, as they raised a window.

"You go, Stella," said Miss McDowell.

Miss McDowell's heroism probably saved her life. Firemen arrived at that moment and shouted up to the two women.

"Don't jump. We'll have a ladder here in a moment."

But Miss Kimberling, frantic, told Miss McDowell to hold the improvised rope, she swung out the window. Miss McDowell could not support the weight of her friend and Miss Kimberling fell. Her back was broken. She died in city hospital at 7:50 Sunday morning.

Funeral services will be held at Planner & Buchanan's mortuary, Fall Creek Blvd. and Meridian St., at 8 o'clock tonight. Burial will be at Restlawn, Ind.

WOMAN, 104, WILL REMAIN IN KOKOMO

Mrs. Mary Walker Says 102 Years in Kentucky Enough.

KOKOMO, Ind., Nov. 14.—Mrs. Mary Walker, 104 years old, who spent the first 102 years of her life in the hills of Kentucky and the last two in Kokomo, is here to stay. "I'm not going back that no more," she has announced. "I've climbed enough hills down there in Kentucky."

The automobile is the invention for which Mrs. Walker has the most admiration. "I could ride in one of them automobiles to the end of the world," she says. Quilting is the favorite occupation of the venerable woman, and her eyes are still strong enough to enable her to thread a needle.

HELD AFTER ACCIDENT

Motorist Fleeing From Officer Crashes Into Another Car.

Loren Frost, 25, of Greenfield, is in city hospital suffering a broken collar bone and is charged with reckless driving, failure to stop at a through street and driving with four persons in the front seat.

He was fleeing from Motorcycle Policeman Tim McMahon when his auto crashed into one driven by Harold Headlee, 24, of 4246 Cornelius Ave., at Capital Ave. and Thirtieth St., Sunday night.

Both autos were overturned and two girls with Frost were hurled through the top of the car. Frost's three companions fled after the accident.

LEPER FACES NATION'S MOST BIZARRE DEATH TRIAL

ATON ROUGE, La., Nov. 14.—One of America's most peculiar murder trials was scheduled to begin here today, with Ed Payton, a Negro leper, as the defendant.

Payton is charged with the murder of Lloyd Richards, a fellow inmate in the Federal leprosy hospital at Carrville, La.

Authorities were admittedly skeptical as to whether citizens



Stella Kimberling

ONE HELD FOR WATCH THEFT

Youths Arrested Tampering With Store Lock.

Following a police emergency run to the Wolf Sussman Jewelry Store, 239 W. Washington St., where a brick had been hurled through the window, police arrested a man giving the name of Hugo F. Smith, 27, 1741 N. Illinois St., as he ran from the store at midnight Saturday.

Three women's wrist watches, bearing sales tags, identified by Sussman were found in the man's pockets by police.

Three armed men held up Samuel Lockard, grocery store proprietor, 2860 McPherson St., Saturday night and escaped with \$150.

Three boys under 15 are in Marion county detention home after they were arrested early Sunday, after entering a Standard Grocery at 3359 Speedway Rd. They took \$65 from a cash drawer.

Ray Bryant, 1544 Main St., Speedway City, held the boys until police arrived. They had broken one lock off the door while he watched them from across the street, Bryant said.

"They told police they had run away from home and were trying to get supplies to maintain a camp on Eagle Creek near Sixteenth St."

Other burglaries reported included: C. W. Hardy, 1431 Hoyt Ave., home ransacked; Milton Jackson, 609 Blake St., Apt. 3, \$55 in clothing; Lena Martice, 2559 Union St., \$100 worth of clothing; D. L. Masters, 961 W. Thirty-Second St., says burglar fled as family returned; S. E. Woolensnyder, 527 Virginia Ave., jewelry valued at \$550.

MAN, 90, SUES WIFE

Civil War Veteran at Denver Wants Property Back.

PERU, Ind., Nov. 14.—Joseph W. Warren, 90, Denver, has filed a suit here seeking to have real estate conveyed by him to his wife about the time of their marriage, two years ago, turned back to him.

The realty suit is the sequel to an action for divorce started by the husband June 30 last, but later dismissed.

It is alleged by Warren that he was induced by fraud to convey the property to his wife to whom he was married two years ago. Warren is a Civil War veteran and draws a large pension.

Old Coaches Prance Out

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—William H. Vanderbilt and E. Van Der Kock, turned time back a good many years Sunday when they took their friends on a coaching party through Central park—each driving a great coach and four.

Cured, Boy to Face Trial

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Edward Lyle, 24, was arrested a few months ago for robbery, physicians found a brain ailment responsible, operated upon Lyle and cured him. Now he must be tried for the robbery.

VAST ARMY OF PRIVATE SPIES OVER-RUN U. S.

Government Joins in Game With Thousands of Its Own Snoopers.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—A few months ago Scripps-Howard newspapers, in a series of eleven articles, exposed the methods and menaces of private and public detective agencies, now so forcibly brought to public attention by disclosure of the activities of William J. Burns International detective agency in connection with the Fall-Sinclair jury case.

The articles reviewed the manner in which spying grew from an object of abhorrence to a certain respectability in this country in the last 150 years, only to come into ever greater disrepute in the past few years.

Briefly, this is the story they told: Large industries have adopted the habit of employing spies to learn what labor unions are doing. Private detective agencies hire men to take jobs in the employers' plant and join the unions. These men seek to be elected to union positions of trust.

The labor spy's job is to report trouble. His job leads him frequently to falsify his reports, or create through his own influence with the workers, a basis for reporting trouble. If he had no trouble to report his job would be at an end.

Until after the Civil War, the United States Government had no undercover activities of any kind.

Now there are 4,500 men and women on the United States payroll doing undercover work. Every government department has its spies.

The Bureau of Investigation in the Department of Justice grew to abnormal size and power during the World War.

When the war ended, a great cry of reds, bolshevism and anarchists was raised. Much talk of bomb plots followed.

Depression raids were organized. Hundreds were accused of communism. The department's activities in this connection were called into question again and again.

The Bureau of Investigation, under William J. Burns, raided a Communist convention in Michigan and arrested a number of men.

Long afterward, it developed that Department of Justice Agents, disguised as delegates to the convention, had supplied the necessary votes to swing the meetings over to a resolution with illegal declarations of policy.

William J. Burns' activities in the Department of Justice were called into question repeatedly by Congress.

He was at the head of that bureau when Senator La Follette was investigated to stop his investigation into the leasing of Teapot Dome.

Condemned by Courts

Men were sent out to Montana to "smear" Senator Thomas J. Walsh, chief inquisitor in the naval oil scandal.

Senator Burton K. Wheeler led an inquiry into the Department of Justice itself.

A few months before Burns left office, a series of letters was published, apparently establishing beyond doubt that Burns was operating both the Government and his own spy systems at the same time.

In the Internal Revenue Bureau and in the prohibition unit equally large and powerful undercover systems flourish.

Courts and legislators have condemned this growth of Government espionage.

O. K. MERGER DEAL

Approve Financing of Bus Transaction.

Public Service Commissioners today approved the \$500,000 note of the Indianapolis Street Railway Company turned over to the Indiana Trust Company to finance the bus merger deal.

Under the order written by the commission upon demand of Judge Harry F. Chamberlain of Marion Circuit Court ten-year notes bearing 8 per cent interest are to be issued to finance the purchase of the Peoples Motor Coach Company by the street car company.

The note was brought to the Statehouse for approval by Attorneys W. H. Latta and David E. Watson of the company. This afternoon they were to confer with President Robert I. Todd, regarding coordination of lines and universal transfers. All changes of service must be taken on petition for approval by the commission according to Commission Chairman Frank Singleton.

Saves Self by Jump

Miss Edna White, 33, Apt. 304, next to the Busselle's, escaped death by remembering warnings of a relative, City Fireman George E. Friel, who died recently in a fire. She jumped from her third-story apartment window.

Miss White said she opened her door and saw Mrs. Busselle and her daughter in the hall.

Her desire to spend the night with Mrs. Erna Busselle, 41, and her daughter, Elizabeth, 18, brought death to Ruth Rawlins, 9, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Rawlins, 1705 Park Ave.

Mrs. Rawlins and her daughter had been visiting at the Busselle's. When the mother left a half hour before the fire broke out, the girl asked to spend the night with her mother's friends.

The child's body, found in the hall, was charred almost beyond recognition. The mother and daughter were found in the third floor bathroom, clasped in each other's arms. The mother's body was badly burned, but the daughter was hardly touched by the flames.

Ruth was identified by her mother by the shoes and stockings, parts of her dress and coat and by her teeth. She was in the 5B grade at School 27.

Mrs. Busselle and her daughter were identified by Mrs. Russell's brother-in-law, Fred Fly, 1154 Congress Ave. Bodies of all three were taken to the Planner & Buchanan funeral parlors.

Legion Operator

Mrs. Busselle was telephone operator at American Legion National headquarters. Miss Busselle had been a telephone operator for the American Telegraph and Telephone Company for fourteen months. Previously, she attended Shortridge High School.

Mrs. Busselle is survived by a son, Arthur E., of Paris, S. C.; two brothers, Walter and Delbert Brane-man; her father, William Brane-man, and her sister, Mrs. Fly, all of Indianapolis.

Two Hoosiers Will Sing at Chicago in National Audition Semi-Finals



Charles Oeffler

Ft. Wayne Contralto and Jasonville Bass Represent Indiana.

Indiana's champion amateur singers—Miss La Rue Schmidt, contralto, of Ft. Wayne and Charles Oeffler, bass, Jasonville—this week will go to Chicago to compete for inter-State honors in semi-finals of the Attwater Kent Foundation's national radio audition, which will be broadcast from station WGN Saturday at 7 p. m.

Charles G. Dawes, vice president of the United States, will receive and congratulate Miss Schmidt, Oeffler and twenty-two other champions of mid-western States with whom they will compete, when they reach Chicago.

Oeffler and Miss Schmidt will represent Indiana in this semi-final try for the foundation's gifts of \$17,500 and musical scholarships by virtue of having won first place in the Indiana State Audition, broadcast by radio station WKBF, Indianapolis, Oct. 18 and 19.



Miss La Rue Schmidt

Graystone Tenants Tell Tales of Rescues and Deaths in Hotel Fire

daughter in the hall. They called, "O. Miss White, fire!"

Slamming the door, she ran back and opened a back window and waited until she felt the heat coming through the apartment door.

"Catch me, I'm coming!" she yelled to a man she saw at the bottom of one of the air wells. His body partly broke her fall. She was shaken up, but able to climb into a first-floor window, where some one gave her a coat, in which she took refuge in a nearby restaurant.

Her back and ankles were injured in the leap and she was taken to city hospital.

Led to Open Window

"Mrs. Nelson saw the flames. I told her to close the door and come to me. 'Lead me to the window,' I said. I insisted that she jump first, because in her nervousness I was afraid she would rush into the hall, a mass of flames by this time," Nelson said.

They jumped in one of the air and light wells of the apartment hotel.

"When I alighted," Nelson said, "Ruby directed me to a wire fence where we stood helplessly trying to tear it away and get out. Finally a man came and aided us."

Mrs. Nelson broke her left ankle in the leap and was held at city hospital. Nelson returned to the apartment, which was not seriously damaged.

Mrs. Nelson told of hearing persons screaming and running in the hallways, as she opened the apartment door.

Hotel Employee Victim

Miss Alice Furr, long-distance operator at the Claypool, another victim, had attended English's Theater with Miss Mary Jones, stenographer at the Claypool, Saturday night.

Miss Jones went to her apartment after the show and visited with her a short time. Miss Jones did not know of the fire or of her friends' death until fellow employees told her Sunday afternoon.

Miss Furr's mother lives at Zionville and a sister is employed at the H. P. Wasson & Co. store there. The body has been taken to Zionville.

Mary C. Moulton, 92, and her son returned to their apartment and locked the door, after seeing the fire sweeping the hallway. Nothing in their apartment was burned and only the outside of the door was charred.

Bird Sounds Warning

The canary bird of Lewis J. Hodnick, 46, apartment 202, sounded the warning that assured him and Mrs.

Hodnick the hotel was on fire. Hearing scuffling on the floor above, he was awakened. The bird was almost overcome by the fumes, although they had hardly entered the apartment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodnick fled the building in their night clothes, saving the canary. After the fire, they returned to dress and found little damage was done in their rooms.

Edward J. Fitzgerald, 57, remained in his apartment, No. 320, until saved by firemen.

RETURN HOME TO CITY WIDOW

Judge Scores Method Used in Beer Search.

Mrs. Martha Copeland, 54, widow, of 2110 N. Rural St., today has possession of the home for which she had worked eighteen years.

Criminal Court Judge James A. Collins, who reprimanded Attorneys William Waddell and W. K. Mawson, who represented her in the appeal of a liquor law violation case for taking the deed to her property, took the case under advisement.

Her attorney, Miss Jessie Levy, told the court Mawson and Waddell returned the property and that members of the woman's family will care for her.

The attorneys had a contract signed by her in which she deeded her home to them. According to the contract a mortgage was to be obtained on the property, out of which the attorneys were to collect a fee, pay costs and fines.

"Mrs. Copeland has been a victim of circumstances," Judge Collins said. "There is no evidence to show how the police obtained the two quarts of beer that has been used as the basis for the search warrant. The warrant was predicated, actually, on the sight of two quarts of beer. The law is not and never was intended to be exercised in such manner."

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CELEBRATE AT CHURCH

Observe 16th Anniversary of East Tenth St. M. E. Congregation.

The sixteenth anniversary of E. Tenth Street M. E. Church was observed with special morning and evening services Sunday.

More than 800 persons visited the church during the day. Two hundred were served luncheon in the Community House.

The Rev. J. W. J. Collins, former pastor, and the Rev. George S. Henninger, pastor, conducted the services.

Order Groceries at Club Meeting

By Order of the Ladies' Amalgamated Sewing and Mending Society.

The members of the Ladies' Amalgamated Sewing and Mending Society decided today they can't be bothered with groceryman calling for orders every day. Instead they'll receive the salesmen weekly at their club meeting.

L. & N. Diverse Route Tour

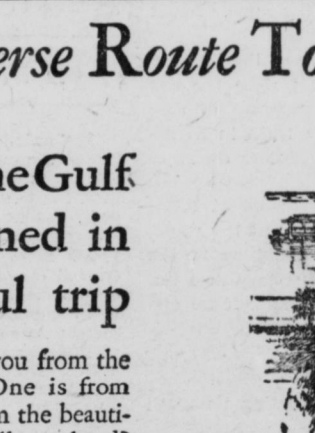
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