

WILKINS AND EIELSON MAY LEAVE FROM ICE-BOUND POLAR ISLAND; STORY OF TRIP REACHES WORLD

Explorers Report No New Land Sighted in Crossing Top of World.

FORCED DOWN BY STORM

Plane Barely Able to Rise After 5 Days Snow on Barren Strip.

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GREEN HARBOR, Svalbard (Spitzbergen), April 23.—Capt. George Hubert Wilkins started from Point Barrow, Alaska, April 15, at 10 o'clock Alaska time (presumably 10 a. m.). He was obliged to change his starting point because the runway was too short for the heavily loaded monoplane, which weighs about 1,800 pounds when empty and 3,600 pounds when loaded.

The weight of the plane necessitated a runway of about five-eighths of a mile to achieve a speed of eighty kilometers (fifty miles) an hour, so that the plane could rise.

The newly selected starting point was bad because of loose snow, which had to be hardened.

That was done to a width of four meters (about thirteen feet) so Lieut. Carl B. Eielson, pilot of the Arctic plane, was obliged to steer carefully. The ice was very uneven, adding to the danger of the start.

Sight No New Land

Captain Wilkins passed the places where Dr. Cook and Admiral Peary presumably had been and sighted "Grant Land."

The modern air explorers passed about 300 miles from the north pole. The weather was fine then, although a little foggy. The plane flew at a height of 1,000 feet and was obliged to rise a few times.

Occasionally it was necessary to ascend to 3,500 feet to get above the cloud banks.

The explorers sighted no land which had not been discovered previously.

There were no signs of animal life on the ice.

Goes South of Pole

Wilkins' trip of exploration over the top of the world was made for the sole purpose of trying to determine whether there was land south of the north pole. He saw it. Wilkins purposely flew south of the north pole instead of across it, to carry out the scientific object of his flight.

Captain Wilkins took his last observation about 200 miles from Svalbard, but visibility then became bad.

Near Svalbard (the Spitzbergen archipelago) there was open sea.

Captain Wilkins knew he was near land by two pointed mountain tops he saw on Prince Karl's (Charles), Foreland, near Svalbard. Then, with land in sight, a terrific snowstorm started.

Wilkins and Eielson knew they must land quickly. But landing was made difficult by the gale.

With consummate skill, Eielson managed to bring the plane to earth on Doedmansoeia Island (Dead Man's Island). The plane stopped dead after a run of only thirty feet in the snow.

Wilkins and Eielson had flown 20½ hours at a speed of more than 110 miles an hour.

Wilkins and Eielson were forced to stay five days on Dead Man's Island because of unusually bad weather for this time of the year.

Plane Buried in Snow

Snowstorm followed snowstorm, with the direction of the wind continually changing, and the average temperature 25 degrees below zero Fahrenheit.

About 3 a. m. Saturday the weather cleared and Wilkins and Eielson began to think of reaching civilization.

Until then the only things the pair could do were to eat and sleep and remain huddled up in the monoplane. It gave them a good rest, but they had heavy work in front of them before they could start their airplane, which had been almost covered with snow.

The gasoline supply was so low that fuel had to be pumped into the higher tanks so the plane could be made ready for starting.

Three times the engine was started at full speed, but the monoplane refused to budge.

The third time Captain Wilkins tried to help loosen the plane from the snow.

He got out of the plane and held tight to a rope tied to the seat in the machine so he would be able to get back.

Finally the plane started to move but it was sometime before Wilkins was able to climb aboard.

They had agreed that if Wilkins was unable to get back when the plane started, Eielson should fly around and try to find some people.

Wilkins had left behind a tent and provisions but had he, too, been left behind he would have been exposed to the cruellest hardships of Arctic weather.

JULIUS WOCHER DIES

Former City Resident Passes Away in Detroit.

Julius Wocher, 74, former wholesale grocer of Indianapolis, died Saturday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Robert Churchman, in Detroit. Death followed a stroke of apoplexy Tuesday, from which Mr. Wocher never regained consciousness.

He had been living in Detroit for the past five years.

He was a member of the Mystic Tie Lodge, F. & A. M., and during his residence in Indianapolis, a member of the local Board of Trade.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Churchman, Mrs. Wocher, Mrs. Herbert M. Woolen, Indianapolis; three brothers, Charles, Adolph and Frank Wocher, and two sisters, Mrs. John Kerland and Miss Louise Wocher, Indianapolis.

The body was brought to Indianapolis this morning, and burial at Crown Hill today will be private.

Arctic Airmen Contemplate Hop From Spitzbergen to Paris.

VESSLS DUE IN MAY

Small Radio Station Busy Receiving Acclaim for Two Heroes.

BY OLE CAVLING
United Press Staff Correspondent
COPENHAGEN, April 23.—Capt. George Wilkins, who with Carl B. Eielson flew across the top of the world from Point Barrow, Alaska, to Spitzbergen, may fly away from Green Harbor in one week, advises from Oslo said today.

Previous dispatches had said that the two exploring airmen contemplated a flight by way of Oslo and Copenhagen to Paris.

The flight would take them out of the northward march ahead of the time when they could leave for civilization by boat. The ice jams surrounding Green Harbor probably will not break up until mid-May, it was said, and no boat could get in until then.

Wires Father in U. S.

Both Wilkins and Eielson were reported in the gayest of spirits today and Eielson cabled his father in America:

"Am all right. Soon returning to the United States."

Over Sunday flags were flown at full mast throughout this northern territory as a symbol of the success of the flight and as a token to the bravery and daring of the two men.

It was pointed out that the landing was extremely hazardous. Dead Man's Island, twenty-five miles from Green Harbor, was the scene of the ending of the 20½-hour flight from Point Barrow.

Danger of Starvation

It is a narrow and uninhabited spot. There was extreme danger in landing. The two might have starved to death on this narrow strip before help reached them, instead of being forced to remain there only five days before continuing to the little town of Green Harbor.

Their official greeting came from Radio Operator Thien, who was the sole official representative.

The feat of Wilkins and Eielson has received acclaim from all parts of the world.

The little radio stations of the district were said to be overtaxed with congratulatory messages to the fliers, some from other famed explorers.

Praised for Heroism

"It was a splendid exploit—not only a sporting feat, but a flight with a plan. General information Wilkins and Eielson obtained will be of great interest to geographical science, even though there could have been no exact observations. I believe the flight to have been the most remarkable in aviation history. Unlike trans-Atlantic fliers, Wilkins and Eielson could not count on assistance of any kind. They are heroes," Amundsen said.

Fridtjof Nansen, one of the most famous Scandinavian explorers, said:

"It was a flight that required real heroism."

MRS. IDA JOHNSON DIES AFTER YEAR'S ILLNESS

City Woman for Thirty Years Was Native of Lafayette.

Mrs. Ida Johnson, 65, wife of Richard M. Johnson, 1719 Park Ave., died Sunday at her home after a year's illness.

Born in Lafayette, Ind., Mrs. Johnson was married to Robert A. Thayer, who died more than forty years ago, and later married Mr. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson came to Indianapolis about thirty years ago.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of the Seventh Presbyterian Church, Aris Court No. 5, Tribe of Ben-Hur, and Comanche Council. Daughters of Pioneers.

She is survived by her husband, four daughters, Mrs. Clayton E. Crane of Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Earl Blackburn, Chicago, Ill.; and Mrs. Frank Perry and Mrs. Harry Knapp, both of Indianapolis; four sisters, Miss Susie Blades and Mrs. Frank Blair, Lafayette, and Mrs. Lora Rice, Chicago and Mrs. George Alvey, Indianapolis; two brothers, B. J. Blades, Atlanta, Ga., and W. H. Blades, Michigan City, Ind., and a granddaughter, Betty Jean Lawler, Indianapolis.

Funeral services at the Flanner & Buchanan mortuary, at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon, will be conducted by the Rev. J. Ambrose Dunkel of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, and burial will be in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Becker Club to Be Formed

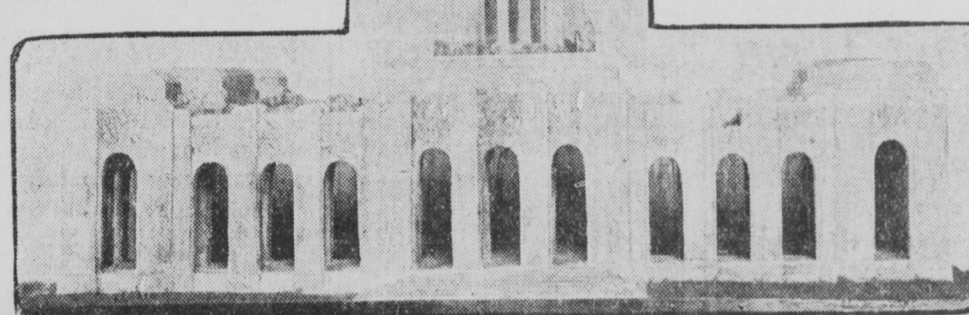
Ex-service men from the First and Second wards will meet to form a ward and precinct organization in behalf of the candidacy of John W. Becker for the Republican nomination for Seventh district Congressman, in the Becker headquarters, 22½ N. Pennsylvania St., tonight at 8.

Threat Writer Held Insane

PLYMOUTH, Ind., April 23.—Albert Anderson, 53, farmer near here, is awaiting confinement to the State hospital for the insane at Logansport following writing of a 143-page letter to President Coolidge in which he threatened death and demanded \$50,000. A finding of insanity in Circuit Court here saved Anderson from serving a Federal prison term imposed at a recent hearing.

How Lincoln Memorial Will Appear

This model of the proposed Lincoln Memorial building to be erected at Lincoln City, Ind., on the site of Abraham Lincoln's boyhood home, was completed today and will be placed this evening in a show window of the L. S. Ayres & Co. store by direction



of Herman P. Lieber, member of the building and plans committee of the Indiana Lincoln Union.

The model was made to give the public a better idea of the building which is only part of the project for which \$1,265,000 is being raised throughout Indiana.

SEEK TO FORCE ANTI-WAR PACT

Prior Agreement May Compel France to Accept.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 23.—Possibility of a prior agreement among the United States, Great Britain and Germany which virtually would compel France to accept the Kellogg plan for an unqualified renunciation of war was foreseen here today.

An attempt is being made to work out a formula, under which France could join with the other powers in a treaty outlawing war without direct reference to the various reservations which France has advanced.

Although little hope was held out of reaching such a formula, it was believed this course would be the only one possible under which the French demands could be fully met while the Kellogg plan would be preserved.

In any event, it was declared, Secretary Kellogg has no intention of yielding on the point of an unconditional renunciation of war.

It was understood that London and Berlin already have intimated to the State Department they would favor the Kellogg plan if it came to a choice between that and the Briand scheme, under which the French would be required to receive, here, only wars of aggression not legitimized by existing international agreements would be outlawed.

BLOW AT ROBINSON

Second Open Letter Sent by Carter.

Senator Arthur R. Robinson, back in Washington today after a week-end visit in Indianapolis, had before him a second open letter from Senator J. Carter, rival candidate for the Republican senatorial nomination, asking whether he is a protégé of D. C. Stephenson.

"The thing being debated by Republican voters all over the State at this time," said Carter's letter, "is whether you are a protégé of Stephenson; whether you are under obligations to those gentlemen who have been answering indictments in our criminal courts, and whether these will be the ones to whom you are responsible if you are nominated; and whether your business as defender of bootleggers is inconsistent with your much touted leadership of dry forces."

Carter said he understood Robinson's comment on his earlier inquiry was "I am too busy fighting our common enemy, the Democrat, to engage in controversies with any Republican."

PRECINCT REDISTRICT CASE SET FOR TUESDAY

Oral Argument Delayed by Advent of New Plaintiffs.

Oral argument in the case governing the legality of the new precinct districting has been delayed until Tuesday at 11 a. m., due to the advent of five new plaintiffs. The case was scheduled for hearing Saturday before Superior Judge Byron K. Elliott in Court Four.

Original action was brought by Jesse A. Evans, whose filing for precinct committee man for the Seventeenth district of the First ward was refused recognition by the county election board. The board has refused to recognize the new districting laid down by the county commissioners.

Others who filed for precinct committee men and have now joined in the suit are: Clyde C. Ricketts, William L. Jones, Charles L. Roush and George L. Stiver.

Anderson Banker Kills Self

ANDERSON, Ind., April 23.—George Mingle, 67, farmer and vice president of the Pendleton Trust Company is dead, a suicide. He shot himself through the head with a revolver.

City Trust Company
DICK MILLER, President
106 E. WASHINGTON ST.

Faulty Elimination

Diabetes! Bright's Disease! Indigestion! Kidney, Bladder and Liver troubles are caused from faulty elimination more than from any other cause. Physicians prescribe Mountain Valley Water for this (from the famous Hot Springs, Arkansas) because it is a quick, safe, diuretic eliminant—and very palatable. Phone for a case today.

MOUNTAIN VALLEY WATER

From Hot Springs, Arkansas

Local Distributors
911-913 MASSACHUSETTS AVE.

Cat Nap

Kitty Claws Gas Stove and Takes Count: Life Saved.

NEW YORK, April 23.—Jimmy McShane, 6, took a stray cat home and left it in the kitchen. His father smelled gas shortly afterward and found the cat stretched out on the kitchen stove. In trying to sharpen its claws on a petcock, the animal had opened a jet. The cat was revived.

Pagans Ride Subways

NEW YORK, April 23.—Riding on subways makes pagans of people, the Rev. C. Everett Wagner believes. "Dodging and pushing through the lines at subway stations is good football practice, but bad for courtesy," he said.

Iron Builds Him Up

HARBIN, Manchuria, April 23.—A Korean resident, feeling his stomach was heavy, went to a doctor, who X-rayed him. Then the physician operated, removing three pounds of cast iron chips from the patient's stomach which he had swallowed upon the advice of a quack doctor who believed the man needed iron.

Photograph Helps Court

PARIS, April 23.—The French courts have ruled that testimony recorded on phonograph records is legal. When witnesses cannot appear personally in court, their record of testimony can be submitted as evidence.

August Takes Tour

NEW YORK, April 23.—It took August Lecieux, 85, two days to ride on every subway and elevated line in the city. His wife, daughter and son went sleepless for forty-eight hours searching for him while he was on his tour.

OPEN BENEFIT CIRCUS

Slack, Safety Board Members Host to Orphans.

The first performance of the Police and Firemen's Circus this afternoon at State Fairground opens the circus season in Indianapolis this year.

Mayor L. Ert Slack and Board of Safety Members Fred Connell, Ira Haymaker and Robert Miller were host to orphans and crippled children. Special street car service is being provided.

The three-ring big-time circus acts will be seen each afternoon and night this week.

Survive Caesarian Operations

ANDERSON, Ind., April 23.—Two mothers who recently submitted to Caesarian operations at St. Johns hospital here are recovering. A daughter was born to one of the mothers, Mrs. Gus Canada, Muncie, and a son to the other, Mrs. Jesse Farren, Alexandria.

Daily Comment

A New World's Record

Ray Keech broke the world's speed record at Daytona Beach, Florida, yesterday when he drove a Triplex at the rate of 219.90 miles per hour. It takes a good car and a good driver with plenty of nerve and determination to make such records.

It takes nerve and determination, likewise, to save money regularly, but it is worth the effort for it brings you much happiness after you have saved it. Start a savings account now at the City Trust Company.

First Payment Gets the Wagon!

Bring Only 50c

Note the sturdy construction of this high-grade all-steel Play Boy wagon. Note the high-grade features such as hand brake, tubular handle, etc. Remember the price is only \$4.95, exactly half of its actual worth.

None Will Be Sold for Cash—None Sold to Dealers!

The demand will be great, so be here bright and early! Only one to a customer. Every boy and girl wants a wagon!

KAY JEWELRY CO.
137 WEST WASHINGTON ST.

Doors Open Promptly at 8:30

Let Nothing Keep You Away!

Bring Your Friends

Be here bright and early. The selling will be rapid. There will be plenty of extra salespeople who will take care of you courteously. Remember, only a few hundred of these wagons go at this ridiculously low price. Don't miss this opportunity.

Here's Your Chance to Make Your Boy Happy for 50c

Read the specifications again—Standard size all steel construction, 10-inch double disc wheels, roller bearings, steel tubular handle, hand brake, fully guaranteed. Tomorrow, Tuesday, is the Big Day.

KAY JEWELRY CO.
137 WEST WASHINGTON ST.

31 Stores in Principal Cities.

The Indiana Theatre Is Opposite Us

Your Promise to Pay Is Good With Kay.

RUSSIA HONORS BIRTH OF LENIN, NATIONAL HERO

Nation Idolizes Dead Red Leader; Children Named for Him.

BY EUGENE LYONS
United Press Staff Correspondent
MOSCOW, April 23.—The Soviet Union celebrated Sunday the birthday of its national hero, Vladimir Ilyich Ulianov, known affectionately to millions of his countrymen as Ilyich, and to history as Nikolai Lenin. He was born on April 22, 1870.

The press overflows with eulogy of the late Bolshevik leader and thousands of meetings pledged once more to carry on the work which he started.

Perhaps no other man in modern history has won the homage of millions in so short a time. Eleven years ago Lenin was known only to a comparatively small political organization and to an even smaller number of students of political economy.

The homage for a large section of the Russian population amounts almost to a blind faith.

Name Cities in His Honor

The extent to which the name and the image of Lenin have become an inescapable part of everyday life over one-sixth of the earth's surface is one of the most extraordinary facts about the Soviet Union.

Many of the Soviet republics have important cities named in his honor, such as Leningrad, Leninakan in Armenia and Ulanovsk in Siberia.

Tens of thousands of children born since the revolution have been named Lenin or Lenina or Vladimir. Vladena—a compound of Vladimir and Lenin—is a popular name for girl babies.

Statues Everywhere

Literally every city in the vast Soviet domain has a statue to Lenin—more likely than not a hastily-made and banal one. In the larger cities there are numerous statues.

An interesting characteristic of these monuments is that with few exceptions they do not idealize him. They show him in simple human poses, wearing a cap and somewhat ill-fitting overcoat, or with hands stuck into pockets.

Rules on 'Wine' Sirup

Sale Here Would Violate Dry Law, Says Gilliom.

Attorney General Arthur L. Gilliom, in an opinion issued today to the food and drug division of the State health board, declared that a Government permit to manufacture a special sirup, which State health authorities say could be used to cause intoxication, would not prevent prosecution of the Sweet Valley Products Company of Sandusky, Ohio, for violation of the State prohibition law if the product were sold here.

The product is described as a sirup "made by adding 50 per cent sugar to old wine containing 12 per cent alcohol by volume," which the health board says "could be used to cause intoxication."

EX-TEACHER IS DEAD

Miss Mary D. Stillwell Lived Here for Thirty Years.

Miss Mary D. Stillwell, 70, who lived in Indianapolis thirty years, and was principal of Public Schools No. 11 and No. 36, died at her Chicago home Friday, according to word received here Sunday. She is to be buried this afternoon in Crawfordsville, her birthplace.

Miss Stillwell was known to hundreds of Indianapolis persons, former pupils and associates in her long service in the city's schools. She had been ill for two years.

Exiled Mexican Prelate Dies

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, April 23.—Archbishop Jose Mora del Rio, one of the high Roman Catholic church dignitaries exiled from Mexico during the recent religious controversy, died here Sunday.

We can supply money now for currency needs. Confidential and quick. CAPITOL LOAN CO., 141½ E. Wash. St.—Advertisement.

Returns for German Visit



Mrs. Christina Schmid Kehrein

Expecting to visit brothers who fought in the German army against her son, Ernest, who was in France with the Rainbow Division, Mrs. Christina Schmid Kehrein, 55 E. Regent St., left on a trip to Germany today.

Mrs. Kehrein was born in Germany and came here twenty-eight years ago. Her father and mother are dead, but a number of brothers and sisters still live in Germany.

Three of the brothers fought in the German army. One she believes is dead, probably killed in the war. Although she has been in communication with some of her family since the war, the war and its effects on her family never have been mentioned in the letters from Germany, Mrs. Kehrein said.

Need Million Reserve

"Good business judgment demands a bonding reserve of at least a million dollars at all times in event of a catastrophe, such as a fire or tornado."

Walsman said the bonding list of the school city is \$13,329,225, based on the 1927 valuation of \$666,461,290.

Bonds already issued amount to \$11,557,000. The board has pending before the tax board a \$600,000 issue for four new grade schools and another \$215,000 issue for an Arsenal Technical High School auditorium. A \$550,000 temporary loan made in February brings the total indebtedness to \$12,922,000.

Opposes Money Borrowing

Walsman has been preparing figures in a fight against borrowing money for every purpose, maintaining that with careful management, grade school buildings can be constructed from the tax levy, thus leaving a bonding reserve from which high schools could be constructed. This should be possible within the next two years without raising the tax levy, he said.

He cited figures showing that for every dollar of bonded indebtedness, the school city will pay \$1.90 in principal and interest.

PICK NEWSPAPERS FOR LUMBER ADVERTISING

Retail Dealers Set \$4,000,000 for Annual Campaign.

Newspapers will be the chief medium for the \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000 a year advertising program of the National Retail Lumber Dealers' Association during the next four years, it was decided at a conference of the association trustees in the office of the Mills Advertising Company here Saturday.

The campaign will be the largest in the history of group advertising and will blanket the United States under direction of the Mills company.

"We decided to use newspaper advertising for the largest part of this campaign," said Hawley Wilbur, West Allis, Wis., chairman, "for two reasons: first, because we wish to present our appeal as forcefully and directly as possible to the average, every day citizen, and second, because we wish to tie the campaign in as closely as possible to the local dealer. For both these purposes the newspaper, in our opinion, offers the best medium."

Rheumatism Recipe

While serving with the American Army in France I was given a prescription for Rheumatism and Neuritis that has produced most gratifying results in thousands of cases. The prescription cost me nothing, so I ask nothing for it, but will send it free to any one who writes me. Ex-Sergeant Paul Case, Room 256, Quigg Bldg., Brockton, Mass.—Advertisement.

KAY JEWELRY CO.—137 W. WASH. ST.

Another Big Shipment!—Another Big "April Shower" Surprise!

EXTRA SPECIAL—Tomorrow, Tuesday—One-Day Only!

COASTER WAGON

PAY ONLY 50c DOWN!

PAY ONLY 50c A WEEK!

First Payment Gets the Wagon!

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BRIGHT RED BODY

HAND BRAKE

FULLY GUARANTEED

STEEL BODY THROUGHTOUT

STEEL TUBULAR HANDLE

3 1/2 INCH WHEELS

DOUBLE DISC WHEELS

ROLLER BEARINGS

LOCK AND NUTTING PIN