

LIVES ARE LOST BY FIVE FLIERS IN ITALIANS' SEA HOP

2 PLANES ARE WRECKED SOON AFTER START

Splendid Achievement of Atlantic Dash Marred by Tragedy.

OTHERS LAND IN SEA

Four of 14 Machines That Began Trip Failed to Reach Brazil.

ROME, Jan. 8.—Tragedy dimmed the rejoicing of the Italian people over the South Atlantic flight of General Italo Balbo's seaplane squadron today.

An official announcement said that five aviators were killed in two accidents that marred the beginning of the flight from Bolama, Portuguese Guinea, approximately 1,900 miles over the ocean to Natal, Brazil. The other planes were forced down at sea. Ten others completed the flight.

Two pilots, two mechanics and one wireless operator were killed. The dead were: Captain Louis Boer and Lieutenant Danilo Barbinetti, pilots; First Sergeant Louis Fois and Sergeant Felice Nensi, mechanics; Sergeant Ercole Imbustari, radio operator.

Five Lives Are Lost

The first accident occurred when a plane, piloted by Captain Enza Silvio Recagno, was forced to descend from an altitude of about 150 feet.

First Sergeant Fois, riding on the left side of the machine, was killed when the heavily-loaded plane struck the water. The left float of the seaplane was badly damaged.

The seaplane remained afloat and the four survivors were rescued. The machine later was towed back to Bolama.

The accident that cost the lives of four fliers occurred about ten minutes after the take off from Bolama.

The plane commanded by Captain Boer caught fire and descended on the sea in flames. The four occupants were burned to death. The plane was destroyed.

Two Make Forced Landing

The official announcement emphasized that both accidents were the result of unavoidable risks in connection with the full load necessary for a flight of almost 1,900 miles. The seaplanes carried the heaviest loads ever taken across the Atlantic by air.

The two seaplanes that made forced landings on the high seas en route to Brazil were picked up by Italian war vessels were expected to arrive at Fernando Noronha island, off the Brazilian coast today, the official announcement said.

HOLD LEEDY FUNERAL AT HOME FRIDAY MORNING

Former Drum Maker Will Be Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Last rites for Ulysses G. Leedy, 63, of 3299 Grandview drive, formerly a nationally known maker of percussion instruments, will be held at the residence at 2:30 p. m. Friday. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mr. Leedy died at the Robert W. Long hospital early Wednesday. Death was due to heart disease.

After several years as a traveling bandsman, Mr. Leedy began manufacturing drums in Indianapolis in 1888. He established the Leedy Manufacturing Company here in 1903.

MARION WOMAN HELD

Matrimonial Swindler Accused Again in Federal Custody.

By United Press
MARION, Ind., Jan. 8.—United States postal inspectors today arrested Mrs. Oda Lippens, 33, Marion, and took her to Ft. Wayne to be arraigned before United States Commissioner William D. Remmel.

Mrs. Lippens at present is free under \$3,000 bond awaiting appearance before a federal grand jury at Indianapolis in connection with an alleged matrimonial swindle scheme.

Inspector Herman Atkins refused to divulge the new charge against the prisoner.

CRIME REPORT OPPOSED

Constabulary Idea Draws Fire of State Labor Head.

Recommendation of the state crime commission's report for the establishment of a constabulary brought opposition to the entire report when T. N. Taylor, president of the State Federation of Labor, announced his stand today.

"I am opposed to the entire report. I am opposed to any more political machines being set up in Indiana under the guise of a constabulary," he declared.

DEATH TAKES HISTORIAN

Cerebral Hemorrhage Proves Fatal to Edward Channing.

By United Press
CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 8.—Edward Channing, professor-emeritus of Harvard university and historian, died from a cerebral hemorrhage at his home here Wednesday in his seventy-fifth year.

In addition to his voluminous history, Channing wrote numerous smaller works treating almost all phases of American history.

GOLD IN CHEST

Counterfeit—Mustorole

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Gov. Leslie's Address to Legislature

Address of Governor Harry G. Leslie to members of the Seventy-sixth Indiana general assembly, at its opening session today, follows:

In defining the duties of the Governor, the Constitution of the state of Indiana says: "He (the Governor) shall, from time to time, give to the general assembly information touching the condition of the state, and recommend such measures as he shall judge to be expedient."

Under the authority and mandate of the Constitution it becomes the duty of the Governor to communicate with you at this time, and further during your session as occasion may demand.

Having outlined the three departments of our state government, the legislative, the judicial and the executive, which latter includes the administrative, our state Constitution goes on to say:

"No person charged with official duties, under one of these departments, shall exercise any of the functions of another except as in this Constitution expressly provided."

The functions of each department of our state government are defined sharply in our basic law. There will be no overlapping of governmental activities. There will be no attempt by the executive department to assume the functions of the legislative department nor to dictate its policies.

You have been chosen to represent your respective communities and constituencies in the lawmaking body of our great commonwealth. Yours the executive department to assume the functions of the legislative department nor to dictate its policies.

We all have, in common, the realization that although we were elected to public office as representatives of political parties, we became, on assuming our obligations as public duties, the instruments of the entire body politic.

Taxation Big Problem

It is scarcely necessary for me to say that in your deliberations and acts, your success will be measured in accordance with your intelligent action to the best interests of all the people.

Good government and good legislation are the best policies. He who would serve his party best must serve the people.

The wisdom of our fathers never was more strikingly demonstrated than in the sound constitutional provision which prevents the state from assuming bonded indebtedness to meet the financial demands of expanding modern government.

We are free from financial obligations and have sufficient funds on hand and in prospect from revenues in due course to be paid, to meet all budget requirements during the fiscal year.

You stand together at a time when taxation stands out as the state's most serious economic problem. The people have made constant and increasing demands upon the various departments of state government.

The resultant expansion of the functions of the departments in response to public insistence has tended to increase the cost of government. This expansion has been brought about over a long period of years, and logically results from a constant and changing era of remarkable growth in many directions.

Betterments and progress are not spontaneous or magic growths. The people pay for progress.

Wants Tax Relief

The tragedy of the present situation is that under our system of taxation an unfair and disproportionate share of the tax burden is borne by real property—lands and improvements and the products of the farm.

In changing from an agricultural state to a commonwealth both industrial and agricultural, many new classes of property have been created. Many types of property entirely escape taxation, and real property continues as of old to pay a large and burdensome part of the cost of modern government.

This intolerable situation cannot be allowed to continue. The unjust tax burden must be lifted from the land and fairly distributed where it rightfully belongs.

The Seventy-sixth general assembly which was instructed to make a systematic study of the taxation situation. This commission will have information and recommendations to submit to you for your consideration and action.

I wish strongly to emphasize the fact that I am not concerned as to the form that tax relief shall take, but I am very deeply concerned, and the taxpayers are very deeply concerned, that relief shall come.

The taxation problem can not be solved by voting new taxes or new forms of taxation to meet new expenditures. It is essential, as I see it, and as the overburdened taxpayers see it, that new forms of taxation here devised actually shall displace and do away with a portion of the taxes now levied upon real property.

Cites Education Value

Ease of quick communication, good roads, and facilities for speedy transportation serve to merge communities. We no longer live in isolated groups as in the old days. Eighty years ago there were good reasons for setting up and maintaining the numerous small political units which we now maintain.

However, in this modern age, when distances have ceased to be formidable, and urban facilities have made all sections of the state accessible, the reasons for our numerous expensive political units have become obsolete.

Mergers and consolidations in industry and business are the order of the new day. What is good business in private management ought to be just as good business in public administration.

An enabling act that would make it possible for townships or counties to combine, thus doing away with much of the overhead of local government, would provide one means of relief for the taxpayer.

The state wisely guarantees to every child in every home an equal opportunity to obtain an education. The cost of maintaining the public schools on modern standards so has increased that many school units are finding themselves unable to meet the requirements of today.

While taking proper pride in the

Under the 1930 census, Indiana's representation in the national house of representatives will be reduced from thirteen to twelve. The Seventy-seventh general assembly faces the task of creating twelve congressional districts where now we have thirteen.

It is to be expected that many serious difficulties and divergences of opinion will arise. It is perhaps to be expected that there will be considerable jockeying for political or partisan advantage.

However, with the people of Indiana looking on and calling for fair play and constructive action, the strategists of politics ought to be able to arrive, through moderation and forbearance, at such adjustments as will satisfy all concerned.

The era of the "shoestring" district is gone forever, and the germinal shoulder of the legislature, even as it has been discredited, Congressional reapportionment should be worked out on a compromise basis and with such celerity as to prevent it from becoming a legislative obstruction.

Under existing laws, four Indiana counties, each containing a city of more than 100,000 population, according to the latest census, may be burdened with superfluous and unnecessary, as well as unwanted, congressional districts.

At a time when juvenile and probate courts were being provided for the city of Indianapolis and Marion county, laws were enacted in 1903 and 1907 to create such courts "in all counties within the state where the population is over 10,000."

Yet the state where the population is over 10,000, a population of not less than 100,000 inhabitants.

Courts Are Not Needed

The 1930 census shows that four counties within the state come within the category outlined in 1903 and 1907. I am convinced that these four counties do not need and do not want these extra and costly courts. The law provides for the courts under the census.

The juvenile court law of 1903 and the probate court law of 1907, providing for Indianapolis and Marion county, should be amended to compose the due to provide for such courts in the state, and so as to exclude from its provisions the four counties which are not yet so populous as to be ready to take on luxuries in the form of additional courts.

A commission for the study of law observance and crime prevention, appointed by authority of the Seventy-sixth general assembly, has carried on systematic studies and aggressive investigations during the last year. Regional conferences have been held in various parts of the state.

Eminent criminologists, social workers, and law enforcement officers have been called in for counsel from all over the country. Every possible effort has been made by the commission to arrive at satisfactory and intelligent constructive solutions of our pressing social problems.

Finding and conclusions of the crime commission should have your most serious consideration. The challenge of organized crime must be met in a way that shall vindicate justice and re-establish law and order.

Fee System Arraigned

Your special attention is called to the flagrant evils connected with and growing out of the fee system in public offices, where the straight salary plan of right should be in force.

Public offices should not be maintained for the enrichment of individuals at the expense of the taxpayer. Fees should go to the government itself, and the individual public officer should be allowed a fair salary commensurate to his services, honestly and efficiently rendered.

Experience has shown that the system under which oil inspectors or deputies are authorized to collect fees for the oil inspection bureau should be modified to provide for payment of fees directly to the bureau.

Measures should be taken to eliminate the elements of temptation and uncertainty in the collection of fees due the state.

It should be made entirely plain in the law that no automobile license shall be issued without charge to any person, department, state, municipalities, or others. Abuses growing out of a free list system should be drastically corrected wherever they occur.

Indiana's state institutions are managed efficiently. They are the equal of any in service rendered. Rigid economy is practiced faithfully and intelligently in their operation.

Two years of close observation convinces me that they are managed honestly. The innovation of technically trained and expert counsel has served to correct conditions here and there, to prevent ill-advised or injudicious proposed expenditures. On the whole, the showing under the present board system has been admirable.

Some of our state institutions are seriously overcrowded. These evil conditions must be alleviated through an increased building program.

Prison Idleness Serious

In meeting the problem of overcrowded hospitals for the insane, a new institution would seem to be more desirable than new buildings at the existing institutions. It is to be considered that such institutions may become too large, so large as to make it impossible for those in charge to render successful and efficient service, such as the state is bound to provide for its unfortunate.

Idleness in our penal institutions is a serious problem. A federal law, the Hawes-Cooper act, renders all prison-made products subject to regulations of the state to which the prison goods are shipped. As a result of this legislation and the active opposition to prison competition in industry and commerce, the question of employment for the unfortunate in our penal institutions has

Reapportionment Faced

There can be no doubt as to need for an honest registration as a preventive of fraud at our elections. It is your part to devise a registration law adequate to meet a genuine need, while carefully avoiding partisan motive, extravagance, and error.

Urges Lincoln Shrine

Abraham Lincoln spent his formative years in Indiana. His mother, Nancy Hanks Lincoln, is buried in Indiana. Kentucky, Illinois and the national government have honored themselves by erecting permanent shrines to Lincoln.

It is for Indiana and her people to complete the tribute by raising a fitting Lincoln shrine at the farm where Abraham Lincoln grew to manhood. Much has been done, much yet is to be done before Indiana's tribute has been paid.

You will hear from those who are in the Lincoln Memorial movement what the plans are and how those plans are being advanced. The cause is worthy and is entitled to a fair hearing and full consideration.

After an exhaustive survey of the state the tuberculosis commission has a report in printed form, making available to you its conclusions and findings as to the most practicable means and methods for combating tuberculosis in Indiana.

I recommend the adoption of this report and urge that the necessary steps be taken without delay to put in effect the plans contained therein.

GANGS RENEW CRIME ATTACK IN CLEVELAND

Bandit Guns Kill Five in Month; Murders Are Unsolved.

By United Press

CLEVELAND, Jan. 8.—A policeman and private operative died today, another officer was in a critical condition with gunshot wounds and two bandits and a spectator were wounded in a renewed outbreak of banditry that has brought death to seven citizens within a month.

Shortly after policeman James Ryan died in Fairview Park hospital from wounds inflicted in a gun battle with an escaped convict early last night, Albert Burke, an American district telegraph guard, was fatally wounded in an encounter with two bandits in a downtown jewelry store. Both gunmen escaped, although one was wounded.

As the death toll mounted in one of the greatest crime waves in Cleveland's history, increased vigilance was ordered along the entire police front and acting chief George J. Matowitz personally assumed charge of the counter offensive. Five of the seven citizens killed within a month have died in the range of bandits' guns and their murders have been unsolved.

OPTIMIST OFFICIALS IN WINTER MEETING

International Chiefs Open 3-Day Session at Columbia Club.

Boys' work and organization policies were discussed today at the opening of a three-day midwinter meeting of officers of Optimist International in the Columbia Club.

The three-day sessions opened with a closed meeting of the executive committee this morning.

Friday noon international officers and district governors will attend the regular luncheon meeting of the Indianapolis Optimist Club at the Claypool.

Paul V. McNutt, dean of the Indiana university law school, will speak at the luncheon.

SEAL FUNDS REQUESTED

Second Warning Is Issued for Donations to Be Sent at Once.

Second warning that unless Christmas seal donations are forwarded immediately to headquarters in the Meyer-Kiser building community health work of the Marion County Tuberculosis Association must be curtailed during the coming year was issued today.

Simultaneously came endorsement of the Indiana tuberculosis commission's proposed legislative enactment to add 650 beds for the care of tuberculosis to the present state total of 1,156.

Avoid Too Many Laws

By legislative act of the seventy-sixth general assembly, the state examiner of the department of inspection and supervision of public offices has completed an investigation of national guard armories, the report of which will be submitted for your information.

You do not need to be reminded that the modern tendency is to seek to correct every evil by passing a law. Too many energetic and well-meaning persons seek zealously and enthusiastically to have the government do the things which we once did for ourselves.

There will be those from among your constituents who will urge you to father this or that or other pet measure, and those unfortunate ones will be fully self-convinced that their proposed measures carry infallible cures and invaluable solutions for mighty problems.

Some of these measures will have much of merit in them. Some will be vicious in the extreme. All will require your most careful and painstaking scrutiny. Time employed in keeping bad or foolish bills out of the legislative hopper will be time well spent.

I urge upon you the strictest economy in connection with your legislative program, and bespeak for you a constructive and generally beneficial session, marked for its harmonious wisdom and high statesmanship.

DENY JUDGMENT ARREST

Blenz Sentence Due Saturday for Illegal Ballot Marking.

With a petition to arrest judgment denied by Special Criminal Judge Henry M. Doyling, John L. Blenz, 78, former Fourth ward G. O. P. precinct committeeman convicted several weeks ago by a jury of illegally marking primary election ballots, will be sentenced on Saturday to serve a five-to-ten-year term at the Indiana state prison.

Seers Punched on Nose

Mrs. Raleigh Jeffries, 955 South Capitol avenue, was telling the fortunes of two men Wednesday night, and to one prophesied the loss of 18 cents. Her client hit her in the nose, and both men ran away, she told police. She said they were drunk.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported to police as stolen below to:

J. J. Liddy, 314 North Arsenal avenue, Marmon sedan, 88-27, from Georgia and Illinois streets.

Ralph Smith, R. P. 16, Box 76, Ford sedan, from Senate avenue and Market street.

Benjamin, 4555 Carrollton avenue, Ford coupe, 87-212, from Vermont and Meridian streets.

Walter H. Seaver, 1119 Naomi street, Hudson, 65-711, from Virginia avenue and Washington street.

W. A. Vaidler, 600 East Forty-fourth street, Oldsmobile sedan, 28-594, from Court and Illinois streets.

Oliver J. Benney, 1600 Blaine avenue, Ford sedan, from Meridian and Raymond streets.

BACK HOME AGAIN

Stolen automobiles recovered by police below to:

Edith Straw, Anderson, Inc. Dodge sedan, found in front of 2280 Alford street.

O. R. Rupp, 1000 West Dearborn road, Ford coupe, found at Dearborn and Tenth streets.

Legislator Dies



George Saunders, editor of the Bluffton Banner, Democratic state representative, who died Wednesday night in the Claypool hotel, after a sudden heart attack.

HOPE HELD FOR REGISTRATION BILL ADOPTION

Women Voters Encourage Despite Rejection of 'Horse Trade.'

Despite their defiance of Governor Harry G. Leslie, who sought to make them a political "horse trade," the Indiana League of Women Voters today sounded a note of praise for the ray of hope for passage of a registration bill contained in the Governor's message.

Leslie told league representatives, summoned by him to a conference, that he would support registration if they would "lay off" any attempts to enlarge or retain the primary system, repeal of which was advocated in the Governor's legislative message today.

But the deal fell through. The women refused to trade.

Vetted at Last Session

Capitalizing on the mention of a registration bill in the message, the league women contend that the one they will have introduced (pocket vetoed by Leslie at the last session) meets the requirements of workability and inexpensiveness advocated in the address. But they know the Governor isn't for their bill.

Here is what Mrs. B. C. Ellis, chairman of the league registration committee, said today as spokesman for their registration measure.

Cheapest to Operate

"It is a source of gratification and pleasure to know that the registration bill which we shall support in this session of the assembly meets the requirements mentioned by Governor Leslie in his address to the assembly this morning.

"You will remember that he made several points that any registration system should be as inexpensive as possible, workable, and should not set up a machinery as elaborate as that of a general election.

"In our investigation of registration systems in other states we have found that permanent systems embodying the identical principles of the Indiana bill are the cheapest to operate of any system. The cost of the old system in Indiana ranged from 5 cents to 46 cents a vote. The cost of the installation of the proposed system would be considerably less than the average yearly cost of the old system, which was approximately 16 cents a vote.

Saving Is Effected

"The saving effected by a permanent system is found in the years after the first registration has been completed. The cost of keeping the system up to date would not be greater than the lowest cost for any county under the old system, and in rural communities would be much less.

"The use of accepted modern methods used in business establishments makes the registration system one that is extremely easy to keep up to date and to administer."

Father of Five Kills Self

By United Press

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Jan. 8.—Thomas Parton, 55, committed suicide today by shooting himself in the head with a shotgun. He leaves his widow and five children.

Now Is The Sale Tomorrow Is The Time

(Starting at 8:30)

Men, Make Your Selection From

125 Suits 50 Overcoats 40 Topcoats

All Sizes and Styles But Not Every Size in All Styles

SOCIETY BRAND

and Other Well Known Makes

\$27

Were \$35—\$40—\$45 and \$50

FIRST CHOICE BEST CHOICE

California Weight Coats \$19

Just 23 in number; were \$35.00 and \$40.00

NOW

DOTY'S

16 N. Meridian Street