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Partly cloudy, showers tonight and possibly Friday morning, somewhat cooler.

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## U. S. PLEADS WITH FRANCE FOR SACRIFICE

Business Man's Appeal for Debts Holiday Made Frankly.

MORROW DRAFTS NOTE

America Points Out Huge Loss Facing Nations by Refusal.

BY JOSEPH H. BAIRD  
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The United States government, in its negotiations for suspension of international debt payments, rested today on a business man's appeal to France to come into the project for the good of herself and the whole world.

President Herbert Hoover's proposal for suspension of all payments for a year would be far less costly to France than a moratorium declared by Germany, the United States pointed out. Further, the country urged, every nation must make sacrifices if the world is to recover from depression.

These two arguments were set forth in an unusually frank note presented to the French government by Treasury Secretary Andrew Mellon, and Ambassador Walker Edge and made public here Wednesday night. The note was drafted by acting State Secretary Castle and Senator Dwight Morrow, international financier. Castle said it was received favorably in French official circles.

Plead for Sacrifice

France must choose between the Hoover plan and a German moratorium, this country asserted. Under the American proposal France would lose about \$60,000,000. A German moratorium, the United States contended, would cost her \$100,000,000 even if "unconditional reparations" payments were continued by Germany. The American note indicated it was by no means certain Germany could maintain these payments.

After this monetary appeal, the note pleaded with France to make a sacrifice for the world's benefit. The United States said it realized France was being called on to make a "substantial sacrifice," yet not as large as its own—\$262,000,000. "There is no escaping the fact," the note said, "that the world will not emerge from the present depression without temporary sacrifices by all."

Agreed on Two Points

Summarizing negotiations to date, the note said America and France were agreed on two points: 1. That France will forego the retention of any payments from Germany for the period of one year. 2. That the principle of continuity of payment of unconditional annuities is recognized while complete relief to Germany is afforded.

The second point means that the United States is willing Germany should pay this year's unconditional annuity into the bank for international settlements in order to maintain the machinery of the Young plan—provided Germany may borrow it back.

## MRS. GRACE IS DEAD

Wife of Bell Telephone Chief Succumbs at Home.

By United Press

RYE, N. Y., July 2.—Mrs. Elizabeth M. Grace, formerly Miss Mae Connelly, of Pittsburgh and wife of Sergius P. Grace, assistant vice-president of the Bell Telephone laboratory, died at her home in Highland Hall Wednesday, it was announced today.

## BRANDS RUMOR SILLY

Tube Company Official Says Gary Plant Not in Quicksand.

By United Press

PITTSBURGH, July 2.—Rumors apparently originating in Lorain or Elyria, O., in which the Gary plant of the National Tube Company was threatened with quicksand, was termed "ridiculous" here today.

"It's just an old, perennial, recurrent rumor, without foundation and quite ridiculous," the office of the tube company president said.

## INJURED IN POOL DIVE

Lad Bumps Head on Floor of Ellenberger Basin.

Dive from a board at the Ellenberger park pool ended against the bottom five feet below the water surface this morning and resulted in a bad cut over the left eye of Charles Kaiser, 13, of 342 Drexel avenue. The boy was treated at city hospital.

## That's Love

There was plenty of love in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Love, but not enough bread and butter, it is claimed, so the wife today filed suit for divorce in superior court 3. Mrs. Gail Love, 1702 West Forty-second street, charges that her husband failed to support their two children, 12 and 14 years old.

The couple were married March 20, 1916, and ceased living together Aug. 15, 1929, the suit complains.

## Love in "Smoky City" Is Worse Than Violent

By United Press

PITTSBURGH, July 2.—Mrs. Genevieve Monarch Miller, 19, allowed her husband to carve his name "Ed Miller" on her arm with a penknife because, "I love him," she told police who took her to a hospital. She was found in a car with Miller and two other men, all from Detroit. The men were held for hearing in morals court.

WILLIAM GRECO, 25, was giving his sweetheart, Mrs. Margaret Fritz, 28, a good-

night embrace, and bit off the end of her nose. He was arrested at the hospital when he visited Mrs. Fritz. He said: "I did it because I love her so much."

MRS. SARAH STANOFF, 24, told a police magistrate, "I love him and deserve anything you do to me." She was arrested charged with stabbing her husband Charles with an ice pick during a drinking bout.

## FAMOUS SCIENTIST CLAIMED BY DEATH

Dr. Babcock Tossed Away Fortune; Deeded His Work to World.

By United Press

MADISON, Wis., July 2.—Dr. Stephen Moulton Babcock, 87-year-old scientist, who invented the standard butterfat testing method and spurned the opportunity to become a millionaire by dedicating it to the public, died here Wednesday night, it was announced today.

The inventor, whose method of determining milk's butterfat content has been the basis of building up dairy herds and grading milk throughout the world, was busy at his scientific explorations almost up to the hour of his death.

"The test is not patented" were the words he used in announcing the Babcock test to the world. In this manner, he refused to benefit personally by the invention and deeded it to dairymen everywhere. The widespread use of the method quickly received indicated what huge royalties he could have collected by capitalizing on his skill.

The Babcock test, grading milk to the sale of "watered" milk to creameries, enabled dairymen everywhere to determine the worth of each cow in their herds, and established a milk standard of international value to hospitals and sanitariums.

Apparently the high temperatures, which set new records for Madison, contributed directly to his death during the night. A neighbor who went to the Babcock home today found his body lying on the floor. It was established that he had died early Wednesday night.

## RATE EDICT HARD SMASH AT UTILITY

Electric utility operators in Indiana today were given their most serious setback in years in a report on the Wabash Valley Electric Company-Martinsville rate case filed in federal court by Albert Ward, special master in chancery.

Not only does Ward recommend dissolution of the temporary injunction against operation of the public service commission's rate schedule issued in federal court, but declares no further injunction be ordered against the schedule and that the utility's suit be dismissed for want of equity.

Ward, in his 111-page report, also sets out figures to show that the Insull-controlled Wabash Valley Electric Company would have made profits amounting to thousands of dollars in excess of the recognized 7 per cent return on utility property.

## BOOZE IS SEIZED

Hotel Room Raided; One Man Arrested.

Police allege they broke up street corner bootlegging activities of one man today when they raided a room in the Stubbins hotel, 42 West Georgia street, and then arrested Earl Riley at his home, 1202 Concord street.

In the room Sergeant Edmund Kruse's squad confiscated more than a gallon of whiskey. Police say Riley rented the room as a blind, and peddled liquor from it to persons on downtown streets. He is charged with blind tip operation.

If these same rates had been in effect in 1930 the net return would have been \$20,440.18, which is a return of 10 1/2 per cent.

## ASK BUS BILL PROBE BE GIVEN NEXT JURY

Absence of a key witness caused the retiring Marion county grand jury today to recommend that its investigation of fraud charges surrounding passage of House Bill 6 be continued by the next grand jury.

The witness, Charles Kettleborough, chief of the Indiana legislative reference bureau, is expected to return from a vacation in Hawaii the last of July.

The jury reported to Judge Frank P. Baker that it has "been unable to complete investigation of House Bill 6, due to absence of important witnesses and lack of time and recommends that the next grand jury continue the investigation."

Kettleborough is believed to be the only man who can clear up conflicting testimony already given the jury. He prepared a conference committee report on the bill which, it is said, never was read in the senate.

Prosecutor Herbert E. Wilson was in circuit court today listening to testimony in the civil suit, seeking to enjoin the secretary of state from publishing House Bill 6.

Several prominent legislators testified in the trial on the bill, which strips municipalities of their control of motor bus transportation.

Leland K. Fishback, secretary of the senate, took the stand and introduced records and the original senate journal concerning the bus bill.

Senator John Sherwood, Mitchell, a member of the conference committee which handled the bill, was present in court.

Further testimony today conflicted with statements of Dick Heller, clerk of the Indiana legislature, representatives, made Wednesday, that "he did not remember delivering a message to the senate concerning House Bill 6."

John L. Niblack, senator from Marion county, testified that he heard Heller read a message stating the house had concurred in senate amendments to the bus bill.

Albert Dickens, statistician in Kettleborough's department, identified the original bill and engrossed copy of the bus bill, which were introduced as evidence in the case.

Trial of the civil suit is expected to be completed today or early next Friday morning.

## INDICTMENT IN POISON DEATH CASE IS NEAR

Grand Jury to Reconvene Friday for Action, Is Report.

CORONER IS SILENT

Mother of Picnic Victims Not Brought Before Quiz Body.

By Arch Steinel  
Times Staff Correspondent

LEBANON, Ind., July 2.—Indictments charging murder in connection with the strychnine deaths of the daughters Mr. and Mrs. John Simmons of Greenfield, here ten days ago, will be returned by the Boone county grand jury Friday, it was learned from authoritative sources today.

The children, Virginia and Alice Jean Simmons, died following a mortal park. Capsules, loaded with family reunion and picnic at Me-strychnine, were found in food which members of the picnic party ate and which resulted in the deaths of the girls.

Verdict Awaited

The grand jury adjourned about noon today for the express purpose of permitting farmers to return to their work. However, it was established definitely that Prosecutor Ben Seifert would prepare the murder charges late today and tonight.

Judge John W. Hornaday of the circuit court will be prepared to receive the jury's report Friday morning, it was learned.

Sudden completion of the jury probe came as a surprise. Six witnesses testified about circumstances at the picnic and physicians told that strychnine poison caused the children's deaths. Other persons gave depositions to authorities.

Mrs. Simmons, held in the Boone county jail, was not brought before the quiz body, composed of six farmers, of whom one was summoned. Her husband was not summoned.

Meanwhile, the verdict of Coroner G. A. Owsley after his investigation into the death still is awaited and it is reported it may be made just before the grand jury announces its findings.

Defense attorneys conferred with Mrs. Simmons late Wednesday and it was reported she had told them she left the sandwiches ungarded in her farm home near Greenfield.

Previously she told authorities no one was near the sandwiches except her from the time she prepared them until the picnic started in Lebanon.

Mother "Stood Around"

Testimony that Mrs. Simmons displayed a nervous condition and her children were dying was given the grand jury today by Horace Jackson, neighbor of the Simmons family and one of those who became ill from eating the poison.

Jackson told how the mother merely "stood around" while her daughters were in the throes of poison.

It is expected that Owsley's verdict will point out that Mrs. Simmons prepared the sandwiches and that according to her own statement no one could have tampered with them while they were being made, except herself.

Efforts of the Boone county prosecutor and Owsley to locate the place of purchase of the poison capsules have proved fruitless.

Numerous clues as to strychnine "buys" in drug stores of towns in Hancock as well as Boone county have proven to be dead trails.

Husband Visits Suspect

Mrs. Simmons was visited in her hospital cell Wednesday by her husband. He was locked in the cell with her throughout a two-hour tete-a-tete.

With the appearance of the husband on the streets of Lebanon daily comes the hum of courthouse hangers-on and onlookers. "There he goes" and "That's the husband of the woman who's in jail."

The bias of Hancock county in the investigation of the poison murders is not in evidence in Lebanon. The citizens of Boone county talk but one thing: "Let's get to the bottom of this."

But in Hancock any trend of the probe that points toward a member of the Simmons family receives instantaneous disapproval.

## M'INTYRE SCORES 78

Indianapolis Pro Turns in Two 39's in National Open.

By Times Special

TOLEDO, July 2.—Neal McIntyre, Indianapolis professional, scored 78 today in the first round of the national open golf tournament. He turned in two 39's. Johnny Lehman, amateur, former Purdue, had 41 for the first nine holes.

Eddie Williams, Cleveland pro, and Eddie Guei, Deal (N. J.), were low among early finishers, each with 71.

## THUMBS HIMSELF PLANE RIDE; IT SAVES HIS LIFE

By United Press

SAN DIEGO, Cal., July 2.—The carefree company of those who stand by the side of the road and waggle their thumbs toward the horizon has a new recruit today in J. C. Penny, who stood in the middle of the field, waved his arms at an airplane pilot over-

head, and "hitched" a ride to the hospital.

Penny lives alone seventy-five miles from San Diego in the mountains and has been a sufferer from chronic appendicitis. Usually he is able to reach a doctor without difficulty. Wednesday he was seized with an acute at-

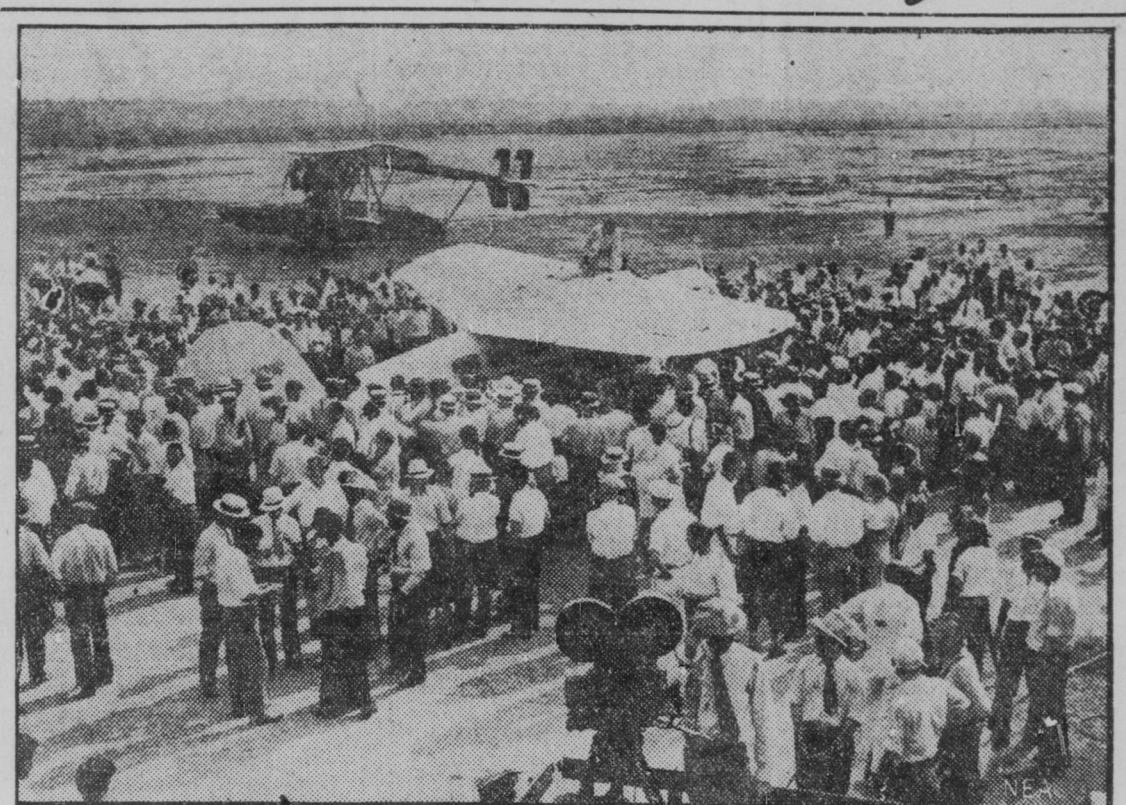
tack. He doubled up with pain, helpless to drive the rough roads to the city.

About this time, Fred Steves was flying his airplane around in a trial spin. As he flew over Penny's ranch, he was startled to see a man waving wildly. He waved back, but the ground dweller's gyrations only became more fur-

ious. Steves landed in a meadow, learned the situation and took Penny aboard.

The rancher, was on the table of an operating room in the San Diego hospital less than an hour later. Physicians said today the success of Penny's pioneering in airplane hitch-hiking undoubtedly saved his life.

## 'And the Winnie' Really Did



Touching ground in the United States for the first time after their flight around the world in eight and one-half days, the Winnie Mae, fleet monoplane of Wiley Post and Harold Gatty is shown here, surrounded by a cheering crowd, as the fliers paused at Cleveland for a few minutes before taking off again for New York on the last lap of their record-breaking trip. They had flown nearly 15,000 miles across two oceans and strange lands in the fastest journey ever undertaken by man.

## BURWELL HURLS FOR TRIBESMEN

Double-Header Winds Up Indian-Toledo Series.

Indians ..... 021 0  
Hens ..... 100 1

By Times Special

SWAYNE FIELD, TOLEDO, July 2.—Emmett McCann's Indians and Casey Stengel's Mud Hens clashed in a double-header here today to wind up the current series, Friday's game having been moved up. Bill Burwell was assigned to the Tribe mound in the first tilt and he was opposed by the Toledo ace, George Connolly, who was seeking his thirteenth victory.

The catchers were Angley and Devormer. Weather was partly cloudy and extremely hot. Clayton and Johnson umpired.

Bond Issue Sold

Bond issue of \$245,000 for the payment of municipal debts today was sold to the Fletcher Trust Company by William L. Elder, city controller. Premium on the issue was \$7,517.

## LAUNCH FIGHT TO FREE MRS. WITT

Action in Jackson Death Case Is Shifted to New Front.

Legal defense in the Lafayette A. Jackson murder case today shifted with the spotlight of motions and writs focused on Mrs. Naomi Witt, wife of Charles Vernon Witt, one of the suspects in the slaying.

Mrs. Witt was arrested last week following the capture of her husband. She is held in the county jail on vagrancy charges under bond of \$5,000.

In M. Holmes, attorney for Witt and his alleged gunman companion, Louis E. Hamilton, also charged with first degree murder in connection with the slaying of Mr. Jackson, was to file a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in a county court this afternoon.

The petition was signed by Merrill M. Judd, cousin of the woman, and alleged that she has been held without specific charges since last Friday with bail "one hundred times higher than a vagrancy bond."

Holmes made two demands on police today for trial of Mrs. Witt, her release or the filing of specific charges. Police took no action in the case and the court action followed.

Denying they signed confessions that they took part in the fatal shooting of Mr. Jackson, Witt and Hamilton today prepared their fight to avoid conviction on the murder charge which makes the death penalty mandatory upon a guilty finding by jury. The trial is set for July 13.

## ACTRESS WILL MARRY

Lady Jean Inverclyde to Divorce Lord and Wed Director.

By United Press

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., July 2.—Lady Jean Inverclyde, English stage actress, admitted today that she plans to marry Lothar Mendes, screen director, after divorcing Lord Inverclyde at Reno, on grounds of cruelty.

"When I receive my divorce, I shall wait a while before re-marrying in hopes that Lord Inverclyde will file a suit in England," the actress said. "When I am certain he will not, I shall marry Mendes and renounce England."

## MRS. LESLIE BETTER

Wife of Governor Reported in Favorable Condition Today.

Mrs. Harry G. Leslie, wife of the Governor, was reported in favorable condition at St. Anthony's hospital at Michigan City today, where she underwent an emergency operation for appendicitis Wednesday. The Governor and Mrs. Leslie have been spending the week at their summer home at Dunes state park.

## DISPUTE FLARES IN CHINA

CHANGCHUNG, China, July 2.—Fighting broke out between armed Chinese villagers and Korean settlers at the town of Wanaphan after a dispute over rice fields, it was reported here today.

## HOOSIER'S GUESTS KILLED

By Times Special

NEWCASTLE, Ind., July 2.—While en route to their home in Davenport, Ia., after a two-weeks visit with relatives here, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Schuffman were killed, and a daughter injured, in an automobile accident at Annawan, Ia., sixty miles from their home.

## INJUNCTION SUIT LOOMS AGAINST TOW-IN LAW

Suit for an injunction restraining enforcement of the impounding clause of the new city ordinance appeared more probable today after a

committee of business men met in offices of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board.

Henry A. Roberts, chairman of the original committee, named a smaller body to investigate various angles of the clause, and decide whether suit should be filed.

Frank Fishback is chairman of this committee. J. Shaffer and Emory S. Conner are members.

Roberts said that Ralph Kane, attorney, had advised him the ordinance is not legal.

More than 2,000 business men downtown have petitioned to remove the clause from the bill.

## Fight on WKBF

WKBF will join the network of the National Broadcasting Company at 9 Friday night to broadcast the Young Stripling-Max Schmeling heavyweight championship fight in Cleveland.

## COOL WEATHER DUE IN TONIGHT

Temperatures Around 70 Are Promised.

New heat record for the year was set at 1:05 this afternoon when the mercury rocketed to 98.5. This also set an all-time July 2 record. The former year's record was 98.4, set last Sunday.

With the end of the torrid wave of nearly two weeks predicted in the next twelve hours, the mercury this afternoon climbed unhindered to within one degree of the all-time record for July.

Standing at 97 at 1 p. m., the thermometer apparently was un-mindful of the sure-fire assertion of weather experts that cooler weather will descend on Indianapolis tonight.

According to the forecast, temperatures would drop to near 70 degrees during the night, and showers are scheduled to accompany the break of the heat grip.

Cool weather is predicted to stay in central west sections until late Saturday. The bureau would not carry its predictions further.

Indianapolis was cooled somewhat Wednesday afternoon by a freak thunderstorm that struck in several places in and near Indianapolis, taking a toll of two lives, which increased the heat wave death toll to ten since last Saturday.

Eugene Lambert, 5, of 409 Regent street, was killed instantly when lightning struck a tree under which he was standing, and struck the boy in the neck.

Roscoe Horn, Negro, 49, of 901 Pace street, was killed by lightning while seeking shelter from the rain under a tree at Camp Sullivan.

## Hourly Temperatures

6 a. m. .... 76 10 a. m. .... 92  
7 a. m. .... 78 11 a. m. .... 93  
8 a. m. .... 86 12 noon .... 92  
9 a. m. .... 88 1 p. m. .... 97

## KILLER SURRENDERS

Explains His Conscience Troubled Him.

By United Press

CINCINNATI, July 2.—Samuel Unikel, 38, gambler and ex-convict, explained today that his conscience troubled him after he killed Herman Marcus, roadside owner, in a card game quarrel, and that was why he surrendered although police had only vague clues to his identity.

Unikel walked into the Fillmore street station Wednesday night and announced, "I'm the man you're looking for." Sergeant Sidney Sullivan looked at him in surprise.

"The man who killed Marcus," Unikel explained.

He shot Marcus a month ago, because their card game was "crooked," he said.

## Wanted Big Steak

"There is only one thing that suits the occasion," they said, "and that is the thickest steak in the house." It was forthcoming, together with consommé and cold cuts. They drank no coffee, and water was the only beverage on the table.

Meanwhile Post was explaining his fondness for steaks.

"We had nothing in Russia but black bread and water," he said. "And while we never went hungry, since we always had plenty of both in the plane, we are certainly ready for something different."

There was one disappointment in an otherwise joyous occasion. While little Mrs. Post, beaming through her tears, was the first to greet her distinguished husband at the field, throwing her arms around him as his feet struck solid earth once more, Mrs. Gatty, delayed in her air journey to New York at Pittsburgh, missed the arrival and the early celebration and did not reach here until this morning.

The arrival of the fliers, in every way as spectacular as their flight itself, found 10,000 enthusiasts at Roosevelt Field to greet them with every noise-making device known to man. Yet, despite the enthusiasm behind the greeting arrangements for their reception were so well calculated that the event lacked many of the unfortunate incidents that have characterized similar receptions in the past.

## GOTHAM ROARS GREETINGS TO WORLD FLIERS

City Outdoes Itself to Pay Tribute to New Air Trail Blazers.

BOTH TIRED, BUT HAPPY

Post Likened to Coolidge in Razzing for Short Radio Speech.

By Sidney B. Whipple  
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, July 2.—Wiley Post and Harold Gatty, described by Mayor Walker as having "exceeded the speed limit and made more mileage in nine days than I ever heard of before," received a roaring reception from New York today in honor of their 8 days, 15 hours, 51 minutes flight around the world.

From breakfast to lunch these two men, who brought their plane Winnie Mae to a landing at Roosevelt field Wednesday night, were feted with a bedlam of fog and automobile horns, steamboat whistles, and cheers.

They were roused after eight hours sleep and went forth into a paper shower in midtown; were taken by motor to the Hudson river amidst cheers; taken down the river on the Macon to the symphony of big and little boat horns, including those of the Leviathan and Aquatania and escorted up Broadway amid ticker tape and through a milling throng estimated to equal that which greeted Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh.

They were greeted from the air by fellow fliers; received officially by Mayor Walker and the municipal reception committee at the city hall and given medals by the city; escorted back up Fifth avenue where thousands of shoppers paused and lined the thoroughfare to shout a welcome; and finally were returned to their hotel for a luncheon given by the mayor.

Afternoon of Rest

An afternoon of rest was in store for them.

Endless streams of ticker tape were tossed as the bareheaded fliers—Post in a dark blue suit and Gatty in a summer-weight light-colored suit—passed in view and waved greetings. The fliers were tired, but happy. Their wives, Vera Gatty and May Post, the former in white and the latter in a smart blue costume, appeared radiantly happy as they watched the reception to their husbands.

F. C. Hall, backer of the flight, was inconspicuous in the background but beaming over the heat of his protegee, Post, the "greatest pilot in the world—bar none."

Post, called upon for a radio speech in acceptance of the city honors, said merely:

"It is beyond the power of words to express my appreciation to you, Mr. Mayor, and to the others."

Quotes Coolidge

This caused Dr. John H. Finley, chairman of the reception committee, to remark:

"I don't think Calvin Coolidge could have done any better."

Gatty was called to the microphone and he also made a brief acknowledgment of the reception. Then the mayor pinned on the lapel of each flier the official city medal, remarking:

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