

## Truman to Congratulate Reynolds, 'Bombshell' Crew

Pen Maker Rode Backward on Record Flight, 'Wouldn't Make Trip Again for \$100 Million'

NEW YORK, April 16 (U. P.).—Milton Reynolds, who rode around the world sitting backwards in his converted bomber, will go to Washington today with the other two crew members of his globe-girdling Bombshell.

There they will receive the congratulations of President Truman for a record-breaking flight of 78 hours, 55 minutes and 56 seconds. The historic flight ended last night at 11:09:56 (Indianapolis time) when Capt. William Odom set the plane down at La Guardia field, where it took off at 1:11 p. m. Saturday.

The Bombshell lopped 12 hours, 18 minutes and four seconds off the record of 90 hours and 14 minutes set by movie-maker Howard Hughes in 1931. Mr. Hughes' route across Russia was some 6000 miles shorter than that flown by Mr. Reynolds.

Mr. Reynolds made that trip again for a hundred million dollars, the 54-year-old millionaire pen maker said as he stepped down from the plane.

All three fliers showed the effects of their three days in the air. But they were happy as they emerged from the cockpit and waved to the crowd of 2000 persons waiting at the field and pushed through 250 reporters, photographers and news-reel men.

Happiest of all was T. Carroll Sallee, flight engineer, who will be married tomorrow to Patricia Houlihan, 19, of Garden City Long Island. Miss Houlihan, whose home is in Cody, Wyo., loaned Mr. Sallee \$3 when he took off so he wouldn't have to fly around the world broke.

She was waiting for the plane at the field with the wives of Mr. Reynolds and Capt. Odom.

Mr. Reynolds said the worst part of the flight was the 2000 miles from Edmonton to New York. The plane ran into ice and fog between Minneapolis and Detroit. Prior to that the heater broke and the oxygen supply gave out, forcing them to come down to 11,000 feet and cut their speed for the final run.

Only 300 gallons of gasoline remained in the Bombshell's fuel tanks when it set down at La Guardia.

Trouble plagued the plane almost from the outset of the trip. Its radio went out over the Atlantic and the front landing wheel became loose at Cairo. In addition, it was forced to turn back and land at Adak in the Aleutians after fighting strong headwinds over the North Pacific.

But despite the trouble, the plane smashed records on almost every lap of the flight.

Capt. Odom said the toughest part of the flight was "flying the hump" over the Himalayas at night. He said the fastest speed on the trip was 420 miles an hour over the North Atlantic.

## Phone Union Appeals to Public

Both Sides Reject Arbitration Plan

WASHINGTON, April 16 (U. P.).

The National Federation of Telephone Workers (independent) will present to the public tonight its reasons for refusing to end the 10-day-old national telephone strike.

The N. F. T. W. announced that its president, Joseph Biernie, will broadcast on the ABC network at 7:15 p. m. (Indianapolis time) an answer to Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach's radio talk last night.

Both the N. F. T. W. and the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. rejected a strike-ending arbitration proposal by Mr. Schwellenbach. The secretary last night called on the public to "demand of each side" that it change its mind.

Mr. Biernie said the company would have to make a wage offer first and that the strike would go on until the company makes such an offer.

Demand \$12 Weekly

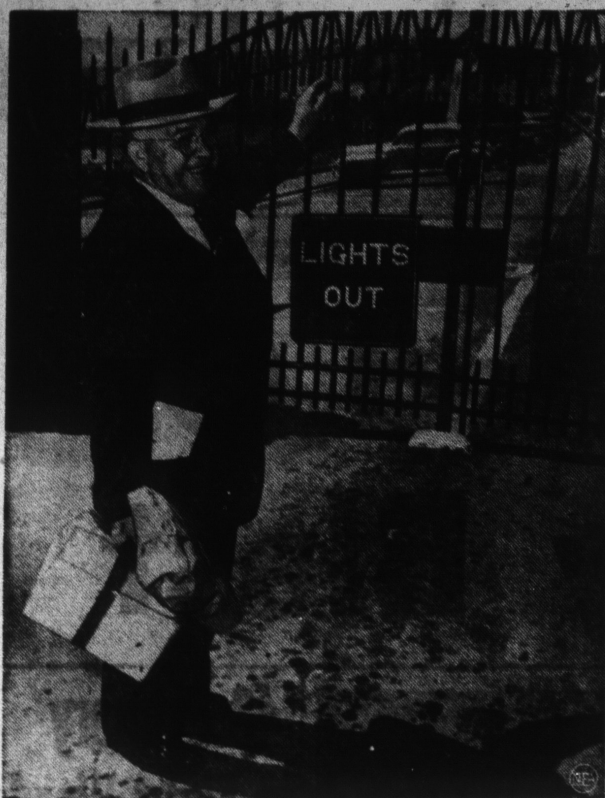
"The health and safety and the welfare of the people of the United States depend upon the constant maintenance of the telephone industry," Mr. Schwellenbach said. "I am asking you who want telephone service and who pay the telephone bills to demand of each side that they accept the proposal."

Mr. Biernie said he did not think the N. F. T. W.'s top policy committee would "seriously consider" any government or company proposal that failed to include a specific offer on the union's demand for a \$12-weekly pay boost.

Some government officials believed the union might be ready to call off the strike for an immediate \$5 to \$8 weekly wage increase with other issues left to arbitration. Mr. Biernie declined comment on such speculation.

Seek to Honor Hero

NEW YORK, April 16 (U. P.).—A resolution to name the new Brooklyn-Battery tunnel the "Hercules Mulligan tunnel" after a revolutionary war Irish hero who twice saved the life of George Washington has been introduced in city council.



AVAILABLE—Wee Francis Van Wie, 60, famed "carbarn Casanova" who once made headlines by admitting marriage to 13 women all at one time, leaves San Quentin prison, Cal., on parole. Sentenced to 10 years in 1945, Van Wie won release through a model prison record and a leniency plea by the judge who sentenced him.

## Propose to Relax Ban on Parking

Won't Hurt Traffic, Engineers Believe

Relaxation of some parking restrictions placed on the mile square last year is being considered today by city officials.

Curb parking on almost every major street in the downtown area is prohibited.

After observing the effects of the parking bans on movement of traffic, the engineers have expressed belief some of the restrictions can be lifted.

Traffic Engineer Frank Y. Hardy and Police Traffic Inspector Audrey Jacobs said they are of the opinion that parking can be allowed along certain thoroughfares without slowing down rush hour traffic.

Committee to Meet

A meeting of a special traffic committee, consisting of Mr. Hardy, Inspector Jacobs, Thomas R. Jacob, city engineer; Noble P. Hollister, city plan director, and William H. Book, executive vice president of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, will be held soon to determine where parking will be permitted.

Meanwhile, Mr. Hollister is continuing work on plans for off-street parking installations in the downtown area.

Sites for four municipal parking structures have been selected, but no move has been made yet to acquire property or start work on the project.

## Death of Woman Held 'Natural'

Dr. William Dublin, city hospital pathologist, told the coroner's office today his autopsy of Mrs. Eva Wall, 57, of 2336 Wheeler st., disclosed death was "probably due to natural causes."

Mrs. Wall's body was found a block from her home early this morning.

Robert Davidson, 33, her nephew, told police he attended a drinking party with Mrs. Wall, but lost track of her as he was bringing her home. He and Lee Wall, 65, her husband, went out to search for Mrs. Wall after Mr. Davidson returned alone. They found her lying in a vacant lot.

Police said there were no marks of violence on her body. Relatives said she had been suffering from heart disease.

Police said Mr. Davidson had told them the drinking party was held at a home at 2939 Eastern ave.

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## Local Politics—

## Barred Candidate To Seek Probe

Weimer Plans to Take Case to Prosecutor

Lawrence Weimer, 1149 Tecumseh st., who said he "fired" for the Republican "majority nomination but didn't get on the ballot, today said he plans to ask the prosecutor's office to investigate the matter.

He said he filed his declaration of candidacy at the county clerk's office at 11:55 p. m. April 8, just before the midnight deadline.

He said he filled out a declaration form and was told to take it to the "front desk." At this desk, he said, was Frank Noll Jr., city clerk.

Threatening Phone Calls

Later, he said, he learned that County Clerk A. Jack Tilson reported that his declaration got in his (Tilson) hands 10 minutes after the deadline.

Mr. Weimer said the next day he received several threatening telephone calls.

"One woman who did not give her name told me to get out of the race or we will cause you trouble," he said.

He received other phone calls, he said, some of them threatening him and others offering money to get out of the race.

Signed and Stamped

County Clerk Tilson said Mr. Weimer's declaration never was filed with him.

"The only thing I saw was signed and stamped by the city clerk and under the law I can't accept filings with the city clerk unless they also are filed with my office," Mr. Tilson said.

"So far as I am concerned, Mr. Weimer never did file with the county clerk."

Mr. Noll said Mr. Weimer had called him earlier and made arrangements to meet him at the court house.

Accepted Declaration

"It has been the practice of some candidates to file with both the city and county clerks in order to avoid any legal question since this is a municipal election," Mr. Noll said.

"I met him as agreed and I accepted his declaration and filed it, thinking, of course, that the candidate also had filed with the county clerk."

Asserts Hickman Didn't Make Speech

Mrs. Hollie A. Shideler, vice president of the Washington Township Republican club, today said a speaking program schedule issued by Roy E. Hickman, G. O. P. mayoralty candidate, was erroneous.

She said Mr. Hickman listed one of his speeches before the Washington Township club last Monday night.

"Mr. Hickman did not make a speech at that meeting," she said.

## 2 Dead, 6 Hurt in Crashes On Wet Streets, Highways

Two persons were dead and six others injured today as the result of traffic accidents on wet streets and highways last night.

The dead were: John Lowe Jr., 21, of 5820 N. New Jersey st.

William Berry, 63, of 542 E. Maple rd.

Mr. Lowe, a student at Butler university, was fatally injured when he lost control of his car and swerved into the path of a truck at Road 67 west of Sunnyside rd. last night. He died at 1 a. m. today at City hospital.

Truck Driver Injured

The driver of the truck, Raymond LeFevre of Dunkirk, Ind., was injured and taken to Veterans hospital.

Mr. Lowe, a graduate of Shortridge high school was a member of Meridian Heights Presbyterian church and Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He served during world war II as a sergeant and was wounded in Germany.

Services will be at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow in Flanner & Buchanan mortuary.

Mr. Lowe is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lowe, and a brother, David, all of Indianapolis.

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The driver lost control of the car, sideswiping parked cars owned by Garnet Hill, 5147 Rosslyn ave., and Annet Glick, 5163 Washington blvd.

The car struck Bert Clark, 917 E. 19th st., standing beside the Hill car. Mr. Clark is in City hospital where his condition is fair.

Car Overturns

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## Four Are Hanged In Jerusalem

British Army Veteran Goes to Gallows

By ELIAV SIMON  
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JERUSALEM, April 16. — Dov Gruner, a British army veteran, and three other Jewish underground men were hanged in Acre prison today while 100,000 British soldiers stood guard against expected reprisal attacks.

Irgun Zvai Leumi, the underground organization to which Gruner and the other three executed men belonged, has warned repeatedly that it would wage a veritable war against the British if Gruner died.

Cunningham to Stay

Coincident with the new crisis, a British public information officer denied reports that Sir Alan Cunningham, British high commissioner for Palestine, would resign.

Strong army forces blocked all roads of northern Palestine leading to Acre. The hangings were secret without advance public warning.

A curfew was imposed on the Jewish quarters of Palestine almost simultaneously with the execution. All Jews in the area were told not to leave their houses. Military searches were carried out in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa at the same time.

Police arrested three underground leaders near Hadera today. The trio was believed to be preparing an attack on a British army patrol. Police described the arrests as "very important."

Placards Appear

Two hours after the curfew began placards appeared in the streets reading, "Life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, burning for burning."

An Irgun Zvai Leumi underground radio broadcast asserted "10 senior British officers will be hanged in the streets of Jewish Palestine for every one of our martyrs."

Legal efforts to save 33-year-old Gruner were carried in vain all the way to the judicial committee of the privy council in London, highest judicial authority in the British empire. He was condemned to death by a British military court for participation in an underground raid on the Ramat Gan police station five weeks after his release from the army.

Gruner refused to seek clemency. He denied that the British had legal authority in Palestine and demanded status as a prisoner of war.

Informers Naturalized

OTTAWA, April 16 (U. P.).—Igor Gouzenko, former Soviet embassy cipher clerk who tipped off the Canadian government to a huge Soviet spy ring, has been granted Canadian citizenship, it was learned today.

Mr. Gouzenko, 35, was born in Russia and came to Canada in 1935. He was a member of the Soviet spy ring and was arrested in 1945.

He was sentenced to 30 years in prison but was released in 1946. He has since lived in Canada and has been a member of the Canadian parliament.

He was granted Canadian citizenship today. He is now a member of the Canadian parliament.

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