

CHICAGO WINNER OF BALLOON RACE

**Big Bag Floats Seventy-three
Miles Before Stop-
ping.**

BAD GAS HINDERS CONTEST.

**UNABLE TO SAIL THE DISTANCE
BECAUSE OF THIS—POMMERN,
BIG GERMAN BALLOON, WAS
DEFEATED.**

St. Paul, July 20.—All of the five balloons which started from St. Paul Saturday in an effort to surpass the world's distance and endurance record, have landed, the Chicago, owned by C. A. Coey, of Chicago, winning the contest by traveling a distance of 73 miles in an air line.

The Pommern, which the last to report landed Sunday at 10:30 a. m., near Warsaw, Minn., about 72 miles from St. Paul.

C. A. Coey, pilot of the Chicago, wired from Blooming Prairie, Minn., where he landed, as follows:

"Landed on farm of O. P. Brooten at 11:25 a. m. Our trip was the most enjoyable one yet. While we are somewhat disappointed in the short distance made, yet the slow pace gave us a most beautiful opportunity to see the country. Had the gas been good we would at least have broken the endurance record, as the wind currents were favorable. At 10:30 a. m. we were traveling so low that our drag rope anchored us and held us prisoners for over 1/2 hour.

"We broke loose by rocking the basket and soon were sailing on. At 7:27 a. m. we sighted Mr. Thomas in the Pommern. We noticed that he was in a strata moving north, so we rose above him and at an altitude of 1,200 feet we found a current which took us southwest.

"As the Pommern was below the clouds we lost sight of her. Have nothing to regret. We stayed up as long as we possibly could on account of poor gas."

Lee Stevens, director of the race, in explaining the failure of the aeronauts to sail greater distances than they accomplished, said that the lifting power of the gas was not as great as they had counted on, and that consequently the balloons were unable to carry near the amount of ballast needed for a long flight.

The distance in a balloon race is measured in a line from the starting point to the landing point and not by the total number of miles traveled. A table of the air line distances traveled by the balloons that have landed, compiled this evening follows:

King Edward, 24 miles.

America, 58 miles.

United States, 55 miles.

Chicago, 73 miles.

NINETY-ONE MARRIAGES IN MONTH OF JUNE

All Parties Resided Outside of
Richmond.

Ninety-one marriages were consummated in Wayne county, outside of Richmond during the quarter closing June 30, according to the report of Dr. G. H. Grant, county health officer. Of this number the contracting parties in eighty-four ceremonies were white and in seven colored. Only one of the 182 persons married was foreign born. Two grooms were under twenty years of age and nine brides had not reached this age. As is customary the greatest number of "marriagables" was between the ages of twenty and thirty. Fifty-six grooms and sixty-one brides were within these limits. Four grooms and two brides were between fifty and sixty years of age.

Dr. Grant's return of contagious and infectious diseases for the same quarter shows measles led the list. Nineteen cases were reported. Smallpox ranked second. Fourteen cases were reported. The number is larger than is customary. Typhoid fever ranked third with thirteen cases. Four cases of tuberculosis, seven of diphtheria and three of scarlet fever were reported, making a total of sixty cases of infectious and contagious diseases.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Of all the words in the English language "don't tell" are paid the least attention.

The only trouble with experience as a teacher is that the knowledge she gives comes too late.

The trouble with the average father being prepared for a rainy day is that his daughter's wedding day gets him first.

Don't cultivate that habit of looking for something to worry about. You may some day have your search rewarded.

Sometimes people complain of their individuality being crushed out when it would really be the best thing that could happen to them.

Gratitude is a strange thing. You never find it where it should be found but in cases where there is seemingly little or nothing to be grateful for it abounds.—*Atchison Globe*.

WIDOW OF GAMBLING KING IS POOR AND DESERTED BY CHILDREN.



MRS. DORA McDONALD.

Mrs. McDonald is the woman whose connection with the killing of young artist Webster Guerin made her the central figure in one of the greatest murder mysteries Chicago has ever known, and is now alone and penniless and deserted by her children and relatives. Friends say she is in New York without money. She is the widow of "Mike" McDonald, the gambling king.

FRUIT CROP WILL BE SHORT THIS YEAR

MEN ARE RESCUED FROM SINKING SHIP

Several Causes at Work at the
Present Time.

Campers Make Wild Ride in
Autos for Help.

Immense quantities of fruit have been blown from the trees by the high winds that prevailed during the recent thunder storms. In many orchards the ground is covered with fruit and the prospects are for a very small crop of apples, plums and pears. The pears weathered the late spring frosts in better condition than almost any other kind of small fruit, but they have been unable to withstand the weather. Fruit growers report plums are being stung badly and that caterpillars have begun work on the leaves and branches of all varieties of trees.

Her Tongue.

Doctor (politely, but looking at his watch with visible impatience)—Pardon me, madam, but my time is not my own. You have given me all your symptoms in sufficient detail, and now perhaps you will kindly—er—ah—

Husband (not so considerate)—Maria, he doesn't want to hear your tongue any more. He wants to look at it—London Mall.

Three weeks ago the Chippewa, bound from Charleston to Boston, with a cargo of lumber and animals, went onto the rocks. Since then wreckers and a part of the crew have been aboard, attempting to float the ship. Sunday a heavy sea set in, and the twenty-four men aboard signaled for help. Campers saw the signals and, jumping into automobiles, they made a fast run to the Life Saving station, fourteen miles away, where they found Capt. Hedges and placed themselves under his command. A life gun was brought to the scene of the wreck, a line was shot to the vessel and the twenty-four men were brought ashore in the breeches buoy.

It is feared the Chippewa will be a total loss. She is valued at about \$600,000. The animals aboard, including alligators and ostriches, were taken off.

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Thermometer as High as 95
And as Low as 54.

WEATHER OF LAST WEEK CHANGEABLE

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