

AVIATOR, 30,700 FEET UP, FORCED DOWN BY COLD

Zero Weather Found by New York Man on Top Level of Earth's Atmosphere.

An altitude of 30,700 feet was reached by Roland Rohr, chief test pilot for the Curtiss Engineering Corporation, according to his barograph, in a flight from Roosevelt Field recently.

The best previous American record was that of Major R. W. Schroeder, U. S. A., who attained an altitude of 28,900 feet in a British-built Bristol machine, Sept. 18, last year. The world's record is claimed in behalf of Adjutant Casale, a Frenchman, who was reported last month to have reached a height of 33,136 feet.

After the flight of Rohr, the barograph was signed by the official witnesses and sent to the Aero Club of America to be corrected and authenticated. It may stand as the official world's altitude record.

Rohr found himself in a temperature of 25 degrees below zero with a wind blowing 100 miles an hour, when he reached the top of his climb of nearly six miles. The cold kept causing trouble with his engine. He cut up the pillow of his seat and tried to use the stuffing to protect parts of the engine from the cold, but this was blown away as fast as he put it in place.

He climbed out on his machine to cut a water pipe when he thought that cold water from the pipe was helping to chill the engine but found it difficult to ramble about his machine when it was at a height considerably greater than the summit of Mount Everett, and finally had to start downward without achieving the record credited to Casale. He said afterward that he believed he could have beaten Casale's record if the engine had been a little better protected against cold.

Air Too Thin.

The oxygen which the pilot breathed when so high that the air was too thin to sustain life of itself, was almost exhausted when he had finished with his desperate attempts to keep frost from invading the engine, and he had no assurance of keeping life in his body if he continued his efforts to a few thousand feet higher through the arctic blizzards he found at this height. During part of the flight he was forced to work his gasoline pump by hand. He was protected by a heavy fur-lined suit, with his face completely covered by a hood with inset goggles.

Rohr flew a Curtiss Wasp biplane equipped with a twelve-cylinder, 400-horse-power Kirkham motor. He tried out the climbing powers of the machine two weeks ago in an unofficial flight, in which he reported reaching a height of 31,000 feet. Numerous witnesses were called yesterday to make the flight official and the barograph was signed by Major J. E. Roselli, Major H. F. Miller, Lieut. Col. W. L. Moose, Jr., Captain A. F. Simonin, Colonel Archie Miller, Augustus Post, on behalf of the Aero Club of America; John T. Tarbox, Secretary of the Aero Club of America, and the pilot himself.

Machine Small One.

The barograph record will be exhaustively examined by air experts and mathematicians, to fix the official figures of the height. It was said that study of the record might result in placing the exact altitude achieved anywhere between 30,400 and 31,000 feet.

Rohr's machine weighed 1,900 pounds. It had a wing span of thirty-two feet and half an inch and was twenty-three feet over all in length. It was intended for use in the war as a two-place machine-gun fighting plane, but it was not ready before the armistice was signed.

Rohr will make another flight soon, with further protection for his engine, he hopes to ascend 35,000 feet.

Precautions Taken Against Ice Floes In Path Of Prince

(By Associated Press) ST. JOHNS, N.F., Aug. 9.—Special precautions against the possible presence of ice floes and bergs in the path of the battleship Renown, bringing the Prince of Wales to this colony and Canada, were taken today. It was announced that the cruiser Dauntless which preceded the escorting fleet to arrange for the prince's reception here would cruise about the Grand Banks for the purpose of locating ice and would then proceed to sea to escort the Renown to her anchorage in Conception bay. Several unusually large bergs have been reported in the vicinity of shipping lanes during the week.

Preparations for the royal visitor's reception were being hastened today. The cruiser Dragon, to which the prince will be transferred from the Renown, will enter this harbor Tuesday and will be escorted through long lines of gaily decorated naval and commercial craft. It is planned that the prince shall land at noon and after receiving homage from colonial and city officials will ride beneath eight great welcome arches.

Dogs Becoming Luxury, Thinks J. O. Edgerton

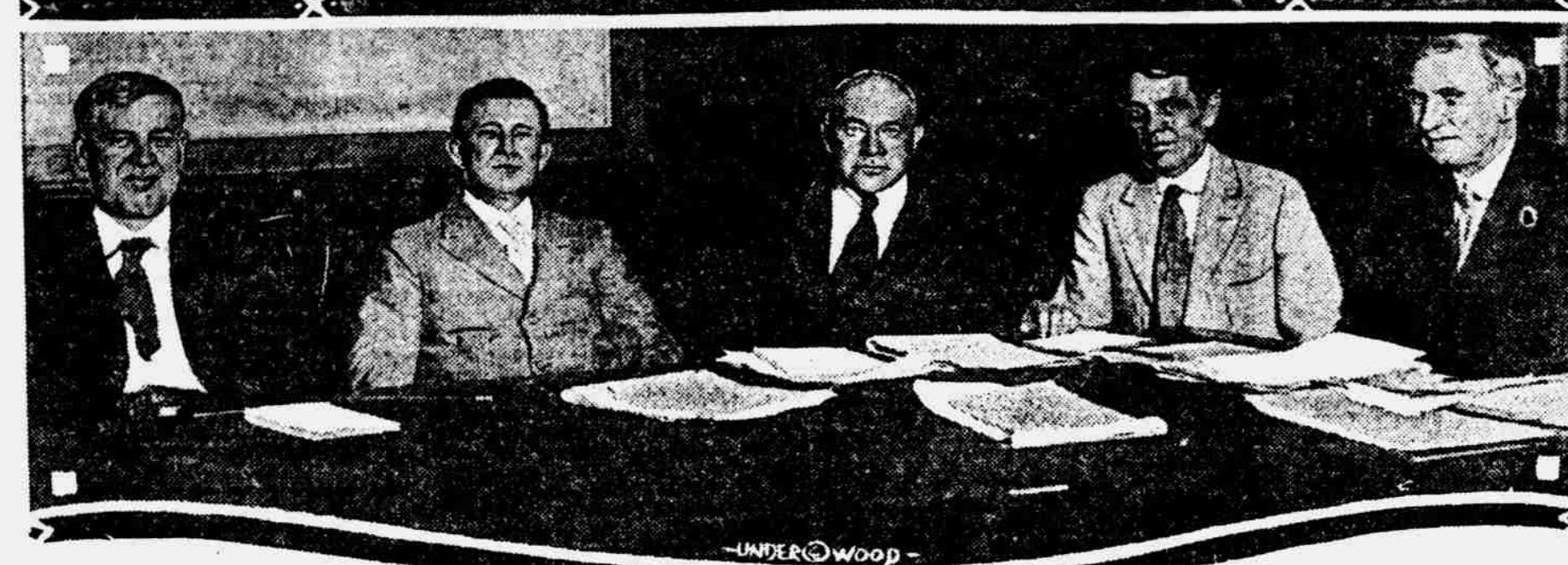
With the increase in the dog tax rate, and the closing of the loophole for escaping the payment of "second" dog taxes, dogs are rapidly becoming a luxury, according to J. O. Edgerton, township trustee. The tax rate for dogs has more than doubled under the new law, the taxes formerly being \$1 for "firsts" dogs and \$2 for each additional, and many less taxes are being paid than formerly.

Delinquent taxes are coming into the trustees office very slowly, according to Mr. Edgerton, and unless all taxes are paid by August 15, the names of the owners will be given to the prosecuting attorney for action.

The Persians have a different name for every day in the month.

An inventor has combined a cigar cutter with a watch for men.

Here Are Members of Senate Committee Who Are Investigating the High Cost of Living; Promise to Probe to Source Condition Confronting American Citizens Just Now



Senatorial high cost of living investigating committee in session.

The committee of United States senators named to investigate the high cost of living in the District of Columbia is hard at work, and its findings will be of nation-wide interest, since the cause of high living costs that operate in the national capital are at work all over the country. Committee members as shown in the picture are, left to right: Nathaniel B. Dial of South Carolina; Morris Sheppard of Texas; Davis Elkins of West Virginia; Arthur Capper of Kansas, and L. H. Ball of Delaware, chairman.

AT LAST! BOURGEOISIE, HATED BY RADICALS, HAVE DEFENDER

(Rocky Mountain News)

We beg leave to present to the reader a defender of the bourgeoisie. The bourgeoisie citizen, although in the great majority, is in need of a defender. Thomas Nixon Carver, professor of economics at Harvard, an American of international repute in his chosen field, has taken up the cudgels.

We know not of an able defender.

He is president of the American Economic Association. His works are text books on three continents. To him the middle class—the bourgeoisie of the internationalist and the imperialist—is the ballast of this country and any self-respecting country. The bourgeoisie to him is a "spiritual thing."

And it is something more: "Bourgeoisdom is a state of mind."

The pressure from above and beneath the bourgeoisie is suffering most. The man with a salary and the man with a fixed income are in the class. The profiteer above gets him; and the one below is waiting for him. His income in a sense is fixed; his rent, his clothes, his food, are double what they were when his income was fixed.

And yet our intelligent defender does not despair. The bourgeoisie is patient, long-suffering; but when he rises in his might, something happens.

Look at Winnipeg! The government seemed to be paralyzed; the red flag was in the ascendant; Bolshevism looked as if it had gained a firm hold.

Then when patience ceased to be a virtue the despised bourgeoisie rose quietly in its might and there was order.

Little of premeditated organization was involved. The untroubled business man said: "This thing has gone far enough; we will take sides."

Class of Peace.

The bourgeoisie is made up of men of peace," explained Professor Carver. "They have always been opposed by men of violence. All civilization is a bourgeoisie product. The Roman forum which became the center of Roman therefore world, civilization, was only the Roman market place, where the burghers of the city met to transact their burgher-bourgeois business with one another.

The physical and intellectual contests which resulted in such things as the Greek drama came into being for the satisfaction of the bourgeoisie traders there. The buildings and the statues which were erected there and elsewhere were the embodiments of bourgeoisie ideals and hopes. The Roman Renaissance was cradled in Florence, a bourgeoisie city.

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CUT RATE PROMISED ON ARMY SUPPLIES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—The war department made public today a complete price list on all subsistence stores available for sale to the public through the parcels post of through municipal selling agencies. Costs of the commodities to the government, the department said, had been disregarded entirely in fixing the prices of sale, which are materially lower than prevailing market rates.

Although only seventy-two food staples are enumerated in the price list, the itemized quotations owing to the variety of packing are quite lengthy. Quotations on some of the leading commodities are:

"Bacon, \$4.15 a can of 17 pounds; corned beef, 55 cents for a can of 1.36 pounds; baked beans, 5 cents for can of 1.14 pounds; sweet corn, 10 cents for 2.14 pounds; dry beans, \$8.49 for 100 pounds; crackers, 5 and 6 cents a pound; army flour, \$6 a 100 pounds; macaroni, 7 cents for 1.12 pounds; rolled oats, 12 cents for 2 pounds; seeded raisins, 10 cents a pound; rice, \$6.74 for 100 pounds; tomatoes, 9 cents for two pounds; can and white corn meal, \$3.50 for 100 pounds.

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Headliners Announced For Liberty Chautauqua

LIBERTY, Ind., Aug. 9.—Among the headliners for the Liberty Chautauqua, which begins its six-day program August 22, are Chenevot's Overseas Military band, The Williams Male Quartet, the Lillian Ringsdorf Concert company, George M. Palmer, and Columbia in Fairyland, Liberty play by local persons.

Other attractions are the Four Artists company, the Victory Four, the Clifford A. Foote trio, J. Claude Youdan, Thomas B. McGregor, Dr. F. E. Gordon, Anna Oleson, and Dr. Jessie Halsey.

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Three Misses Mary and Asenath Clark are spending a few weeks with relatives near Economy.... Mrs. W. W. Goodrich and children and Mrs. J. Vining Taylor and children are spending the month of August at Lake James.... Miss Florence Goodrich was hostess at a hand-somely appointed dinner Tuesday evening to Miss Evelyn Higginson of Muncie and Mr. and Mrs. John Jaqua and George Jaqua.... Miss Mary Alice Cheney entertained at cards, Monday evening, in honor of Miss Dorothy Frank of Gas City.

A few elevated and subway trains were operated during the night but the service was sporadic and the patronage extremely light. No surface cars were operated after 6 p. m. last night and the number out of the barns this morning was greatly inadequate for the traffic demands.

In an effort to settle the strike Lewis Nixon, public service commissioner, arranged to meet a committee of strikers and listen to their grievances.

In view of the declaration of Lindley M. Garrison, received for the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company, that he would not treat with a committee that represented the union, it was

Commissioner Nixon's plan to urge appointment of a representative delegation of all employees.

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