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PRACTICAL USE OF AEROPLANE

Season's Events in France Expected to Illustrate Great Advance Made in Aviation in Recent Years.

MACHINES MADE TO CARRY PASSENGERS

Flights from Paris to Madrid, Paris to Turin and Paris to London and Return Will Be Test for Experts.

PARIS, May 20.—The one thing to be deduced from the principal events for the approaching aeroplane season is that the day of the "circus" meeting has gone not to return. Public and aviator alike are tired of circling around the derricks of an aerodrome. The timid flutters of two years ago have been succeeded by long rambles from town to town. The practical application of the aeroplane is in sight, for machines have been constructed capable of carrying ten or twelve passengers.

A dozen schools in France are turning out pilots every day to add to the list of more than two hundred on the registers of the Aeronautical Federation. To provide a field for the ambition of these young birds, three great races have been arranged.

The first in date, and possibly also in difficulty, is that organized by the Petit Parisien, from Paris to Madrid, starting May 21. The journey has been divided into three stages—Paris to Angouleme, Angouleme to St. Sebastian, and St. Sebastian to Madrid.

The first and second stages seem quite easy. The real danger lies in the third stage, from St. Sebastian to Madrid. Aviators have to pass, according to the rules issued by the organizers, a distance of sixty or eighty kilometers over mountains nearly 4000 feet high. This race is endowed by the Petit Parisien, with a purse of $2,000 to the winner.

In addition the Spanish Aero Club gives prizes of $10,000. Twenty machines have been entered, the star flyer and prime favorite being Vendrines, who made such remarkable speed from Pau to Paris last month. Among the other competitors are Bobba, Divetain, the Prince de Nissole, Pierre Barrillon, Frank Barra, Le Lasseur de Ransay, Amerigo and Train. The second big event is the Paris to Rome and Turin flight scheduled for May 28. The prizes will total $100,000.

June will see the European circuit race from Paris to London and return. The flight will be begun on June 4 and occupy probably two weeks. The prizes aggregate $80,000 and already have attracted many entries.

Premier and Minister Injured.

ISSY LES MOULINEAUX, France, May 21.—Premier Monis and Henri Maurice Berteaux, minister of war in the Monis cabinet, were both seriously injured this morning by a falling aeroplane while watching the start of the Paris-Madrid flying race.

M. Berteaux has long been interested in the science of aviation. As long ago as 1905 he made a trip in the Levaudy military balloon.

ISSY LES MOULINEAUX, May 21. Minister Berteaux died within two hours after his injuries were received.

PRAISES SCOUT LAW

LONDON, May 20.—Addressing the Leicester Brigade of Boy Scouts, Lord Kitchener said: "The more I know of the scouts' organization the more admirable I think it is, and the more fully persuaded I am that it should appeal strongly to every father and mother who desire to bring up their sons well. It breaks down class prejudice, promotes comradeship, discipline, resourcefulness, self-reliance, and sympathy; its ideals are the highest Christianity and patriotism; and later, when these scouts are grown up, what prouder title can they each aspire to than to be known as a true man and pure patriot? That is what they are all now learning to become. The scout masters who have gone through the hard work of making this movement so successful, must be well pleased with the result of their labors when they see these smart lads around them and consider their ever-increasing numbers and their improved moral, mental and physical condition. And you scouts, I feel sure already realize the benefits you have received by being members of this national association. There is one thought I would like to impress upon you: 'Once a scout always a scout.' You will find scout law and scout training very useful throughout life, so never allow scouting to be looked upon as a game. That is over. Keep it going as long as you are alive; as boy, as man, help it by all the means that lie in your power. And when we have a million men and boys, as I hope we shall have, imbued with the spirit of scouts, our nation may well be proud of its manhood."

VANCOUVER BOY KILLED

Log Rolls Over Little Son of Mr. A. E. Lees and Injures Him Fatally. Father Witnesses Accident.

VANCOUVER, May 20.—The seven-year-old son of Mr. A. E. Lees, chairman of the board of park commissioners, while rolling a medium sized log down the slope at Kitsilano Beach, was drawn in the path of the moving timber and had his head so badly crushed that he died in the hospital a few hours later. The accident occurred in the presence of the father who made an effort to save the lad, but the sweater which the victim wore gave way when he grasped it before the boy could be pulled out of danger.

New Brunswick Woods Ablaze.

FREDERICTON, N. B., May 20.—The forest fire situation in Carleton county has assumed a serious aspect. The flames have already burned over a district fifteen miles long and more than a mile wide.

Sad Case of Widow

VANCOUVER, May 20.—A pathetic human interest story came to light here yesterday when the Children's Aid Society of this city gathered in seven youngsters, all members of one family, ranging in ages from twenty-two months to nine years. The mother, who is a widow of a Cranbrook rancher, arrived in the city a few days ago. She had refused previous offers of the Society to take the children, but finally found the struggle too hard and was obliged to give them up. She is now seeking work here.

Second Narrows Bridge

VANCOUVER, May 20.—"Given no unforeseen delays we should be able to make a start on the Second Narrows bridge well within two months' time," today said Reeve McNaught of North Vancouver municipality, who returned last night from his successful mission to Ottawa in connection with the securing of a Dominion government grant toward the erection of the bridge. Reeve McNaught stated today that it had been settled in Ottawa that the authorities would give a grant of between $250,000 and $800,000 for the bridge. The money would go first to the V. W. & Y. company and then from that concern to the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company.

GOSSIP'S SCENT ROYAL ROMANCE

Incidents of Emperor William's Visit Cause Talk of Match Between Prince of Wales and Princess Louise.

LONDON, May 20.—The attention which Emperor William during his visit in London paid to the Prince of Wales, and the official announcement that the prince will visit Potsdam during the present summer, has given zest to the gossip regarding the possibility of a marriage between the Prince of Wales and Princess Victoria Louise, the only daughter of the German emperor. The princess, confiding to an intimate friend, is quoted as saying: "I don't want to be a Bavarian, a Wuerttemberger or a Viennese, I want to be English."

Emperor William, Empress Auguste and Princess Victoria Louise, left London today to rejoin the German Imperial yacht at Sheerness, from which port they will depart for home tomorrow after a visit to the British capital.

The Imperial visitors spent the week here more like tourists than members of royalty, having devoted all their spare time to sight-seeing.

King George and Queen Mary, together with other members of the royal family in London, bade farewell to the Imperial family at the railroad station. Big crowds gave the Emperor and Empress a hearty send-off.

AIRSHIP AT SEA

Wreckage Seen by People on White Star Liner Supposed to Be Remains of Dirigible.

QUEENSTOWN, May 20.—The White Star line steamer Celtic, which arrived here today, reports having passed the supposed remains of an airship yesterday in latitude 45.51, longitude 25.10. This was estimated to be 618 miles west of Fastnet.

The only airship not reasonably accounted for is the dirigible America, which Walter Wellman and the five members of his crew abandoned last October on their attempted flight across the Atlantic.

Uses Revolver in Row

VANCOUVER, May 20.—As the result of a row in a local hotel tonight a man named McCorkell is under arrest charged with shooting with intent. In the heat of an argument McCorkell drew a revolver and was just on the point of firing when he was grabbed and pushed through a large plate glass window. The gun was discharged, but the bullet went wide.

BABIES KILLED BY FIERCE HEAT

Excessive Mortality Among the Little Ones in Chicago During Recent Unseasonable Hot Spell.

TORRID WAVE FOLLOWED BY STORM

People Still Suffering in Northern Ohio—Tornado Demolishes Houses in Suburb of Joliet.

CHICAGO, May 20.—Fifty-three babies under one year old and most of them only a few weeks old, died during the four days of extreme heat, from May 16 to May 19, inclusive.

The mortuary records show that the babies died almost as rapidly as they came. Unseasonable heat, spoiled milk, bad ventilation and improper care were given by physicians as causes of death.

The police today also announced that nearly a score of children, boys and girls, from 10 to 14 years old, had been reported missing during the hot days. The police believe many of them have wandered from the city.

Light showers in the afternoon and a heavy electrical storm before sundown brought to an end today to the week of burning hot weather which has prostrated citizens in numbers previously unheard of at this time of the year. In addition, the electrical storm wrought havoc in telephone and telegraph wires.

The first trouble to electrical wires was reported not many miles from Chicago, north and west, but later wires to the east began to give way, indicating that the disturbance was moving across the north central states toward the Atlantic seaboard.

Still Hot in Ohio

CLEVELAND, O., May 20.—Cleveland and Northern Ohio suffered another day of record-breaking heat for this time of year, today. There were five prostrations and increased mortality among babies.

Damage at Joliet

JOLIET, Ills., May 20.—Wind and hail did many thousands of dollars of damage in Joliet and Will county today Rockdale, a suburb, was the centre of a small tornado. Several brick and frame houses were demolished and orchards and crops were partly destroyed One man was killed by a broken trolly wire.

BRAZIL DEPORTS DANGEROUS MEN

Alleged that Seven Hundred Mutineers and Criminals Have Been Sent Away on Steamer from Capital.

WISH TO AVOID FURTHER MUTINIES

RIO JANEIRO, May 20.—The Rio Janeiro newspapers publish a story alleging the deportation from Brazil by the order of the government of seven hundred men, including mutineers and criminals, on board the steamer Satellite. As a result, Barbosa Lima, a member of the opposition, today asked for an explanation in the chamber of deputies, and the brother of President Fonseca, leader of the government, promised that the president would make an explanation later. According to the story, the Satellite left Rio Janeiro on December 26 last with seven hundred men condemned to deportation.

A mutiny occurred on January 1. This was quelled and twelve men were sentenced to be shot. Nine were shot and three jumped overboard. Several escaped and the others were landed at Porto Antonio, the terminal of the Madeira-Mammore railroad on the Madeira river, a tributary of the Amazon.

Within the last seven months, there have been two revolts in Brazil—one in the navy and the other in the naval barracks on Corbas island, near Rio Janeiro. Recently there have been fears of further outbreaks among naval men, and it is possible that the Brazilian government in deporting the mutineers is taking measures to prevent further revolts.

KILLS SCHOOLMATE

Tragedy Results From Handling of Loaded Revolver by Young Girl at Bremerton

BREMERTON, Wash., May 20.—Little Gertrude Acton lies at her home sobbing as if her heart would break because she shot and killed her schoolmate, Essie Baldwin. During the absence of her mother, Essie invited Gertrude, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Y. J. Acton, of this city, to spend the afternoon at her house.

While Essie, aged 15, was searching through a bureau drawer for something to play with, she discovered a revolver. She tossed it on the bed and continued her search. The Acton girl picked up the weapon and pulled the hammer once. She then looked into the chambers, and seeing no cartridges, decided it was empty. She advanced toward her playmate, pulling the trigger.

Essie cried: "I am shot," and leaned against Gertrude for support.

The latter led her into the open air and allowed her to sit down on the back porch.

"I am going away now, Gertie,' kiss me," murmured the dying girl as her arms encircled the neck of her little playmate, and she became unconscious.

Gertrude rushed to the telephone and summoned a doctor, but Essie died a few seconds after his arrival. A bullet had passed through her body close to the heart.

The girls were classmates and both had received the good news yesterday that they had passed the eighth grade examinations, qualifying them to enter the high school.

The dead girl was 15 years old, and Gertrude is nearly a year her junior.

The tragedy occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Baldwin, parents of Essie, at 368 Sixth street, shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Baldwin was in Seattle at the time.

The grief-stricken father went at once to Seattle to inform in person the mother of the unfortunate girl.

Fire in Mining Town.

PORCUPINE, Ont., May 20.—Fire is raging here. The school and the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway hospital have been destroyed and many residences are in danger. Pottsville, South Porcupine and Pearl Lake are also fighting fires.

MULTI-MILLIONAIRE VISITING VICTORIA

Mr. J. A. Humbird, Partner of Mr. Frederick Weyerhauser, Has Unbounded Faith in B. C. Lumber Industry.

A notable millionaire guest in the city at present is Mr. John A. Humbird, of Minneapolis, who, with Mrs. Humbird is making what he looks upon as his annual pilgrimage to British Columbia. Mr. Humbird is the partner of Mr. Frederick Weyerhauser, also of Minneapolis, their firm being the largest owners of timber limits in the world, and its holdings being in half a dozen states of the union, and also in this province. Mr. Humbird and his partner are owners of the big plant of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturering Company at Chemainus on this island, where they have some of the largest and best berths of timber remaining on the Coast. They own, too, the famous Potlach sawmill at Sandpoint, Idaho, described as the largest plant of its kind in existence, its only rival being the mill of the Canadian Western Lumber company at Fraser Mills, near New Westminster. Mr. Humbird will spend a few days at Chemainus during his visit here. He and Mr. Weyerhauser have unbounded faith in the outlook for the British Columbia lumber industry. Last year they disposed of one of their Vancouver Island timber tracts to the Western Canadian Lumber company for $3,500,000 cash. Mr. Humbird is personally rated as worth $40,000,000.

Endurance Bowling Record

BALTIMORE, May 20.—A new endurance bowling record was made here tonight when two five-men teams of this city finished a 24-hour match. The Victoria team, with a total score of 22,708 for forty half games, won from the Sawyer Smith team whose score was 22,445.

Mr. Gill Withdraws Charges

SEATTLE, Wash., May 20.—Former Mayor Hiram C. Gill sent a communication to the grievance committee of the Bar association today withdrawing the charges filed by him several weeks ago against Superior Court Judge Wilson R. Gay. In his communication Mr. Gill assumed all responsibility for the withdrawal of the charges, which alleged misconduct on the part of Judge Gay, and asked that the entire matter be dropped.

Mr. F. M. Hillis, C.E., of the engineering forces of the Canadian Northern Pacific, has arrived here from Chilliwack to join the company's Island corps in the field.

SITE SELECTED FOR STEEL PLANT

Mr. Owen, Representing English Capitalists, Says Industry Will be Established on Bank of Pitt River.

GROUND ADJACENT TO C. P. R. YARDS

Construction to be Undertaken as Soon as Plans Are Ready — Furnaces and Rolling Mills Proposed.

VANCOUVER, May 20.—Announcement of the location of a proposed steel plant at Pitt Meadows was made today by Mr. W. Owen, M.E., of London, Eng. The site will be on a 200-acre tract on the east bank of the Pitt river, just north of the C.P.R. bridge, and directly across the river from the two-mile strip recently purchased by the C.P.R. for shops and railway yards. Mr. Owen visited British Columbia last year in connection with the same project. He has been here for the past two months looking over the field.

"I have just acquired, on behalf of British capitalists identified with the steel industry, a 200-acre site for a similar enterprise on the Pitt river, with a frontage of 2000 feet on the east bank. It is an ideal location and will be even better if the proposed canal from the river to Burrard Inlet is ever built," said Mr. Owen to a representative of The Colonist at the Hotel Vancouver.

"Iron ore will be conveyed in scows up the Fraser and Pitt rivers to the plant, whose construction will be undertaken just as soon as engineers lay out the ground and locate the position of the various buildings. We shall install blast furnaces, open-hearth steel furnaces and steel rolling mills. The capacity will be 1,000 tons a day, with an estimated annual output of 250,000 tons of finished product."

Winnipeg's Bonds

WINNIPEG, May 20.—Much comment was made here today on the poor reception of Winnipeg's loan met with in London. The issue was of nine hundred thousand pounds, the underwriters having to take 73 per cent. The public only subscribed 23 per cent. The mark for this class of securities to which Winnipeg's issue belongs has been quiet for some time. A short time ago an issue of a million dollars was made by Vancouver at 100 1-2 for identically the same class of stock as Winnipeg, but the underwriters had to take most of it.

WILL TRAIN AT HEADQUARTERS

Nelson Militia Corps Relieved From Embarrassing Order by Minister on Intercession of Mr. Goodeve.

MIGHT OTHERWISE HAVE DISBANDED

NELSON, B. C., May 20.—A. S. Goodeve, M. P., has wired to William Irvine, president of the District Conservative association, stating that Sir Frederick Borden has wired Colonel Wadmore, D. O. C., Victoria, that the 102nd Regiment will train at its headquarters this year.

This brings to a happy end the controversy between the local officers and Colonel Wadmore owing to the order of the latter that the 102nd must go into camp at Kamloops in June, although the regiment had hitherto had rated as a city corps. Sir Frederick was previously approached by the local Liberal executive and the member for Nanaimo without success.

Mr. Goodeve's wire announcing that the minister of militia had stepped in at his request was received here with acclamation, as the situation has been that the regiment either went to Kamloops or to jail. It is considered that the disbandment of the regiment has been prevented at the last moment.

Ambassador Hill

BERLIN, May 20.—David Jayne Hill, the American ambassador, has arrived here. The ambassador said that contrary to intimations from the German foreign office, he was not the bearer of the name of his successor, of which he was ignorant.

CHINA'S ADVANCE

Loan for Railway Building Is Increased to Fifty Millions to Provide Trunk Lines.

PEKIN, May 20.—The Hukwang loan for the construction of railroads in the province of Hunan and Hupei was signed here today by the representatives of the British, American, French and German groups of bankers. Besides providing for the original amount of $30,000,000, provision is made in the agreement for an extra $20,000,000 should that sum be needed for the completion of the project.

Bankers here are of the opinion that the Hukwang loan is the most important financial transaction ever signed in China. It provides for the construction of 1000 miles of railroad in Hunan and Hupei and the loan is secured by revenues of those provinces, which, in case of default, may be administered by the marine customs.

The loan contract has been materially enlarged in the last fortnight as the result of the announcement that the government intends to relieve the provinces of control of all trunk line projects and would construct immense trunk lines throughout the empire. This accounts for the provisional increase of the loan to $50,000,000.

The loan is at 95 and will run for forty years at five per cent. Three years are allowed for constructions, excepting for the mountainous I-Chang-Kwei-Fu section, where there are many engineering difficulties.

Germany and Arbitration

BERLIN, May 20.—Germany has been approached regarding the American arbitration scheme, but in what form or with what result cannot be learned at the foreign office. The communications must have been exchanged at Washington, as the American embassy at Berlin has not been directly interested. A representative of the German foreign office, while admitting that Germany had received communications relative to arbitration with the United States, declined to make a statement as to Germany's attitude. There was no reason to believe, he said, that this had changed since Chancellor Von Bethman-Hollweig's speech in the Reighstag, in which he characterized disarmament as an ideal which could not be realized.

IS REINSTATED BY SOCIALISTS

Member for Nanaimo Makes Successful Appeal to Provincial Executive—Charter of Local is Cancelled.

VANCOUVER, May 20.—J. H. Hawthornthwaite, member for Nanaimo, is once more in good standing with the Socialist party, but the Nanaimo local is extinct, its charter having been taken away from it, to be handed over bye and bye to another group of Nanaimo Socialists, who, if they are just as short as Mr. Hawthornthwaite on the monistic philosophy, are longer than their comrades on practical politics.

It will be remembered that Mr. Hawthornthwaite was expelled with contumely from the Nanaimo Socialist party on the grounds, among others, of his lack of orthodoxy. Among the reasons given was that he was no debater, having been defeated by a working miner in an argument on the true inwardness of the monistic philosophy. He was also ordered to send in his resignation as a member of the house.

As might have been expected it took more than the monistic philosophy to upset Mr. Hawthornthwaite. He promptly appealed to the executive committee of the British Columbia end of the party, which met the other day, and found that the charges against the member for Nanaimo were "frivolous, malicious and unwarranted,'" and that in the best interests of the party the charter of the Nanaimo Socialist local should be cancelled.

Winnipeg Skyscrapers

WINNIPEG, May 20.—Five ten-story or higher buildings were announced this week to be built here this summer, the Sterling Bank, the Peter Lyall block, the Confederation Life, the Union Trust, and the Builders' Exchange.

Decadent Times.

PARIS, May 20.—M. Lefort, president of the Academy of Dancing Masters, says that dancing has fallen in decadent times. He attributes this to the lack of education on the part of many dancing masters, and says: "Every one who takes dancing seriously—and it is as worthy of being taken seriously as anything else—ought to have a sound knowledge of drawing, anatomy, and music. Drawing is the basis of choregraphical productions, music serves to make each step concord with the other, and anatomy helps to teach the perfection of bodily attitudes."

REBEL SOLDIERS LEAVE JUAREZ

Madero Makes Farewell Address to Followers Standing Among Battle Ruins—Only Garrison Left.

TO ARRANGE PEACE WITH DE LA BARRA

General Impression that Reyes Was Ordered to Stay Away from Mexico—Possible Political Issue.

JAUREZ, Mexico, May 20.—Standing on the pedestal of a monument near which arose the smoky ruins of the recent battle, Francisco I. Madero, Jr., today bade farewell to his soldiers and told them of his plans when he got to Mexico City to modernize the government of the country and build a "new Mexico."

The occasion was the re-distribution of the insurrecto "army of the north," comprising the forces, largely enlisted from Chihuahua state, which began the revolution and lived to enjoy the fruits of victory.

Fifteen hundred insurrectos tomorrow at daylight will leave for Casas Grandes under command of General Pasqual Orozco and Colonel Villa.

The occasion of Madero's farewell to his men was impressive. About the plaza stood the blackened walls of the new municipal palace and library building which was blown up in last week's battle. Further on stretched adobe buildings, mutilated and knocked into grotesque shapes by the combined fire of the federals and insurrectos.

Madero rode from his quarters accompanied by his cabinet and ascended the steps of a monument of Benito Juarez. As the leader appeared above the crowd, he was greeted by shouts of "long live the liberator of Mexico," and "our next president."

Orozco and Villa appeared beside Madero and were greeted by their fellows. Tri-colored ribbons were displayed by the soldiers, who were massed in a semi-circle about the base of the monument. In the group was a twelve-year-old boy, who was officially credited with having been in eleven battles and skirmishes.

Madero's Address

Madero, as he spoke, stood beneath a plaster statue, typifying justice, from which the uplifted hand had been shot away during the battle. It was the provisional president's farewell address to his army. "Soldiers," said Madero, "you see all about you the terrible consequences of war. Buildings have been destroyed and people have fled in terror from their homes.

"Many of you personally have felt the bitter sufferings of fighting. You have gone hungry, have marched hundreds of miles over the hot deserts, often without water or sleep. You have sniffed the smoke of battle and some of you have had occasion to contemplate death.

"But, my soldiers, it has been a just war. All of the suffering that has been caused is as nothing to the suffering which the result of this war will prevent. It was war against tyranny, its fruit is liberty.

"My soldiers, I bid you farewell. It is sad to see you go but you may leave with lighter hearts than when you came.

"In a week or so I shall leave for Mexico City to make permanent peace which follows our triumph here. When peace is finally secure, you will have the privilege of leaving the army if you like. There will be no conscription. The army which in the future will uphold the liberty guaranteed by the constitution of Mexico will be composed of soldiers who will join it from choice and who will receive good pay.

"Many things are yet to be done before the principles for which we fought are within our grasp. We are going to have free elections. We are going to have education along the lines which will give our people the democratic system of free thought and acts that was in the minds of the liberators of our country.

"Soldiers, goodbye. You have fought bravely. See that in your homes and in peaceful pursuits with your fellow citizens you are as brave and loyal as you have been in war with me."

Peace Negotiations

Late this afternoon Francisco I. Madero, Jr., received a telegram from President Diaz suggesting that some person in whom the former had confidence be sent to Mexico City to treat with Senor De La Parra concerning the terms of peace. Senor Madero decided to appoint Alfredo Robles Dominguez, who is expected to arrive in the capital tomorrow. Senor Dominguez will handle only secondary points.

Judge Carbajal expects to leave here tomorrow for San Antonio and will return in a few days to his home in Mexico City.

Most of the members of the Madero family left for San Antonio today pre-

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