



VIOLENT WIND RIPS DIRIGIBLE FROM MOORING

Big Hole Torn in Gas Bag When Girder Breaks; Men Seize Ropes

SPEEDING OVERHAULING Sways Violently in Breeze; Hope to Start Return Trip Tomorrow

EXPECT FAVORABLE DAY Plan to Get Under Way Early in Morning; Will Fly Over Boston

By Associated Press. Mincola, July 7.—The R-34 was torn from her mooring rope this morning by a violent gust of wind.

The commander of the R-34 based his announcement on the starting hour on the assumption that the wind, which at the time was blowing between 20 and 25 miles an hour, would die down later in the day and so permit the refueling of the dirigible.

"We will cruise over Boston," he said, "and then follow the trans-Atlantic trade route. We are selecting that course because there we will find the most favorable western wind. We had considered making our start at 8 o'clock but we have advanced the time because the earlier we get away the lower the temperature and the lower the temperature the greater amount of petrol we can load."

The following wireless message was delivered to General Charlton today from the British Air Ministry: "Please convey the following message to the United States Naval authorities: 'Air council desires to express their most cordial and grateful thanks for the co-operation and assistance of the United States Navy tendered to His Majesty's airship R-34.'"

The message was forwarded to Secretary Daniels at Washington. Major Scott announced later that an effort would be made to shape the R-34's course so that it would pass over the George Washington, which is bringing President Wilson home.

The breeze stiffened as the sun rose and the American Army balloon mechanics had all they could do to hold the machine steady as she swayed in the wind the clinging men were swept off their feet in relays.

The officers in charge of the dirigible were working to get the airship started at the scheduled hour of eight o'clock tomorrow morning. They consider it imperative that her engines be overhauled thoroughly first, and the violent swaying of the huge gas bag renders this work slow and difficult.

Immediately after the accident Major Scott climbed into the forward gondola and inspected the damage. He announced later that the rip in the gas bag could easily be mended. One explanation of the parting of the mooring rope by the

C. of C. Committee to Pass on Rail Problems

Problems arising from the present railroad situation will be considered at the first meeting of the referendum committee of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, to be held at 7:30 o'clock to-night, in the Chamber offices. The referendum committee, of which D. E. Tracy is chairman, was appointed last week for the purpose of voting upon a series of proposals for remedial railroad legislation which has been sent out to the more than 1,100 local chambers of commerce making up the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to light and Tuesday with moderate temperature. Lowest temperature to-night about 62 degrees. Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to light and Tuesday. Moderate temperature, slightly cooler in southern part to-night. Moderate northeast wind.

How a Popular Automobile Road Looks to the Farmer the Morning After a Holiday



THREE KILLED, 300 IMPRISONED IN MINE CAVE

Seven Others Injured; Rescuers Dig For Hour and Half

Fayette City, Pa., July 7.—Three men were killed and seven others injured in a cave-in at the entrance of the O'Neil mine of the Pittsburgh Coal Company here at 8 o'clock this morning. More than 300 miners, who had entered the mine, were imprisoned an hour and a half while the debris was being removed.

The Dead—Walter Stanel, 35, of Fayette City; John Benson, 30, of Pittsburgh; Paul Lincoln, 28, of Fayette City.

Practically all of the men, with the exception of the ten victims, had entered the mine to start work. The rock and dirt near the entrance fell without warning, catching the ten men as they were boarding a car. Others outside the mine, hearing the crash, rushed to their aid, but it was an hour and a half before they were dug out and 300 men already in the mine liberated.

Two Die When Auto Is Crushed by Car

Sharon, Pa., July 7.—Two persons were killed and two others injured when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a Youngstown-Sharon interurban car at stop 48, five miles west of here, last night. All were members of one family. The dead: Fred Ryser, 69, of Hubbard, Ohio; Miss Florence Ryser, 30.

Dies in Free-For-All Over Who Shall Lead Band

Ambridge, Pa., July 7.—One man was killed and another seriously wounded in a fight among twenty members of an Italian band here last night. Twelve of the participants were arrested by State police. The dead: Nick Joy, 45, of Ambridge, shot through the heart.

WOMEN ARE TOO MUCH TROUBLE

"A woman is too much trouble, anyhow," is what Mrs. Florence M. Evans told President Judge George Kunkel her husband, Harry A. Evans, had said to her before deserting her. The Evans divorce action was the first one called for hearing this morning of the thirty-eight continued cases from the week of June 23.

MAJORITY FAVOR PARK SITE FOR SCHOOL CENTER

Practically No Opposition to Acceptance of Big Italian Park Tract

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PERMITS ISSUED FOR MANY NEW BUILDINGS

Block of Ten Dwellings Included in Day's Program; Several Big Business Places

Permits for the erection of buildings to cost \$125,500 were issued today at the office of Building Inspector James H. Grove. Four of the permits were taken out by Harold A. Hipple, as contractor and owner, for the construction of a large brick building at Cameron and Market streets, a two-story brick, three-story stone and stucco and ten other two-story brick dwellings, all to cost \$120,500.

OVERLAND CO. BUILD ON SITE OF BOLL BROS.

Bed and Mattress Manufacturers Not Yet Ready to Announce Plans

It was announced at the main office of the Overland Automobile Company in this city that the branch office and service station at Twenty-sixth and Derry street has been purchased by the Century Rubber company and will be taken over by that concern about December 1.

LEMON APPOINTED TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

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MOTHER SEEKS NEWS OF MISSING SOLDIER SON

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

Benjamin W. Eichelberger, Lemoyne, and Laura M. Kellberg, White Hill.

BOOZE PROBLEM SERIOUS ENOUGH TO FIGHT OVER

Prohibition Leader Is Fearful of Results of Beer Sales

SAYS BEER IS AN OUTLAW

Hotelmen Flayed by Temperance Forces for Selling 2 3/4 Per Cent.

Dealers who have sold beer containing two and three-fourths per cent. alcohol since last Monday violate the spirit of the wartime prohibition measure, if not the letter of the measure, Dr. B. E. F. Prugh, chairman of the State Prohibition committee, said to-day.

The measure, Dr. Prugh says, has practically the same aim as the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution. The spirit of both, according to his interpretation, is to forbid the sale of beverages containing more than one-half of one per cent. alcohol.

CUSTODY OF TWIN GIRLS SOUGHT BY GRANDPARENTS IN HABEAS CORPUS ACTION

Judge S. J. McCarrell to-day heard testimony in the habeas corpus action brought by Jacob R. Eichinger, New Cumberland, to secure the custody of his twin grandchildren, two 5-year-old girls, whose mother placed them in the Sylvan Heights Orphanage.

Little change in conditions about Harrisburg is noted by Dr. Prugh. In his statement, he says: "In this city the drinking places have seemed to be open as usual and the bootlegging has been running as usual, exchanging full barrels for empties. This is the story that comes from all directions all over the State."

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TAKING STEPS TO DRAG KAISER BEFORE COURT

Declares Allied Powers Are Planning His Early Extradition

HOUSE OF COMMONS TOLD

No Official Communications Exchanged With Dutch Government However

London, July 7.—"The Allies have not yet made any official representations to the Dutch government regarding the extradition of the former German emperor, but necessary steps are being taken in the matter," Andrew Bonar Law, government spokesman, declared in the House of Commons today.

Mr. Bonar Law's statement was made in reply to a question of a member.

In reply to a further question as to whether any unofficial communication had been sent to the Dutch government, Mr. Bonar Law said: "I would rather not say."

Another member then asked: "Is the spokesman for the government aware that nobody particularly wants the ex-Kaiser to be brought here?"

This question was received with cheers.

WANT THEIR MONEY BACK

Harrisburg—Petitions have been filed in court for refunding part of the 1918 liquor licenses paid by James and Eugene Barbush, proprietors of two Middletown hotels, closed by the government from last September until April 1, because they were within the "dry" zone established about the aviation depot. The cases will be heard next Monday.

STRIKE DECLARED OFF IN FLORENCE

FLORENCE—THE STRIKE WAS DECLARED OFF AT MIDNIGHT SATURDAY. ALL IS QUIET IN THE CITY.

MANY KILLED AND HURT IN RIOT

Copenhagen—Several persons were killed and a large number wounded in disturbances Sunday at Kattowitz, Germans and Poles took part in the disorders.

FIGHT PICTURES TOO BRUTAL

Columbus—The Willard-Dempsey fight pictures may never be seen by the public. They have been rejected as too brutal for exhibition.

NEGROES DEMAND RIGHTS IN LEAGUE

Paris—William Trotter of Boston, representing the National Equal Rights League, sent to-day to Sir Eric Drummond, Secretary General of the League of Nations, a long petition asking that certain clauses be inserted in the League of Nations covenant. These clauses the petition said, are designed to secure for American negroes and other racial minorities "full democracy."

POLK ASKED TO COME TO PARIS

Paris—Announcement was made to-day that Frank L. Polk, acting Secretary of State in Washington, had been asked to come to Paris to take the place of Secretary Lansing as head of the American Peace Mission, if Mr. Polk's health would permit.

CENTRAL AMERICA TO HAVE OWN LEAGUE

San Salvador—The Salvadorian government has sent a note to the governments of Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua proposing mutual friendly action with reference to the establishment of peace in their sister republic of Costa Rica.

EXPOSES SECRET GOVERNMENT OF U.S. CREATED BY WILSON

"Big Business" Befriended at Incalculable Expense, Says Congressional Committee; Persistently Ignored Laws of Land

SOLDIERS DIED OF PNEUMONIA FOR LACK OF PROPER CLOTHING

Washington, July 7.—Charges that the President organized the Council of National Defense before war was declared in absolute violation of law, and thereby created a "secret government of the United States," which formulated war legislation, dictated policies the country was to pursue, and befriended "big business," were made to-day by Chairman Graham, of the Special House Committee investigating War Department expenditures.

Minutes of the council were read to the committee by Dr. Graham, together with a report in which he asserted the council assumed such broad powers that Major General Goethals, former chief of the purchase, storage and traffic division of the War Department, defied it; cabinet members protested against its activities and Judge Gary, president of the United States Steel Corporation, accused it of operating in "flagrant violation of law."

Mr. Graham declared the President created the "secret government" by ignoring and reversing the intent of Congress in authorizing the establishment of a council of national defense in August, 1916. As authorized by Congress, he said, the council was to be composed of six members of the cabinet who were to be the real executives and seven civilians to be selected by the President who were to act in a purely advisory capacity.

Mr. Graham asserted, the President made the advisory commission the real executives, "clothing them with unprecedented and almost unlimited powers."

WORKED BEHIND DOORS

"Behind closed doors, weeks and even months before war was declared," he said, "these seven men designed practically every war measure which Congress subsequently enacted. They devised the entire system of purchasing war supplies, planned a press censorship, designed a system of food control and selected Herbert Hoover as its director and even determined on the daylight saving scheme."

"Conceived within the law, but brought into existence in absolute violation of law, it is not surprising to find that this secret government of the United States itself persistently ignored and even violated the law. That it allowed interested parties to fix the prices of war supplies; that it put the people of the country to incalculable unnecessary expense and carried things with a high hand."

Gen. Goethals to the Rescue. Mr. Graham declared that when Major General Goethals was called "at the eleventh hour to rescue the War Department from the public obliquity which was fast settling upon it as a result of the methods and incapacity of the commission, he repudiated and practically defied it."

"Our soldiers were actually dying of pneumonia in the camps because of lack of proper clothing and blankets," Mr. Graham said, "and General Goethals assumed the duties of quartermaster general on

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