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Planning Big Reception For the Graf Zeppelin

Crowds of People are Already Arriving at Friedrichshaven and Transportation Facilities are Taxed—American Stowaway Will be Lionized—Big Zeppelin Reported to be Making Fast Time.

(Special to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

FRIEDRICSHAVEN, Oct. 31—Preparations for the reception of the Graf Zeppelin, rushing homeward at a record breaking speed on the west to east passage of the Atlantic were being rushed by the police today. Every precaution was taken to handle the huge crowds that had begun arriving early today.

Transportation was taxed to the limit as throngs swarmed toward the home port and hangar of the giant airship when it was learned that the zeppelin was making 90 miles an hour and was expected to arrive during the afternoon. Everyone had the name of Clarence Terhune on their lips. The nineteen year old American boy had seized upon the fancy of the German people and he seemed assured of the most popular greeting a stowaway ever received in a foreign land.

A Fifty Mile an Hour Wind

London, Oct. 31—The air ministry report today for the west coast of Ireland said northerly winds were blowing at the rate of 50 miles an hour. Rain was falling, but it was reported that the visibility was good. Valentia Island also reported northerly gales. The Graf Zeppelin had not been sighted, the report said.

PULVERIZED MINTO COAL BEING USED

Official of the Dominion Fuel Board is Having Test Made by Large Industrial Plant.

Saint John, Oct. 31—Of outstanding interest to the Maritimes was the efficiency with which New Brunswick coal from the Minto district was being utilized in the pulverized form in one of the large industrial plants in this province, according to M. D. McCloskey, of Ottawa, a member of the Dominion Fuel Board, who has just completed a two-weeks survey of the channel of coal movement and coal consumption throughout New Brunswick. Mr. McCloskey who has spent the last few days in Saint John, will leave today for St. Stephen and other points in that section of the province, where he plans to spend another week on the survey before returning to Ottawa. He is being accompanied by W. E. McMullen, of Fredericton, Inspector of Mines for New Brunswick.

When seen last evening, Mr. McCloskey said that he had already spent two weeks in New Brunswick in connection with the survey, which he hoped to finish in about another week's time. The inquiry is being conducted along lines similar to surveys which the Fuel Board has carried out in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, he said.

In this survey work the Dominion Fuel Board is receiving the assistance and co-operation of the Provincial Department of Lands and Mines. W. E. McMullen, Inspector of Mines in that department, has been associated with Mr. McCloskey since the start of the survey.

A Los Angeles judge has just ruled that a man's mother-in-law is one of his relatives. No doubt she is, and almost always on the wife's side.

HARRISBURG JUDGE MADE A VISIT TO N.B.

Saw a Huge Moose while Motoring Along the St. John River, But it Was Rather Timid.

(Harrisburg Pa., News.)

After a month of play and recreation, that included much golf and motoring, to say nothing of lower temperatures, Judge Wickersham was back at the Courthouse today, five pounds heavier than when he and Mrs. Wickersham motored out of Harrisburg July 15.

The Judge wasn't at all sensitive about the extra avoirdupois, for he said he and his wife had a wonderful trip without a semblance of motor trouble in 2309 miles, not even a tire puncture, yet he talked about going on a diet to chase the extra five pounds.

The tour through the New England States and into Canada gave the jurist his first opportunity to see a huge bull moose out in the woods, along the St. John River, in New Brunswick, but after the Judge told of his experience to the natives in Canada, he wasn't sure whether he was lucky or if the moose were timid about scrapping with a judge.

The incident happened after dusk. The dark form in front of the auto, silhouetted in the headlights' glare, startled the Judge's chauffeur, and the jurist ordered a halt. They watched the animal for a minute or so, until it passed off the highway and into the woods. Canadians told the Judge afterward that a bull moose usually charges glaring headlights and that the natives, unwilling to take chances, turn off the lights and wait until the moose has gone its way.

The Judge and Mrs. Wickersham spent two days at Lake Mahopac and a week at Poland Spring, Maine, playing golf at both places. After a week-end at Bar Harbor, they motored to St.

FINANCIAL CORPORATION IN BAD SHAPE

Bondholders Likely to Lose Every Dollar They Have Invested in the Concern.

Toronto, Oct. 30—According to the Toronto Telegram, it is predicted that the bondholders of the Manufacturers' Finance Corporation, which went into liquidation last August, will lose everything they have invested in the concern. It is stated that at least \$200,000 of the bonds sold are without any security whatever.

"One of the worst of financial failures is being revealed by the probe being conducted into the affairs of the corporation by G. T. Clarkson, under the direction of the master in bankruptcy," says the Telegram.

Crown Attorney McFadden of Toronto is in charge of prosecutions arising out of the failure of the corporation, and the developments of the investigations. W. N. McDonald, formerly of the corporation, was arrested yesterday charged with obtaining an amount of money from the Trust and Guarantee Company under false pretenses. J. W. R. Coates was also taken into custody on a warrant charging him with theft of \$1,500 from the Manufacturers' Finance Corporation.

The Manufacturers' Finance Corporation was organized in 1923 to finance the sales of piano, radio and automobile companies. The company absorbed the Brantford Finance Corporation, the Dominion Finance Corporation and the Bankers' Discount Corporation of Canada. Since the liquidation proceedings commenced a statement issued showed that the liabilities of the company amounted to \$2,137,000 and the assets to \$275,000.

It is understood that the principal business of the corporation was in connection with the discounting of customers' notes given to piano dealers.

"From present indications, there are several thousand pianos out on notes, which will have to be repossessed by the liquidators," said the Telegram today.

It is stated that the repudiation of the corporation's note insurance, estimated at \$1,500,000, represents this much loss to the corporation. The insurance companies claim they did not receive notice of note renewals.

Dance at University

The dance put on last evening by the students of the University of New Brunswick in honor of the visiting Mount Allison football team and their supporters, was a very enjoyable one and the dancing, which was held in the college building, was kept up to an early hour this morning. The dancing floor was crowded with boys and girls from both colleges and a delightful time was spent. The colors of both Mt. A. and U. N. B. were very prevalent and added to the general collegiate atmosphere.

A love letter never tastes sweet except to the palate to which it is addressed.

Andrews-by-the-Sea and then to St. John where the Judge as past supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum, presided over a two-day session of the representatives from the maritime provinces. Returning, they visited Houlton and Augusta, Maine, Sugar Hill in the White Mountains, and then went to Stockbridge, Mass. In most of his traveling, the Judge said an overcoat was comfortable.

ZEPPELIN MAY FLY OVER PARIS AND LONDON

Is Expected to Reach Friedrichshaven This Afternoon.

MATTER BEING CONSIDERED

U. S. Stowaway Has Been Offered his First Job in Europe.

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Friedrichshafen, Oct. 31—It was estimated here today that the Graf Zeppelin would arrive at 9 p. m. Central European time (3 p. m. Eastern Standard Time). Local authorities said Dr. Eckner was still considering flying over London and Paris before proceeding here. British aviation authorities had suggested that he fly over the English capital.

Job Offered Him.

London, Oct. 31—Clarence Terhune, American stowaway on board the Graf Zeppelin, has received his first known offer of a job in Europe.

A department store in Aix La Chapelle wirelessly the offer to him on board the dirigible.

STEAMER GOES TO THE BOTTOM AT MARSEILLES

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Marseilles, Oct. 31—The steamer Numidia scheduled to sail for Corsica today with 300 passengers, sank mysteriously in the middle of the harbor here last night. No one was drowned. Police are investigating incident.

BIG ZEPPELIN IS OVER THE BAY OF BISCAY

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Paris, Oct. 31—The French official wireless picked up a report at 3 p. m. (10 a. m. E. S. T.) that the Graf Zeppelin was over the Bay of Biscay. Bad weather was forcing the dirigible to steer somewhat to the south the report said.

SHOP WINDOWS WERE SMASHED

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

London, Oct. 31—Exchange Telegraph dispatches from Riga today said more than 700 women and children smashed shop windows in Leningrad because they were unable to obtain flour after waiting in line all night.

Fiscal Year Closes

The fiscal year of the province closes today but the books will be kept open for a few weeks to allow outstanding accounts to be settled. While no financial statement is yet available it is understood that for the first time since confederation its receipts have exceeded its five million mark.

Visitors in City

Among the visitors to the capital today are: Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Alger, of New York city; Mrs. E. Stevens, Newark, N. J.; W. J. Bok, Sydney, N. S.; R. Blanders, Montreal, Que.; Ken Ingram, Toronto; R. E. McKenzie, Picton; Arthur Waldin, St. John; T. B. Hartt, Fredericton Junction.

For blazing air trails, a flaming plans is undesirable.

Churchill's Betting Act Imperilled by a Judicial Decision

Appeal of the Stadium Club Against Paying a Tax Has Been Allowed—The Chancellor of the Exchequer Was Shocked by the Decision—Tax Can be Evaded by Clubs.

(By HERBERT BAILEY, British United Press Staff Correspondent.)

LONDON, Oct. 31—Winston Churchill's now famous betting tax to which he has clung with such tenacity in spite of the protests and financial juggling of British bookmakers, is in peril.

By a majority judgment the court of appeal has allowed the appeal of the Stadium Club, the effect of which is that the club will not have to pay a betting tax on bets by members made under the pari mutuel system run by the club.

The Chancellor Shocked

The decision came as a shock to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the bookmakers are now stressing that the judgment means that anybody can escape paying the tax by becoming a member of a club running a pari mutuel system and that, furthermore, they can convert themselves into similar organizations.

They are demanding Churchill abolish the tax and there is little doubt that they are going to exploit the courts decision to this end.

PHILADELPHIA POLICE UNFIT TO HOLD OFFICE

Philadelphia, Oct. 30—Nearly one-third of Philadelphia's police commanders have been declared by the special grand jury investigating rum runners and their rackets, gang murders and police corruption to be "unfit to hold any municipal office."

And there are more in the same category, the grand jury said in its presentment to Judge Edwin O. Lewis, recommending that three of the seven police inspectors of the city and 18 of the 43 captains be dismissed from the service because of "unexplained personal wealth which we believe was either all or substantially all, dishonestly acquired."

The presentment listed bank deposits of more than \$800,000 as having been made by the 21 police officials within the last four years.

The three inspectors, John J. Carlin, William J. McFadden and John Stuckert, were declared to have made total deposits of \$336,794. Of this sum \$193,533 was credited to Carlin and \$102,829 to McFadden.

District Attorney Monaghan, who is directing the inquiry, said the presentment had created a situation probably without a parallel in the history of American cities, which Judge Lewis declared that the "amazingly sordid recital" should make it clear to citizens of Philadelphia why gangsters, bootleggers and gunmen had been able to "operate with impunity."

Late J. Fraser Gregory

The funeral of the late J. Fraser Gregory well known St. John lumber magnate, who passed away recently in the latter city, and who was well known in this city, took place yesterday afternoon from the late home 297 Douglas Avenue, St. John and was very largely attended by representatives from all walks of life. Service was held at three o'clock at the St. Matthew's Presbyterian church and interment was made in the Fernhill cemetery. Rev. Dr. J. A. Morrison conducted the service, an impressive one, and a large procession of various societies followed the remains to the grave.

FIVE KILLED IN A BOILER EXPLOSION

Ethel, Minn., Oct. 30—Five men were killed and a heavy steam boiler was hurled 200 yards into a store building here today when the boiler exploded at the O. E. McDanel planing mill.

Apparently out of water, the steam box on the mill's engine cracked open with a mighty roar, destroyed the building in which it was located and sailed through space into Askin's store across the road, demolishing that structure and damaging the post-office next door with small bits of steel and wood.

L. O. Lord, and a machinist named Peten, aged about 45 were instantly killed. Both were in the boiler-room. Three others died later. They were Peten's 19-year-old son; Wilburne Raspberry, fireman, and Ed Carr, a negro helper.

Everything in the vicinity of the boiler house was demolished or damaged. No one was in the Askin store when the heavy iron mass crushed it.

APRIL NOW THE BEST MONTH FOR WEDDINGS

Ottawa, Oct. 30—April is becoming a popular month for weddings in Canada. Marriages reached a total of 5,449 in April last, which is the highest figure for that month on record at the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Living births for that month totalled 19,847. Of these 10,170 were boys and 9,677 girls. Quebec again led the other provinces with a total of 7,199. Ontario was second with 5,578. The figures for the other provinces follow: Saskatchewan, 1,807; Manitoba, 1,355; Alberta, 1,192; Nova Scotia, 908; New Brunswick, 902; British Columbia, 783, and Prince Edward Island, 123. Twins occurred 250 times and triplets once.

Mortality statistics for the Dominion for April reveal a total of 9,222, of which 1,843 were children under one year of age.