

American Aviators Step Back On American Soil As Crowds Cheer Them

Commander Byrd With His Crew, and Chamberlin, Reach New York on the Tug Macom at Noon

LINDBERGH THERE
Among Those to Welcome Fliers Is Lindy; Relatives of the Various Men Are Also on Hand

New York, July 18.—(AP)—To the acclaim of their countrymen five men stepped back onto American soil, the soil they last saw dropping away from under them as they took the skies of nonstop flights to Europe.

Crowds at the Battery broke into tumultuous cheers of welcome as the city tug Macom nosed into pier A with the fliers at noon.

The Macom came from Quarantine where it had taken Commander Richard E. Byrd, and his three man crew of the monoplane berlin, pilot of the monoplane "America," and Clarence Chamberlin, pilot of the monoplane "Columbia" from the liner Leviathan on which they returned from Europe.

As the Macom steamed up the bay harbor craft whistled a shrill greeting, fire boats sprayed fountains of sea water into the air, the guns of governor's island boomed a staccato salute, and airplanes hovered overhead.

Among the persons who made the trip down the bay to welcome the fliers home was Charles A. Lindbergh, who preceded these five over the Atlantic air route.

Others on the Macom were the mother of Commander Byrd and the wives of Bert Acosta and George Noville, pilot and engineer of the "America." No relatives met Bert Balchen, the "America's" relief man, as he is unmarried and his mother and sisters live in Norway.

BOARDS REVERSE EARLIER ACTION ON WELFARE JOB

Rev. A. H. Outlaw Reinstated as County Welfare Officer After Mrs. J. P. Thompson Withdraws

IN ROUTINE FASHION

Joint Session of Board of County Commissioners and Board of Education Provides No Fireworks

Reversing their action of a week ago, the Board of County Commissioners and the Board of Education in joint session Monday reinstated the Rev. A. H. Outlaw as County Welfare Officer.

The vote on Mr. Outlaw's reinstatement was five to four, with one member of the former board, Commissioner Philip Fritchard, not voting. Chairman C. A. Ownley, of the Commissioners, cast the deciding ballot in Mr. Outlaw's favor.

When the matter of electing a Welfare Officer for the next two years came up last Monday morning, Mr. Outlaw had the endorsement of the Board of Education, the Welfare Board, the local Red Cross organization and the principals of the County's three white rural high schools.

There was immediate protest over the action, based upon the general public impression that Mr. Outlaw had performed his duties efficiently and well, and that he should not be removed from the office.

Mrs. Kate Burr Johnson, head of the State Department of Welfare, in support of Mr. Outlaw, in Superintendent M. P. Jennings, of the County schools, stated Monday that he received word from Mrs. Johnson on Saturday, in effect that Mrs. Thompson had declined the office.

Members of the State highway were on the job right away and repaired the broken section with asphalt.

LITTLE EXCITEMENT IN MONDAY'S COURT

Much time was spent in recorder's court Monday in disposing of a case in which Carney Page and Mary Eason, both colored, were charged with immorality.

Adrian Ward, charged with simple possession of liquor, was let off upon payment of the court costs. According to the evidence in the case, he stopped with an acquaintance in the Commander mill yard, on Front street, to take a drink, and was arrested by Police Officer Twiddy when he was about 10 p.m.

Hankow Captured By General Ho Chien

London, July 18.—(AP)—A Reuters dispatch from Shanghai says that a message from well informed sources in Hankow reports the capture of both Hankow and Han-Yang from the Southern extremists by General Ho Chien, the Conservative Southern commander.

TWO PERSONS HURT; THREE CARS WRECKED

Winston-Salem, July 18.—(AP)—Two persons were injured and three automobiles were demolished in a collision on the High Point road six miles from Winston-Salem, last night.

Pacific Fliers Take a Dip



When Lieutenant Albert F. Hegenberger (left) and Lieutenant Lester J. Mattland sauntered on the beach at Walkiki, the Frisco-Honolulu non-stop fliers were presented with the large floral horseshoe shown above, with "To Our Heroes," patterned in white. The two, even in bathing suits, keep something of the military posture.

Brooklyn Has Murder Mystery



Ludvig Halverson Lee (right), care taker of the Brooklyn rooming house kept by Mrs. Sarah Brownell, is shown as he was arrested for the brutal murder of Mrs. Brownell and a neighbor, Mrs. Alfred Bennett. The bodies of the two women were chopped up and portions were found in different parts of the city.

Forty Were Killed In Vienna Rioting

Vienna, July 18.—(AP)—Order has been restored throughout Vienna. At this hour (3:30 a. m.) Chancellor Seipel was conferring with the Socialist representative, Burgomaster Seitz and Herr Bauer, Socialist leader, with the object of insuring a peaceable session of Parliament, settling the differences and arranging a resumption of the public services.

The latest estimate of casualties placed them at 70 dead and about 300 wounded.

Four Recaptured For State Prison

Raleigh, July 18.—(AP)—Four recaptures of escaped prisoners were reported by State Prison today. Adam Dudley, who escaped from Roseville Camp July 5, was caught at Asheville; Henry Thomas, who escaped from the same place May 12, was caught at Raleigh; Willie McFee was recaptured at Dunn after gaining liberty from the Cary Farm May 2 and Harvey Wallace was found at Monroe after being free from the Roseville Camp since June 15.

KUGLER TO CUT FINAL BARRIER AT NEW BRIDGE

Highway Commissioner From First District to Have Essential Part in Eden House Ceremonies

GAY CEREMONIAL

Lieutenant-Governor Long to Be Principal Speaker at Festivities on Edenton Common Wednesday

Everything is in final readiness for the celebration at Eden House and Edenton Wednesday. In rejoicing over the culmination of the biggest of all the highway construction projects in the North-eastern Counties—the Chowan Bridge. Many thousand visitors from this and nearby states are expected to attend.

Frank C. Kugler, of Washington, N. C., member of the State Highway Commission from the First District, will officially dedicate the bridge by clipping in two entwined ribbons of blue and white, stretched across the bridge at the Bertie County end.

Mayor J. L. Wiggins, of Edenton, advised today that arrangements had been completed for the formation of a great motorcade from the Northeast at the courthouse at Edenton Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

After the ceremonies at the bridge, the cars from the Northeast, with the official party still leading, will proceed to historic old Edenton House, turn about, and swing in behind the motorcade from the West. There will be welcoming ceremonies at the town limits of Edenton, and thence the crowd will go to the downtown district.

Lieutenant-Governor Long will be the principal speaker in the program at the courthouse, which is scheduled to begin at noon, and to end about two hours later.

Exact figures for collection by C. A. Watts, city probation officer, under orders from Judge Tom Watson in municipal court, are given as \$8,103.56. All of this was paid out to wives and guardians under orders from municipal court.

ABANDONED WIVES GETTING THEIR

Winston-Salem, July 18.—(AP)—Nearly \$10,000 was realized by abandoned wives and children in Winston-Salem in the form of alimony and non-support money during the fiscal year which closed June 30, 1927.

WEEK END CASUALTIES

Charlotte, July 15.—(AP)—Motorists seeking to escape from the heat during the week-end suffered with many accidents in which there were more fatalities than recorded during any week-end in several months.

The dead are: Miss Marie Behre, East Spencer, drowned in automobile. James Thomas Parker, 16 months old, killed by automobile at Raleigh. Mrs. Julius Grissett, Yaldez, killed in accident near Morganton. Marvin Knight, Durham newspaper man, committed suicide.

Marine Corps Suffers Its First Casualties In Nicaraguan Aftermath

REPORTS NUMBER AIRPORTS AFTER SPECIAL SURVEY

FIFTY ARE NEW

Assistant Secretary of Commerce Says United States Has 864 Landing Fields and Airports Today

Washington, July 18.—(AP)—There are 864 operation airports and airplane landing fields in the United States today. W. P. McCracken, assistant Secretary of Commerce, found after a special survey of airway facilities and due to the current interest in air transport he predicted that by the end of 1927 there would be 1,000 such establishments serving fliers.

"During the past year more than 50 new airports have been established," Mr. McCracken said today. "and twice that number of cities have set aside funds or have begun plan for modern airports."

The aeronautical census takers in survey include only ports and landing fields which are provided with lights, hangars, runways and other equipment for servicing planes. There are in addition more than 3,000 unequipped landing fields marked on the Department's maps, for use in emergencies.

The modern airport is an impressively expensive and highly designed affair. In Buffalo for instance, a recently completed municipal port cost \$727,255 for its 518 acres of ground and equipment.

Baltimore is giving even a step further. And has provided \$1,500,000 for its port, Chicago, one of the early major centers to get into the field by reason of its central position on the trans-continent airway, has a field which runways radiate in eight directions.

Beacon lights to guide planes at night and flood lights to make landings safe, machine shops to repair and supply stations to refuel them are among the fittings in the airways connecting ports, the Commerce Department itself is taking up the responsibility for lighting and marking the channels of movement, and has five airways fully established and seven under contract.

Of the 864 landing fields listed today 207 are municipally provided, while 162 are commercial or private ports and 124 are Commerce Department intermediate landing fields. There are 81 landing fields maintained by the Army and Navy.

Ford-Sapiro Libel Suit Formally Ends

Detroit, July 18.—(AP)—The legal phases of the Ford-Sapiro libel suit came to a formal end today when Judge Charles C. Simons, in Federal district court, signed an order of discontinuance.

The stipulation of discontinuance agreed upon Saturday by counsel for Aaron Sapiro, plaintiff and Henry Ford, defendant, was presented to Judge Simons by counsel for Mr. Sapiro, the court immediately signed the order.

She Takes Mercury For Aspirin Tablet

Fayetteville, July 18.—(AP)—Mrs. F. E. Smith, 17 this city, is in a local hospital as a result of swallowing a mercury tablet last night. Members of the family said that she mistook the poison for aspirin.

Former Liberal General Sandino Boasted Would "Drink Yankee Blood" When Began Attack

ASHEVILLE BOY HURT

Charles Sydney Garrison Has Chance to Recover; Pennsylvanian Killed and Buried at Ocotul

Managua, Nicaragua, July 18.—(AP)—The United States Marine Corps has suffered its first casualties in actual conflict arising as an aftermath of the recent Nicaraguan civil warfare, one Marine being killed and another wounded in a fight with forces of the former Liberal General Sandino, which attempted to capture the town of Ocotul.

The latest government reports show that about 100 of the rebels were killed by the joint forces of Marines and constabulary and 200 killed by the terrific bombing of the five planes sent from Managua 16 miles away, by Brigadier-General Logan Feland, of the Marines, when he heard the Marine force was greatly outnumbered. The planes flew low and raked the rebels.

One Marine, Michael A. Obelaki of Roulette, Pennsylvania, was killed. He was buried at Ocotul. Another Marine, Charles Sidney Garrison, of 35 West street, Asheville, North Carolina, was seriously wounded, being shot through the face and shoulder, but has a chance to recover. One member of the constabulary, which was under command of Lieutenant Grover Darnell, was seriously wounded.

Boasting that he would "drink Yankee blood" Sandino and his fellows began the attack Friday morning. No news of the encounter was received at Nicaragua until two scouting planes came from Ocotul reporting that Sandino was to attack that place and the fighting was intense. General Feland immediately dispatched the five bombing planes, under Major Howell and it was probably the arrival of these planes that saved the day. After the fighting had been in progress several hours, Sandino sent a messenger to Major G. D. Hatfield, in command of the Marines at Ocotul, requesting a 60-minute truce.

Major Hatfield replied that the truce would last only as long as the bearer of the white flag was in sight.

The Americans were greatly handicapped as Ocotul is a rebel center, many sympathizers having arms and ammunition hidden in their houses. When the fighting began more than 100 joined Sandino and there was considerable sniping. Lieutenant Bruce soon captured and cleaned out all snipers.

According to a Government report, a conservative senator living in Ocotul, Jose Maria Paganua, was murdered by the rebels when he entered the town. Another report is that he was killed while seeking safety.

Remirez Abuanza, political chief of Ocotul, was wounded in the left arm.

General Sandino did not get into the thickest part of the fighting, directing his forces from a safe distance. Latest reports said he was fleeing to the northeast with a few followers. Among the rebel dead is General Marina, Sandino's right hand man.

General Feland commended Major Hatfield and Major Rowell for their bravery. The scouting planes proved their worth, for if they had not arrived with the report of the fight against overwhelming odds, a different story might have been written. The telegraph lines had been cut. The flight of the bombing planes to Ocotul prevented any concentration of Sandino's forces.

It is stated in Government quarters that General Sandino who has been occupying American Marines at San Fernando, and recently refused to surrender when called upon to do so by Major Hatfield, gathered a strong force by belittling the Marines and constabulary, telling his followers there would be no difficulty in overwhelming Ocotul.

The prevailing belief was that Sandino would never attack the Marines but the report is that spies in Ocotul advised him of the small number of Marines and constabulary there.

Ocotul has about 110 miles north of Managua.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hill of Augusta, Georgia, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell on Colonial avenue.