

BROOKINS MADE RECORD FLIGHT

Flew from Chicago to Springfield, Distance of 192 1-2 Miles, in Seven Hours and Four Minutes.

WON THE \$10,000 OFFERED BY THE RECORD-HERALD

Brookins Used a Wright Biplane and Beat Illinois Central Flier by Half an Hour—Warmly Congratulated.

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 30.—Aviator Walter Brookins alighted gracefully with his biplane in the state fair grounds at 4:27 p. m. yesterday, seven hours and four minutes out from Chicago, after having sailed his Wright biplane the 192 1-2 miles with two stops.

The railroad distance from the start in Chicago to Springfield is 187 miles, but Brookins covered 5 1-2 miles more in starting and in running from Springfield to the fair grounds. His official starting time was 9:15 a. m.

As Brookins swept out of the field at Mt. Pulaski, one of the small rubber-tired wheels, on which he rolls in attaining headway before arising from a hummock, was and was wrecked off. Brookins, not knowing of the accident, arose 2,000 feet and heading for Springfield started away, leaving the Illinois Central special train far behind.

This was the second railroad locomotive that the aviator had left behind in a fair race. Engineer Burt, who made the first attempt to defeat the aircraft had to give up the attempt at Clinton, Ill.

Brookins reached the state fair grounds eight minutes before the Illinois Central fast special train reached the Springfield station, 2 1-2 miles short of the fair grounds. The actual flying time was 5 hours 44 minutes for the 192 1-2 miles, an average of 33 miles an hour.

The crowd at the fair grounds surged about Brookins threatening to crush the machine, till he had to make a personal appeal to get the throng back. When those on the special train reached the aeroplane, nearly half an hour after the aviator landed he said:

"Where have you been all the time? I got here and have been waiting to lunch with you as I promised, you have kept me waiting half an hour?"

Asked about the flight he said: "Why it was nothing, only staying up that's all. It merely took more time and that's about the only difference from a practice flight. I knew I could make it."

"It was one of the prettiest flights I ever made. There must have been three-fourths of a million people looking up at me."

CHIEFS' POW-WOW WAS LONG SESSION

Dix Is Finally Agreed Upon for Governor, and Has Announced Conditional Acceptance—Nominations Not to Be Made Until Tonight.

Rochester, Sept. 30.—Dix for governor, if he will take the nomination, Parker or D. Cady Herrick, if he will not, it is learned from the program favored at the meeting at Murphy's room last night. Mr. Dix has the matter under consideration and his closest friends are unable to say what his decision will be.

Dix announces he will accept the nomination, provided other leading candidates give personal assurances of support. It is understood that Shepard and Osborne have done so. At 1 o'clock the hour for meeting, only a corporal's guard were in the convention. The delegates were too much interested in the conference in Murphy's room over candidates to attend.

It was announced at 1:20 that the convention would meet in half an hour to adopt a platform and adjourn until 7 o'clock. The delegates to the Democratic state convention today faced the situation without parallel in the history of the party.

Rochester, Sept. 30.—The delegates to the Democratic state convention today faced the situation without parallel in the history of the party. The leaders started today without a semblance of a state and with no less than 15 names under consideration for the first place on the ticket.

The conference met at Murphy's rooms last night, and for three hours discussed these names, adjourning at 2:30 this morning, without agreeing. Judge Alton B. Parker's name for the first time received serious consideration. He has announced that he would accept the nomination for governor, although he has made no announcement.

He placed bomb by Palmer home. Then cut his coat in shreds—Police Theory is That Young Man Planned Hero Role.

Chicago, Sept. 29.—After placing a bomb beside the residence of Mrs. Potter Palmer and cutting his coat into shreds with a butcher knife, piercing his skin, Fred C. Wahlenmeyer, aged 26, attempted last night to gain entrance to the mansion. He was arrested.

Mrs. Palmer was at home at the time the bomb was thrown. It is reported that she had received threatening letters. The police theory is that Wahlenmeyer thought to gain a reward for having "saved" the house and occupants from "some mysterious bomb thrower," and mutilated his clothes to substantiate his first claim that another placed the bomb. He confessed later to having put it there himself.

Rhode Island Democrats Nominate a State Ticket. Adopt Platform, Condemning Cannonism and the Retention of Ballinger in the Cabinet.

Providence, R. I., Sept. 30.—Candidates for the five state offices and representatives from the two congressional districts were nominated by the democrats of Rhode Island in the state and congressional convention yesterday and a platform assailing the tariff, Cannonism and the retention of Secretary Ballinger in the cabinet was adopted. The ticket is as follows:

Governor—Lewis W. Waterman, of Providence. Lieutenant Governor—Dr. Philip E. Clark, of Newport. Secretary of State—John I. Devlin, of Providence.

General Treasurer—Tristram D. Babcock, of Westerly. Representative from the first district—Geo. O. Shaunessy, of Providence. Second district—Thomas M. Cooney, of Cranston.

PREFERRED CHARGE AGAINST HIMSELF

Investigation Begun of Rumors Which Probably Cost Dr. McMurry Episcopacy.

START OF THE RUMOR IS LAID TO A SUCCEEDING PASTOR TO A SUCCEEDING PASTOR

The Talk Had to Do With Dr. McMurry's Private Life—Conference Committee Hearing.

Cape Girardeau, Mo., Sept. 30.—Charges filed by Rev. Dr. W. P. McMurry, secretary of the general mission board of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, with headquarters at Louisville, against himself are being investigated today by a committee of the St. Louis conference for the investigation of rumors concerning Dr. McMurry's private life during the last year.

It is alleged that rumors were started by a man who followed him as pastor of Centenary Methodist church in St. Louis. Members of this church are quoted as saying that Dr. McMurry would have been elected a bishop at the general conference at Asheville last May had it not been for the rumors.

DELEGATES TO PRISON CONGRESS ARE RECEIVED

President, at White House, Addressed the Representatives of the Nation.

Washington, Sept. 30.—In receiving the delegates of the International prison congress in the east room of the white house, President Taft cautioned against making prisons so comfortable as to furnish a motive for crime, and also warned them against setting prisoners who are criminals with hardened law breakers.

The president said he sometimes when he had visited the prisons of this government, though they were stronger in the than in practice. He expressed his belief, that this government was in prisons that illustrated the best improvements that the prison congress recommended. He said that Attorney General Wickersham, who had given some attention to the matter, would be at the coming conference to make and receive suggestions.

"Such an association of this is an evidence of the civilization of the world," stated the president, "especially in many countries take an interest in the proper humane development of their criminals."

In the report of the committee on discharged prisoners presented last evening at the meeting of the American Prison association, the committee emphasized the need of continued supervision of prisoners after release from prison. The theory of parole seems to be in favor.

The public must be made to understand that release prisoners are to be accepted as a part of the body politic. Society must do its part in the rehabilitation of the prisoner. The prisoner cannot do his part.

Material aid in the shape of money is not so essential to the discharged prisoner as the discharged of parolee man as a self employment and a friend. The report of the paid state parole agent as far been the most effective. Work by the reclamation of the prisoner should be begun when he is still in prison.

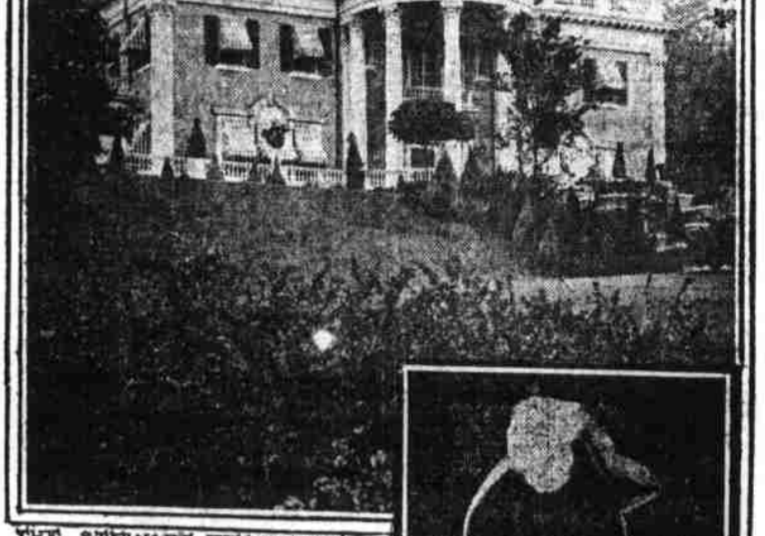
For years a prison managers thought the cheapest and easiest way of handling the prisoner was to cast him adrift, with possibly a cheap suit of clothes and a little money as a sort of bribe to their conscience that their full duty had been done. Was this and is it now the cheapest way? We think not and viewed only from the standpoint of dollars and cents this will not be profitable, rarely if any considerable per cent. can be restored to self-sustaining citizenship by some timely help. It will be found cheaper than the expense of their idled crime, conviction and maintenance, especially when we consider the fact that every conviction makes his restoration difficult and his almost continuous care more certain, either the prison from which he has been released or some other one.

Such time-honored methods of punishment as the dungeon, starvation, silence, solitary cell, flogging, and corporal punishment have been largely discredited in American reformatories, according to the report of the committee on reformatory work and parole made to the prison association today at the opening of the second day's session. The report was presented by James A. Leach, superintendent of Ohio state reformatories.

Appointed Postmaster of Washington. Washington, Sept. 30.—Norman A. Merritt of Lockport, N. was today appointed postmaster here, Charles P. Grandfield, first assistant postmaster general was appointed and confirmed, but it was later decided to retain him as first assistant.

BROKE DOWN DOOR AND THREW HER OUT

Scantily Clad, Resident of Fashionable Suburb Is Evicted at Instance of Step-daughter.



THE STEWART RESIDENCE

Montclair, N. J., Sept. 30.—The residents of this fashionable suburban town were treated with a sensation when Mrs. W. C. Stewart was seized, scantily clad in her beautiful home in South Mountain avenue by court officers after they had battered down the door of her sleeping apartment, and was carried, wrapped in a blanket, into the street. The action was instigated by Mrs. W. R. Leeds, Mrs. Stewart's stepdaughter, who is the widow of the tin plate manufacturer, who left a large fortune.

Mrs. Leeds in her complaint, filed through her attorney, maintains that her stepmother has no right to occupy the beautiful mansion as it is her property and was bought for her by her late husband. Mrs. Stewart has started proceedings to regain possession of the property.

MAN KILLS HIS FATHER IN HENDERSON COUNTY

Meager Reports of the Death of James Lyda, Shot by His Son, Near Fruitland.

Special to The Gazette-News. Hendersonville, Sept. 30.—Telephone communication reached here today of the killing of James Lyda, 60 years of age, by his son, in the Clear creek section this morning. Deputy Strop was sent to the scene of the murder and had not returned at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

According to the meager report received here Young Lyda, who is about 22 years of age, was going to the home of his father when the latter, with a drawn gun, exclaimed, "If you have anything to say, say it," and then the son pulling out a pistol fired at his father, the latter falling dead in his tracks. It seems that the elder Lyda and his wife had not been getting along the best in the world and that a day or so ago his wife had begun proceedings on divorce. This, it is said, caused a sudden turn of mind in the father which led to the killing this morning. Young Lyda is married, but it is understood that he and his wife are living apart. The killing was about ten miles from here towards the 19th ward county line, about a mile and a half from Fruitland.

Later—The officers have failed to locate Lyda in the vicinity of the killing and notice has been sent to the Asheville police to be on the lookout for him.

GROOME FOUND GUILTY; SENTENCED FOR 3 YEARS

Special to The Gazette-News. Waynesville, Sept. 30.—The jury in the case of Grissom Groome, charged with killing William Humphrey at Quilantan, returned a verdict of guilty of manslaughter, late yesterday afternoon. Groome was sentenced today to three years on the chain gang.

Court adjourned today until Monday, when the Adams-Westfield case is to come up.

London, Sept. 30.—The board of trade intervened today in an attempt to avert a threatened lockout in the cotton industry. A board officer went to Manchester to interview members of the federation of master cotton spinners and representatives of employes.

Nicholas Monsarrat Dead. New York, Sept. 30.—Nicholas Monsarrat of Columbus, O., president of the Kanawha and Michigan railways, died here suddenly this morning.

SELL HIS VOTE? BY NO MEANS; NO

Link Got \$1000 but Swears That He Thought It Was a Campaign Contribution.

SAYS HE VOTED FOR LORIMER AFTER HEARING HIM SPEAK

As for Beckmeyer, He Says He Voted for Lorimer Because He Was Paid \$1000 to Do So.

Chicago, Sept. 30.—State Representative Michaels Link, who received \$100, he says, after voting for Lorimer for Senator, and \$900 from the so-called St. Louis "jackpot" told the Lorimer senatorial investigation committee today he thought the money was for campaign expenses. He said he intended to vote for Lorimer before Brown asked him, and that he made up his mind when Lorimer delivered his speech saying Illinois should not "go it alone" without federal aid in constructing a deep waterway from Lake Michigan to the Mississippi. He insisted the money did not influence his vote.

When the committee resumed their inquiry today, Attorney Hamecy, representing Senator Lorimer, asked leave to show that his contention that witnesses should be allowed to testify to the grand jury proceedings is correct. He cited considerable law. The committee reserved their decision.

It is said State Senator Broderick, alleged to have assisted in bribing legislators, wanted as a witness, could not be found last night on this morning.

Beckmeyer Got His \$1000, Too. Representative H. J. Beckmeyer, on the witness stand yesterday before the Lorimer investigation committee of the senate, said that he had received \$1000 after he had voted for Wm. Lorimer for United States senator and that the money was paid to him because of his vote. Beckmeyer was the third legislator in this hearing to declare that he received money for his vote in the senatorial election. Representative White and State Senator Holtzlaw being the others.

Counsel for Senator Lorimer brought out on cross-examination that Beckmeyer's vote for Lorimer was not induced by the promise of any payment. Beckmeyer, who was a witness in the election and did not receive any money for it.

John W. Dennis of East St. Louis, at one time a partner of Representative White, testified that in June, 1899, White paid a number of bills.

"Here is the Lorimer money," I understood when I got the money that it was for my vote for Senator Lorimer," said the witness.

On cross-examination Beckmeyer he had with Representative Michael Link, another democratic legislator who voted for Senator Lorimer and who is expected to be a witness before the committee tomorrow, that in one of these conversations Beckmeyer testified Link said to him, "My testimony does not fit with yours. I promised to vote for Senator Lorimer long before the election and did not receive any money for it."

ENGINEER SPOON INSPECTS ROUTE OF PROPOSED HIGHWAY

Will Make Recommendations as to Proposed Asheville to Alta Pass Mountain-Top Road.

State Highway Engineer W. L. Spoon was present at a special meeting of the Good Roads association in the city hall yesterday afternoon and gave an account of a recent trip which he had made over this end of the route of the proposed Asheville-Alta Pass ridge road. Mr. Spoon had made this trip to get information as to the most practical route to recommend in order to connect Asheville with the ridge road, somewhere in the Mount Mitchell section of the Black mountains.

Mr. Spoon started at Linville and went into the Black mountains by way of Mt. Mitchell; from there he went to Bull's gap, thence to the Cragsy range, thence by way of Howland's road to Asheville.

There are two routes proposed at this end of the road; the first from Asheville to Overlook park over Howland's road past Rattlesnake lodge to Bull's gap; thence over the Cragsy range on to Mt. Mitchell. While a little longer, this is by far the most picturesque route and will likely receive much consideration. The other route is from Asheville to Swannanoa gap by way of Black Mountain or Montreat, which is much shorter but the scenery is not to be compared with the first route.

Mr. Spoon said that the survey has been completed from Linville to Buck creek gap but a link along the line of the Blue Ridge road is yet to be surveyed.

Redress Sought for Assault Upon Reporter. Berlin, Sept. 30.—Ambassador Hill, acting upon instructions from the state department at Washington, called at the foreign office today and requested an inquiry into the affair and proper official redress for wanton assault by the police upon Frederick W. White, correspondent of the New York Times, during the recent Balkan studies.

Fatal Accident in Piqua. Piqua, O., Sept. 28.—Two were killed and three injured, one, it is believed, fatally, last night when an automobile was struck by a Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton train. The dead are Miss Maria Anderson, aged 23, and Edward Piper, aged 25.

Missouri's Population Increased 6 per Cent. Washington, Sept. 30.—The population of Missouri is 4,222,000, an increase of 6 per cent. since 1900.