

BRITISH PLANE AT MONTREAL IN 20 HOURS

Pick-a-Back Plane and Pilot



This picture gives you a good idea of what the British flying boat Mercury (at top) looked like when it took off at Foynes, Eire, on July 20 for a flight to Montreal and New York.

Ship Starts To New York Soon After

Took off from Ireland Wednesday Afternoon from Back of Mother Ship

Montreal, July 21.—(AP)—(Canadian Press)—The British pick-a-back seaplane Mercury took off at 1 p. m., eastern standard time, today for New York from Bosherville air harbor, where she arrived this morning on the first trans-Atlantic flight for a plane of her type.

Montreal, Canada, July 21.—(AP)—(Canadian Press)—The first trans-Atlantic flight of a pick-a-back plane ended here at 10:20 a. m., eastern standard time, today when the British seaplane Mercury alighted on the St. Lawrence river, near Montreal.

The Mercury glided to a snug landing in an air harbor 20 hours, 20 minutes after leaving Foynes, Ireland 2,715 miles away, where she had been launched by her mother ship, the Maia.

Some 2,000 miles of her route had traversed the North Atlantic, and she came on to Montreal without making her expected stop at Botwood, Newfoundland.

Completing the first of eight scheduled experimental flights to Canada this year, the silvery seaplane cut her engine and coasted into an area of the harbor marked off by buoys. A flag-decked yacht steamed out into the river to greet Captain Donald Bennett and Wireless Operator Albert Coster, the Mercury's crew of two.

The Mercury was to unload part of her 1,000 pound cargo here, and then take off for New York about noon, eastern standard time, after replenishing her fuel tanks.

The Atlantic crossing was accomplished at 3:29 a. m., eastern standard time, when the ship, 13 hours, 29 minutes out of Foynes, passed over Cape Bauld at the northern tip of Newfoundland, and headed inland without making the expected stop at Botwood.

Over Cape Caste the Mercury was flying at 147 miles an hour. Weather was reported perfect. The Mercury was launched from the back of the Maia at Foynes, at 2 p. m., eastern standard time yesterday.

Six Steel Firms Backed Inquiry Into Industry

Concern Employed for Task Ordered To Study Whole Nature of the CIO

Washington, July 21.—(AP)—Senate investigators heard today that six steel companies engaged a public relations firm last July to make a study of industrial relations, including the "CIO, its leadership, its methods, its philosophy and the nature of its support by communists."

John W. Hill, of the Cleveland firm of Hill & Knowlton, told the Senate Civil Liberties Committee that each of the companies agreed to pay \$1,500 a month for the service. He named them as the Republic, Bethlehem, Inland and National Steel Corporations, and the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company and American Rolling Mills Company.

Hill said the companies were concerned about their industrial relations as a result of the "little steel" strike of last summer, and sought facts that would be useful in shaping policy.

Other developments: Secretary Hull told globe-circler Howard Hughes that his epic airplane (Continued on Page Eight).

Preview Cellulose Cigarette Wrapper

New York, July 21.—(AP)—Representatives of American cigarette manufacturers were given a preview today of cigarettes wrapped in transparent cellulose, made of tobacco waste instead of paper. The invention was displayed to them by I. Tamas, Hungarian author and playwright, who came here Monday from Europe with his lawyer to attempt a sale of American rights. Tamas, who does not smoke, said he invented the wrapping after two years experimentation.

"The use of the new transparent wrapping," he predicted, "will make white paper cigarettes as obsolete as silent movies are today."

Morgan Given Free Hand In TVA Evidence

Knoxville, Tenn., July 21 (AP)—Congressional investigators of the TVA lifted restrictions today which prevented Arthur E. Morgan from questioning TVA employees except by arrangement with Authority officials and committee counsel. Representative Jenkins, Republican, Ohio, moved yesterday to permit unrestricted questioning after Dr. Morgan charged officials had instructed employees "not to talk" to him without their permission.

After an executive session today, Jenkins withdrew an original motion and substituted the following, which passed unanimously: "Resolved, that it be the sense of this committee that all employees be given free opportunity to confer with this committee or any other persons designated by the chairman with reference to subject matter in this investigation, and that it not be necessary for such employees to make a report thereof to any TVA officers, either before or after the conference."

Representative Made, Democrat, New York, said "this resolution does exactly what we all sought."

Dr. Morgan then returned to the stand to announce he was finished for the time being with the testimony he opened Monday. Senator Schwartz, Democrat, Wyoming, said he would like to question the former TVA chairman further on the TVA's power yardstick, which Dr. Morgan said was adopted without his permission or knowledge, and had been termed by Dr. David Lillenthal, another director, as "little more than a guess."

OWEN WISTER DIES AT THE AGE OF 78

Providence, R. I., July 21.—(AP)—Owen Wister, 78, author of "The Virginian," died of a cerebral hemorrhage today at his summer home in North Kingstown.

Tobacco Has Big Comeback

College Station, Raleigh, July 21.—"Flue-cured tobacco in Eastern North Carolina has shown marked improvement within the past two or three weeks," Lloyd T. Weeks, assistant extension tobacco specialist at State College said today.

"Prospects are much brighter in most sections, but I am afraid it will be impossible for the State as a whole to produce a normal crop." Weeks, who spends most of his time visiting various counties of the State to examine tobacco fields and tobacco-growing demonstrations conducted by farmers, estimated that production this year will be at least 20 per cent under last year.

He added that some of the demonstrations where farmers have applied the right fertilizer, observed recommended cultural practices, and have used a high grade of seed, are making much better leaf than the other fields near-by. But in places rains have been so heavy that the demonstrations were "drowned out and are a complete flop," the specialist pointed out.

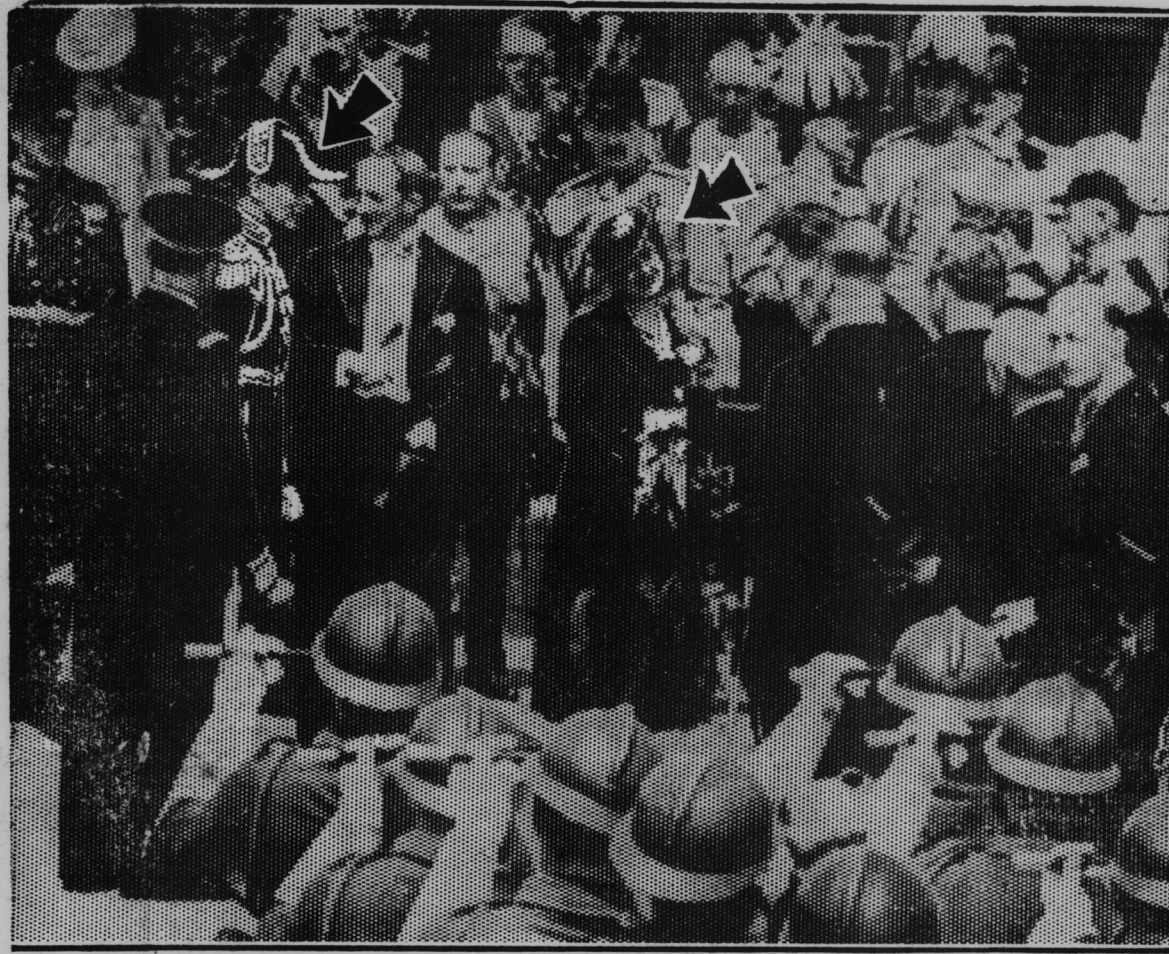
Over a wide part of the State, however.

HIGH POINT WOMAN DIES OF GUN WOUND

High Point, July 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Mary A. Ramsay, hosiery mill employee, died suddenly at her home here today of a bullet wound in the head which Acting Coroner M. Murray said apparently was inflicted accidentally.

L. E. Williams, assistant superintendent of the local bureau of investigation, said he was told by the woman's husband, E. W. Ramsay, that the latter was cleaning a gun which was discharged accidentally, the bullet piercing the back of her head. Mrs. Ramsay came to High Point two years ago with her husband from Rocky Mount, Va.

England's Monarch Arrives In France



On a state visit considered a diplomatic warning of caution to the rest of Europe, King George and Queen Elizabeth of England are pictured (arrows) as they arrived at Boulogne, France, after a voyage from Dover, on the Admiralty yacht Enchantress. This is first visit of a reigning British ruler to France since 1914. Photo was telephoned to London, then radioed to New York. (Central Press)

Germany Greatly Desirous Of Peace, Envoy Informs Britain

45,000 Rural Electric Customers In The State, Board Advises Governor

Raleigh, July 21.—(AP)—Chairman Dudley Bagley, of the State Rural Electrification Authority, reported today just before being re-elected, that 8,211.2 miles of rural electric lines had been built in North Carolina since July 1, 1935, to serve 45,425 customers.

An addition, to cost \$110,000, for 107 miles of rural lines to serve 420 or more customers in Pitt, Martin and Edgecombe counties, was authorized for the Edgecombe-Martin Electric Membership Cooperative.

The original 35 miles of the cooperative, Bagley said, are "paying their way" already.

The Authority decided to meet at Manteo August 26 for its first meeting east of Rocky Mount.

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, July 21.—Nearly 7,000 Tar Heel farmers became rural electricity customers during the year ended July 1, as more than 1,300 miles of rural lines were added the grand total built building or authorized in the State, according to a report of the North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority submitted to the governor's office today after a scheduled meeting of the authority.

The figures showed that the entire North Carolina rural system now has 8,211.2 miles added since July 1, 1935, date of the board's establishment, which will serve when completed, a grand total of 45,425 customers. Actually built during the last year were 2,634.08 miles to bring the com-

pleted total to 7,004.3 as compared with 4,570.22 on July 1, 1937. Under construction there were, on July 1, 285.4 miles against 442.84 in similar status a year previous. Authorized, but no construction yet started, were 921.5 miles against 1,828.53 on July 1, 1937.

A year ago there were 38,587 customers served or to be served in the state, 6,383 less than as of July 1, this year.

The report was submitted to the REA board by Dudley Bagley, director. Figures were compiled by the board engineer, J. M. Grainger. In a forward or letter of transmittal Mr. Bagley said that the Authority's activities have been consistently developed along three lines:

(1) Promotion of line construction by any or all of three agencies—Cooperatives backed by the Federal REA, private utilities and municipalities.

(2) Informational and consultative services offered by the office established in Raleigh.

(3) Educational, in cooperative with the Extension Service of State College. The report showed that in the year ended on July 1 employees of the authority travelled a total of 21,713 miles on duty in the field throughout the State, about two-thirds of the total travel of the same sort during the first two years of the authority's existence, during which travel came to 21,713.

But while "working" travel increased (Continued on Page Eight)

Chamberlain Reveals to Commons Discussions at Monday Night Meeting

London, July 21 (AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain told the House of Commons today that Britain had received from Chancellor Hitler's confidential envoy renewed assurances of the German government "of their desire to achieve a peaceful settlement of outstanding questions."

The prime minister said these assurances had been given to Viscount Halifax, foreign secretary, by Captain Fritz Wiedemann, the German Fuehrer's representative. Chamberlain gave this reply to a question as to what was discussed at Monday night's confidential discussion between Lord Halifax and Hitler's envoy:

"In the course of his recent visit to London, Captain Wiedemann had an informal conversation with the secretary of state for foreign affairs. Captain Wiedemann did not come prepared to discuss any particular aspect of political affairs, but the conversation enabled him, owing to his contact with authoritative circles in Germany, to renew the assurances already given by the German government of their desire to achieve a peaceful settlement of outstanding questions."

The German visitor saw the foreign (Continued on Page Eight)

King George Sees Power French Army

Great Demonstration of Army of British Ally Show at Versailles Review

Paris, July 21.—(AP)—France paraded her newest war machines for the first time today to demonstrate to King George VI of Great Britain the strength she can lend to their common cause.

For more than an hour infantry, cavalry and artillery regiments, the flower of the French army, swung by the red-carpeted reviewing stand at Versailles to the music of massed military bands.

King George, in the tunic of a field marshal, and President Lebrun of France reviewed the columns of marching men, totaling 50,000, supported by hundreds of tanks and about 50 airplanes.

The spectacle, a high light of King George's state visit to France, attested to the strong bonds that unite Europe's great democratic powers.

When King George reached Versailles, a 101-gun salute was started. It continued throughout the parade, one salvo each minute.

The king and President Lebrun (Continued on Page Eight)

Selling Nips Stocks' Gains

New York, July 21.—(AP)—Fresh selling of amusement and utilities stocks took the steam out of a noon rally in rails today, and market leaders reduced or cancelled extreme gains running to two or more points at the close. Further study of the government's action yesterday in filing anti-trust suits against the principal film companies, and the move of the Securities Exchange Commission to impose the "death sentence" clause of the Federal utilities act on holding companies, apparently chilled Wall Street's speculative ardor. The midday rally was short-lived and the pace soon reverted to a jog as profit-takers began to cash in.

Table with 2 columns: Company Name and Share Price. Includes American Radiator, American Telephone, American Tob Co, Anaconda, Atlantic Coast Line, etc.

Headaches Aplenty Await Wage-Hour Administrator Roosevelt Has Appointed

By CHARLES P. STEWART

Central Press Columnist

Washington, July 21.—Elmer Andrews, who is to administer the new wage-hour law, takes over a job which promises many headaches.

This law meshes with the national labor relations act. And another piece of industrial legislation is foreshadowed from the study which the New Deal is making of the English system of regulation of relations between capital and the rank-and-file of British workers.

The general idea is that this network is to be in labor's interest—not unfairly so but to a sufficient extent to prevent the toilers from being overly exploited.

Labor naturally favors such a policy. However, I think I note a tendency on the part of trades union leaders

to fear that the thing will be excessively governmentalized, with the possible elimination of their own organizations. They want government support but they certainly do not want to have unionism supplanted by governmental regimentation.

NLRB Troubles. The National Labor Relations Board assuredly has had plenty of trouble.

Employerdom assuredly does not like it. It is fighting the board here, there and nearly everywhere. That was to have been expected, perhaps, during the process of crystallization.

But employer-dom is not a friendly unit, either. The A. F. of L. asserts that the board is anti-A. F. of L. and pro-CIO—not pro-capital but "pro" a rival labor set-up.

Complicates Matters. This is a mean complication. Personally I always have thought that the A. F. of L. is a laboristocracy, and the CIO seems to me to be a labor democracy. But no matter; it is an unfortunate split in labor's ranks, anyway.

It is not harmonizing capital and labor, either. The wage-hour law? Any kind of labor of course advocates decent wages and human hours. (Continued on Page Eight)

Roosevelt's Ship Travels Shoals Area

Aboard U. S. S. Houston, Enroute to Panama, July 21.—(AP)—The cruiser Houston, carrying President Roosevelt and his fishing companions on a vacation jaunt down the Pacific, clipped along at 21 knots today toward French-owned Clipperton island, poorly charted and a danger to navigation.

The island, lying 670 miles off the Mexican mainland, on a line between Hawaii and Panama, consists of a low coral ring of sand-like appearance, varying in width from a few yards to a quarter of a mile and rising from the sea to a height of five to 14 feet. Within this coral ring is a large circular lagoon, with depths from a few inches to more than 300 feet.

Ships are warned that the island is dangerous to navigation, even under the most favorable conditions. Mariners are urged to approach Clipperton with great caution.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy, occasional showers in central portion tonight and in the interior Friday.