

AIRMEN EXPECT TO REACH THE BOSTON HARBOR DURING DAY

Hopped Off Shortly After 10 O'clock on the Lap That Should Bring Them Back to Native Country.

LIEUTENANT WADE JOINS THE PARTY

Airmen Will Be Royally Welcomed and Will Be Honored as No American Airmen Were Ever Honored.

Eastport, Maine, Sept. 5.—The world circling fliers reached the United States at 1:20 p. m., eastern standard time today.

Back in United States. Pictou, Nova Scotia, Sept. 5 (By the Associated Press).—The American airmen world fliers hopped off from Pictou for Boston today on the last overseas stage of their flight.

Lieutenant Wade's new plane, the Boston II, came down shortly after the start, but again took the air at 10:35.

The New Orleans, Lieut. Nelson's machine, was the first to get into the air. She was followed by the plane of Lieutenant Lowell H. Smith.

At 10:50 o'clock the planes were reported passing over River John, 15 miles along the coast from Pictou.

The delay in the final start of the American fliers was caused by motor trouble which developed in the heavily laden plane Boston II.

Will Be Royally Welcomed. Boston, Sept. 5.—The American world fliers are expected to step on the soil of their native land today for the first time since they left at St. Peter on April 6th.

After taxiing for their mooring bays, the fliers will be greeted by a salute of 21 guns, fired by an anti-aircraft battery, and the Star Spangled played by a military band.

DAVIS WILL MAKE SIX ADDRESSES IN THE WEST. In Addition He Expects to Make Great Many Hear Platform Talks.

Chicago, Sept. 5.—After a conference here today with the county chairman and other leaders of his party in Illinois, John W. Davis will set forth this afternoon to begin his first drive in the far west as the Democratic standard bearer.

Before returning here September 18, for a stay of several days, Mr. Davis plans to deliver six addresses and to make many rear platform talks.

THREE ALLEGED RIOTERS HAVE LEFT HERRIN NOW. Left at Request of Citizens Who Think Their Property Will Be Damaged.

Herrin, Ill., Sept. 5 (By the Associated Press).—Three of the men who figured in the shooting affray here Saturday in which six men were killed, left Williamson county today.

Dr. J. W. Cammack Will Succeed Dr. W. C. James. Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 4.—Dr. J. W. Cammack, of Richmond, Va., was elected secretary of the educational board of the Southern Baptist convention to succeed Dr. W. C. James.

JOINT DEBATE PLAN NOT POPULAR WITH M'LEAN'S ADVISERS

No Announcement Has Been Made as to Whether Col. Ike Meekins' Challenge Will Be Accepted.

MATTER GETTING LITTLE ATTENTION

Democratic Committee Met Thursday But It Did Not Discuss Matter Fully—Leaders Oppose the Plan.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 5.—No announcement has yet been made by Chairman Dawson of the Democratic Executive Committee regarding the stand the committee will take on the proposed debate between A. W. McLean, Democratic nominee for Governor, and Isaac Meekins, his republican opponent.

While Mr. McLean has already expressed his desire to engage in a joint debate with his opponent on state and national questions, with special reference to the Harding administration, Chairman Dawson, Senator Simmons and other party leaders are known to be opposed to the debate.

THIRTEEN DRIVERS SIGN FOR CHARLOTTE RACES. Some of the Most Famous Drivers in the Country to Enter the Races.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 5.—Thirteen world famous race drivers have been signed to participate in the 250-mile race on October 25 over the Charlotte speedway.

Continue Assault. Shanghai, China, Sept. 5 5:30 p. m. (By the Associated Press).—Attacking Chinese forces, about 30 miles northwest of Shanghai, continued their assault all of last night and late this afternoon.

No Ultimatum Issued. Shanghai, Sept. 5 (By the Associated Press).—The Peking government denies the report issued by a Japanese news agency yesterday that the Manchurian government has issued an ultimatum that attacks on Gen. Lu Xun Hsiang cease.

Rumor Denied. Peking, Sept. 5.—Official denial that Chang Tso Lin, military governor of Manchuria, had threatened to mediate by force in the Chinese civil war around Shanghai, was made today by the Chinese foreign office.

OTTO ALFRED SCHEINS TO LENOIR-RHYNE COLLEGE. Will Take Position in the Department of Education.

Hickory, N. C., September 4th, 1924.—The position in the department of education in Lenoir-Rhyne College, made vacant by the resignation of Prof. Morgan to accept the presidency of Summerfield College, has been fortunately filled by the election of Mr. Otto Alfred Scheins, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rowan Sheriff Arrests Four More in Robbery of Stores. Salisbury, Sept. 4.—The net thrown out by Sheriff Kridler has resulted so far in the arrest of four men charged with complicity in the several store robberies that have occurred in small Rowan county towns recently.

President of Montreat to Rochester, Minnesota. Montreat, Sept. 4.—Dr. R. C. Anderson, for many years president of the Montreat Assembly grounds, frequented annually by thousands of Presbyterians, was taken tonight to Mayos, at Rochester, Minn., to consult specialists following serious illness which developed Saturday.

Flying Fish Break Down Telegraph. Ocean City, N. C., Sept. 4.—Flying fish, believed by anglers to have been driven inland by heavy storms at sea, invaded this city and Cape May today breaking down telegraph wires in their flight and crippling services.

That football dates back many centuries is evidenced by the English records which show that a royal decree prohibiting it was issued as early as 1314.

Fighting In 3 Sectors Near Shanghai Reported

Airplanes Gave Added Fury to Fighting and It Is Reported Chinese Warships Are Being Concentrated.

BIGGEST BATTLE 30 MILES FROM SHANGHAI

Outcome of Engagement Still Doubtful as Reinforcements Are Being Rushed to Aid Opposing Armies.

Shanghai, China, Sept. 5 (By the Associated Press).—Fierce fighting in three sectors between the forces of rival Chinese military governors, contending for the possession of Shanghai, continued unabated today, but added fury was given to the battles by the movement of airplanes into the war zone, and the reported concentration of Chinese warships along the Yangtze river.

The major engagement appeared to center between Kiangghien and Tientsin, about 30 miles northwest of Shanghai. The outcome of this engagement was still doubtful, both sides employing artillery, according to the Lungwha military headquarters of the Chekiang military governor.

Troops are proceeding from the Lungwha headquarters to reinforce the defending troops at Swngtu, 15 miles west of here, where fighting continues.

There is considerable jockeying for position in the quarter according to an observer. The Lungwha headquarters explained this with the announcement that their troops were taking positions to check an expected enemy swing toward the southeast.

The enemy movement would be along the Grand Canal with the immediate objective as the Sunkiang and Hangchow railway.

Entrance of airplanes into the conflict was signified today when seaplanes passed over western Shanghai district this afternoon. The planes evidently were cruising in the direction of the Lungwha aviation ground.

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With Our Advertisers. Guess how many pencils are in Cline's Pharmacy window and win a pencil free.

Round dance tonight at Poplar Lake. Music by Shadd's orchestra. Old Virginia Reel Monday night.

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FRANCE WILL FOLLOW LEAGUE COVENANT IN LETTER AND SPIRIT

This Assurance Made to the League of Nations Delegates by Premier Herriot, Speaking For French.

ARBITRATION IS HOPE, HE SAYS

The French Premier Also Expresses Hope That United States Will Soon Become a Member of the League.

Geneva, Sept. 5 (By the Associated Press).—France today pledged her adhesion to the principle of arbitration, and through the lips of Premier Herriot, gave to the world a message generally regarded here as full of hope for world peace.

In an address to the assembly of the League of Nations, M. Herriot declared that France would follow in both letter and spirit the solemn document known as the covenant of the League of Nations, which forms the first part of the treaty of Versailles.

Especially remarked by the delegates was the French premier's reference to the attitude of the United States toward the League of Nations.

"We continue to hope," he said, "that the United States which has already given us such useful collaboration and rendered us so many services, will not refuse her collaboration now, especially as arbitration is the keynote of our plan."

He added that certain distinguished citizens of the United States have already assisted with suggestions of the greatest value.

Haynes Blames Court for Capital's Witness. Washington, D. C., Sept. 4.—Liquor conditions in Washington, referred to in the treaty of Versailles, which is the worst spot in the country, are caused, chiefly, as in some other sections, by failure of the Courts to go the full limit of the law in imposing penalties.

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PRESIDENT DEVOTES DAY TO BUSINESS. Cabinet Meeting and Other Official Business Took Up Most of President's Time.

Washington, Sept. 5.—Government business took up practically the entire attention of President Coolidge today, with the regular cabinet meeting in the morning and other officials on his engagement list.

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TAX RATE FOR CITY MADE BY ALDERMEN TO NUMBER HOUSES

Rate For City Fixed at \$1.52 For Next Year.—Sinking Fund Made Most of the Increase Necessary Now.

TO NUMBER HOUSES AND NAME STREETS

Committee Was Appointed to Start This Work at Once—Electric Traffic Sign Will Be Erected at the Square.

Fixing the tax rate for the city for the next year, hearing complaints from property owners and taking definite action on a number of matters of general interest, the Aldermen of Concord Thursday night made their September meeting one of more than usual interest and importance.

Fixing of the city tax rate at \$1.52, an increase of 28 cents over the present rate, and ordering all streets named and the houses numbered were the most important matters transacted by the board.

The increase in the tax rate for the city, the need of a larger sinking fund for the city, the budget for the city was increased but little and the sinking fund made necessary practically the entire increase in the rate.

Aldermen Flowe and Ivey, Mayor Womble and City Engineer Furr were appointed on the committee to take immediate steps to get all streets named and houses numbered.

Mayor Womble was authorized to sign a contract with a decorating company for appropriate decorations for the city for fair week. The decorations will cost \$150.

The board ordered that a sewer line be laid on South Crosswell street.

A committee was appointed to negotiate further with J. L. Hartsell relative to getting a sidewalk on the east side of Beech street from Franklin avenue to the high school.

Chief of Police Talbirt and Mayor Womble were authorized to secure a new auto for the police department.

PRINCE HAS ENJOYED ANOTHER NIGHT OUT. Came in Between 1 O'clock and Dawn, and Was Asleep at Noon.

Syosset, N. Y., Sept. 5.—The Prince of Wales spent his fourth successive night out and was still sleeping as noon approached. The last official communication concerning the prince's movements, issued last night, told of his boarding a motor launch at the home of J. S. Cosden, and whizzing off to "somewhere on Long Island Sound" after one of his attendants had notified his home that the prince would not be home to dinner.

THE COTTON MARKET. Opened Steady at Unchanged Prices to Advance of 4 Points.—October 24.57.

New York, Sept. 5.—The cotton market opened steady at unchanged prices to an advance of 4 points in sympathy with Liverpool cables and sold about 13 to 17 points net higher in today's early trading.

On September 17, 1923, a crippled German immigrant, his wife and two children landed in New York where they were immediately sent to Canby, Minnesota, to relatives. On July 21, 1924, this immigrant farmer, out of his wages as a farm hand, had paid the \$50 borrowed from his brother for passage expenses.

HUNDREDS ATTEND OPENING OF SMITH FORD BRIDGE

Estimated That More Than 1,000 Persons Were Present For Formal Opening of the Bridge Thursday.

W. C. WILKINSON AMONG SPEAKERS

After Exercises Formally Opening Bridge Picnic Dinner Was Served Under the Bridge to All Present.

On Thursday, September 4th, 1924, more than a thousand citizens of Stanly, Cabarrus and Mecklenburg counties met at the cement bridge over Rocky River on the Charlotte-Albemarle road at what was formerly known as Smith's Ford.

The exercises were held under the bridge on the west bank of the river. Mr. Morrison Caldwell was requested by the local committee to preside and inaugurate the speakers.

Mr. Boyette of Albemarle was the first speaker. He declared that the people had built all the railroads of North Carolina including the road from Salisbury to Norwood, but that now the transportation companies owned these railroads.

Mr. Boyette introduced Mr. W. C. Wilkinson, the Highway Commissioner for the Sixth District.

Mr. Wilkinson declared that he had made a pledge in the court house at Concord that the road through No. 10 would be built and said that he kept his pledge.

Mr. Hartsell was next presented as a No. 10 product as well as county attorney. Mr. Hartsell congratulated the community in the erection of this great bridge.

Mr. D. E. Henderson, a lawyer of Charlotte spoke next. He made a humorous speech and took numerous "cracks" at Jake Newell, who had been announced as the last speaker.

Mr. Caldwell, in presenting Mr. Newell, declared that it took No. 10 Ten 150 years to produce one John McAnulty and one Jake Newell, and it would take 150 years more before another fellow like Jake Newell would be born.

After the speeches the crowd adjourned to the dinner which was spread upon long tables under the bridge. Under this bridge is an ideal place for picnics as there is shelter in the case of rain and many such gatherings in the future but none with the historic significance of this occasion.

Mr. Caldwell said that this was the most important event in Cabarrus history since the Opening of the Cabarrus County Fair in 1923.

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