

CREW REFUSED BE TAKEN OFF AND PN-9 NO. 1, TECHNICALLY HAS COMPLETED NON-STOP CRUISE

Families Rescued Men Officially Notified of Safety of Flyers Whose Lives Had Been Despaired of

PRAISE FOR RESCUERS

Commandant at Pearl Harbor Sends Congratulatory Message to Submarine Divisions Participating

(By The Associated Press.)

RECUED FLIER IS PROMOTED BY SECRETARY NAVY

Washington, Sept. 11.—Commander John Rodgers, rescued after nine days afloat in his plane, PN-9, No. 1, today was appointed Assistant Chief of the Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics.

He will report to Washington as soon as possible to assume his new post. Secretary Wilbur decided on the appointment late last night when he learned of the rescue.

Nawiliwili, Island of Kauai, Sept. 11.—The giant Navy seaplane PN-9, No. 1, tossed about for nine days in the waters off the Hawaiian Islands, was anchored in this isolated port today.

Commander John Rodgers and his crew were safe ashore and well after being picked up at sea yesterday by submarine R-4.

The crew, bearded, tanned and half-starved after being so long exposed to the elements, refused to leave their craft until it was in the harbor, thereby technically completing a non-stop plane cruise from San Francisco to Hawaii.

The seaplane was forced down by lack of fuel when within striking distance of Honolulu. Food supplies lasted five days. Rain water caught in fabric torn from the wings of the plane saved their lives, the men said.

The craft while adrift was able to pick up radio messages but not able to broadcast. "The worst part of the drifting period," said Commander Rodgers, "was when we were able to hear messages put on the air saying that hope of finding us had been given up."

They were found 15 miles north of here, about 450 miles from the spot where they were forced down. The submarine which located them sent food aboard and sent out news of the rescue by radio.

Learner They Were "Lost" Navigator Connell of the PN-9, No. 1, said the fliers picked up radio messages at sea before the rescue from the U. S. S. Langley saying that at a conference of 29 pilots it was unanimously agreed that the PN-9, No. 1, and its crew were lost. "That made me mad," he declared.

Commander Rodgers' handling of the disabled plane was highly praised by all members of the crew who told how he would deprive himself of rations and water but would insist that the crew take their full share.

The fliers today showed reactions to the strain they had been under, all talking at once. Physicians expressed the belief that they would have to give them hypodermics to calm them so that they could sleep.

Honolulu, Sept. 11.—The wreck of the seaplane PN-9, No. 1 was towed into harbor at 11 o'clock last night amid scenes of rejoicing from the harbor and ashore.

Families of the aviators who constituted commanding officer and crew of the big plane were notified at once of the rescue of the five men as soon as Lieutenant Commander McComb, junior commandant of the Pearl Harbor air station, received the official news.

Commander McComb also sent two other messages. The first was to inform and ran as follows: "The whole Navy is rejoicing. Your families are notified. The other was addressed to the submarines, winners of the race to find Rodgers and his men. It said: "The commandant congratulates submarine divisions nine and 14 and particularly the R-4 for their excellent work."

Credit to Martin The rescue is considered a feather in the cap of Commander Frank C. Martin, Commander of the Pearl Harbor Submarine Base, who, after conference with other naval officers, placed submarines under his control in such position that the seaplane ultimately was rescued.

The plane was located two hundred and eighty hours after its plunge from the air after 24 hours hurtling from San Francisco toward Honolulu in the first such flight ever attempted.

That Commander Rodgers and

Silvery Ribbon Of Concrete Joins Three Neighbor Cities

A silver ribbon of concrete now stretches unbroken from Elizabeth City to Edenton Bay, affording unbroken hard surfaced highway communication between Elizabeth City, Hertford and Edenton, and marking consummation of the first item in the project of connecting these three cities of the Albemarle with the remainder of the State. A bridge to be built across lower Chowan River during the coming year will complete the undertaking.

The last link in the State Highway between Elizabeth City and Hertford was thrown open to traffic Friday morning, having been completed about two weeks ago.

This is a stretch of four miles to the east of Winfall, and had been left unopened when the remainder of the road was built, on account of a shortage of funds. Construction

was begun this summer, and proceeded in systematic and rapid fashion by reason of exceptional favorable weather. Elizabeth City has moved measurably nearer to the two neighbor towns overnight, through the opening of the road, which is expected to strengthen the existing bond of friendship between the three.

It is 30 miles from this city to Edenton, and one may drive the distance in an hour without doing violence to the State speed laws. Hertford is only 18 miles from here.

Thus has come into being a main highway which has been sought for a number of years by the people of three counties it bisects—a road which was proposed and agitated actively long before the State embarked upon its present program of highway building.

erger rush to obtain papers conveying the news. Rodgers and his crew left San Francisco in an attempted non-stop flight to Honolulu on August 31. The following afternoon, 24 hours after his seaplane, the PN-9, No. 1, hopped off, the plane and crew disappeared about 300 miles from its destination. Last messages from the PN-9, No. 1 stated that its gasoline supply was about exhausted and a forced landing was expected. It went down in a terrific storm, calling for help.

The naval vessels stationed along the coast of the flight immediately took up the search for the plane, but nothing of the missing plane was seen until late yesterday.

The island of Kauai is 64 miles west by northwest of the island of Oahu. Oahu, of which Honolulu is the principal city, was the destination of the big seaplane in its flight across the waters of the Pacific.

Rejoicing at Washington Washington, Sept. 11.—The Navy Department was advised formally of the rescue of the crew of the PN-9, No. 1 in a radio message shortly after midnight from the naval radio station at San Francisco, which said the crew was in good health.

The message read: "PN-9, No. 1, found by R-4, 15 miles from Nawiliwili. Commander Rodgers and crew in good health. En route to Nawiliwili with plane in tow at 8 o'clock tonight."

News of the rescue of the crew of the PN-9, No. 1 brought expressions of relief and delight from officials in Washington, where, expected officially, hopes had been virtually abandoned that they would be found.

"We are delighted," said Secretary Wilbur, when apprised by The Associated Press that Commander John Rodgers and his crew had been found. "We are very happy that the men are safe."

Rescue of the crew, after a search of more than a week, served to ease, to some extent, the lines of disaster that seemed to have gripped the Navy Department, with the apparent loss of the seaplane and the killing of 14 men two days later in the wreck of the dirigible Shenandoah. Both accidents have been made the basis of considerable criticism of the Department, including that contained in the statement last Saturday, by Colonel William Mitchell, former assistant chief of the Army air service, and they are generally expected to be made the subject of an inquiry when Congress meets in December.

MERCHANTS GIVE FREELY TO FUND

Additional Contributions for Road Event Needed Badly, However

The business of raising money to meet the cost of the celebration to be held here Thursday, marking the official opening of the Acorn Hill road is progressing favorably, according to G. R. Little, finance chairman, but a considerable sum is still needed to assure the success of the event.

Mr. Little asks that all committees soliciting money among the merchants and professional men report to him not later than Saturday night, it being essential that the list be in by that time in order not to delay preparations for the event.

All the stores in the city are expected to close from noon to 2 o'clock on the day of the celebration, in order to permit the merchants and their salesfolk to mingle with the crowd and assist in the entertainment. Action toward this end was taken at the citizens' meeting at the Chamber of Commerce Monday night, those present voting unanimously in favor of closing during the hours stated.

Additional contributors reported to Mr. Little up to noon Friday, and the number of guests who will entertain, are as follows:

- | Donor | Guests |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Zimmerman & Company | 50 |
| White House Cafe | 10 |
| Gordon Bean Harvester Co. | 20 |
| Benton & West | 20 |
| A. B. Seelye & Sons | 20 |
| DeLuxe Filling Station | 20 |
| C. A. Cook | 20 |
| C. G. Morrisette & Company | 50 |
| Bright Jewell Company | 30 |
| Gallo & Toxey Shoe Co. | 50 |
| Apothecary Shop | 30 |
| Overman & Stevenson | 25 |
| Standard Pharmacy | 20 |
| Owens Shoe Company | 50 |
| P. W. Meliek Company | 30 |
| Foreman-Derrickson Ven. Co. | 25 |
| Standard Mfg. Company | 20 |
| Eastern Cotton Oil Company | 20 |
| Albemarle Perfumery Co. | 60 |
| Timewater-Bulck Co. | 30 |
| Auto Supply & Valve Company | 20 |

PB-1 Will Attempt Flight Very Soon

Washington, Sept. 11.—"Overjoyed" was the way Secretary Wilbur described his emotions of the Navy today over the rescue of the PN-9, No. 1, and her crew.

The naval seaplane PB-1 will attempt the flight from San Francisco to Hawaii soon after September 21.

Captain Stanford Moss, commander of the flight project, advised the Navy Department today that the flight would take place after the conclusion of the equinoxial storms of the Pacific.

"Rose Time" Here OCTOBER SECOND "Rose Time," an operetta under the direction of the Wayne T. Sewell Company of Atlanta, Georgia, is to be presented here October 2 by the D. H. Hill Chapter, the purpose being to raise funds for the U. D. C. convention, which will be held here October 20.

A representative of the Wayne T. Sewell Company is expected to arrive next week to begin rehearsals.

CONFERR ABOUT PLANS FOR BRYAN MEMORIAL Washington, Sept. 11.—Friends of the late William Jennings Bryan gathered here today to confer on plans for the erection of a suitable memorial to the Commander.

Joseph Daniels, who was Secretary of the Navy serving in the Wilbur cabinet with Mr. Bryan and who has taken a prominent part in the movement for the memorial, was one of the group.

It is expected that the memorial of whatever form decided, will be erected in Washington although as yet there has been no definite decision.

CONGRESSMAN FROM MICHIGAN IS DEAD Washington, Sept. 11.—Former Representative Patrick H. Kelley of Michigan died here today after a prolonged illness.

FUNERAL MRS. BAUM The funeral of Mrs. J. G. Baum, who died at her home, 312 Cedar street, Thursday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, was conducted Friday at the home at 2:30 p. m. by Dr. S. H. Temple and Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, and burial was made in Hollywood Cemetery.

MITCHELL SAYS FORTUNE SMILES ON U. S. NAVY

San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 11.—"So few are the remaining capable fliers in the country that the loss of any one is a calamity, and the finding and subsequent rescue of Commander John Rodgers and his crew is a blessing," Colonel Mitchell said here today, relative to finding the PN-9 No. 1.

NEWLAND HIGH OPENS MONDAY

Judge J. B. Leigh Will Deliver Address at Informal Exercises

Newland High School, second largest unit in the County educational system, will open for the fall term Monday morning. It is announced by County Superintendent M. P. Jennings. No elaborate program will be undertaken, due to the fact that the school auditorium is undergoing extensive alterations. However, there will be an address by Judge J. B. Leigh, of this city, and probably a short musical program. Patrons of the school and others interested have been invited to attend.

B. L. White, of Woodland, will be principal of the school, and will teach science and mathematics. His wife will teach history. Other members of the faculty are: Miss Edna Lassiter, English and French; Miss Margaret S. White, sixth and seventh grades; Miss Laura West, fourth and fifth grades; Miss Millicent Hayman, third and fourth grades; Miss Alma Foster, second grade, and Miss Nannie Bray, first grade.

Newland township as a whole is comprised in the high school district, and motor trucks have been used successfully for several years in transport of pupils from all parts of the township. This high school was the first of its kind to be established in Pasquotank County, and the effective results obtained there were largely responsible for the formation of the Weeksville High School district, comprising virtually all of the lower part of the County. This school opened last Monday.

MUST WORK 60 DAYS FOR TWO CHICKENS

This Fate Lefroy Johnson, While Pearl Morris Serves Same Term for Lack of \$25

Commitments for two 60 day road sentences imposed in record-breaking Thursday were issued by County Judge Sawyer Friday morning when both Pearl Morris and Lefroy Johnson, the former an old offender and the latter a youth of 17, failed to comply with the conditions under which judgments against them were suspended at yesterday's session of this court.

Pearle, a vigorous specimen of the masculine gender despite his name, was charged with assault with deadly weapon on Colonel Sutton and road sentence was suspended on condition that he pay a fine of \$25 and costs. Lefroy, charged with stealing two chickens, was told that if he would pay for the chickens he would be let off with the costs and a suspended sentence.

Unable to meet the conditions that would give them the right to liberty and the pursuit of happiness in these parts both negroes were due to leave Monday for Goldsboro for service on the Wayne County roads.

Currituck Court Is Nearing Close

Currituck, Sept. 11.—(Special)—The fall term of Superior Court in Currituck County probably will draw to a close this afternoon or tonight, according to the prospect at noon today. It was not expected that any civil cases would be tried, and the criminal docket was nearing exhaustion.

A mistrial was ordered in the case of Noah Cartwright, of Newberns Landing, who was tried on charge of violating the State prohibition law. The jury failed to reach a verdict after having had the case nearly two days.

Foster Forbes and Jim Lilly, both of Manteo and the later a negro, were found guilty of creating a public nuisance but were acquitted on a second charge of having set fire a building in that community.

Joe Lilly, colored, of Jarvisburg, was acquitted of a charge of stealing a watch.

COTTON MARKET New York, Sept. 11.—Spot cotton closed steady today, with middle prices an advance of 15 points. Futures, closing bid: Oct. 23.67, Dec. 23.98, Jan. 23.42, March 23.75, May 24.02, July 23.89.

MITCHELL HAS NOT SUPPORT OF FLIGHT UNIT

Former Assistant Aviation Chief Has Aroused Resentment and Antagonism by Criticisms

REFUTE ACCUSATIONS

Aviators Warmly Defend Hawaiian Flight Project and Deny That It Was Publicity Stunt

By BEN G. KLING

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—Col. William Mitchell has not the support of the members of the West coast Hawaiian flight unit in his wholesale criticism of the aviation branches of the Army and Navy. The former assistant aviation chief has aroused resentment and antagonism among Navy fliers here by his condemnatory statement following the destruction of the Shenandoah and the fate of the seaplane PN-9 on the attempted Hawaii flight.

Those officers who are devoting their best energies to the advancement of aviation resent criticism of the Navy's flying organization by an officer in the sister service. But most of all they resent Colonel Mitchell's condemnation of the higher officers who direct the Navy's test flights. Rear Admiral Moffett, head of the Navy's air service, they say, has the enthusiastic support of his flying personnel and though not a pilot himself, he consults and takes full advantage of the advice of the best aviators in the service.

That the Hawaii flight project was a publicity stunt they deny hotly, insisting that they are confident the present equipment of the Navy is equal to the flight, but that the only way to prove it is to make the attempt. Safer flights up and down the coast, they admit, help them to find weaknesses in their planes, but the long grind to Honolulu would provide them with experience and give their equipment a test which coastal cruising cannot present.

In his previous plea for a unified air service, the writer is informed, Col. Mitchell has considerable support among Navy fliers because they believed aviation would receive more support from Congress if it were not subordinate parts of two services, but his recent statement has caused such resentment that fully 95 per cent of the Navy flying personnel is dead against him.

Members of the unit admit that Secretary Wilbur acted in accordance with public opinion in stopping further Hawaii flight attempts but they hold that much of public opinion is maudlin and believe they will be given another try. Rear Admiral Moffett is on his way to Washington and they expect him to go direct to President Coolidge to make a report of the flight attempt and enter a plea for the crews of the PB-1 and the damaged PN-9, for permission to make another trial.

POLICE GOING AFTER DELINQUENTS HERE

Chief of Police Holmes is engaged this week in an inspection of stores and other establishments on which city licenses are required, and is taking a list of those who thus far have failed to pay for the privilege of doing business during the year beginning September 1, last. All city licenses were due on that date.

CHOWAN FARMER HAS RECORD COTTON CROP

Edenton, Sept. 11.—Wonderful news comes from J. Lester Forehand, owner of the Brandon plantation, the old Forehand homestead, that old bales of cotton were ginned Wednesday by Z. W. Evans, the first of the season, and from four acres the first picking netted four bales.

Despite the hot weather, Mr. Forehand's field resembled a frosty October morning, filled with merry cotton pickers, who had the satisfaction of not having to hunt for bolls, for they were so thick that picking came easy.

If this is forerunner of the crop in Chowan County, the whole county will be joyful. It is, however, most encouraging news that the first picking and the first ginning turned out so plentifully.

Takes Blame



Mrs. Ruth Janisse, 30, of LaSalle, Ontario, accused jointly with her husband of having killed Clayton McMullin, 30, of Windsor, Ontario, says she fired the shot and exonerates her husband. She recently was discharged from the hospital, recovering from what she says was a self-inflicted bullet wound in the leg.

MORE CRIME ALL THE WHILE

Increase Much Out of Proportion to Growth of Population

Chicago, Sept. 11.—The originator of the rogues gallery, as used in this country, Captain M. P. Evans, of the Chicago police force, finds today after 41 years in charge of the bureau of identification, that crime detection methods nowadays are greatly improved, but the percentage of criminals is increasing.

Back in 1884 when Captain Evans opened this country's first rogues gallery, criminals were relatively few and far between. Until that time police departments had not even worked out specific means of identification.

"That first year, with the bureau in operation about six months, 273 prisoners were photographed," Captain Evans tells. "The next year there were 518 then ten years later in 1895 there were 2,385, in 1905, 4,082, in 1915 there were 13,319 and in 1925 we expect more than 30,000. In the forty one years of its existence the bureau has handled 119,455 prisoners."

"The recent jump in the number of criminals is out of proportion to the increase in population. Their number has become so vast that without efficient means of identification it would be almost impossible to keep a check on criminals."

"I remember how back in the old days we depended upon memory. Even after the first rogues gallery was in operation, memory had to play a big part in spotting criminals and identifying them. Four years after the bureau of identification was opened, we established the Bertillon and finger classifications as the first city in the country to take that step. The result is a system of classification and identification that gives a ready check on criminals. But still their numbers seem to grow."

"People seem to take a strange interest in these criminals. I know that back in 1893 when I prepared a book showing photographs and identifications for 500 noted criminals, the exhibit was viewed by 500,000 people during the world fair here and seemed to attract wide attention."

PRESIDENT LEWIS TO MEET PINCHOT

Philadelphia, Sept. 11.—President Lewis of the United Mine Workers today accepted the invitation of Governor Pinchot to meet the Pennsylvania executive at his home in Millford, Pennsylvania, next Monday.

Mr. Lewis said he had no comment to make on the governor's action in asking him and W. W. Ingalls, head of the operators to meet him.

MARKETMAN HAS ENCOUNTER WITH TRIO ON HIGHWAY

Marion C. Love Receives Thorough Cussing for Speeding Truck With Cow as Passenger

APPARENTLY A 'STALL'

Bobbed Haired Woman Again Figures in Stirring Episode on George Washington Highway

An encounter with a bobbed haired woman and two men who, he believes, intended to hold him up on the George Washington Highway early last night was reported today by Marion C. Love, local meat dealer. The episode was the second of the kind in which Elizabeth City residents have figured apparently as intended victims of banditry within less than a week.

Mr. Love was on his way home from the Cumberland Dairy Farm, near Deep Creek, Va., and had just turned into the George Washington Highway from the West road, about five miles from the North Carolina line, when he overtook a five passenger touring car whose occupants were two men, a woman, and a child apparently about 3 years old. He was driving a truck with a live cow aboard which he had purchased at the dairy.

The driver of the touring car was making little speed, and Mr. Love passed him, driving fairly fast. The other immediately gave his car more gas, and kept close behind the truck, eventually undertaking to pass, but without success. Two or three miles past the North Carolina line, however, he managed to squeeze by.

Head Off Truck The road at that point is very sandy, making it almost impossible for one car to pass another already in the track. The touring car stopped dead ahead of the truck, and the men and the woman jumped out. Mr. Love was obliged to stop his truck and was talking to Barkley, about 20 years old, and a colored youth, Luke Sadler, both employed.

The trio from the touring car gathered about the truck, and one of the men, a slim fellow apparently 30 to 35 years old, began hurling a volley of profanity at the driver going through the catalog of everyday curswords with a facility denoting long practice, and then branching into a barrage of lurid variations. "I'd sooner cuss you completely before in my life," Mr. Love said today.

The profane one based his vituperation on the fact that the marketman was driving fairly fast with a cow in his truck. He had much to say about the cruelty of compelling a dumb beast to undergo such treatment.

"The cow was well bedded with straw," Mr. Love explained, "and was getting along fine. She had ridden that probably many times before in my life," Mr. Love said today.

Becoming thoroughly alarmed, Mr. Love started his truck and broke past the trio. He drove home in a hurry, and saw no more of the indignant ones.

The marketman and his companions express the opinion that the vituperative onslaught was only a "stall" to keep him in the road until the trio could hold him up. Motorists were passing in intervals, and Mr. Love believes that he would have been robbed had a favorable opportunity presented itself before he got away. He had only a small sum in his pocket.

Like Bandit Woman Mr. Love describes the woman as short and fairly presentable in appearance, with stringy reddish bobbed hair. The other man was short and heavy set, and apparently about 35 years old. All three were comparatively well dressed, he says.

Coming on the heels of the sticking up L. S. Caroon, of this city, by a bobbed haired woman at the point of a pistol last Thursday afternoon on the George Washington Highway, about eight miles south of Deep Creek, this latest incident is regarded here as emphasizing the necessity for effectively policing the road all the way from Deep Creek to South Mills. There are lonely stretches of miles upon miles, it is pointed out, where a highwayman might operate virtually with impunity.

The woman who held up Mr. Caroon, demanding that he either give her a ride to Portsmouth or hand over his valuables, corresponded in general description with the one Mr. Love encountered along with the two men last night. The former woman had been seen in the company of two men at various points along the highway all the way from this city to Deep Creek. While Mr. Caroon was expostulating with her, three negroes came strolling in a Ford touring car and the woman betook herself hastily to the woods.

While in the role of forced hostess, (Continued on Page 4.)