

WEATHER

Partly cloudy Thursday. Friday local showers and slightly cooler.

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REPORT THAT LEVINE MAY FLY BACK TO AMERICA BALLOONIST GIVES STORY FLIGHT WHICH SET NEW RECORDS

Story Is That French Pilot Will Be At "Stick" Columbia On Return Flight America

Public Interest in Trans-Atlantic Heroes Continues to Increase; Stories of Whole Squadrons of Planes Bound for Europe; War Invalid Walks When Byrd Makes Visit

PARIS, July 6.—(AP)—Public interest in America's trans-Atlantic aviators continued to rise today. It spread to aviation in general and there were stories of whole squadrons of airplanes coming to Europe...

Stimulating this interest were numerous incidents of various kinds, the most dramatic of which happened when Commander Byrd and his command paid a visit to the home of France's war wounded...

With Byrd holding one arm and Neville the other, he mounted the stairway leading to Napoleon's tomb and with them gazed down on the Emperor's resting place for the first time...

HONOLULU.—(AP)—Announcement was made today that the plane in which Richard Grace crashed on the island of Kauai, July 4, shortly after taking off for a flight to California...

SCOTLAND NECK.—(AP)—First Lieutenant Linton Williams was drowned today during an air demonstration by Army planes in farewell to Lieutenant Maitland and Hegeberger...

Williams plane dived into the water near the liner Maul, carrying him down with it. Efforts to rescue Williams failed and attempts were made to recover his body.

It was reported that Williams was engaged to marry the former wife of Horace Dodge, member of the wealthy Detroit family.

TASK SET APART IS IMPOSSIBLE

Counties Not Able Complete Valuations by July 1, Says Assistant Atty. Gen.

RALEIGH, July 6.—(AP)—The legislature laid down an impossible task when it called upon it to ascertain property values on or before June 1, 1927, assistant Attorney General Nash, in effect said tonight.

Mr. Nash finds that under the act the ascertaining of property value is to be certified to the Commissioner of Revenue not later than June 1 of each year.

Prizehouses To Be Constructed, Said

At least two new prizehouses will be erected in time to receive weed purchased on the local tobacco market this year. This seems assured through the renewed success which a movement to sell stock in a company to erect the houses had yesterday.

POULTRY CLUB HONORS RISSER

Head of Risser and Rabonwitz Makes Inspection of Local Branch of Firm

The hope that the local poultry plant may greatly increase its worth to the section was expressed by C. M. Risser, senior member of the firm of Risser and Rabonwitz at a dinner given in his honor at the Hotel Goldsboro last evening.

From Goldsboro, Mr. Risser will go to Danville, Kentucky, to inspect the branch of his firm there.

Those present included members of the executive committee of the Wayne County Poultry Association—A. K. Robertson, T. T. Brown, A. H. Kerr, Horace Whitley, A. H. Veazey and Walter Denmark—and the following invited guests were present: L. A. Raney, V. W. Lewis, of the bureau of markets of the state department of agriculture; and A. M. Stephenson, of the poultry and livestock department of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad.

LET PROJECTS FOR GREENE CO.

Will Connect With Paved Road To Wayne County Line; Mulligan Gets Work

RALEIGH, July 6.—(AP)—One hundred and sixty bids were received on 24 projects included in the highway commission letting today. The low bids totaling over \$2,000,000.

The projects included Greene county, \$34,074.55 by J. F. Mulligan, for 9.10 miles dirt road on route 102 from Snow Hill to Wayne county line.

Greene county, \$181,418.50 by Roberts Paving Company for 80.99 miles hard surface on route 12 from Snow Hill to Pitt county line.

May Settle Dunn Road Matter At Hearing Today

Whether or not the road from Goldsboro to Dunn will be taken over by the State Highway Commission and improved at an early date is expected to be decided at a meeting to be held in Raleigh today. Members of the Wayne County Highway Commission and representative citizens will appear before officials of the State Highway Commission in Raleigh this morning to argue for the road.

The route if taken over by the state and paved would shorten the distance from Goldsboro to Charlotte 55 miles. It was learned yesterday and would offer more direct communication between this part of the state and

START SEARCH MISSING BOY

Note Says Tell Mother Son Has Been Drowned; Was Slipped Under Window

RALEIGH, July 6.—"Send Mrs. Penny word that her son is drowned in Crabtree Creek." After slipping this note under a window at a refreshment stand at Lassiter Mill pond, near Raleigh, Ernest Hicks, 14, was last seen seated on an abutment of the bridge at that place and now is believed to have drowned himself early on Tuesday morning.

In order to clear up the matter, Coroner Waring Tuesday sought to aid a number of men for a search of the bottom of the creek at Lassiter's Mill to determine if the boy's body is in the water. The search was inaugurated at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when divers and others with grappling hooks got busy.

The note was written on the back part of a cigarette box and on the other side was written the name of Mrs. Sam Penny, of 412 St. Mary's Street.

Investigating the circumstances before deciding whether to search for the body, Coroner Waring learned that Ernest Hicks is the son of Mrs. Penny but had been living with an uncle, H. W. Sanderford, on his farm near Apex. The boy had been in the habit of visiting his mother during the week-end and was at her home Sunday night—it was the last she saw of him.

The coroner also learned that a boy about Hicks' size and age was seen hanging around the refreshment stand early Monday morning by L. B. Bramlett, fireman of the Lassiter Mill. Later, Bramlett saw the boy on the bridge but missed him after attending to the fire in the boiler room of the mill. The boy was not out of sight of Hicks but a few minutes, but Hicks disappeared in that time.

It was learned that the boy was upbraided by his mother recently for not staying on the uncle's farm and it is thought, he had brooded somewhat on that account.

Two Flying Officers Killed in Accident

GREAT BEND, N. Y., July 6.—(AP)—Two flying officers of the New York national guard lost their lives today in an airplane crash while engaged in military maneuvers. The victims were Capt. Curtiss Wheeler and Lt. Carl Sack, both of New York.

The cause of the accident was not known, and it was ordered that a military court be assembled to hear testimony of witnesses in an effort to fix the blame.

THREE MYSTERY CITIES

LONDON, July 6.—(AP)—Mystery crook stories must be laid in New York, Paris, or London, believes Frank L. Packard, author of "The Miracle Man" and other "thrillers" which have been turned into movies. They do not seem right in other cities he says.

BODIES OF TWO WOMEN FOUND

Friend of One of Dead Women Is Held After Police Investigation Case

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 6.—(AP)—Two women were slain in an apartment here today under circumstances that apparently baffled police, who said tonight, they were without a tangible clue.

The two had been dead more than twelve hours when a close friend of one of them, and a taxi cab driver found the bodies.

The friend, who is held by police, said he knew nothing of the slaying, one victim had apparently been dragged from her bed, partly clad and shot through the head. Two more bullets had been fired into her body as it lay on the floor. From the position of the other, which was fully clad, police believed she had unwittingly surprised the attacker and had been shot down to silence her.

Robbery was not the motive as about \$35 and a diamond ring were untouched.

CHARGED WITH BEATING CHILD

L. B. Strickland Is Held in Wayne County Jail in Default of Bond

L. J. Strickland, middle aged white man, who lives on one of the rural Goldsboro routes, is now lying in the Wayne County jail in default of a five hundred dollar bond, which was demanded for his appearance at the next term of court, as the result of a warrant, sworn out by the local welfare department, and served by County officers, charging Strickland with assaulting and unmercifully beating his five children.

When the case was reported to the Welfare Department, Deputy W. P. Grant was sent out to serve the warrant.

Upon reaching Strickland's home, Deputy Grant walked up to the porch and asked to see Mr. Strickland. The man came out a few minutes later with a shot-gun in his hand, it was said, and ordered Grant off the place. The deputy, nothing daunted by the formidable looking weapon in the man's hand, placed him under arrest, and brought him back to town. Now Strickland will probably be faced with the additional charges of resisting arrest and assaulting an officer.

SHEFFIELD TO MAKE REPORT

Will Go Over Mexican Relations With United States in Talk With Coolidge

RAPID CITY, S. D., July 6.—(AP)—Relation with Mexico, which have been causing the administration some concern during the past two years will be gone over at a conference here tomorrow between President Coolidge and Ambassador Sheffield of Mexico, who is expected to arrive at the airport while home early in the morning.

The President is interested to hear first hand information about the agreement reached between this country and Mexico recently against the confiscation of American property there has been working out.

Mr. Coolidge came to Rapid City today, after having been away from his desk all of yesterday, to attend a western round up.

Two Dead After Raid Near Nichols, S. C.

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 6.—(AP)—J. B. Amaker, state detective of South Carolina and Harvey Grainger, alleged liquor runner are dead and Emerson Grainger, another alleged liquor runner, is in jail as result of a raid today, eight miles from Nichols, S. C. It was learned here tonight from an officer at Marion, S. C.

YOUNG BAILEY GIVEN PARDON

Bravery in Capturing Insane Negro Wins Recognition for Raleigh Boy

RALEIGH, July 6.—In recognition of his bravery in helping recapture an escaped negro murderer, Governor McLean Wednesday afternoon granted a full pardon to Leslie Bailey, former Raleigh High School athlete, who was serving a year in State Prison for a statutory offense.

Application for a pardon for Bailey was made by Pardon Commissioner Edwin Bridges, who became interested in the case upon his return Tuesday from Morganton, where he investigated the killing of Broadus Miller, negro outlaw.

Bailey, under prison rules governing good behavior would have been freed within 15 days, but would have had to resort to the courts to get back his citizenship. Governor McLean's act in pardoning Bailey automatically restores his citizenship.

The youth, an idol of local football fandom two years ago, was severely cut about the face Saturday when he, together with two prison guards, overpowered and recaptured Janie May Hill, negro, who had escaped from the penal division of the State Sanatorium. Bailey, a trusty, recognized the negro on South Salisbury Street and notified Superintendent George Ross Pou, who ordered him and the guards to arrest the woman. This they did, but not before the woman had slashed Bailey and Guard H. H. Garris with a razor.

Bailey, according to Commissioner Bridges, is planning on entering the University of North Carolina in the fall and was desirous of regaining his citizenship.

The Raleigh youth was convicted at the December, 1926, term of Wake Superior Court of immoral relations, with a local girl under the age of 16. After a bitter trial he was convicted and sentenced to serve one year in State Prison.

Fielder Badly Hurt In St. Louis Game

ST. LOUIS, July 6.—(AP)—Fred Schulte, \$100,000 center fielder obtained by the St. Louis Browns from Milwaukee suffered a possible skull fracture when he ran into the concrete bleacher wall while chasing a fly in the eighth inning of today's game with Detroit. He was taken to a hospital where X-ray photographs were ordered taken to determine the extent of his injury.

MEETING OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

The Board of County Commissioners of Wayne County will meet as a Board of Equalization on Monday, July 11, 1927, at the Court House in Goldsboro, for the purpose of equalizing the new valuation of property in the county for taxation, and the board will adjourn from day to day until the equalization is completed, and the date of completion will not be later than the first Monday in August, 1927.

L. A. Raney, Chairman, Deslie Grantham, Clerk.

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Telegram Received Here Gives Official Notice Of Placing First In Contest

The News Honors Pilot At Informal Banquet

Pilot A. U. Rasmussen, winner of the Detroit News balloon race and holder of the world's distance record for balloons of the third category, was honor guest at an informal dinner at the Hotel Goldsboro last evening. The Goldsboro News was host at the occasion.

BEAT OTHERS OVER 100 MILES

Final Calculations Reveal Rasmussen Winner in Detroit Balloon Race

DETROIT, July 6.—(AP)—A. U. Rasmussen of Detroit was found to be the winner of the third annual Detroit News balloon race when after the last of the five entries reported late today figures revealed that his distance of 580 miles, measured by a straight line, outstripped by more than 100 miles the mark of his nearest competitor.

The last entry to report was J. A. Boettner who telegraphed that he landed at La Fayetteville, West Va., a distance of about 295 miles, 28 hours and 45 minutes.

Rasmussen in landing 13 miles from Kinston, N. C., established a new distance record for balloons of the third category, 1,200 cubic meters. His time in the air, twenty-five hours and thirty-five minutes, was bettered by more than an hour when E. J. Hill and A. G. Schlosser, pilot of the Detroit Third, landed at Mont Vale, Va., near Roanoke, after remaining aloft 26 hours and 46 minutes and covering an airlined distance of 225 miles.

This endurance mark, also a new record was not counted in the race which was based only on distance.

GOOD RECORD

SCOTLAND NECK, July 6.—(AP)—Only one car of Irish potatoes out of thirty shipped from Halifax county last week failed to pass the "point of origin" inspection, says County Agent C. E. Littlejohn. Farmers are realizing more and more the necessity for proper grading and packing. Prices for No. 1's have been good and farmers are well pleased with prices and methods of handling.

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Young Pilot Came to Goldsboro Yesterday; Made 580 Mile Trip in Balloon to Set Distance Record and Without Parachute; Took One Nap During 25 Hour Trip.

Official notification that he had won the third annual Detroit News balloon race was received by Pilot A. U. Rasmussen here yesterday afternoon. The notification came in the form of a telegram of congratulations from President Williams of the Detroit Flying Club. "You win, congratulations" read the message headed Pilot Rasmussen at his hotel here.

Pilot Boettner landed at Fayetteville, W. Va., and thus took second place. Pilot Hill came down at Roanoke, Virginia and took third place in the race, the message received from President Williams stated.

Young Rasmussen, 33, ruddy cheeked and for six years in the United States, brought his Miller balloon Detroit II to a landing at Hochorton at 6:45 Tuesday evening. He had been in the air since 5:10 Monday evening—twenty-five hours and thirty-five minutes.

He is credited with having shattered the world's long distance flight record for balloons of the third class in his flight of 580 miles from Detroit to the Green county hamlet.

"But it doesn't amount to much," said the young balloonist who made the trip for the sport of the thing, when approached by a representative of The News yesterday afternoon.

The winner of the race ascribed his success to having followed explicitly the air charts and reckonings of Chief Cognor of the U. S. Weather Bureau in Detroit.

Pilot Rasmussen in taking this race chalks up the second victory out of three in the series. He won the event in 1925, and last year Pilot Boettner won. The latter takes second in the event this year, and Pilot Rasmussen here yesterday was all interest to get official information of the record of Boettner. Rivalry in the competition had been particularly keen between these two.

"Chief Cognor had told us after he had had upper air observations made and gathered information from every quarter—that there was a strong wind blowing north in the upper strata," related young Rasmussen as he was seated in his room at the Hotel Goldsboro yesterday afternoon.

"And I placed my bet on that. There was another chance that there would be a better wind which might have taken us over toward Nova Scotia if I had loitered around over the district for a few hours, but I chose to place my trust in what Cognor had predicted," he said.

Took Off Monday

Stepping into the basket of his Detroit II at the Ford airport Monday morning, young Rasmussen ten minutes later gave the order to cut loose and a moment later the silver balloon was soaring into the air above the city.

The first seven hours of the flight, he told a representative of The News yesterday afternoon, were spent in "feeling out" the air currents and in deciding which prevailing wind he should risk his chance of success on, "for you know you find different currents at different altitudes," he explained, and smiled diffidently.

He ascended to a height of 14,000 feet, passed over Lake Erie, and over Sandusky, Ohio, and about midnight hit the strong north wind at an elevation of about 10,000 feet. And all night long he sailed in the teeth of a thirty-five mile an hour gale. (Continued on Page Two)