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DAKING AVIATORS SPAN THE PACIFIC

Pangborn and Herndon Make Non-Stop Flight From Japan to Wenatchee, Wash., in 41 Hours and 13 Minutes.

Wenatchee, Wash., Oct. 5.—Skidding to a dizzy stop, Clyde Pangborn and Hugh Herndon landed their wheeled plane here today to complete the first non-stop airplane crossing of the Pacific Ocean from Japan.

The American barnstorming aviators made one of the most dangerous ocean hops ever attempted, flying nearly 4,500 miles in 41 hours and 13 minutes from Samushiro Beach, Japan, to Wenatchee.

Edging his way through the crowd at the field, a Japanese newspaper reporter handed the fliers a \$25,000 check, issued by a Tokyo newspaper, for the first successful nonstop flight between Japan and the United States.

"Very glad to see you, boys," he shouted.

Herndon and Pangborn were in their stocking feet as they climbed from the plane.

"Give me a cigarette," Herndon requested.

Pangborn laughed.

"We have been in Japan so long we're still going barefooted."

No Landing Gear

To lighten their load, the aviators had dropped their landing gear soon after taking off from the Japanese island at 5:01 p. m. (EST) Saturday. They smashed their propeller and Herndon received a nasty gash over his eye. The plane jolted to the ground here at 7:14 a. m. (PST) 10:14 o'clock (EST).

Mrs. Opal Pangborn, almost unnerved by two nights of waiting for reports of her 37-year-old son's flight to this region, where he was born and reared, was crying with joy when he embraced her.

Pangborn, who brought the plans down and did most of the piloting, appeared more tired and shakier than his 21-year-old companion. But the youthful wealthy New York sportsman admitted he was "wobly" as his automobile picked its way through a jam of cars to a hotel, three miles from the field.

Ran Into Clouds

After flying about 1,000 miles, they ran into heavy clouds off the Aleutian Islands at daybreak yesterday. "Ice began forming on the wings and the plane got boggy, but we finally flew through it," Herndon said.

Late yesterday, when they were about 3,000 miles from Japan, the engine spluttered and came to a dead stop because one gas tank was empty.

"We didn't expect it then and it was several minutes before we hooked up with the extra gas tank," said young Herndon.

They flew almost to Spokane, Wash., they said, before returning to Wenatchee to land, where they knew preparations were made to take care of them. They had considered flying on to Salt Lake City, to complete well over 5,000 miles, which would have broken the distance record set by Russell Boardman and John Polando on their New York-Turkey flight.

"But our barograph wasn't functioning and we had to gun the motor too much in rising over the fog, so we came back," Pangborn explained.

They said they had about 100 gallons of fuel left, but did not think it would carry them over the mountains to Salt Lake. The remaining gasoline was dumped before landing.

Final Triumph

Their brilliant achievement came after failure to better the round-the-world speed record of Wiley Post and Harold Gatty, another pair of American airmen, and a disheartening delay in Japan.

Leaving New York on July 28, they hopped across the Atlantic Ocean and headed over Europe and Asia. Their plane was damaged in landing at Khabarovsk, Siberia, August 3, and they gave up the attempt for a new round-the-world record, deciding to try for the honor of being first to cross the Pacific non-stop.

HOUSE AT MONTROSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Maulsby Burned Early Saturday Morning; Occupants Barely Escaped.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Maulsby at Montrose, was destroyed by fire last Saturday morning about two o'clock. Nothing except a few clothes were saved from the flames. Mr. and Mrs. Maulsby were awakened by a door opening from their room into the kitchen, being blown in from the kitchen, where the fire seems to have had its origin; they had to make their escape from another door. Had the door been blown in a minute or two later, their own room would have been in flames. There was no chance to save any of the furniture or to attempt to put out the fire. The house was built some years ago, and was of dry heart material that burned readily. It was a seven-room house.

Some insurance was carried on both the home and its furnishings, but not nearly enough to make up for the loss.

Mrs. James Mason of Adrian, N. D., stabbed a tramp in the arm when he tried to steal a pie she had baked for her husband.

HENRY L. STEVENS TO SPEAK AT FAIR

National Commander of the American Legion to Speak on Wednesday, October 14—Large Crowd Expected.

Raleigh, Oct. 8.—Henry L. Stevens, National Commander of the American Legion, which has been styled the biggest position in civil life in America today, will be the speaker at the North Carolina State Fair on Wednesday, October 14. The largest crowds in the history of the fair, with the possible exception of that which greeted President Roosevelt in the early 1900's, is expected. It will be necessary to come early in order to avoid the rush.

The fair management extends an invitation to the entire state to be present on this day and greet the young North Carolinian to whom this great honor has come. His presence will be attended by a program that will be well worth while.

At The Churches

Raeford Baptist Church
The pastor, Rev. J. R. Miller, will preach at both morning and evening services of the Baptist church, Sunday. His subject at the morning hour at eleven o'clock, will be "God's Measuring Line," and for the evening service at 7:30, "Our National Salvation." The Sunday School meets at 9:45 a. m., and B. Y. P. U., is at 6:30 p. m. The mid-week prayer service is on Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Raeford Methodist Church
Rev. W. F. Trawick, the pastor, will preach at both services, Sunday. His topic for the morning service at 11 o'clock, will be "Home Religion as Reflected in the Church," and a communion service will follow. The subject at the evening service at 7:30 will be "Does the Healthy, Happy Man Ever Pray?" Sunday School meets at 9:45 a. m., and the Young People's service is at 7 o'clock. The mid-week prayer service and choir practice is on Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Raeford Presbyterian Church
Dr. W. M. Fairley, the pastor, will preach at both morning and evening services, Sunday, at the Presbyterian church. The hours are 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School meets at 9:45 a. m., and a Rally Day program has been arranged.

New members received into the church last Sunday, were: Mr. W. L. Alexander, Mrs. W. L. Alexander, Miss Annie Ruth Alexander, Miss Edna Alexander, and Mrs. Robert Cox.

A committee of the Young People of the church is selling reasonably priced Christmas Cards of latest designs. Jennie Clark, Ruth Dellinger, Mildred Polston, Katherine Campbell, Prudence Campbell and Vera Campbell compose the committee.

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DWIGHT W. MORROW MORE ARTILLERY ARRIVES AT BRAGG

That Post the Only One With All Calibres of Field Artillery Guns—Personnel of New Units.

Fort Bragg, Oct. 6.—The advance detachment of the Second Battalion, Fourth Field Artillery, consisting of two officers, 36 enlisted men and some 346 horses and mules arrived here today. The addition of this organization to the post gives Fort Bragg the added distinction of being the only post in the army having all calibres of guns and howitzers issued to the field artillery. The remainder of the battalion is expected to arrive about October 15. It consists of a headquarters and headquarters battery, Batteries D and E, the latter two being equipped with both the .295-inch Vickers Maxim mountain gun and the 75 mm. pack howitzer. The .295 gun is intended for transportation by pack animals. For this reason it is a light, compact weapon, capable of being separated rapidly into four loads for packing.

The Aprejo and Phillips pack saddles can both be used to pack this gun. The 75 mm. pack howitzer is not only intended for transportation by pack animals, but may also be transported by two animals in draft hooked in tandem. This gun for pack transportation separates into six loads, and either the Aprejo or the Phillips pack saddle is used for packing these loads.

Pack Artillery

Pack artillery is designed and intended primarily for use in difficult terrain. The transport is practically entirely by pack mule. The tactical employment of pack artillery is entirely similar to that of light artillery. Its characteristics make it especially suitable for operation in mountains or jungles, for the irregular operations of minor warfare, for use as a landing gun in small overseas expeditions, for night operations, and for use as an accompanying gun.

Battery D was formerly Battery E of the Fourth Field Artillery Regiment, which had been organized in 1907 and has no history prior to that year. Battery C was declared partially inactive by War Department instructions on October 31, 1928.

The officer personnel includes Ma. Orville M. Moore, Capt. Robert L. Allen, Jr., Edwin S. Brewster, Jr., James L. McIlhenny, Royal L. Gervais, Ary C. Berry; 1st Lieuts. Sherman V. Hasbrouch, James J. Deery, Henry L. Ingram, Edward L. Andrews, George P. Harrison, Raymon K. Quekemeyer, Henry E. Sanderson; 2d Lieuts. Church M. Matthews and Andrew P. O'Meara.

FINE PUMPKINS GROWN BY MR. A. J. FULLER

Mr. A. J. Fuller has some fine pumpkins growing in the garden at his home. Two of the larger ones are now on display, one in the Bank of Raeford lobby, and one in Page Trust Company lobby. These pumpkins have not been weighed, but they are large ones and very fine.

POLITICS AND PERSONALITIES

Will the administration become more concerned about price levels now that wages are doing a chute—the chute? Government officials have talked endlessly about preserving the American standard of living (1928 model). To this end, they have striven to keep industries in line by threats and appeals to patriotism not to lower wages. Simultaneously, they have trembled at any fall in commodity values and have been even tried to peg the prices of some raw materials, such as wheat and cotton.

A TRIBUTE TO WILSON

Woodrow Wilson was one of many great men who found relaxation in the theater. When a plaque on the box from which he regularly watched the performance at Keith's theater in Washington was recently dedicated to his memory, throngs of Washingtonians who had once gathered there to see the great President came again to pay homage.

On the evening that the plaque was unveiled, a pre-view of Floyd Gibbons' short film, "Woodrow" Wilson's Great Decision," was presented. The picture shows the War and Peace President writing at his desk in the White House, on board the liner for France, and in the streets of London and Paris at the time of peace negotiations between leading nations. Watching the lips of the man move and hearing no sound from them reminds one of the advance in the art of sound moving pictures and how quickly one becomes used to the new and forgetful of the old. How one wishes to hear the voices of the great President.

Several scenes of men in action on the field of battle and the running story Mr. Gibbons tells brings back those strenuous war days that so changed the world.

COMMISSIONERS IN REGULAR MEETING

Cotton Weigher's Fee Fixed at 10 Cents a Bale; School Levy Not Yet Decided Upon.

The board of county commissioners held its regular meeting last Monday morning at the court-house. The board passed an order fixing the cotton weigher's fee at 10 cents a bale. This fee was recommended at a board meeting last summer, but the fee has by tacit agreement remained at 16 cents, the fee for a number of years. Under the law, the board has authority to say what the fee shall be in its county, so, upon a re-hearing of the recommendation made last summer, the 10 cent fee was fixed. The low price of cotton is responsible for this lowered fee. The special school tax levy was worked on, but the levy has not been definitely decided upon.

The Bank of Raeford and Page Trust Company were chosen, as heretofore, as depositories for county funds.

Other routine business was gone into by the board, and some new business which was not finished. A call meeting will probably be held within the next two weeks to finish matters now before it.

POSTOFFICE TO HAVE NEW QUARTERS SOON

Bank of Raeford Closes Deal With Government For Part of Their Building—Move About December 1st.

Postmaster G. W. Cox announced Thursday that the postoffice department had closed a deal with the Bank of Raeford for the part of the building now occupied by the Ladies' Shop for new postoffice quarters and that as soon as new fixtures were installed and some alterations made in the building that the office would be moved. The new location is centrally located, steam heated and should make a most attractive and convenient postoffice building.

The term of the lease is for ten years and the government will furnish its own furniture and fixtures and not use any of those now in use at the old location.

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Recorder's Court

In Recorder's Court Tuesday, Frank Lee, young white man who lives on the Dan Love place in Blue Springs Township, was tried on a charge of assaulting his father-in-law, C. L. Taylor, with a deadly weapon and of pointing a pistol at his wife and her mother. A long series of conflicting statements were made by the witnesses against Lee but he made denial of the material elements in the testimony against him and the visible evidence was in his favor, Taylor suffering a bullet wound through the hand, and Lee a good sprinkling of shot on the insteps of his feet. Lee and his wife had parted and there was evidence of bad feeling between him and the Taylor family which culminated in the exchange of artillery. Judgment in the case was reserved until Wednesday and he was then declared not guilty.

Flora Blue, a colored woman of Queshwille Township was tried on a count of larceny, the state contending that she had cut and removed from the lands of Mr. E. A. Winecoff a quantity of popular timber and some cypress cross ties. At the conclusion of the state's evidence, a motion to dismiss made by the defendant's attorney, was allowed.

A cutting affair on Sunday, September 27th, in which one Adnell Locklear, Indian, was cut by another Indian named Arthur Jackson, came up for trial and a technical plea of not guilty was tendered, though at the conclusion of the evidence by the state, defense counsel agreed that the statement of the facts was about as brought out by state's witnesses. It appeared that the trouble was a freakish use of a knife by Jackson while tanked up and that the others in the mixup were also drinking. He was found guilty and prayer

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COTTON ESTIMATE ONE HALF MILLION

That Number Bales Over September 1—Government Experts Predict Crop of 16,284,000 Bales.

Washington, Oct. 8.—Favored by excellent growing weather, the prospective cotton crop continues to pile up in the South.

The agricultural department today forecast a 1931 crop of 16,284,000 bales, based on October 1 conditions. This represents an increase of 599,000 bales above the September 1 estimate of 15,685,000 adding to the surplus already on hand.

Southern states now are seeking methods of raising cotton prices which have dropped the lowest in more than 30 years. Louisiana, Texas, and South Carolina have passed laws prohibiting all or partial planting next year. Mississippi is considering similar action.

The estimated 1931 production is 2,352,000 bales larger than 1930 gin-nings and 1,016,000, or 6.7 per cent above the 1925-1929 average of 15,268,000 bales.

Crop prospects improved greatly since September 1 in Arkansas and Mississippi and to a smaller extent in Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and Missouri due to hot, dry weather which was exceptionally favorable for maturing the crop.

On the other hand, these weather conditions in other parts of the cotton belt, particularly in Oklahoma, caused premature opening of the late bolls.

In the northern portions, the department said, cotton this year is not subject to the usual hazard from frost since a larger proportion of the crop than usual was opened by October 1.

Because of the rapid opening of the crop during the latter part of the month, field loss of seed cotton is expected to be somewhat greater than usual and the possibility of loss from wind and rain also is greater. In the forecast the department made allowance for greater than average potential loss of open cotton, since the forecast relates to probable ginnings.

The October 1 condition was placed at 69.3 per cent of normal, compared with 53.5 on the same date last year and a ten-year average of 53.3 per cent. The estimated yield per acre is 190.5 pounds compared with 147.7 in 1930 and a ten-year average of 154.4.

The year's indicated crop, if the final output is as indicated today, would be the second largest crop ever grown in this country. The record crop was that of 1925 when 17,977,000 bales were produced. The crop of 1914 was 16,135,000 bales and that of 1925 was 16,104,000 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, OCT. 8.—A loss of 3 to 7 points immediately after resumption of trading following publication of the government figure was quickly recovered and with the bureau estimate out of the way, prices showed a tendency to rally.

RAEFORD COTTON

Middling cotton was selling on the streets of Raeford Thursday afternoon at from 5 3/4 to 6 1/4 cents per pound, depending on the staple. Picking is well advanced and many fields are nearly cleaned. Ginnings are heavy and the movement very rapid with some cotton being held by farmers and merchants.

COUPLE MARRIED LAST SUNDAY AT CHURCH

Last Sunday, just before time for the regular morning service of the Presbyterian Church, the pastor, Dr. W. M. Fairley, was called upon to perform a marriage ceremony. The contracting parties were Mr. H. O. Mason, of Petersburg, Va., and Miss Marie Bullard, of Lumber Bridge. The ceremony interrupted a meeting of the session of the church being held in the pastor's study. The members of the session witnessed the marriage.

The couple came to Raeford late Saturday night to obtain a license, getting Register of Deeds, D. K. Blue, out of bed.

NEW MANAGERS AT CABIN

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