

After 420 hours in the air, the St. Louis Robin was ordered down. It glided to earth in a faultless landing. The dauntless fliers, Forest O'Brine and Dale (Red) Jackson, were in excellent condition, the latter having neither lost nor gained a pound, and the former losing only a pound and a half from their eighteen days in the air. A crowd of 13,000 went wild with applause. Thus has two more fearless and tireless adventurers advanced the cause of aviation and the fame of St. Louis.

The Hollywood Bowl was filled with 10,000 music lovers Tuesday evening waiting to hear the regular concert. Appeared Raymond Britz, general manager of the Bowl, who read a statement that the orchestra musicians had gone out on strike because the Hollywood Bowl association had refused to give way to the demands of the theatre employees' union and hire a union electrician whose sole duties were to move two switches during the evening performances. The crowd went home without hearing the concert. Mrs. Irish, general chairman of the board of directors stated that she felt that the trouble had come directly from the efforts of the Actors' Equity Association to unionize the motion picture industry.

Uncle Sam is going to build himself a model city, in which the residents will live amid flower gardens, 1600 feet above their work-day world, in the depths of Black Canyon of the Colorado. The government is making every provision to insure a clean, wholesome environment for the workers on the Boulder Dam. By the terms of the leases, tenants may be immediately expelled if they don't behave. It is hoped that this condition will eliminate rum sellers and other law-breakers usually attached to border towns and construction camps. The business and residential buildings will be built for permanent use, as it is expected that they will be occupied long after the construction period.

New York state prisoners are in revolt. Following an outbreak last week by convicts in Clinton Prison, Dannemora, more than 1700 prisoners in the state prison at Auburn, battled for more than five hours with guards. Rifles, pistols and shotguns cracked sharply and took their toll of two convicts killed, four guards shot. About 40 convicts entrenched in the prison clothing shop, armed with rifles and three machine guns. A renewed outbreak is expected.

The dry season referred to by former mayor, R. R. Smith in England has been broken by a deluge throughout the British Isles. Mr. Smith stated in his article last week that the unusually dry season had worked a hardship on the textile industries.

Nearly \$15,000,000.00 will be asked of the board of supervisors to run the schools of Los Angeles county for the coming year. Nine and a half million dollars of this sum will be required by elementary schools.

Air service between Los Angeles and Guatemala, via Mexico City was opened this week by Pickwick Latin American Airways.

They wanted to be well divorced, so Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Stern of Los Angeles filed cases under their real names as well as an assumed name of Russell, used early in their romance because of parental objection to the marriage.

Los Angeles business men are raising a fund to prosecute C. C. Pyle, bunion derby promoter, for alleged failure to pay prizes to the 15 winners in his last transcontinental race. It is charged that Pyle's unsportsmanlike behavior is injuring the 1932 Olympic Games.

For the tenth time, Francis has drafted Artiste Bland for her premier, following the resignation of Poincare because of ill health. The veteran statesman Bland has a difficult job ahead of him in consolidating the opposing factions of the French parliament.

The long standing and delicate question of the French debt has been settled with the acceptance of France of the Mellon-Berenger agreement. As President Hoover put it, "this settlement, in effect, wipes out the entire indebtedness of France which arose during the war period, and simply provides for the payment of advances to France after the armistice. I think in fairness to the American people I am justified in mentioning the liberality of the settlement."

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COLUMBIA STEEL REPORTED SOLD

U. S. STEEL TO TAKE OVER COLUMBIA PLANTS

Local Executives Will Not Confirm Report of Sale, but Eastern Reports Indicate Deal Will Be Made

Advantages of Affiliation with Largest Steel Corporation Are Visioned Here—Many Predict Another Gary, Indiana

The Columbia Steel Corporation is reported to be negotiating with the United States Steel Corporation for the sale of its properties to the Eastern concern. While lacking confirmation by Columbia Steel officials, a recent release from New York states that the United States Steel Corporation admits that an offer has been made to officers of the Pacific Coast concern for an exchange of stock, but that no papers have been signed, as yet.

Of course, no statement can be made by local steel executives until a stockholders' meeting is called to accept or reject any offers the United States Steel Corporation may have made. However, it is known that L. F. Rainey, vice president and general manager of the Columbia Steel Corporation; R. W. Kinney, chairman of the executive committee of the board of directors, and Herbert Fleishacker, also a member of the executive committee and president of the Anglo London & Paris National Bank, the fiscal agent of the corporation, and others have been in New York and are reported to have been in conference with President Farrell of the United States Steel Corporation; Myron Taylor, chairman of the finance committee of the United States Steel, and others of the directorate.

Pittsburg, California newspapers, where other mills of the Columbia Steel are located, state that there is no question of the eventual outcome of the deal. "The papers may not have been yet signed," an unnamed official of the steel company is quoted, "but the sale of the Columbia Steel is positive." Once the deal is closed and Columbia becomes part of the United States Steel, local executives vision another Gary, Indiana, booming here in Torrance. It is understood that if the deal is completed, it will not interfere with the huge new tube mill planned for the 3 1/2 acre tract now in escrow, adjoining the Columbia property in Torrance.

Bert Lenz, manager of the Torrance plant, stated that he had received no information that would tend to confirm the New York statements.

If the persistent reports are confirmed, it will probably not be until after the stockholders' meetings of both corporations; which will probably take another thirty days.

Keystone Man Dies from Clot on the Brain

D. F. Baugh died suddenly Monday from the effects of a blood clot on the brain. Mr. Baugh was taking the examination for a driver's license at the Wilmington police station when he expired. A coroner's autopsy disclosed the cause of death. Mr. Baugh came to Keystone from Everett, Wash., six years ago and with his wife resided on Amelia street. Funeral services were held from the Cleveland & Barker parlors in Wilmington, under the direction of the San Pedro, Elks, and interment was made at Roosevelt Memorial Park at 11 o'clock today. Mr. Baugh is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Owen Means of Oakland, and one sister Mrs. John Craig of Colorado Springs.

You Will Called Upon To Help Salvation Army

If you have not already been asked to do your bit for the Salvation Army's work in this territory, you will be approached very shortly by workers who are volunteering their services to the campaign to raise the \$2200 quota for Torrance.

Fifteen Torrance citizens, representing practically every organization in the city attended the campaign dinner Tuesday evening at the Redondo Beach camp of the Salvation Army and secured first hand knowledge of the worthy welfare work being done by one of the many Salvation Army relief institutions. The committee sat with one hundred smiling youngsters and their care-worn mothers, whose cares and worries had been cast aside for one week of glorious fun at the fresh air camp in Redondo. Each week during the summer months, 100 tired, toiling mothers and their pale, wan children are taken to the camp and their vigor restored by the ocean's fresh air. The vacation is singularly devoid of duties, the sole ritual each day being the ceremonial flag-raising and setting up exercises before breakfast. The rest of the day is spent by the smaller tots in the camp swimming pool and by the larger ones in the surf under the watchful eyes of Salvation Army officers, supervised by Brig. and Mrs. Bell, who are in charge of the camp and its activities.

It is to help support this fresh air camp, as well as the Maternity Home for abandoned mothers at Los Angeles, and the orphanage for boys and girls at Lyton, that the local committee of citizens are asking your help this week. The Torrance quota is \$2200, but half of this amount is expected to be raised by the industrial workers. Each employee in the forty Torrance factories is being asked to

SAILOR DEAD PLANT BURNS AFTER CRASH WHEN "DUST" IN TORRANCE IS EXPLODED

Seaman on Doheny Yacht Collides with F. E. Venable Car on Hawthorne Blvd.

Joseph Schmidt, 27, seaman on E. L. Doheny's yacht Casana, was fatally injured Saturday, July 27, when the motorcycle he was riding met a car driven by F. E. Venable of Redondo Beach in a head-on collision on Hawthorne boulevard about one half mile north of Redondo boulevard. Venable rushed Schmidt to the Hermosa hospital, where it was found he had a badly mangled leg, broken arm and internal injuries. He died a few hours later.

In a statement to the Torrance police, Venable stated that Schmidt was weaving from one side of the road to the other and Venable started to pull to the left side of the road to avoid a crash when they met head on in the center of the road.

FIRE CHIEFS HOME AGAIN

Fire Chief Ben Hannebrink and Assistant Chief J. H. Foss returned Tuesday from a trip to Vancouver, B. C. where they attended the Fire Chiefs' Convention. A special train from Los Angeles took 150 of the men to the convention and return.

George Pruitt Passed Away on Wednesday

George M. Pruitt, resident of Torrance for 11 years, died at five o'clock yesterday evening at his home on Gramercy avenue. He was born in Springfield, Missouri, 86 years ago, and has lived in California 45 years. Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 10 o'clock from Stone and Myers chapel. Burial will be at Fomosa cemetery. Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Rena S. Pruitt, six sons and two daughters. They are Earl of Alhambra; Alvah of Monterey Park; Chris, Los Angeles; Ted, Taft; Roy and Ben of McWhirter, Calif.; Mrs. Jessie Baldwin and Mrs. Dora Burkett of Los Angeles.

WILL REOPEN CARSON ST. SUNDAY

Gala Jubilee Planned for Next Week End to Celebrate Completion of East Torrance Improvements

Intersecting Street Paving Will Be Completed August 7th, Opening Up 550 Lots.

Barricades will be removed from Carson street Sunday and motorists will glide over the beautiful 5 1/2 foot paved boulevard through East Torrance. This welcome information was given out by the superintendent in charge of the paving this week. The paving on the cross streets will also be completed by Wednesday of next week, it was announced.

In celebration of this important improvement, directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce are assisting residents of East Torrance and the Keystone district in planning a jubilee the latter part of next week, probably on Friday or Saturday. All details are not yet completed, but a band will no doubt be furnished by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and also a "sore-spot" to motorists traveling east of Torrance. The jubilee next weekend is planned to "let the world know" that the "bummy shooting-strip" is now a thing of the past.

The new paving on Carson street between Western and Normandie avenues replaces a rough strip of roadway that has long been a "sore-spot" to motorists traveling east of Torrance. The total improvement costs over a quarter of a million dollars, and opens up over thirteen city blocks for home building.

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LOCAL AUTHOR LATEST NOVEL PRINTED SOON

Mrs. Annie Miller of Anapola Avenue is Granted National Recognition as Novelist

"Unknown Friends," a novel written by Mrs. Annie L. Miller, a Torrance woman, is now in the hands of the Wetzel Publishing company in Los Angeles, and 1,000 copies will be ready for the market soon, according to word given out by Mrs. Miller in an interview recently. Mrs. Miller, who resides at 1019 Anapola avenue, studied for four years before attempting to write, and states that she has Elinor Glyn to thank for the success that she has already achieved.

Mr. Wetzel, head of the publishing company that bears his name, says that the book "Unknown Friends" is a book that will appeal not only to man, but woman and child.

Screen rights and copyrights to the novel have just been received by Mrs. Miller, and the story of the book is now in New York being considered for magazine publication in serial form. This initial success has been very encouraging to Mrs. Miller, who has another novel titled "Conscience of Man" now ready for publication. The book will appear under the nom de plume of Annyce Byrnes, the name Mrs. Miller has chosen to carry through to the highest of her literary ambitions.

For Rent—Furnished apartments, single \$25.00, double \$30. Gas, water, lights included. Sam Levy, Phone 111-W, Torrance—adv.

Record Crowds See Prizes Awarded At Flower Show

Interest in the Second Annual American Legion Flower Show was widespread, and hundreds from all over the state swarmed to the High School gymnasium to see the many exhibits that were shown there. Fifteen hundreds in all viewed the show during Friday and Saturday.

Exhibits were placed on tables around the edge of the large room, and on tables running diagonally through the center, making a very attractive setting for the flowers.

Winners of prizes awarded during the show will be given either the prizes or orders for prizes at the next meeting of the Garden Club, Monday, August 12. All prize winners are requested to be present at this meeting.

Mrs. J. T. Price of Lomita was awarded the bronze and sterling trophy given to the amateur winning the most points. This trophy

won by Keystone Chamber of Commerce; second, Encinitas Chamber of Commerce.

Bronze medal for best single flower exhibited by an amateur. Won by C. B. Bell for a perfect four foot spike of delphinium.

General Mrs. J. T. Price of Lomita winner of the amateur general class with 64 points. Mr. Dan Barnard second with 61 points.

Albert Andre was awarded prize for high school student winning most points.

Same in Elementary, Andy Rocque, Harry Bell, Carol Smith, Ruth Barnard, Jack Peterson and Polly Bartlett tied for place.

Miscellaneous Artistic basket: first, Mrs. J. T. Price; second, Mrs. Ila M. Gilbert. Amaryllis: first, Emma Hamlin; second, Mrs. Lottie Fix.

Antirrhinum: first, Augustus Fitzgerald.



Mrs. Nellie S. Crossland, gold star mother of the Bert S. Crossland American Legion Post here, and Mr. Jack Hallett of Los Angeles, originator of the new dahlia "Mrs. Nellie S. Crossland", shown with a basket of lovely originations.

The dahlias, which are a gorgeous shade of orchid pink in the decorative type, were chosen unanimously by judges to bear the name of Mrs. Crossland and were the hit of the recent flower show.

must be won for three successive years before becoming the property of one person.

Following is a list of the prize winners:

- Commercial Exhibit of gladioli, Paul A. Renton Jr., silver cup donated by the Rotary club.
- Basket of 20 or more gladioli, first, Pearson's Glad Gardens; second, P. A. Renton.
- Basket of 20 primulinus gladioli, first P. A. Renton; second, Moneta Glad Gardens.
- Gladioli and other flowers mixed, first, Moneta Glad Gardens; second, P. A. Renton. Award of merit, Pearson's Glad Gardens.
- Collection of 12 varieties, first, P. A. Renton; second, Pearson's Glad Gardens.
- Vase of 3 large flowered variety, first, P. A. Renton; second, P. Winner; award of merit, Pearson's Glad Gardens.
- Vase of 3 primulinus variety, first, P. A. Renton; second, Moneta Glad Gardens.
- Exhibit of dahlias, Barker Dahlia Gardens. This complimentary display was mainly seedlings.
- Exhibit of nursery stock, won by King's Nursery.
- Exhibit of any other flower or collection of flowers, won by P. Winner, who had a fine collection of zinnias, dahlias and gladioli.
- Special Ten blooms of an unnamed seedling dahlia, winner named Mrs. Nellie S. Crossland in honor of the Gold Star Mother of the local American Legion Post. Won by Mr. Jack Hallett of Los Angeles.
- Exhibit by Garden club or Women's club, first, Lynwood Women's club; second, Buena Park Women's club.
- Exhibit by any community or Chamber of Commerce, silver cup

NAVY BOARD IS IMPRESSED BY TORRANCE FIELD

Weston Property Thought to Be Favorably Considered by Admiral Moffett for Dirigible Base

Would Bring Big Payroll and World Wide Publicity—To House Two Largest Zeppelins Ever Built

That Torrance has a fair chance of landing the Pacific Coast dirigible base of the United States Navy, was indicated last Friday by the interest shown by Rear-Admiral Wm. A. Moffett and members of the dirigible board when they made a careful survey of the site proposed by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

The distinguished party of navy officers were taken by Carl L. Hyde to the Weston ranch property where a careful inspection was made of the proposed field. Torrance citizens who were included on the inspection party were greatly impressed with the comprehensiveness of data furnished by the chamber of commerce secretary. The proposed lighter-than-air base comprises about one thousand acres located on Weston street, and extending south to Redondo-Wilmington boulevard. It includes the Weston ranch addition, the Meadowsbrook addition.

From a meteorological standpoint the Torrance site has distinct advantages, as was shown by a report covering four years from Dr. Ford A. Carpenter, official government weather observer, and chairman of the aeronautical and meteorological committee of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. Protected as it is by the 1400 feet high Palos Verdes Hills, the proposed base is remarkably free of fog at all seasons of the year.

Strategically, the site is obscured from view of enemy battleships by the hills, and yet is close by the naval base at San Pedro, affording additional protection by its battle-ships and its fortifications.

The location of the trans-oceanic commercial broadcasting station of the Radio Corporation of America adjacent to the proposed site is believed to be considered an advantage by the naval board. This station contact ships as far away as Panama, as well as stations in the Hawaiian Islands and Japan.

Competition among municipalities in the Southland is very keen for the proposed dirigible base. Beside the publicity that such a base would bring to any city, there is also a considerable payroll. Admiral Moffett pointed out that the minimum permanent ground force would be 250 men, and that whenever overhauling or repairing was being done to the giant ships, a force of 600 to 800 would be required. These will be largely skilled workmen.

The base is to house two gigantic dirigibles now being built at Lakehurst. These ships are twenty percent larger than the giant Graf Zeppelin. They are the largest lighter-than-air ships ever built, measuring 800 feet in length with a gas capacity of six million cubic feet. They will have a cruising speed of 60 miles an hour under a capacity load of 300 passengers and crew. Each ship will require two squadrons of aeroplanes to protect her from attack. They will be able to make trips as far as the Hawaiian Islands, Admiral Moffett stated.

Despite the claims made by other localities which have been visited, Admiral Moffett said that no price had been set that would be paid for a satisfactory site. He also pointed out that the action of the dirigible board would be nothing more than a recommendation, and that final action would have to come from congress. No definite recommendation will be made by the board until after a series of conferences in Washington, as final action is not expected until November 1.

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