

BUSINESS MEN PLAN FOR AVIATION MEET IF NEW YORK WINS

Prompt Steps Taken Following Announcement of International Affair.

AERO OFFICIALS INDORSE PROJECT

Meeting of Committee Will Be Called When Official Notice Is Received.

If the Aero Club of America awards the international aviation meet to New York city Washington may have a meet of its own.

This was the answer made by prominent business men of the Capital this morning when the report reached here that the big club had decided to have the event on Long Island.

Whether the report were true, could not be confirmed as President Cortland Field Bishop declined to give out any statement regarding the matter until the committee of which he is chairman was ready to announce its formal selection April 1.

Washington will not quit bidding for the international meet until some other city has definitely landed it, it was said, but it will have a meet of its own in that case if the club can promote it.

Plan Mapped Out.

The plan is to request subscribers to the \$100,000 guarantee fund collected here and in Baltimore for the international affair to duplicate their subscriptions for the local event. Business men say the matter of raising the money would be the least of the difficulties ahead of the project.

It is believed the presence of Government officials in Washington would induce aviators to bring their flying machines here, and that the presence of foreign diplomats would lend an international flavor to the contest.

Officials of the Aero Club of Washington endorsed the project this morning and a meeting of the committee that was working to get the international event here will be called as soon as official notice has been received by the club that the New York selection is official. This notice was given by Charles J. Bell this morning in the absence of the president of the club, Thomas F. Walsh.

Under Consideration.

Mr. Bell declared that such a plan had already been secretly discussed by the committee in the event that some other city should land the prize and that the meeting of the committee would be called primarily for the purpose of passing upon the feasibility of the project.

"Personally I am strongly in favor of holding the event here and I do not think either Washington or New York would suffer by the two events. It is more than likely that the majority of the aviators who will fly in New York would come here.

John Barrett, director of the Bureau of American Republics, and a moving spirit in the Washington Aero Club, declared the assignment of the international event to New York should not give the Capital the slightest pause in its arrangements to hold the event here.

Subscribers Agree.

E. J. Stillwagon, treasurer of the guarantee fund for the international meet, declared this morning that it was doubtful whether the \$100,000 subscribed by Washington and Baltimore could be turned over to a local meet.

Many subscribers to the fund this morning, however, said that their subscriptions would be duplicated for a local event, and it is believed that, by voluntary consent of the subscribers, practically all of the guarantee fund would be available for Washington's thoughly conducted meet.

"I am strongly in favor of the idea, though I haven't had time to work out its details," Mr. Stillwagon said.

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WEATHER REPORT.

A general change to colder weather has spread over the Plains States, the Mississippi and Ohio valleys and the lake region, and temperatures this morning are below freezing in the upper lake region, the upper Mississippi valley, and the Plains States as far south as Kansas and the Northwest. The indications are that the weather east of the Mississippi valley will be generally fair tonight and Tuesday, except that there will be snow flurries in the lake region, and rain in eastern Maine tonight.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT. Fair tonight and Tuesday; cooler tonight; minimum temperature tonight about 36 degrees; brisk westerly winds.

TEMPERATURE.	
8 a. m.	45
9 a. m.	47
10 a. m.	49
11 a. m.	51
12 m.	52
1 p. m.	53
2 p. m.	54

SUN TABLE.	
Sun rises.....	6:21
Sun sets.....	5:59

TIDE TABLE.	
Today—High tide, 4:22 a. m. and 4:48 p. m.	Low tide, 10:46 a. m. and 11:42 p. m.
Tomorrow—High tide, 5:22 a. m. and 5:47 p. m.	Low tide, 11:48 a. m.

CONDITION OF THE WATER. HARBOR FERRY, W. Va. March 7.—Potomac cloudy and Shenandoah muddy this morning.

Seeking Her Freedom



MRS. MARY SCOTT HARTJE.

MRS. HARTJE'S SUIT POSTPONED AGAIN

Action of Pittsburg Woman Goes Over Until April 11. Judge to Decide.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 7.—After two years of inaction, the famous divorce case of Mrs. Mary Scott Hartje against her husband, Augustus Hartje, millionaire paper manufacturer, was today postponed until April 11. The case had been slated to be heard by a jury, but this morning it was agreed to have it heard by a judge.

It was announced several days ago that hopes for a settlement out of court had fled, it is rumored today that an eleventh hour settlement had been made.

In this suit, the tables have been turned since a few years ago. Then it was Hartje who brought suit against his wife. He and his attorneys went to some lengths to prove that Mrs. Hartje had been on too friendly terms with Tom Madine, and Clifford Hoo, the latter having been in the employ of Hartje as coachman.

The fight for a divorce was long and hard, and was contested as vigorously by Mrs. Hartje. Through the paper king is said to have spent a million dollars or more in attempting to secure a divorce, it was refused him by the court.

HURT IN RUNAWAY, MRS. HORN SUFFERS

Mrs. Horn, wife of Capt. L. M. Horn, U. S. A., stationed at Fort Myer, is kept in her home today as the result of injuries received in a runaway accident yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Horn was badly shaken up, but not seriously hurt. Frightened at an electric car, the horse bolted, overturning the buggy and throwing Mrs. Horn and the driver to the ground. Private William Dueschert, of Battery D, caught the horse a short distance from the scene of the accident, after a wild chase on horseback.

WILL FIGHT FIRES.

HAZLETON, Pa., March 7.—Having had seven bad fires during the winter, Shepton, a small town seven miles from this city, has decided to take no more chances. Funds are being raised for the purchase of hose, truck, and chemical engine, and to organize a volunteer fire company.

MODERN RIP IS AWAKENED; SAYS HE WAS HYPNOTIZED

Latter-Day Svengali Robbed Him of \$35,000, Declares Man at Emergency, Who Gives His Name as D. J. Telfair—Asleep Since Friday.

The modern Rip Van Winkle, who has gained fame in a day by going to sleep in Alexandria county on Friday and awaking to be awakened by medical men of Alexandria and Washington, regained consciousness at Emergency Hospital this morning and told a story that outclassed Washington Irving, save for the telling.

The stranger gave his name as D. J. Telfair, and said he had \$35,000 on his person when hypnotized in the Monument grounds, and that he distinctly remembers handing this amount over to the "tall, dark man" who put him under the spell.

Telfair gave for reference the names of three prominent Philadelphia financiers and said he owned mines in South America worth more than a million dollars. A card found in his pocket indicated that he had stayed several

days at the Rescue Home Mission, in Missouri avenue.

The stranger looks the champion sleeper's part. His whiskers and hair are long enough to suggest Rip clearly. He isn't awake yet. Every now and then a policeman had to lean over and shake him gently to make him continue his talk this morning.

Telfair said he knew the men who hypnotized him, and gave the name to the police. He lives in New York, Telfair said, and has done the Svengali act with him before.

Telfair began his story with his "pedigree." He said he was manager of the Electric Dairy Company, of Philadelphia; that he had been living recently with Presley T. McGregor, at Riceville, Pittsylvania county, Va., and that he

LOAN SHARK BILL WAITS ON SENATE

House Committee Defers Consideration Till Action Is Had.

Anticipating favorable action in the Senate on the bill to drive out of business in the Capital the typical "loan sharks," the House Committee on the District of Columbia probably will not go into the question of loan shark legislation until the Senate bill comes over to the House.

The bill, which was drafted by Commissioner West just before his retirement from office, and which prohibits the charging of more than 2 per cent a month interest in the District, has received already favorable action from the Senate District Committee. It is expected to pass the Senate within short order, and will then be at once taken up by Chairman Smith's committee.

A similar bill that had now before the Senate was introduced in the House early in December upon recommendation of the Commissioners, by Representative Smith of Michigan. It was immediately referred to the subcommittee on Judiciary of the House District Committee, of which subcommittee Representative Campbell of Kansas is chairman.

The bill has been with Mr. Campbell's committee for nearly two months without report to the full committee. Members of the committee today did not seem to know definitely when the House bill would be reported to the full committee, nor the reason for the delay, and it was said that the action of the Senate might be awaited, before the Smith bill was taken up.

TRADES UNION MEN WALK OUT

CAMDEN, N. J., March 7.—Five hundred men, members of the Philadelphia Building Trades Union and employed by contractors of that city who are erecting buildings here, went out on a sympathetic strike today.

Work is at a standstill on the new Elks and Y. M. C. A. buildings, the addition to the Victor Talking Machine Company's plant, and other minor operations.

Twelve meat houses closed this afternoon, their teamsters, meat cutters, and slaughter men having joined the strikers, and about as many more whom probably have to close.

MONEY GIVEN AWAY TO ALL WHO APPLY

The Times Will Distribute 5,000 Checks for 50 Cents Each.

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS WILL BE STARTED

Full Details of Plan Are Given on Page Two of This Paper.

Five thousand dollars' worth of property is to be distributed at the office of The Times tomorrow to those who first apply.

There are on hand 5,000 Times checks for 50 cents each and as many handsome little nickel-plated pocket banks. One check and one bank will be given to each person who asks for them.

The rule is "one check with each bank, one bank to each person," so please do not ask for more.

Distribution will begin at 11:30 o'clock tomorrow morning and continue until 1:30 in the afternoon. It will be resumed on succeeding days until the supply of banks and checks is exhausted.

Full details of the plan have been published for several days in The Times and are repeated in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue of The Times.

There are no strings to this offer. One does not have to enter a guessing contest, or clip coupons; or subscribe to the paper. A pocket bank and a 50-cent check are yours for the asking. The pocket bank is to help you save odd amounts. The check is as good as 50 cents when used to open a savings account in one of Washington's reliable banks.

Check for Deposit Only.

This fifty-cent check is not good to spend. You can not buy neckties or candy with it. It is not good for any other purpose but to help you start your savings account. Therefore The Times earnestly requests that those of its readers who do not intend to use the bank and check for this purpose will not ask for one, but will leave it for some one who really desires to begin saving money.

Already The Times plan to encourage their readers to save. The Times is systematically indorsed by business men. Employers are planning the work of their employees so that each one may find an opportunity to come to the office of The Times and secure a bank check. Every business or professional man, will heartily concur in the opinion that a man is not a good citizen in every sense of the word until he becomes a "saver."

Every man, woman, and child should have a savings account. The time to start is now. The Times offers to help you by giving you a 50-cent check to start with. Does that look good to you? Thousands of parents will take this offer, and get banks and checks for their children, but if you want banks for more than one child please bring along a good number of parents who will be deeply grateful if you will only ask for a bank for the child who is going to open the account.

Banks for Children.

The Times wants the boys and girls to have banks and checks, too, but in fairness it must require that children under sixteen must be accompanied by some adult member of the family.

The advertisement of The Times announces that out of town readers may obtain the checks and stamps for them and inclosing 4 cents in stamps to pay postage. Several residents of Washington and the District wrote last night to the Times office.

The Times wishes it understood that no attention will be paid to letters from residents of the District who do not call at The Times office in person at the hours specified.

Don't waste time wondering where the "string" to this offer is. There is no string.

The Times has figured this matter all out carefully and feels sure that the friends it will make by advertising it will receive by this distribution of free gifts will more than repay for the time and money involved. Every boy who opens a savings account with the 50-cent check given him by The Times will always remember with gratitude that the Times gave him his first real start in life.

The Times asks nothing in return for this free gift of bank and 50-cent check but one simple thing for itself, but it does want you to do something for yourself. The Times wants you to take that 50-cent check and open a savings account at once. That is the only proof of your good faith that The Times desires. Remember the distribution begins tomorrow, Tuesday, at 11:30 o'clock.

What Congress Did

IN THE SENATE.

The Gallinger ship subsidy bill favorably reported.

Bill creating a bureau of mines reported by the Committee on Mines.

Consideration of the agricultural appropriations bill begun.

The Senate Cost of Living Committee announced that the retail merchants of Washington and other cities would testify tomorrow of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee on the railroad bill was submitted.

The Territories Committee will report the statehood bill following a meeting next Friday.

IN THE HOUSE.

The House met at noon.

Under the number of bills of a private nature were passed.

Representative Coudrey introduced a bill to prohibit combinations and trusts in the District.

The House District Committee gave a hearing to representatives of the street car companies upon the Wiley bill, which requires the companies to issue universal transfers.

King Works for Union



PRINCESS PATRICIA.

CROSSES CHANNEL TO ARRANGE MATCH

Edward, Dodging Gossips, Plans Union of Manuel With Princess.

FINANCIAL PLAN TO BE CONSIDERED

Judson Project Will Come Before Board of Trade for Approval.

Members of the Washington Board of Trade will vote tonight upon the recommendation of the committee on municipal finance to approve the Judson financial plan for the District of Columbia.

The meeting will be held in the rear parlor of the New Willard, and is called for 8 o'clock.

The approval of the Judson plan was recommended in the report of the municipal finance committee presented at the last meeting of the Board of Trade, but because of its unexpectedness and its vital importance to the city, it was decided to postpone action in order that the board might give it every possible consideration before taking action.

Following the business a buffet luncheon will be served.

BLOW KILLS PUGILIST.

LONDON, March 7.—During a boxing match at Wondersland between Curley Watson and Frank Irby, the latter landed his right just above his opponent's heart. Watson collapsed and subsequently expired. Irby was arrested.

"UNIVERSAL TRANSFERS NOT CONSTITUTIONAL"

General Harries, Vice President and Treasurer of Washington Railway and Electric Company Appear Before House District Committee—Commissioners Also Present.

Asserting that any law requiring the issuance of universal transfers by the street car system of the Capital would be declared unconstitutional, according to competent legal advice furnished him, Gen. George H. Harries, vice president of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, appeared before the House District Committee this morning.

Mr. Harries declared there was no apparent public demand for universal transfers.

The recent extensions into the north-eastern and southeastern portions of the city enable one to get to almost any part of the city without the payment of an extra fare," Mr. Harries declared. "It is not unreasonable that the present fare should be demanded from some of the remote suburban sections."

"If the Wiley bill is enacted into law," Mr. Harries said, "it would cost the companies about \$2,000,000 per annum each to take care of the additional work involved."

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DYNAMITE HURLED; COUP IS PLANNED BY AUTHORITIES

Intense Feeling in Philadelphia Aroused by Plan for Wholesale Arrests.

OPINIONS VARY ON NUMBER OUT

More Than 100,000 Have Joined, Say Strikers—About 15,000, Declares Clay.

PHILADELPHIA, March 7.—With estimates of the number of men out on Philadelphia's general strike varying from 10,000 to 125,000, with police officials considering the advisability of placing under arrest the members of the strikers' committee of ten on charges of conspiracy against the public peace, with strikers threatening reprisals if the arrests are made, and with dynamite again playing a part in the day's developments, the City of Brotherly Love today failed to live up to its name.

Two sticks of dynamite were exploded under a Tioga car at Nineteenth and Hurlingham Park avenue today.

Twenty passengers were thrown into a panic, but no one was injured, though all the windows in the car were smashed by the force of the explosion.

Police, believing the dynamite was placed on the track by laborers who were standing in a field nearby, fired several shots and a pitched battle ensued, the workmen throwing bricks.

Police reserves were summoned and dispersed the crowd, making two arrests.

It is impossible to determine definitely the number of men who have responded to labor's call to lay down the implements of their trades on America's first general sympathetic strike.

Clay's Count 15,000.

The labor leaders claim that 25,000 are out, and that by midnight 150,000 men will have quit work. City officials scoff at the claim of labor, declaring only 10,000 men have obeyed the summons to join the 5,000 street car men out.

Director of Public Safety Clay, after a police canvass, fixes the number at 15,000.

Leaders Claim Success.

A canvass of the plants by disinterested persons places the number between 15,000 and 30,000.

It is safe to say those figures are as nearly correct as it is possible to secure them. A man high in the confidence of Charles A. Hope, chairman of the committee of ten and secretary of the Central Labor Union, declared today that Hope's official figures showed 42,000 men out.

The labor leaders still claim success, declaring they have assurances of financial support sufficient to carry on the strike indefinitely.

The street car company declares the strike is "broken," and that it is running 1,500 cars today, within 200 of the normal run. Tonight at midnight is the last moment given by the company to its striking employees to return to work. Those still out at that hour will be officially marked "discharged," which will practically black-list them.

Few of the strikers, if any, have taken advantage of the company's offer.

The first strike benefits to the street car men were due today, but the money has not been received from the Detroit headquarters. C. O. Pratt, the strike leader, declares it is coming.

Incensed By Reports.

The threat to arrest the members of the committee of ten has not yet been carried into effect. It is declared that this action would incite the strikers to so high a pitch that serious bloodshed might follow.

The strikers, too, are incensed over the report that Government troops have been ordered to guard Federal property. City officials declare they have not asked for the Government soldiers and do not intend to do so.

Few big plants have closed down on account of the strike, though many of them admit they are running with crippled forces. All the plants are being "picketed" and house-to-house canvass is being made to induce workers to strike.

Most of the big carpet and textile mills in Kensington and the big lace plants are able to make little headway. These two trades, which include hosiery, rug, cotton, and woolen goods plants, among Philadelphia's largest industries, are the hardest hit by the general strike.

Cramps' ship yards, Baldwin's Locomotive Works, Brill's Car Works, and the Midvale Steel Works are unaffected, employing few union men. The Standard Roller Bearing Company, employing 2,000 men, is idle.

May Cut Off Power.

Timothy Healy, president of the Stationary Firemen, declares he will get out the firemen in the plants today and cut off the "juice" so that cars cannot run. Street car officials laughed at the threat, declaring there was not a union man in one of the powerhouses.

Theater workers, numbering 500, who had voted to go on general strike, have been ordered back to work, being notified by the Boston headquarters that the national organization would not support them.

Strike leaders declared today 15,500 Hebrew workers would join the strike today, and that 9,500 German workers would go out.

Peter Schaffer, of the B. S. W. Union,