

TREASURY CLERKS NOT UNDER FIRE, ASSERT OFFICIALS

Deny That Expert Cleveland's Investigation Involves the Department.

WHITE HOUSE MAY LOOK INTO REPORTS

Inquiry Made by Secretary's Committee Not to Be Supplemented.

Emphatic denials were made at the Treasury Department and at the White House this morning that Frederick A. Cleveland, who is making a study of departmental economies, has had anything to do with the Treasury Department or will make any recommendations concerning the work of employees under Secretary MacVeagh. Statements had been printed to the effect that Mr. Cleveland was probing all the ramifications of the Treasury, that he was preparing to wield the ax with vigor, and that he already had demoted several clerks who he found were drawing more money than their work entitled them to. A "needless service list" had been created, it was said, and in one bureau six women had been transferred to it.

Treasury Not Involved.

When the question was asked this morning if the reports of Mr. Cleveland's activity in the Treasury were well founded, the department authorized the statement that the expert had done nothing and would do nothing involving the Treasury Department. It was said that, all told, he had not spent more than one hour and a half in the building. This time was spent in an informal talk with some of the officials of the department.

It was further stated in the Secretary's office and that of Assistant Secretary Andrew that the work of the Secretary's committee last year looking into retirement had been complete and would not be gone over by Mr. Cleveland nor by anybody else at the present time.

May Inquire Into Reports.

It was intimated at the White House that the responsibility for the misleading reports would be inquired into. Whenever the representative of the Times called today he was greeted with the positive denial that any overhauling of the Treasury Department with the view of wholesale or retail dismissal of clerks or employees is in progress, or even contemplated.

The assurance was given that the employees of the department need feel no concern over the situation.

At the office of Secretary MacVeagh it was stated that an official denial of the printed reports probably would be issued some time during the day.

SLANDER SUIT IS WITHDRAWN

Compromise Reached In Bruce Action Against Insurance Official.

The suit for \$25,000 damages brought by Charles E. Bruce and wife against W. Ray Garrett, vice president of a local insurance company, for alleged slander in connection with a letter Mr. Garrett wrote to Attorney Frederic R. Whipple, has been withdrawn from the Supreme Court of the District.

Mr. Bruce announced that the basis of the settlement was a compromise, including a letter of apology from Mr. Garrett.

WEATHER REPORT.

The temperature has risen during the last twenty-four hours in the Eastern States, and remained nearly stationary elsewhere.

The storm will move eastward to the coast, accompanied by general rains in the North Atlantic States, and cloudy weather in the Middle Atlantic States tonight, followed by generally fair weather in all districts east of the Mississippi river Wednesday, with the exception of Maine, where rain will continue.

No change in temperature of importance is indicated for any section.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.

Partly cloudy tonight; Wednesday fair; no decided change in temperature; brisk westerly, shifting to northerly, winds.

TEMPERATURES.

8 a. m.	47
9 a. m.	48
10 a. m.	50
11 a. m.	51
12 o'clock	52
1 p. m.	53
2 p. m.	53

SUN TABLE.

Sun rises	6:19
Sun sets	6:59

TIDE TABLE.

Today—High tide, 1:37 a. m. and 1:45 p. m.	Low tide, 8 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.
Tomorrow—High tide, 2:13 a. m. and 2:32 p. m.	Low tide, 9:35 a. m. and 9:23 p. m.

CONDITION OF THE WATER.

HARPER'S FERRY, W. Va., Oct. 25.—Both rivers clear this morning.

NEW WRIGHT RACER ASTOUNDS AVIATORS

Wilbur Wright In Small Bi-plane Creates Sensation At Meet.

MACHINE BELIEVED FASTEST IN WORLD

Dayton Inventor Makes Sixty-five Miles An Hour With Ease.

Woman Makes Flight.

Aviation Contests Today at Belmont Park

Hourly distance, 1:30 to 2:30 p. m., and 2:45 to 3:45 p. m.

Hourly altitude, 1:30 to 2:30 p. m., and 2:45 to 3:45 p. m.

Grand altitude, 4 p. m.

Cross country, 4 p. m.

Preliminary for monoplanes for the grand speed contest, 4 p. m.

BELMONT AVIATION FIELD, L. I., Oct. 25.—That the Grand Coupe Internationale d'Aviation—the premier trophy in America—is destined to remain in America was indicated today by the sensational trial flight of Orville Wright in the brand new little Wright racer, which was streaked on Thursday last night "in a pocket handkerchief."

Shortly before noon Wright flashed into the air in the diminutive eight-cylinder flier. He sped twice around the short course at the rate of sixty-five miles an hour—and he didn't push his mount.

When he had opened her "wide open" she would have developed more than eighty miles an hour.

Wright's initial flight was more dangerous than any yet witnessed on the aviation field. The pocket edition of an airplane was tilted at an angle of forty-five degrees as the Daytonian cut corners.

Arch Hoxsey and Ralph Johnstone, in their Wright biplanes, went up in their first hourly altitude contest this afternoon. Within ten minutes they were both more than 2,000 feet in the air and climbing steadily higher.

Weather Conditions Ideal.

The fourth day of the meeting opened with ideal weather conditions, and all of the aviators were in the hangars early, tuning up their machines.

Carl Thomas Baldwin, fifty years old, in his "Red Devil No. 2," a Curtiss type, made several flights around the International Cup course—the long course.

When he alighted he expressed much fear of the track, declaring that the track was "slippery" and that the cross currents made the flight an extra hazardous one. He predicted many spills during the elimination trials for the Bennett Cup race.

Frank R. Coffyn, whom Wilbur Wright calls a "safe and sane" aviator, qualified for his pilot's license from the Aero Club of America. Although he has been flying for a year, Coffyn had never formally qualified.

To show his perfect mastery over his machine, Coffyn started and alighted exactly on the starting line. On one of his flights he easily outcircled the course. Wilbur and Orville Wright, who taught Coffyn how to drive a heavier-than-air machine, warmly congratulated him on his ability.

Count Takes Up Woman Passenger.

Count Jacques de Lesseps continued his passenger-carrying flight today, Mrs. Mary Beadmore, daughter of William McKenzie, of Toronto, Canada, president of the Canadian Northern railroad, being his companion. Her sister, Miss Grace McKenzie, flew yesterday.

Count de Lesseps shows the latest in aviation costume for women. She wore a simple horse blanket, which he made and face was completely covered in a tightly fitting automobile veil.

On his motor flight, which he made yesterday, he was accompanied by a woman passenger. The flight was made in a biplane, and the woman passenger was seated in the front seat.

New Wright Racer.

The first public view of the new Wright racer was granted today by the Dayton aviators, and it developed that his machine in which Walter Brookings made his high sky flight yesterday is but the first of a series of experimental machines prepared by the Wrights.

The machine to be used in the Gordon Bennett race by the Wright team is only twenty feet from tip to tip, and less than three feet in width. It is considerably less than half the size of the original Wright aeroplane, and much smaller than the cloud-climber that Brookings used yesterday.

The new racer carries the first eight-cylinder engine ever used by the Wright brothers. It is of the V-shape type used by Curtiss. The new motor is extremely light and powerful. It is expected to develop 25-horsepower, and drive 100-pellers even larger than those on the ordinary Wright passenger-carrying machine. It is altogether probable that the machine will be driven by Orville Wright himself. The Wrights believe that this aeroplane is the fastest in the world.

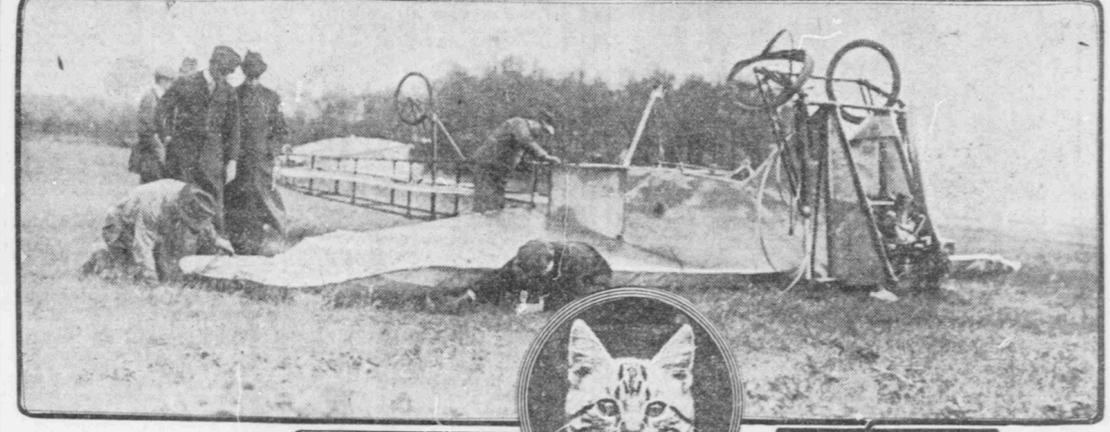
Drumzel After More Records.

J. Drumzel Drumzel seemed to be the only contestant not kicking today. Following his successful assault on the American record yesterday he announced that he would attempt to break the record again today.

What Sometimes Happens to Aeroplanes at Meets, and the Mascot of an American Aviator

WRECKED BY THE WIND.

John B. Moissant's Monoplane Overturned, and Cat Passenger Moissant Took on Paris-to-London Flight.



—Photographs by Bain.

CLUE TO AMERICA II FOUND AT TORONTO

Railroad Agent Reports Seeing It—Gigantic Search Is On.

TORONTO, Ontario, Oct. 25.—The Canadian Pacific railroad agent at Chappell, Ontario, declares that a balloon was seen passing over that district at 10 o'clock Thursday evening, going eastward.

If he is not mistaken in the day, this was probably the America II, as all other balloons, even those that reached northeastern Quebec, had landed by Wednesday evening. This point is also more westerly than any at which balloons were reported seen, and it is notable that when in Michigan the America took the most westerly course of all.

When asked to be more definite, the agent's reply was "Thursday is the correct date. The balloon was seen by several persons traveling eastward at 10 p. m."

Guides who were on Rumsey Lake, twenty miles from Hiscotasing, say they saw and heard a balloon crash down through the forest about twenty-two miles due north of Hiscotasing on Thursday morning. They fired guns and tried to locate the balloons, but all was silent, and they had to give up the attempt. Provisions were left at Rumsey lake.

Moose Hunter's Report.

MONTREAL, Oct. 25.—Edward W. Cook, of Fort Wayne, Ind., arrived here today after a moose hunt forty-five miles north of Kippewa and stated that on Wednesday morning last he saw a balloon which he believes was the America II crossing Lake Tamescanning in a northeastern direction.

HOPE FOR BALLOONS HOURLY WEAKENING

OTTAWA, Oct. 25.—This city is today the base of number of expeditions that have set out in search of the missing balloon America II, and Pilot Alan R. Hawley.

It is considered significant that not one definite clue as to the probable whereabouts of the balloon has been received. The belief is growing hourly that the missing air craft either dropped into Lake Huron or is now lost in some Canadian wilderness, from which not even the aeronauts themselves can escape.

Edmond Stratton, representing the Aero Club of America, is in charge of the main relief expedition and has issued a Dominion-wide call for assistance.

The federal and provincial governments of Canada are co-operating with him to the extent of their powers.

BROOKLAND TO GET 75 NEW LIGHTS

Commissioners Order the Installation of 40-Candle Electric Lamps.

Seventy-five forty-candle power incandescent electric lamps are to be erected in Brookland, replacing a number of scattered gas lamps. The lamps will be placed as follows: Thirty in Michigan avenue from Lincoln avenue to Randolph street; fifteen in Monroe street from Michigan avenue to Twelfth street; fourteen in Twelfth street from Monroe street to Michigan avenue; seven in Newton street from the Baltimore and Ohio railroad to Twelfth street; three in Otis street from Tenth to Twelfth streets; one in Quincy street between Michigan avenue and Twelfth street; one in Seventh street between Monroe and Newton streets; one in Ninth street between Newton and Otis streets; one in Tenth street between Newton and Otis streets; one in Tenth street between Newton and Otis streets.

TROOPS KEEP MOB FROM THE KAISER

BRUSSELS, Oct. 25.—A hostile demonstration which had been planned for today by socialists during the presence of Emperor William of Germany and the Empress was put down by the soldiers, who charged the mobs, driving them into alleys while the royal procession passed through the streets.

The Emperor and Empress arrived this afternoon and were greeted by the royal salute of fifty-one guns. Soldiers lined the streets and kept the crowds away from the royal party.



MISS ANGELICA BROWN, At the International Aviation Meet.



BACK TO THE HANGAR.
Grahame-White's Wrecked Biplane Being Carried Off the Field.

HORSE SHOW HALTED BY A BRIEF SHOWER

Auspicious Opening At League Park Attended By Fashionable Thousands, With Box for President.

To stirring music from the Cavalry Band at Fort Myer, and applause from thousands of enthusiastic lovers of horses, the Washington Horse Show opened at 12:30 o'clock at the American League Park. Smartest representatives from official, diplomatic and social sets set the seal of fashion on the occasion.

Soon after 1 o'clock wind and rain threatened to break up the show. Some of the box occupants were driven to seats in the grandstand, and many of the judges left the ring to seek shelter.

The storm, however, blew over in a few moments, and none of the drivers left the ring, although the sky was still threatening. It was announced that if the weather grew more unfavorable rain checks would be given.

The horses and a large portion of the grandstand were dilled with these beautifully gowned women and their escorts, and the scene was one of remarkable beauty and animation. The great audience was in a flutter when it became known that the President had sent word that later in the afternoon he would attend, occupying with his party box No. 15, which had been reserved for him at the center front of the grandstand.

On a stand in the center of the ring were displayed in glittering array the many handsome silver trophies to be awarded the winning horse during the two days of the show.

These trophies included a magnificent (Continued on Eleventh Page.)

SHERMAN HODGES WHITE HOUSE CALL

Vice President Comes to Town But Doesn't Visit President.

While Vice President James S. Sherman, who came to Washington this morning, called upon a number of Cabinet officers and others, he failed to look in at the White House to greet President Taft.

This caused much comment. Officials of the Government, when they come to Washington, seldom fail to pay their respects to the President by a formal call. Often the President is busy and cannot see them, but they leave their cards, in any event.

This morning the President spent several hours with his Cabinet. Later he lunched with the Argentine cadets, and later still he went to the Horse Show. He would have found time, however, to receive the Vice President, if he had presented himself at the Executive Offices.

There is a strong suggestion in the minds of many who know the Vice President well, that the distinguished New Yorker purposely avoided calling upon the Chief Executive. It is recalled in that connection that the letter written by the President to County Chairman Griscom, at the time the temporary chairmanship fight was on, would not have a tendency to make the relations between the President and Vice President any more cordial.

ETHEL LENEVE FREE; JURY ACQUITS GIRL AFTER BRIEF TRIAL

Crippen's Companion Adjudged Innocent of Knowledge of Wife Murder.

CASE DISPOSED OF IN LESS THAN DAY

Jury Remains Out Only Nineteen Minutes After Summing Up Favorable to Prisoner.

Speed Record by English Courts in Two Cases

July 9—Miss Leneve disappeared with Crippen.

July 31—Arrested with Crippen on board Montrose.

August 29—Arraigned with Dr. Crippen in Bow Street court before coroner's jury.

September 6—Arraigned in police court and Miss Leneve held as accessory after the murder.

October 18—Dr. Crippen's trial began in Old Bailey Criminal court.

October 22—Dr. Crippen found guilty of murder and sentenced to hang November 8.

October 25—Miss Leneve goes on trial and is acquitted.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Ethel Clare Leneve was acquitted of the charge of being an accessory after the fact in the murder of Mrs. Belle Elmore Crippen, in Old Bailey court this afternoon, after a trial lasting less than a day.

It was charged that for love of Miss Leneve Dr. H. H. Crippen, now under death sentence, murdered his wife. The crown's counsel, Richard Muir, could not show that Miss Leneve had knowledge of either the intention or the crime itself.

There were no witnesses called by the defense. Immediately upon the conclusion of the speech of F. E. Smith, Miss Leneve's attorney, Justice Alverstone delivered his charge to the jury and they retired, returning in twenty-two minutes with the verdict of acquittal.

Richard D. Muir, the crown prosecutor, started out as though he intended to prosecute the girl as vigorously as he did Crippen, and in his opening statement he urged that the prisoner unadvisedly murder her husband.

Only a few witnesses were called by the prosecution, however, and the examination of each was brief, with no determined effort made to bring out damaging evidence against the girl.

Court Favors Girl.

Lord Chief Justice Alverstone, who arraigned Crippen in such merciless fashion, summed up the evidence for the jury in a few minutes. His action clearly indicated that his sympathies were with the unfortunate prisoner, whose delicate condition was a potent point in her favor.

The jury retired at 3:54, and within a few minutes it was announced that the court had reached an agreement and handed the lord chief justice its verdict. When the acquittal was announced the examination of the evidence in the courtroom, which was quickly suppressed by the court bailiffs.

Miss Leneve was almost overcome with joy, and wept and laughed hysterically. Her aged father and mother were the first to rise, and their emotion was as marked as that of the girl.

Pleads Not Guilty.

Miss Leneve's slim, girlish figure was the center of interest as she stood before the bar, and, in a sweet, low voice, replied to the court's interrogation as to how she would plead.

"Not guilty, my lord."

Lord Chief Justice Alverstone, who heard Crippen's case and sentenced the American to death, was a stern and solemn figure in his black robes as he opened court.

Garrett Arthur Newton appeared as chief counsel for the girl. Miss Leneve arrived in the prison van from Bristol jail and the police had to use force to bring her through the crowd of curious spectators. Inside the court the spectators' seats were filled with brilliantly gowned women.

The crowd was even greater than during Crippen's trial. There were more women present also. Only ticket holders were admitted to the courtroom, and in the seventy-five persons admitted there was only a very small sprinkling of men.

The indictment against the girl, containing these words, was read:

"The prisoner knowing Dr. H. H. Crippen had murdered his wife did afterward feloniously receive, comfort, harbor, assist and maintain him."

A jury was selected, and the trial was started with a speed that indicated that it would maintain the pace set by the trial of Dr. Crippen.

The crown's prosecutor, Richard Muir, opening for the prosecution, said that he would prove for the state that Miss Leneve had been told by Crippen of his wife's murder.

"One night when this girl returned to the house, where she was then boarded, she seemed troubled, and was suffering from a shock, as though horror-stricken," said the prosecutor. "Mrs. Jackson, the girl's landlady, noted her distress and sought to learn the cause."

"In January, Miss Leneve had acted in a troubled manner and looked ill. The appearance of this girl was such as one would have who knew of an impending outrage or disaster. She was not suffering from any ordinary illness."