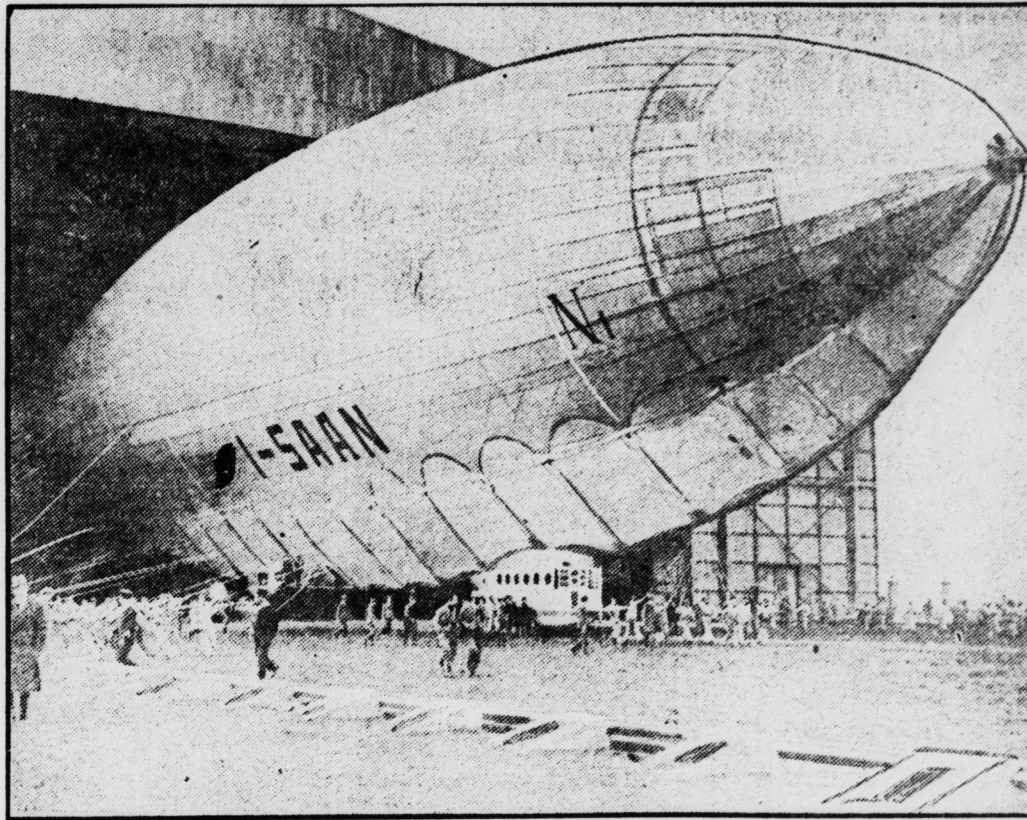




THEY WILL PLAY FOR THE CONGRESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP. Two base ball teams—the Republicans and Democrats—have been organized in the House of Representatives, and the first practice was held yesterday. The photo shows Representative Harry E. Rowbottom, the "Babe Ruth of the House," at bat and Representative Ralph E. Updike behind the plate. Wide World Photo.



SPEAKING OF INITIATION! Students of Washington Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., depend upon black paint and shoe polish in their initiations. The young ladies are now full-fledged members of a fraternity. Wide World Photo.



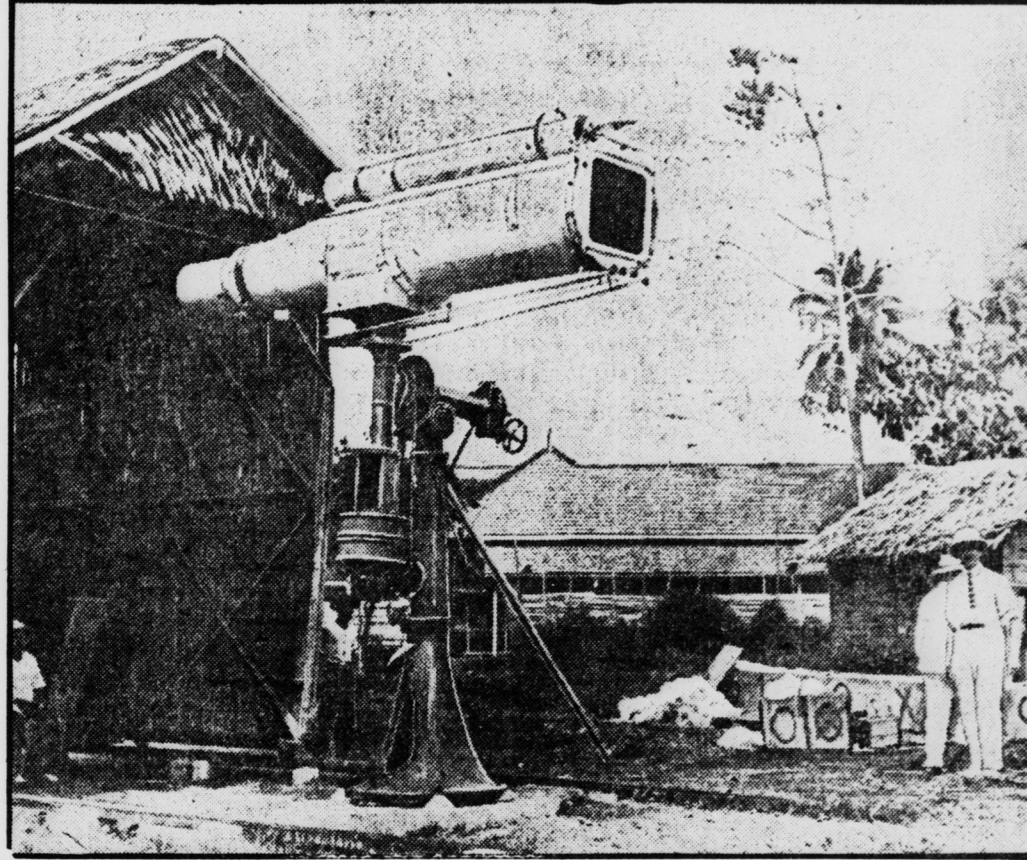
ITALIAN DIRIGIBLE ABOUT READY FOR NORTH POLE FLIGHT. First test of the Norge, which was constructed in Italy for the Amundsen expedition. The ship, according to present plans, will fly from Rome across Switzerland, Poland, Sweden, Germany and Russia to Spitzbergen, where it will meet Amundsen and Ellsworth. Wide World Photo.



KING GEORGE CONGRATULATES THE VICTORIOUS RUGBY PLAYERS. The British team defeated a picked team of French stars in the international rugby match at Twickenham, Middlesex, by a score of 11 to 0. King George is shaking hands with W. W. Wakefield, captain of the British team. Photo by Acme.



Mrs. Gertrude Bonin, whose Indian name is Zikala Sa, elected president of the newly organized National Council of American Indians, the greatest alliance of the tribes in American history. Copyright by Underwood & Underwood.



CAMERA WHICH RECORDED THE JANUARY ECLIPSE OF THE SUN. This photographic device, considered one of the most remarkable ever constructed, was used by American astronomers in South Sumatra to make pictures of the sun's eclipse of January 13. The special job of the astronomers was to test the Einstein theory. Copyright by P. & A. Photos.

ARMY BLIMP TA-5 FALLS; TRIO SAVED

Engine Trouble Causes Crash of Dirigible in Hampton Roads.

By the Associated Press. HAMPTON, Va., March 11.—The Army dirigible TA-5, of Langley Field, manned by Second Lieut. R. Kiebert, pilot; Sergt. C. H. Johnson, engineer; and Priv. Joseph Winters, rigger, developed trouble in its engine and valves yesterday about 3 o'clock, and after floating around in the air for a period of an hour or more, finally took a nose dive and landed in Hampton Roads. None of the three men aboard the craft was injured, and it was stated at the flying field that the craft will again be in condition within the next several days.

When trouble developed with the dirigible, the pressure of the wind on the ship tore open the front section of the bag, and considerable excitement was created in Hampton and over the peninsula by its appearance, while it hung helplessly in the air before it settled.

Messages were flashed around over the peninsula that the ship was in distress, and soon the body of water off Fort Monroe was lined with small water craft bent on lending any assistance possible to the ill-fated blimp. A large number of boats from Fort Monroe were on the scene when the ship finally came down, and aided in the work of getting the three passengers safely away. Scaphans from the naval base hovered in the vicinity of the crippled blimp, and the TC-4, sister dirigible of TA-5, was also on hand to send wireless advice.

Cool judgment on the part of those who were handling the TA-5 probably prevented serious consequences, as the mere feat of keeping it in the air and out of the water prevented irreparable damage.

U. S. MAY GET CONTROL OF BELGIAN KONGO LAND

Brussels Excited Over Reports of Conditions of Loan From America.

By the Associated Press. BRUSSELS, March 11.—Excitement was caused in political and financial circles yesterday by a report that a loan of \$100,000,000 to Belgium had been made by American bankers on the essential condition that their agents take over control of the finances of the Belgian Congo.

The incident has necessitated postponement of Finance Minister Janssens' trip to London, England. He will appear before the cabinet tomorrow and explain the status of the loan negotiations.

The Belgian Parliament recently authorized the government to arrange for a \$150,000,000 loan, which was to be divided among New York and several European financial centers.

Commissions Awarded. Commissions in the Officers' Reserve Corps of the Army have been issued by the War Department to Francis Ditcher, Alexandria, Va., and to George B. McConey, Laurel, Md., as a second lieutenant of Infantry.

Jury Is Too Late With Its Verdict In Alienation Suit

By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, March 11.—While a jury in Brooklyn Supreme Court was deliberating yesterday on the \$50,000 alienation of affections suit brought by Albert Stone against Charles Z. Weiner, Stone and Weiner settled the matter between themselves for \$4,000. Five minutes later the jury announced that it had decided to award Stone \$20,000.

Justice Strong disregarded the verdict and authorized the settlement.

ASSOCIATION AGAIN HONORS FAULKNER

Re-elected President by Michigan Park Citizens—Other Officers Chosen.

Robert B. Faulkner, president of the Michigan Park Citizens' Association, was re-elected president and named as secretary, M. J. Kierlan, treasurer, L. S. Trundle, education; J. T. Reside, streets, and S. H. Hoddinott, police and fire protection. Demands for immediate enlargement of school facilities for white residents of the Michigan Park section were made following a report of a conference held with Supt. of Schools Frank W. Ballou. T. A. Gillis reported that 185 elementary school children of the community were being hampered by being crowded into inadequate buildings, including a portable, and pointed out that, while provision for a 16-room school is to be made under the provisions of the projected five-year school building program, immediate relief must be effected. Four hundred new homes being erected in this section will bring a great increase in the number of children to be taken care of, he warned. Dr. Ballou was said to have taken the plea under advisement.

Condition of the paving on Twelfth and Thirteenth streets from Taylor to Upshur street is so bad residents of the community will be forced to pay to have the work done unless Congress includes the items in the appropriation bill, it was declared.

Future meetings of the association are to be held on the second Wednesday of the month at 4200 Thirteenth street northeast.

Street car service on the Brookland North Capitol line was declared to be the worst in the city, and a committee was appointed to confer with other associations affected by the service and representatives of the Washington Railway and Electric Co.

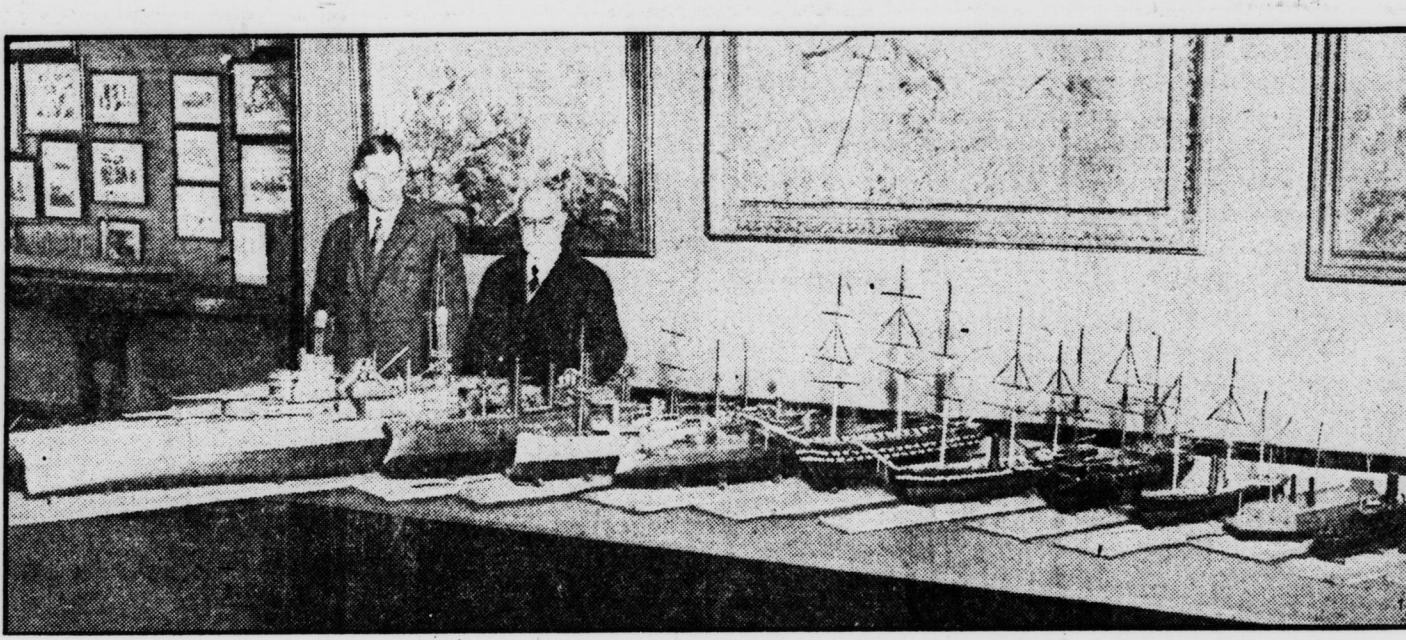
Snowdrops from Italy, prunes from Holland and orchids from local conservatories were sold in London streets during the winter.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT'S EXHIBITION SHOWS EVOLUTION OF THE UNITED STATES BATTLESHIP. Eberle examining the models of American war vessels which are displayed at the Navy Department. Copyright by P. & A. Photos.

MAN GOES ON TRIAL IN FIANCEE'S DEATH

Girl Was Shot on Wedding Day. Alone With Accused, Her Father Says.

By the Associated Press. WEWOKA, Okla., March 11.—Rita May Gosa, 17-year-old farm girl, was dressed for her wedding and was waiting for her parents to accompany her to the church, when she was shot to death, February 14, by her fiancé, Erman P. Higdon. It was testified yesterday at the opening of Higdon's trial for murder.

Details of the love affair between the girl and her sweetheart, terminations in the killing at her home, were related by J. M. Gosa, her father. Higdon is 23 years old and lived on a neighboring farm. He and the girl had been sweethearts two years, the father said.

Gosa said Higdon had been left alone with the girl and that he came to the church with the word that Rita May was missing. He described the search for her and the finding of the body, a bullet through the heart, in a ravine near the house.

BANKER HELD UP.

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Capitol Heights Meeting. Special Dispatch to The Star. CAPITOL HEIGHTS, Md., March 11.—The first meeting of the newly formed People's party will be held at the Prince Georges Theater tonight, beginning at 8 o'clock. Town affairs and the election in May will be discussed, addresses and music featuring the evening.

Scientist Undergoes 72d Operation; Skin Grafted to Hands X-Ray Burned

By the Associated Press. BALTIMORE, Md., March 11.—Dr. Frederick Henry Baetjer, roentgenologist of Johns Hopkins Hospital and Medical School and one of the most famous scientists in America, yesterday underwent his seventy-second operation as a result of X-ray burns.

Skin was grafted to his hands from another part of his body in an effort to heal the burns, which are caused by frequent or prolonged exposure to the X-rays and have already cost Dr. Baetjer eight fingers and one eye.

Dr. Baetjer is regarded as an authority on radio activity and the Roentgen rays. Beginning his studies of their physiological effects shortly after their discovery, 25 years ago, the scientist for years has been experimenting with their own uses in the treatment of disease.

FEDERAL JOBS OPEN.

Laboratory and Chemists' Assistants and Packers Needed.

The Civil Service Commission today announced open competitive examinations to fill vacancies in the day announced positions: Chemical laboratorian at \$4.32 a day, mechanical laboratorian at \$4.32 a day, and metallurgical laboratorian at \$4.32 a day, Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., and in the Navy Yard Service throughout the Fourth Civil Service District.

Junior chemist, Chemical Warfare Service, Edgewood Arsenal, Edgewood, Md., at \$1,860 to \$2,400 a year. Fucker at \$4 a day, and packer's helper at \$2.50 a day, Quartermaster Supply Office, here.

Cold storage warehouse tucker, Center Market, Bureau of Agriculture, here at \$4 a day when actually employed.

Full information and application blanks may be obtained from the office of the secretary, Fourth United States Civil Service District, 1723 F street.

GREENSBORO, N. C., March 11 (AP).—The Curry Building at the North Carolina College for Women here was completely destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon, entailing a loss of approximately \$30,000, only half of which was covered by insurance.

The building was used as a training school and was attended by approximately 50 grammar grade pupils of the city, all of whom escaped without injury. The structure was located in close proximity to other college buildings and residences, and the city's entire Fire Department had hard work to keep the flames from spreading.

1,800 FARMERS JOIN PROFIT-SHARING MOVE

Frederick County, Maryland, Association to Buy \$500,000 Plants.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

FREDERICK, Md., March 11.—Frederick County, through its co-operative marketing association, yesterday announced the most ambitious farm ownership project ever attempted in Maryland. The plan, which involves the purchase of nearly 20 grain, milling and supply plants of the city and county, provides for an investment of more than \$500,000, with 1,800 farmers as stockholders of the profit-sharing organization.

For three years the Frederick County Farm Bureau Co-operative Association has been conducting plants in this city, Emmitsburg and Brunswick. The projects have been successful and led to the drafting of plans for the acquisition of all other farm supply plants in this city.

"Y" FOLK ENTERTAIN.

Play Presented Before Officers and Clergymen.

Wives of the employed officers of the Washington Y. M. C. A. and a group of Washington clergymen were hostesses at an entertainment given to the officers of the Y. M. C. A., the board of managers and a group of Washington clergymen in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. central building last night.

A play, "Marrying Into the Y," was the feature of the evening's entertainment. Mrs. C. Fleming and Mrs. E. Wiles were in charge of production of the play, and Mrs. H. W. Clair took the leading part.

London is to have a church exclusively for children. With the exception of the minister, the organization of the church will be composed entirely of boys and girls.

Corsets of Czar's Court Go on Sale; Buyers Not Found

By the Associated Press. LENINGRAD, Russia, March 11.—The local Soviet authorities, continuing their liquidation of the properties of the czarist regime, have placed on the market 154 corsets and 600 pairs of shoes once worn by the ladies of the imperial court. About one-tenth the original prices are asked, but so far there have been no takers, since the articles are at least 20 years behind the styles.

The corsets date largely from Victorian times, while the shoes were stylish during the earliest years of the present century.

WOMAN ENDS LIFE AT YOUTH'S FUNERAL

Fear She Would Be Called to Testify of Mysterious Shooting Is Blamed.

By the Associated Press. SANDUSKY, Mich., March 11.—Fear that she would be called to testify concerning the mysterious shooting of Saturday night of 18-year-old Roy Lee is believed to have prompted the suicide yesterday of Mrs. Pearl Dorland, Jr., who swallowed poison while attending the boy's funeral.

Lee was found shot to death in an automobile outside the home of Albert Sager, near here, where his brother, two other men and three women were holding an oyster supper and party. He had been shot with a .22-caliber bullet, but no pistol could be found, either in a holster which the boy wore or in the automobile.

Disappointment in a love affair was considered by the police to have caused Roy to shoot himself.

Mrs. Dorland was one of the women in the party, and her husband and the other men were arrested, charged with liquor law violations.

FORMER MOTHER-IN-LAW SUES PAUL WHITEMAN

Mrs. Celia Stack Asks \$10,000 for Her Daughter's Doctor Bills and Baby's Burial.

By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, March 11.—Paul Whiteman, orchestra conductor, has been sued for \$10,000 damages by Mrs. Celia Stack, his former mother-in-law, it was revealed yesterday in Sui preme Court when Justice Proskauer denied Whiteman's application for an order to examine Mrs. Stack before trial.

Mrs. Stack alleged that her daughter, Mrs. Nellie Stack Whiteman, was married to the orchestra leader on August 10, 1908, and that he deserted her six months later. Her daughter, she said, obtained a divorce in 1914. Her daughter bore a child which lived six months, Mrs. Stack said, and the hospital and doctor bills and funeral expenses were paid by Mrs. Stack, according to her complaint. Whiteman denied he made any promise to pay these expenses, alleged that his former wife left him, and pleaded the statute of limitations. The suit has been set for March 22. After Whiteman made his reputation as jazz king he married Wanda Hoff.

HAITIAN'S PROTEST BLOCKED IN SENATE

Petition Assailing Occupation Policy of U. S. Kept Out of Record.

The Senate became involved in a lively parliamentary discussion yesterday afternoon over the presentation by Senator King, Democrat, of Utah of a paper written by a citizen of Haiti assailing American occupation of that republic.

When the clerk concluded the reading Senator Wadsworth, Republican, New York, made a point of order against the paper under a rule preventing reception of any "petition, memorial or other paper" by a citizen of a foreign country unless presented by the President.

Point Is Sustained.

Senator Bingham, Republican, Connecticut, who was presiding, sustained the point of order, and Senator Reed, Democrat, Missouri, appealed from the ruling.

Fervid constitutional and legal arguments followed. Senators Borah, Republican, Idaho, and Norris, Republican, Nebraska, insisted that such a ruling would curtail the right of free speech in the Senate. Senator Wadsworth agreed that this might be the case, and announced that he would withdraw his point of order and substitute a motion to expunge the document from the Record.

"I think it is an extraordinarily bitter denunciation of the policies of the United States Government," he said. "To me it is offensive, and I do not like to see it printed in the Congressional Record."

Referred to Committee.

Declaring that he could understand that the document might be offensive to other Senators, Senator King said he would ask that it be withheld from the Record for the time being and referred to the foreign relations committee for determination as to whether it should be received.

Sensor Reed then withdrew his appeal from the ruling of the chair, the clerk withdrew the ruling and Senator Wadsworth withdrew his point of order, and the document went to the foreign relations committee. That closed the incident.

U. S. SALE IN FLORIDA.

General Land Office Will Auction Acreage Next Tuesday.

Two tracts of land near the mouth of the St. John's River in Florida, aggregating 841 acres and appraised at \$5,371, will be sold at auction next Tuesday by the General Land Office.

On March 19, an auction sale of nearly 7 acres of land on the ocean side of Key Biscayne, an island off the city of Miami, will be held. The land is appraised at \$6,840.