

AMERICAN AIRWAYS SOUTHERN DIVISION HEADQUARTERS WILL BE MOVED FROM DALLAS TO FORT WORTH

OPERATIONS OF SYSTEM TO CENTER IN CITY

Fort Worth will become the operating headquarters of the entire Southern division of American Airways, operating subsidiary of Aviation Corporation. The headquarters and shops, now located in Dallas, will be moved to Fort Worth as soon as a headquarters building, hangar and shops can be erected at the Municipal Airport.

A contract between the city of Fort Worth and American Airways was approved by the City Council at its session Wednesday. Under this contract American Airways is to erect its hangars, headquarters buildings, shops, etc., at Municipal Airport and to pay the city a nominal ground rental, the contract to cover a period of 33 years, the building erected to be the property of the city. Work on the buildings, which will cost approximately \$150,000 and will be two stories 235 by 120 feet, will start as soon as the contract can be let and the removal from Dallas will be made as soon as the buildings are ready for occupancy. This is expected to be within three months.

400 Employees to Move.
The move from Dallas will center all operations of the Southern division of American Airways in Fort Worth, will involve the removal of approximately 400 employees of the system from Dallas, and add \$500,000 annually to the city's payroll. It will definitely establish Fort Worth as the aviation center of the Southwest and will give it rank as one of the leading aviation centers of the Nation.

The Southern division embraces lines from St. Louis to New Orleans, Fort Worth to Nashville, Fort Worth to Atlanta, Atlanta to New Orleans, New Orleans to Houston, Fort Worth to Galveston, Houston, Brownsville, San Antonio, Amarillo, Los Angeles and Big Spring to San Antonio. The entire system embraces mileage of 9,470 miles, being the longest system in the United States. The miles flown per day total 29,262 and in 1931 the number of passengers carried totaled 1,647. The system also holds 11 domestic and 1 foreign mail carrying contracts out of a total of 26 domestic and 8 foreign contracts.

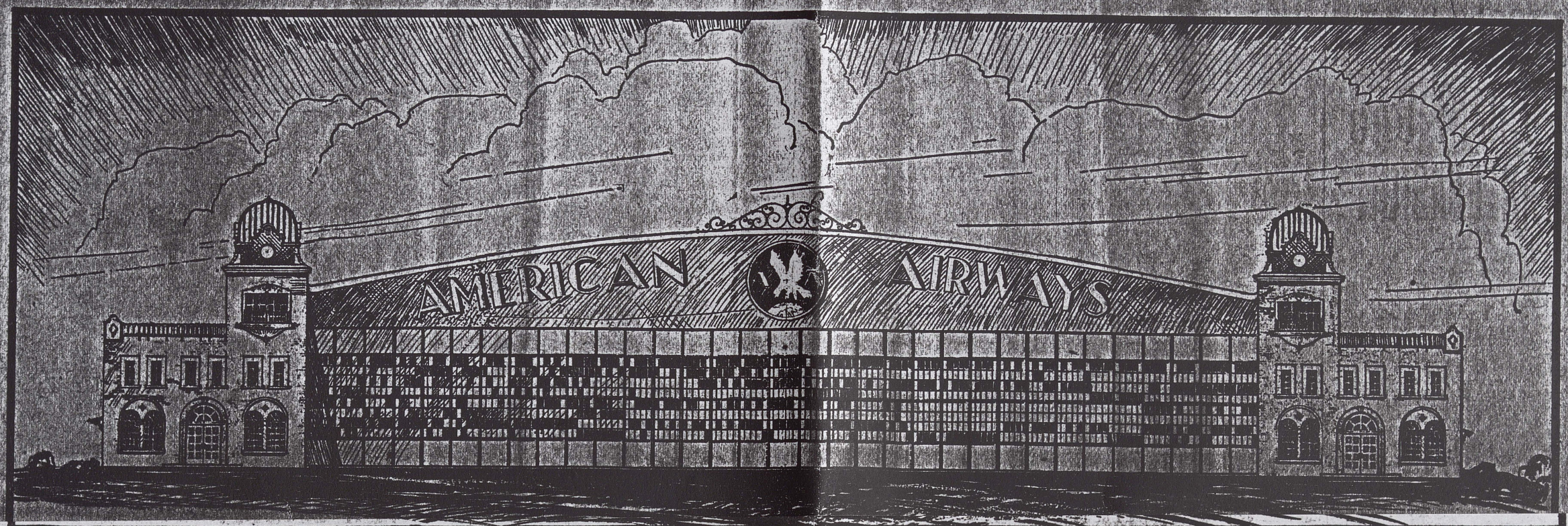
In addition to the Southern division it operates lines from Boston to New York, Chicago to Memphis, New York to Fort Worth, Cleveland, Chicago to Cincinnati, Omaha to Atlanta, Atlanta to Chicago, Atlanta to Los Angeles, New York to Montreal and the only air lines operated in Alaska.

The location of the new hangars and building will probably be south of the present Southern hangar.

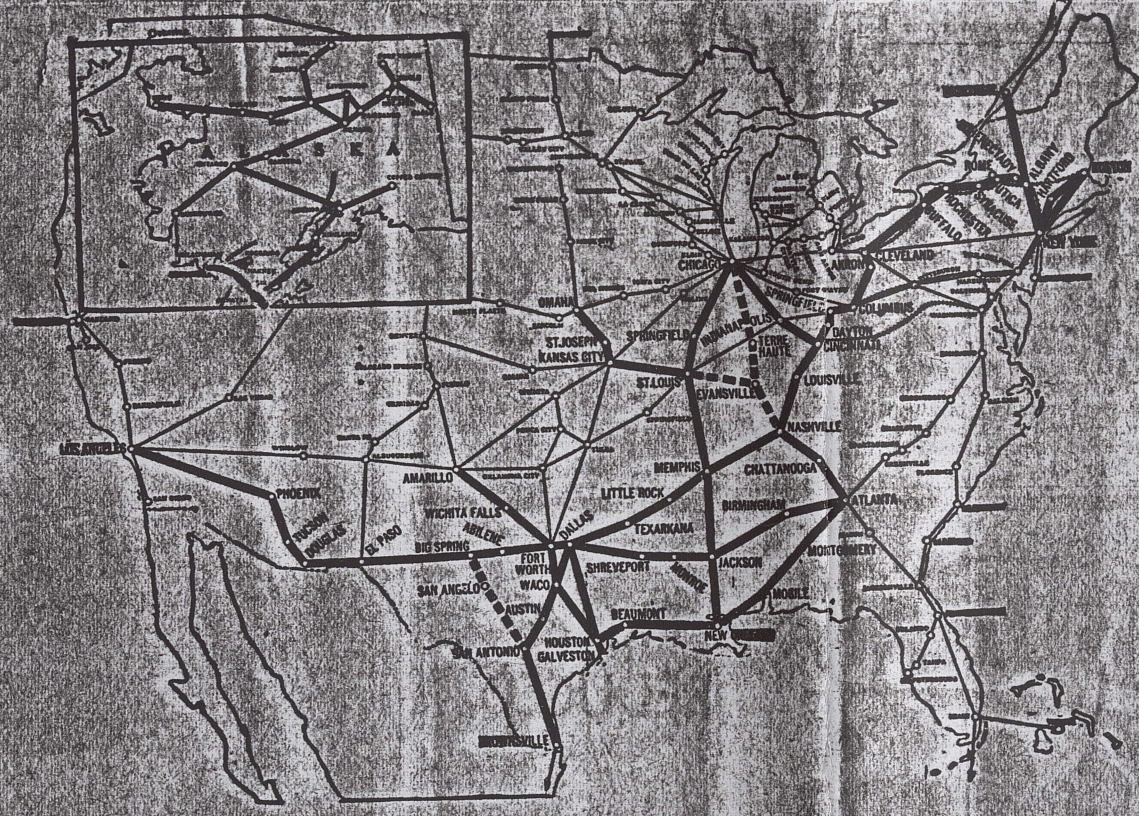
Negotiations On Two Years.
American Airways is the operating subsidiary of Aviation Corporation, of which Le Motta Cohn is president; V. A. Harriman is chairman of the executive committee; O. R. Smith, now stationed in Dallas, is vice president and chief operating officer of the Southern division of American Airways; Silliman Evans, formerly of Fort Worth, is vice president; and Hugh Smith, also now located in Dallas, is assistant operations officer. Aviation Corporation, the holding company, has in cash, Liberty bonds and other securities current assets of more than \$20,000,000 and no liabilities other than its capital stock. The decision announced Wednesday the culmination of negotiations near way for the past two years. Arrangements for the removal of the operations headquarters here were made between Amos G. Carter and his then resident, F. G. Coburn. Carter flew to New York with Frank Hawks recently and there concluded the negotiations with W. A. Harriman, chairman of the executive committee of Aviation Corporation, which owns 100 per cent of American Airways, the operating subsidiary. A contract between the city of Fort Worth and American Airways was then prepared by Raymond Buck, attorney, representing the Southern division of the company, which was forwarded to New York and there signed by Cohn and turned here for signature by city officials.

Rail Official Dies.
CINCINNATI, May 4.—Stanley Ferguson, 72, for many years an official of the Cincinnati Southern Railway, died late Tuesday. He was a son of the late E. A. Ferguson, founder of the railroad.

New Building to Be Erected Here by American Airways



C. R. Smith, vice president of American Airways and general manager of the Southern division.



BONUS HAS NO CHANGE - RAINEY

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Representative Rainey, the Democratic leader, told newspapermen Wednesday that the new money plan for cash redemption of the soldiers' bonus "hasn't a chance of becoming law this session."

Commenting on proposals for the \$2,000,000,000 outlay after over three weeks of continuous hearings, Rainey said the House Ways and Means Committee "is not going to approve any such idea."

To Consider Thursday.
"The committee won't approve any flat money plan and that is what this is," Rainey said.

The Illinois leader is a ranking member of the revenue group. It will hold its first closed meeting Thursday to discuss the bonus payment bills.

"The committee will not report such a drastic inflationary scheme and even if its sponsors do get it out on the floor, it can not become law this session," Rainey said.

"If a petition to discharge the committee gets the necessary 145 signatures, May 23 would be the first day a vote could be had under the rules. Then suppose the House passed the bill, what chance would it have in the Senate that late in the session?"

"Personally, I wouldn't mind if they did get the bill out on the floor for action. It would assure the country that no flat money plan is going to become law and help business confidence."

Patman Assails Mills.
Meanwhile, Representative Patman, Democrat, Texas, said in a statement

LIMIT ON EXCISE TAXES IS LIFTED

WASHINGTON, May 4.—In drastic moves for new revenue, the Senate Finance Committee voted far-reaching changes Wednesday in the House tax bill.

The July 1, 1934, limitation given by the House to the life of the multitudinous new excise levies was removed and the rates made permanent.

The \$5 exemption previously voted by the committee for the 2-cent tax on bank checks was eliminated, adding more than \$36,000,000 to the measure.

A flat 4-cent levy on bond transfers, applicable to each \$100 of face value, was agreed upon. The tax is expected to produce \$10,000,000.

Senator Jones, Republican, Washington, told newspapermen as he went to the committee room he expected to get lumber import taxes written into the bill today.

Jones said he thought the import levies on coal oil and copper, stricken from the bill by the committee, "would

This map shows the mail, passenger and express service maintained by the American Airways. The dotted lines indicate express, the solid lines passenger and mail service. The insert at the top shows the system's lines in Alaska.

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To Hard Surface 12 Miles on No. 66

Twelve miles of Highway No. 66, an extension of the Northwest Highway beyond Jacksboro, is to be hard surfaced soon, it was learned here Wednesday. The grade already has been completed.

The strip begins at a point 12 miles northwest of Jacksboro and extends to the Archer County line. The Northwest Highway (No. 34) has been completed in Tarrant County and now is being built in Barker, Jack and Wise Counties. The rock base will be finished by October, engineers estimate. Hard surfacing will take place early next year.

NODURFT DEATH EDICT UPHELD

AUSTIN, May 4.—The death sentence given Richard Johnson, negro, by a Wichita County jury for slaying Ted Nodurft in a holdup near Wichita Falls last September, was affirmed by the Court of Criminal Appeals Wednesday.

The court last week affirmed a death sentence against Richard Brown, negro convicted for participation in the same holdup when Nodurft was slain and his fiancée robbed. The Brown conviction was for robbery of Nodurft's young woman companion.

The court also affirmed a death penalty against Charlie Grogans, Jefferson County negro, convicted of criminal assault.

A conviction carrying 99 years' imprisonment against Ed Porter, Kleberg County, for slaying Ed Lawson, was reversed and remanded. The principles were negroes.

Estanislado Lopez, convicted in Willacy County and given death for the slaying of Jesus Villareal, lost his motion for a rehearing, the court previously having affirmed the verdict.

Denison Child Fatally Burned.
DENISON, May 4.—Kyle Holland, 4, died at a hospital here Tuesday night of burns suffered in a gasoline fire. The child was injured while his father, Jim Holland, of Hendrix, Okla., was working on an automobile at his home. A gasoline container ignited.

Capone, Nearing Pen, Through With Rackets

ON BOARD CAPONE TRAIN, AT DANVILLE, Ill., en route to Atlanta, May 3.—Al Capone, disillusioned and rejected gang chief, approached federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., with the assertion he was "through with the rackets."

Tonight he will start serving an 11-year sentence for evading income taxes and Capone, giving up hope at last, said there was "nothing to do but make the best of it."

As his train cut down toward the Southland, the gangster jested and kept up a rapid fire conversation with guards, but did not try to hide his disappointment.

"How would you feel if you had 11 years staring you in the face?" he parried when newspapermen questioned him.

Although his long exile has been expected to rob him of his rule over Chicago's underworld, it was still Capone the big boss of gangland that was being taken to prison.

At every stop from Chicago to Atlanta provisions were made for local police or railroad detectives to watch the train from the outside while nine guards kept vigil inside his car. United States Marshal H. C. W. Lauenheimer took charge of the party.

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TERRELL, SMITH GARNER CHANGE OPEN INQUIRY MUCH BRIGHTER

TYLER, May 4.—Chairman C. V. Terrell of the State Railroad Commission and Lon A. Smith, commission member, resolved themselves into a court of inquiry here Wednesday for purpose of investigating alleged irregularities on the part of certain men in the employ of the commission in the East Texas oil field.

The entire East Texas personnel employed by the commission, from supervisors to checkers, was present. The employees had been summoned by Chairman Terrell.

Col. J. S. Davidson, commander of troops enforcing production regulations in the field; Maj. Harry S. Johnson, provost marshal of the National Guard, and Carl Estes, Tyler editor, also were due to testify before the commission members Wednesday afternoon.

Asked how long the commission would sit as a court of inquiry, Chairman Terrell said: "We are going to stay here as long as it is necessary to develop facts pertinent to this investigation, even if it takes all Summer."

Both commissioners praised the alert and rigorous manner in which District Attorney John Taylor of Longview and Colonel Davidson are

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WASHINGTON, May 4.—Speaker John N. Garner's apparent victory in the California primary considerably changes the Democratic presidential outlook.

With the acquisition of California's 44 delegates, the Texan's candidacy is automatically lifted out of the "rotten" class, and it now appears—unless the complete returns in California alter the situation—that he will go into the Chicago convention as the second or third strongest candidate in opposition to Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The California result was bitter disappointing to the Roosevelt force. They had been supremely confident of carrying the State—so much so in fact that they have been saying privately that "after California" serious effort would be made to persuade "minor candidates" to withdraw in the interests of party harmony. The California returns stopped this talk.

The loss of the delegates is serious enough, but the blow to Roosevelt's prestige is a lot more serious. It comes on top of the reverses suffered in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Rhode Island. It gives tremendous impetus to the whole "let Roosevelt" movement. As Al Smith phrased it, California "puts another check under the Roosevelt ban wagon."

Although Roosevelt's candidacy has made great progress in the small States of the West and South—where it has been largely unopposed—New York Governor has encountered tough sledding in the larger States which are so important not only to the convention but necessary in November. In these larger States, Roosevelt

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THE WEATHER

Sun sets today, 7:13 o'clock.
Sun rises Thursday, 5:37 o'clock.
Fort Worth and Vicinity—Tonight and Thursday partly cloudy; light to moderate southerly winds.
West Texas—Partly cloudy to unsettled tonight and Thursday; cooler in extreme west portion.
East Texas—Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday. Moderate to fresh southeast winds on the coast.

THINK IT OVER

WEALTH is a curse to any man who does not increase his worth.

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