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First Commercial Passengers on Yankee Clipper Land in England

This group of newspaper, magazine, radio and news service executives was aboard the Yankee Clipper, Pan American Airways' giant flying boat, when it landed at Southampton, England, Sunday at 10:42 a. m., Fort Worth time. It was the first commercial trans-Atlantic flight to Europe over the so-called "Northern Route." Left to right are (seated) Ed Swasey, San Francisco advertising executive; Thomas H. Beck, New York, Crowell Publishing Co.; James A. Stahlman, president and publisher of Nashville Banner; Mrs. Ogden Reid, vice president, New York Herald Tribune; Roy Howard, president, Scripps-Howard Newspapers; Paul Patterson, president, Baltimore Sun; Amon Carter, publisher, Fort Worth Star-Telegram, and John Cowles, president, Minneapolis Star. Standing, left to right, are Artemus Gates, director, Pan American Airways; G. L. Rihl, Pan American executive; James Furay, vice president, United Press Associations; John F. Royal, vice president, National Broadcasting Co.; John D. Ewing, editor, Shreveport Times; M. C. Meigs, publisher, Chicago Evening American; Silliman Evans, chairman of the board, Maryland Casualty Co., and William Van Dusen, director of public relations, Pan American Airways.

—Associated Press Photo.

DIES GROUP CONDEMNED IN PAMPHLET

American Civil Liberties Union Raps Committee on Un-American Activities.

150-Year-Old Bill of Rights Is Being Violated Over Entire U. S. Says Report.

NEW YORK, July 9 (AP).—The American Civil Liberties Union, in its annual report on the status of civil liberties in the United States, assailed Sunday what it described as numerous breaches of the 150-year-old Bill of Rights and placed the Dies Committee on Un-American activities at the top of its "condemned" list.

The union also charged that "self-styled patriotic organizations" were "creating the atmosphere in which repression of civil rights flourishes" and asserted there was an "unofficial alliance through community of interest" between those organizations, the followers of Rev. Charles E. Coughlin and the German-American Bund.

The union found 19 subjects to "commend"—headed by the United States Supreme Court decision against interference with civil rights by Mayor Frank Hague and Jersey City officials—in contrast to 22 incidents listed under "we condemn" and eight under "we regret."

Regarding the Dies committee, the union said its conduct was "unfair" in "attacking progressive and liberal labor movements as part of an international Communist conspiracy and in making political propaganda out [illegible]y."

On the other side, the report noted:

"This year sees unprecedented support of our constitutional guarantees under the stimulus of the worldwide attacks on democracy."

"Interference with the rights of political, racial and religious minorities has steadily diminished, though propaganda against them is ominously increasing."

The report, an 80-page pamphlet entitled "The Bill of Rights—150 Years After" and based on a survey of 36 States, declared that a surge of anti-democratic propaganda "aimed allegedly at the Communists and in part against Jews, is in fact directed generally against progressive movements, the New Deal and the CIO."

The union cited five States—Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Oregon—as having adopted measures for the legal control of trade union activities and said acts restricting picketing were passed in a number of States and cities.

"The only important measure in the interest of civil liberties passed in any Legislature," it said, "was that in New York prohibiting the wearing of military uniforms by private organizations."

On labor, the union declared:

"The more repressive tendencies in legislative bodies were accentuated by the split between the CIO and AFL which weakened the power of organized labor in the legislative as well as in the industrial field. Setbacks to the achievements in law of labor's rights were marked all over the country."

Mob violence dropped to a new low during the year, the report said, as the settlement of industrial strife "has tended more and more to be handled by the new agencies set up by federal and state governments."

Lynching of negroes increased from eight last year to 12, but the survey noted that "troops were called out in strikes in only two States, Iowa and Kentucky—another new low."

WOMAN IS WOUNDED IN STREET SHOOTING HERE

Mrs. Billie Lewis, 29, was shot in the abdomen at 12:45 a. m. Sunday while walking in the 2300 block North Main Street. Her condition was believed serious.

Fort Worth's Contribution to Golf World

Byron Nelson, the Nation's No. 1 golfer, is a native son of Texas and a former Fort Worth champion. A picture story of his golfing career will appear next Sunday in The

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(Pictorial Section)

EIGHT CHARGED IN WEIRD PLOT

STOCKTON, Cal., July 9 (AP). — Police sought Sunday to unravel what they charged was a weird kidnaping plot in which a 67-year-old mother was manhandled and abducted from her home by her son and seven other persons.

The victim was Mrs. Elisa Emery, 67, wealthy widow, found by police Saturday night in a San Francisco Hotel. Friends returned her Sunday to the nearby ranch of Mrs. Olga Chadd, from which officers said she was spirited under force Saturday.

Mrs. Chadd, whose face was badly bruised when someone struck her, signed kidnaping complaints against five men and three women.

Those charged were booked as Hubbard Middlecoff, 36, Mrs. Emery's son by a former marriage; Mrs. Sylvia Hardley, ranch housewife; Mrs. Gertrude Farley, laborer's wife; Mrs. Mildred Ainsworth, Manteca housewife; Jess and Leo Quinlan, brothers, who are Manteca laborers; William Bergman, Stockton, and Fred Abdallah, Stockton night club operator.

All except Mrs. Ainsworth, who has not been arrested, were held under $50,000 bond.

Sheriff Martin Ansbro, Chief Deputy Sheriff Louis Totman, and Deputy Michael Camlis, said they had "several theories" for the motive back of the asserted kidnaping, but declined to disclose them pending further investigation.

The officers said they had learned Middlecoff, Abdallah and certain of the others forced entry into the Chadd home, struck Mrs. Chadd and then carried Mrs. Emery away. She was placed in an automobile and driven to San Francisco.

Mrs. Inez Sharp, maid at the pretentious Chadd home, spread the alarm.

Sheriff Ansbro said Middlecoff received a $75 monthly allowance from his mother and recently had been trying to get her to sign over to him property valued at $200,000.

He quoted Bergman and the Quinlan brothers as saying Middlecoff asked them to help him get his mother, who was sick, away from the influence of Mrs. Chadd, who assertedly was ill-treating her. They said they had no idea of participating in any kidnaping.

The sheriff added he had not determined the possible connection with the incident of some of those held.

FRENCH PLANE EN ROUTE

HORTA, The Azores, July 9 (AP).—The flying boat Lieutenant de Vaisseau Paris, inaugurating Air France's transatlantic service to North America, hopped off for New York Sunday at 11:11 a. m., C. S. T. The plane left Biscarosse, France, Friday night.

Controversy Gets Hotter on Present 'No Work, No Dole' Pennsylvania Law

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 9 (AP).—Pennsylvania's experimental relief program of "no work—no dole" was described Sunday night by a state official as an effort to "further re-establish the work habit."

Howard L. Russell, secretary of public assistance in the cabinet of Governor James, declared this habit "inevitably tends to be lost in the cases of persons who have been unemployed and on relief rolls for a considerable time.

Pennsylvania has been spending $100,000,000 a year in public funds for its needy.

The "no work-no dole" law, effective Sept. 1, came out of the Republican majority's legislative mill in the 1939 session as a move to help cut down that figure.

It requires all able-bodied persons on relief rolls—and there are 250,000—to accept any job offered

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Japs Add Snub to British Relations

TIENTSIN, July 9 (AP).—Strained relations between British and Japanese military forces here received a further setback Sunday when the Japanese commander in Tientsin refused to receive the visiting commander of British troops at Hong Kong.

The snub came as the British officer, Maj. Gen. Arthur E. Grasett, sought to call on Japanese Gen. Masaharu Honma to maintain first-hand relations carried on prior to the Japanese blockade of the British and French concessions.

General Grasett left later for Peiping to inspect the British embassy guard.

Japanese sentries continued to handle severely all Britons seeking to pass Japanese barriers around the British concession.

MAN 'SMUGGLING' ALONG NAZI FRONTIER STARTED

BERLIN, July 9 (AP).—"Man smuggling" was reported going on Sunday in both directions on the Polish-German frontier.

Hundreds of Polish Jews under Nazi compulsion were said to be on the border attempting to enter Poland, while German residents of Poland were trying to get back home against the official Polish will.

Polish police were reported disguised as farmers working in fields along the border to thwart the smuggling activities.

AIR GIANT IS ACROSS OCEAN

Special to The Star-Telegram.

PORT WASHINGTON, N. Y., July 9.—Pan-American Airways' Yankee Clipper, carrying 19 passengers making the first commercial transatlantic flight over the "northern route," landed at Southampton, England, at 10:42 (CST) Sunday.

The giant planes' crew, chartering a course over Canada, Newfoundland and Ireland, completed the crossing in 22 hours, 31 minutes flying time.

For much of the journey flight winds were favorable, the line's base headquarters here was informed, and the air was smooth throughout. The Clipper flew most of the time at altitudes ranging from 7,500 to 8,000 feet and speed ranged from 150 to 170 miles an hour.

Eleven of the passengers were publishers. A previous flight over the same route carried Government officials as observers.

Ten minutes before the Yankee Clipper's arrival at Southampton, radio reports revealed that the Atlantic Clipper reached Lisbon, Portugal, from Marseille, westbound to the United States with mail and passengers.

Atlantic Clipper Leaves for New York.

MARSEILLE, France, July 9 (AP).—The Atlantic Clipper left for New York Sunday by way of Lisbon and the Azores with seven passengers, including Norman C. Lee, New York broker, who was on the last leg of

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Money Grants to Aid Blind Urged

LOS ANGELES, July 9 (AP).—Money grants to foster employment of the blind rather than money grants to pension the blind.

A. C. Ellis of Louisville, Ky., president of the American Association of Workers for the Blind, contended Sunday that is the type of relief needed throughout America now. The organization's eighteenth biennial convention starts here Monday night.

Only one out of every four blind persons reads Braille finger printing, said Ellis. More "home teachers" should be put into the field at once, he asserted, to instruct the aged blind in this reading.

The five-day meeting will open with a banquet under auspices of the Braille Institute of America. Rupert Hughes, writer, will be master of ceremonies.

'Sensible Democrat' Is Sought for Presidency

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP).—A campaign to organize former Democratic members of Congress in a drive to nominate a "sensible Democrat" for the presidency next year was launched Sunday by former Representative John J. O'Connor of New York.

O'CONNOR.

O'Connor, the only Democrat to lose of those President Roosevelt asked the voters last year to retire from Congress, invited about 500 former Democratic members of the House to use the Andrew Jackson party, of which he is chairman, as the vehicle for the campaign.

In a letter to former House members in the Sixty-eighth to the Seventy-fifth Congresses, O'Connor warned that unless the "sensible" Democrats act at once, the Republicans will walk in, in 1940.

"The 'third term' is not the greatest menace—although that will be fatal for our party," he said. "Greater still is the danger that one of the radical crowd, now in the saddle, will be supported as a 'successor.' That will mean that the Democratic party will not be dominant in national affairs for another generation, at least."

Outside of what he called the "real possibility" of the issue of a third term for President Roosevelt, O'Connor said the predominant issue in 1940 would be the "New Deal."

That manufactured slogan will be turned against its creators like 'packing the Supreme Court,' the 'dictatorial reorganization bill' of 1938 and 'the purge'—not to mention the 'more abundant life,' the 'abundance of scarcity,' the 'ill-fed, ill-clothed and ill-housed one-third,' etc.," O'Connor said.

"No individual and no party could survive such tommyrot," he stated.

O'Connor said the first thing to be done was to insure that only "sensible" Democrats are selected as delegates to the 1940 convention.

"If the so-called 'leaders' of our party wait until the convention in June, 1940, it will be just too late," he went on. "They will face a WPA convention ready to do the bidding of the radicals. Hopkins, the Socialist, has already boasted that the convention will be dominated by his radical group."

The "sensible" delegates need not be pledged to any particular candidate unless state laws so require, O'Connor said.

"The sensible Jefferson, Jackson, Cleveland and Wilson Democrats of this country must get together—and at once—to name a sensible Democrat for President, one who will frankly tell the people that he disagrees with at least part of what has been going on and will try to get back to sane, American Government."

4 RESCUED AS BOAT CAPSIZES

Four persons were rescued from the choppy waves of Lake Eagle Mountain Sunday afternoon after the small outboard motorboat they occupied overturned about 4:30 p. m.

The four were taken ashore by William Glen Walker Jr., 4724 Harley Avenue, and his nephew, Stanley Irvine, 15, of 4840 Crestline Road, who went out in a sail boat.

Mrs. Bobby Penny, 39, of 2405 Clinton Avenue, one of the victims, was given artificial respiration by her son, Bill Penny, 22, who had rowed out from shore in an attempt boat arrived.

The other victims were Miss Edith

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SIX NEW MOVES IN STATE PROBE

BATON ROUGE, July 9 (AP).—Six sensational new developments, ranging from Governor Long's command that everyone guilty be sent to prison, to official accusations of forgery of two dead men's names, Sunday emphasized the far-reaching spread of the tumultuous Louisiana State University scandal.

They were:

1. Arrest by federal authorities of Eugene Barksdale, assistant construction superintendent at the university, on charges of conspiracy with James Marshall "and other persons unknown to divert and use WPA labor and material to private purpose." Marshall, a WPA foreman, and George Caldwell, former

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CHAMBERLAIN'S STAND AWAITED

LONDON, July 9 (AP).—Poland's ambassador to London returned Sunday from a Warsaw conference which may have an important bearing on Prime Minister Chamberlain's plans for a declaration Monday on the Free City of Danzig.

Parliamentary circles expressed the belief that Chamberlain would declare in the House of Commons that any change in the status of Danzig, except by Polish agreement, would be considered an "act of aggression."

The Polish envoy, Count Edward Raczynski, will have an opportunity through Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax to give the prime minister a precise outline of the present feeling in Warsaw before the latter goes to Parliament.

Usually reliable sources said Chamberlain would take into consideration Polish views on whether Danzig tension had subsided to a point where his silence would be more effective at the moment than a statement.

Chamberlain had been expected to make his declaration Friday but parliamentary technicalities made Monday the earliest possible occasion.

An indication of the statement as proposed was seen in a question filed in the House of Commons Friday for answer Monday.

Informed sources said Chamberlain himself requested the question which asks:

"Will the government issue a declaration that any change in the present status of Danzig, other than by agreement to which the Polish government is a party, whether brought about externally by military action on the part of Germany or internally by a movement initiated or suported by the German government, will be regarded as an act of aggression on the part of Germany and therefore covered by the terms of our pledge to Poland?"

Only Saturday a cabinet minister, Earl de la Warr, president of the board of education, declared in a

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SOVIET FARMS FORCED TO SUPPLY LIVESTOCK

MOSCOW, July 9 (AP).—Collective farms in Soviet Russia will be compelled to pay more attention to raising livestock under a decree issued Sunday.

Heretofore the farms have been required to deliever meat to the state in proportion to livestock they possessed.

Many farms accordingly kept as little livestock as possible, but henceforth the meat deliveries will be based on acreage.

NORTH WIND BREAKS HEAT WAVE SUNDAY

Mercury Drops Below 100 1st Time Since Wednesday With 97-Degree Maximum

South and Sothwest Texas Still Sweltering With 105 Degrees at San Antonio.

A stiff northwest wind kept the temperature below the 100-degree mark for the first time since last Wednsday in Fort Worth Sunday whn the Airport Weather Bureau recorded 97 degrees at 2:30 p. m. as the high mark of the day.

Slightly cooler weather was welcomed after the hottest day of the year Saturday when the mercury climbed to 106 degrees. Lack of any breeze Saturday night made sleeping uncomfortable.

Thundershowers in East Texas, the weather bureau reported, brought some relief, too, in that part of the State. Tyler reported a reading of 78 degrees in the afternoon. South and Southwest Texas continued to swelter as the temperature soared above the 100-degree point at Austin, San Antonio, Navasota. San Antonio reported 105 degrees.

Other temperatures reported at 5 p. m. for Texas and Oklahoma points were: Oklahoma City, 89; Tulsa, 91; Ardmore, 93; Gainesville, 93; Waco, 97; Corpus Christi, 99, and Houston, 100.

The minimum temperature in Fort Worth Sunday was 80 degrees at 5:30 a. m. The hourly temperatures were: 6:30 a. m., 81; 7:30 a. m., 85; 8:30 a. m., 88; 9:30 a. m., 90; 10:30 a. m., 91; 11:30 a. m., 93; 12:30 p. m., 94; 1:30 p. m., 96; 2:30 p. m., 97; 3:30 p. m., 95; 4:30 p. m., 95.

Cooler Weather for Nation Forecast.

By Associated Press.

Cool breezes Sunday brought respite from a Midsummer heat wave which has plagued most of the Nation for nearly a week.

With lower temperatures expected Monday, government meteorologists said they believed oppressive heat and high humidity had been routed in the Middle West and East. They reported no "real hot weather" in sight for the next few days.

In Chicago, Forecaster J. R. Lloyd predicted cooler weather Monday for most of the North Central States and the eastern seaboard with slightly higher temperatures in the Dakotas, Nebraska and Kansas.

Many sections of the heat zone, including Chicago, New York and Washington, D. C., got relief from heat which, in the last five days, caused more than 50 deaths in 17 States. Few deaths were reported Sunday.

The lowest temperature in Chicago Sunday was 67 at 6 a. m. The mercury rose gradually during the day to a maximum of 86 at 3 p. m.

Thundershowers brought some "coolness" to Eastern Pennsylvania. The maximum temperature there was 89. The exhausting, humid heat in that section caused four deaths since Friday. Lower temperatures were forecast for that area.

In Ohio, the temperature rose again Sunday after severe electrical storms. A WPA worker died from the heat near Alliance, Ohio. Five drownings were reported.

The temperature in Minnesota and North Dakota was in the 80's and in St. Louis and vicinity it was much cooler than Saturday. At Poplar Bluff, in Southeast Missouri, the mercury dropped to 75 from Saturday's maximum of 101. In Detroit the temperature was 86, compared with 89 Saturday. Milwaukee had 84 Sunday and reported the humidity more "bearable."

Upstate New York temperatures were in the 80's, with the humidity lower in most sections. Eight deaths were attributed to the heat there.

Young Deer Swept Down 268-Foot Cascade—Unhurt

SEATTLE, July 9 (AP).—Nobody ever seriously considered going over 268-foot Snoqualmie Falls with or without a barrel—but a deer did it Sunday and came out alive.

Charles Lewis, power company official at the falls, high in the Cascade Mountains, said he saw a young doe swept over the falls by the swift current.

Lewis and several others made a half-hour trip down trails to the bottom of the falls and found the doe out of the water, sunning herself on a rock and apparently unhurt.