

SEVEN CHICAGO GANGSTERS ASSASSINATED

MISSING PLANE FORCED DOWN, CREW IS SAFE

Mechanic Reaches Nassau and Reports That All on Board Safe—Ferry Picks Up Another Plane.

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—J. T. Phipps, president of the Pan-American Airways telephoned the Associated Press this morning that he had received a radio message from the amphibian Sikorski plane, missing since it left Miami yesterday morning and that the crew and plane were safe.

Mr. Phipps said he received his message at 5:11 o'clock this morning and it came from Floyd S. Whallon, mechanic on the plane, who brought her to a plane and was forced down when it ran out of gas and it floated to Red Bay at the north end of Andros island. The plane left Miami to aid in the search for the plane of Stephen Calloway who was afterwards found by a passing ferry boat.

Salvation Army Picks Successor to Booth

Weds Her Pupil

High Council Picks Higgins for General—Action Follows Rule That Former Commander Is Unfit.

Sunbury-on-Thames, England, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Edward J. Higgins of England was elected commanding general of the Salvation Army's world wide organization last night succeeding General Bramwell Booth.

The high council's choice of a new general followed action earlier when General Booth was adjudged unfit to continue as head of the Army. The vote against General Booth was 63 to 5.

The election of General Higgins, heretofore a commissioner of the army and chief of staff, marks a change in the long struggle to release the organization, with its property assets, from control by members of the Booth family. Four members of the Booth family were included in the five minority votes against the late General Booth of office. They were Mrs. Bramwell Booth, her two daughters Catherine and Mary, Mrs. Laich Booth-Hellberg.

The high council numbered 61 during the vote on deposition. Four refrained from voting, one of whom was known to be Commissioner of the army, the father-in-law of General Booth's son, W. G. Booth.

The council's action puts the next move up to General Booth. He has already filed proceedings questioning the legality of the 1904 deed put under which the council functioned.

Commissioner Evangelina Booth, although prominently mentioned as a possible successor to her brother, General Bramwell Booth, died yesterday of pneumonia at 43 for Commissioner Higgins.

The election ballots were cast in secret whereas the earlier vote removing General Booth from command was cast publicly.

III Health Reason

The council made a special point of emphasizing that the latter action was entirely to General Booth's ill health.

The high council, having considered the matter, was called, was automatically dissolved.

General Higgins, who will retain his title if no further restraining orders are issued by the courts, has been in London since the election in the Far East, the United States and the West Indies.

FOUR CENT GAS TAX TO YIELD \$49,136,533

Commissioner Babcock Presents Figures to House Motor Vehicle Committee on Proposed Increase.

St. Paul, Feb. 14.—(AP)—A four cent gasoline tax would make available \$49,136,533 for highway purposes over a four year period for the state, according to figures submitted to the house committee on motor vehicles today by Charles M. Babcock, state commissioner of highways.

The three cent tax would make available for new construction over the four year period, \$48,686,538, according to the figures.

The committee took no action on the four cent bill pending before the measure at the next meeting Thursday morning when definite action will be taken.

Sentiment in the committee favored a gasoline tax increase from the present five by two cents per gallon with discussion revolving around a three and four cent tax.

Representative Joseph Maske of St. Paul asked the committee to defer action on the bill until members could study the problem and the committee's legislative committee could study the problem and the committee's legislative committee could study the problem.

Lindsey Joins Search

Colonel Lindbergh, unaware of the search for the plane and that plane by the ferry, took off here at 12:15 p. m., two hours and 17 minutes after he had completed his flight from Cuba and approximately 15 minutes after the ferry landed.

The disabled amphibian owned by Richard F. Hoyt of New York, to the key. The plane was left at No Name Key last night when a Pan-American Airways mail plane pilot reported here that he had sighted a plane sent to the key for their arriving ship.

After Colonel Lindbergh returned to the landing field here after a four and a half hour search.

Navy Gives Assistance

Early yesterday a mail plane left Miami to cruise about the region where the plane had been seen and later the navy department ordered the survey ship Makomak and the tender from Pensacola to join the search.

The Tallapoosa and two other cutters were ordered to Key West, Lauderdale and two other mail planes were added to the searching party prior to the departure of the ship.

The first position of the disabled amphibian was reported to be 35 miles southeast of Key West on Looksee near American Shoal but the Gulf stream current carried the ship and its two passengers to a point near No Name Key.

African Tribesmen Plunder, Burn Town

New Delhi, India, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Travelers arriving yesterday at the city of Jalandhar said that the end of the Khyber Pass, was a scene of ruin. They reported that tribesmen from the hills had plundered the town and then set fire to the town, causing an explosion in the underground magazine. The star of Al Ahmed Khat, pretender to the throne, was believed to have been killed. It was said that he had suffered a severe military defeat.

British May Ask Arms Settlement

London, Feb. 14.—(AP)—It was learned in Washington today that proposals for a new approach by settlement of the dispute between the British government and the United States in the near future.

LOVE MISSESS FILL MAILS FOR TODAY IS VALENTINE'S DAY

New York, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Just as for the last 2,000 years, maidens last night were entertaining gleamable expectations, so today is St. Valentine's day.

Youths who despatched dainty messages to the ladies of their choice were following a custom which, according to some authorities, had its origin in the time of the Romans, when the youths of that day on the feast of Feb. 14th were to draw the names of girls to whom they were to devote themselves during the coming year.

The tradition that the day is sacred to lovers may have arisen from a conventional belief prevalent in England and France during the middle ages, that on February 14 the birds began to pair.

MELLON FAVORS \$2,500,000 FOR DRY LAW OFFICE

Treasury Advises House Committee That Sum Could Be Used in Enforcement of Prohibition.

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—The treasury has advised the house appropriations committee that it could use an additional \$2,500,000 this year in the enforcement of prohibition.

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Link Herrin Mayor With Birger Gang

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 14.—(AP)—Testimony linking Mayor Marshall McCormack of Herrin, Ill., scene of gang rioting, with the gang which shot and killed Illinois governor, was given in his trial with his brother, Elmer, and Police Chief John Stamm on charges of conspiracy to violate the national prohibition law.

Art Newman, former lieutenant of Charlie Birger, testified that Mayor McCormack had loaned Birger a machine gun belonging to the Herrin police department and that it was never returned.

George Griffith, Herrin chief of police from May, 1925, until December, 1926, testified he had instructed the system of receiving money from bootleggers at the suggestion of McCormack.

Funeral Rites for Mrs. Starbuck Held

Iowa City, Iowa, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Dill of Iowa City, wife of the University of Iowa School of Music faculty, who was found dead in her home, were held here today.

Professor Edwin D. Starbuck, head of the University department of philosophy, and Eugene O. Sykes of the University, were held yesterday.

Following the decision of Coroner George E. Macdonald, the body will be held until Mrs. Starbuck's death, the remains are to be sent today to Cedar Rapids for cremation.

Alaskan Air Line Will Be Extended

Portland, Ore., Feb. 14.—(AP)—George B. Eakin, president of the Union Air Line, announced yesterday that coast air service will be extended to Ketchikan and Juneau, Alaska, next summer.

Three flying boats have been ordered for this service. The ships are to be twin-motored and have a cruising speed of 100 miles per hour, seat 16 passengers and carry a total payload of 5,000 pounds.

For 15 hours cruising will be carried. Delivery is scheduled for June 1, Eakin said.

Maas Collapses on House Floor

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Representative Maas, Republican of Utah, and Eugene O. Sykes of Mississippi as members of the Federal Radio commission, were collapsed yesterday by the news.

FOOD AND COAL CRY OF EUROPE IN COLD'S GRIP

Death Toll Reported to Have Reached 300—Many Trainloads of Coal Frozen to Tracks—Fuel Depot Stormed by Mob.

London, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Estimates of deaths from abnormally cold weather in central Europe alone, to date, ran as high as 300 with other thousands suffering from frost bite and kindred injuries.

Apparently worse weather was in prospect with suffering acute particularly in southeastern Europe from fuel shortage. Mines of Poland and Czechoslovakia were looked to relieve the situation but disruption of railroad traffic added even those countries to those hard hit.

Rivers and Channels Ice-Bound

Rivers and sea channels over most of Europe were frozen over and choked with ice. Rome celebrating Ash Wednesday had a heavy snow fall.

Temperature in many cases without precedent and lower than for 200 years were reported over Europe. Meanwhile northern Scandinavia was normal and Iceland and Spitzbergen reported temperatures as high as 40 degrees Fahrenheit.

In Budapest shivering men and women stamped a cold depot during the night after the government had announced distribution of free coal at 8 a. m. Because of the intense cold they were unable to wait and many of the people, carrying baskets, boxes, even pockets with precious fuel. Fifty persons were sent to hospital with sprains, lacerations and frozen hands as a result of the ensuing riot and conflict with police.

Coal Trains Tied Up

In Czechoslovakia miles of coal laden freight cars were frozen fast. At Lvov Poland not a single train had arrived or left for the last three days and food shortages as well as fuel shortages faced the city.

In the Gatteg and the sound between Denmark and Sweden 130 steamers were frozen fast.

Bitter cold prevailed in England and many rivers were beginning to solidify. While London was free of ice there were heavy drifts elsewhere and roads were impassable.

The weather bureau has predicted even colder weather and today a heavy snow storm falling.

Austin Lad Shot in Lung, Recovers

Austin, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Jimmy Schow, 8-year-old boy, who walked a quarter of a mile without a whimper after being shot through the lung, is on the way to recovery at a local hospital today.

When the boy was playing in a yard with a companion he took his father's revolver and shot himself in the chest. The wound was loaded.

Joe Boland Named as Grid Coach for St. Thomas College

St. Paul, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Appointment of Joe Boland as coach at the University of St. Thomas College in California as head football coach at St. Thomas college to succeed Don Gibbs was announced today following a meeting of the college athletic board.

Boland, a graduate of Notre Dame in 1927, was a tackle on the famous "Four Horsemen" football squad.

Kaue Rockne, Notre Dame coach, will come to St. Thomas to supervise football practice for a ten day period it was also announced. The date on which Mr. Rockne will be here had not been determined yet.

Order Motor Line to File Rate Schedule

St. Paul, Feb. 14.—(AP)—The Minnesota railroad and warehouse commission today ordered the Hanson Motor Transport company to file supplement to its rate schedule.

The order was the result of a complaint made by competing carriers that the Hanson Motor Transport had used the rail mileage between St. Paul and Red Wing, approximately 40 miles instead of the highway mileage as directed in the rate schedule, which would be 51.8 miles.

Coolidge Signs Bridge Measure

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Bill signed by President Coolidge yesterday to authorize the bridging of the river between St. Paul and Minneapolis.

By the Iowa-Nebraska Amortized Free Bridge company across the Mississippi at Sioux City, Ia.

The bill was introduced by Senator Hale of Iowa and passed by the Senate 75-15.

Under the terms of the measure, five bridges of 10,000 tons each, the maximum tonnage allowed by the Washington treaty, must be laid down in each of the fiscal years of 1929, 1930 and 1931, with work started on the first bridge, a vessel of 12,000 tons, before the expiration of that period.

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In addition to Senator Hale, those who attended the conference were Senators Curtis and Robinson, the republican and democratic leaders in the Senate, Representatives Tilton of Connecticut and Garrett of Tennessee, majority and minority leaders of the House, Speaker Longworth, and Chairman Speer of the house subcommittee.

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PREPARE FOR ATLANTIC FLIGHT



Lieut. Diego A. Arenzo (left) and Lieut. C. Gaudy Mejia, Argentine aviators plan to take off, from Belnana field, Newcastle, Del., for Miami, Fla., and from there to Buenos Aires where they will continue on a 5,170-mile flight across the Atlantic to Saville, Spain. Below is their plane, formerly the Ruenos.

COOLIDGE ASKS FUNDS TO START SHIP PROGRAM

Chief Executive Sends Congress Recommendation for \$12,370,000 Appropriation—Signed 15-Cruiser Bill.

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—A recommendation for a \$12,370,000 appropriation to begin the cruiser construction program was forwarded to congress today by President Coolidge.

The budget recommendation forwarded by the president was for a little more than half of the amount proposed by the navy department.

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Overlooking his objection to its time restriction clause, President Coolidge approved the naval construction bill under which fifteen cruisers are in the present fiscal year.

The measure was signed shortly after the president had conferred with leaders of both parties in congress on means of providing money for beginning the construction, and of preventing the enactment of other measures calling for expenditure.

The budget bureau has recommended that \$35,000,000 to \$40,000,000 be appropriated under the bill for use in the 1929-1930 fiscal year, with a small amount, as yet unspecified, available for the current year.

Chairman Hale of the senate naval committee, who attended the conference, predicted that the appropriation would be included in the annual navy department supply bill which is now in conference.

Five Cruisers Each Year

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VICTIMS LINED AGAINST WALL AND SHOT DOWN

Attackers Raid Gang Headquarters and Mercilessly Slaughtered on Execution With Saved Shot Guns and Machine Guns—Bodies Found in Huddled Heap.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Seven members of the powerful North side gang, headed by George "Bugs" Moran, were trapped in their North Clark street headquarters by six gunmen who lined them up with their faces to a brick wall beneath a powerful electric light and shot them to death.

The wholesale killing, the most senseless in the long and bloody history of Chicago's gangland warfare, was carried out with precision. Five executioners wearing slacks and posing as police officers, who invaded a garage where Moran's gang was in conference, herded their hapless and unarmed victims to the rear and mercilessly executed them with sawed-off shotguns and machine guns, every body bearing from six to ten bullet wounds.

The Dead List

The dead who were found follows:

Peter Gusenberg, gang leader.

Frank Gusenberg, brother of Peter.

Al Welnahank, soft drink parlor proprietor.

John May, a mechanic.

James Clark, a brother-in-law of Moran.

Two other men partly identified as Arthur Hayes or Arthur Davis and Frank Foster, Moran's associates.

Moran Reported Wounded

The police received reports that Moran himself had been wounded. One man said he saw a man stagger from the building with blood streaming from his face. The police believed he may have been Moran, one of his henchmen or one of the gunmen. Moran was struck by a ricocheting bullet.

Two women, reported to have been in the building at the time of the killing, were arrested and taken to a police station for questioning.

The heap of bodies of the victims were found in the rear room of the S. M. C. Garage company, 1125 North Clark street, by the police who had been summoned by a woman living nearby, apparently the only persons to hear the reports of the sawed off shotguns and machine guns of the slayers.

Six Huddled Together

Six of the bodies, all in grotesque positions as they had fallen, were found by the police on the bullet-riddled and blood-spattered wall. On the floor in an outer room lay the bodies of the other six of the bodies including those of the wounded man bore from six to ten bullet wounds. From the slayer's point of view, the bodies of the victims were lined up against the wall, and the slayers stood in a line in front of them.

The bodies lay in an open space where the man had been herded by his attackers before the execution.

Police Start Inquiry

William F. Russell, commissioner of police, Dr. Herman N. Budness, county coroner and Harry Stansbury, assistant state's attorney, were on the scene within a few minutes and took personal charge of the investigation.

Two hours after the killing the bodies still lay in the same positions in which they were found, while hundreds of miles about outside the buildings as the officials started the inquiry.

It is the end of a gangland in Chicago," Chief Russell declared as he looked at the bodies. "It was a death row and no quarter given to the slayers. We are going to start one of the greatest fights against crime this or any other city ever has seen. The raids in which 3,000 were taken and put in jail was nothing to what we will do now."

New In Gangland War

Today's slaying in the form of a massacre was a new and a new Chicago gang warfare. Before the slayers took their victims for the first time in the killing, the slayers were taken to the slayers in automobiles and raked their victims.

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Shipping Board Approves of Sale

Washington, Feb. 14.—(AP)—The shipping board today formally approved the sale of the United States Lines and the America merchant lines, constituting eleven ships to P. W. Chapman Inc. for \$18,300,000.

MISS MORROW FLOODED WITH JOY MESSAGES

Mexico City, Feb. 14.—(AP)—An announcement of the approaching marriage between Miss Anne Morrow and Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh brought a deluge of congratulatory messages addressed to Ambassador Morrow's 22-year-old daughter from all parts of the world.

Miss Morrow, blushingly unconscious to such dizzy height of international fame, spent most of the day noting the signatures of the well-wishers. These included former school friends, relatives, friends of her family, and a distinguished list of men and women known in world affairs. Some messages were received even from persons whom Miss Morrow did not know and whose chief reason for sending the messages was their interest in Colonel Lindbergh and his romantic digression from aviation.

Ambassador Morrow, despite his prominence, probably never before has been subjected to such an avalanche of messages, addressed to him as well as to his happy daughter.

Miss Morrow spent the busiest of her life last night found her sister beaming and surrounded by tokens of her new fame. Her father whose ambassadorial duties relentlessly oblige him to spend hours at his desk, found it necessary to devote considerable time to answering telephone calls, reading felicitations and receiving visitors.

All papers in Mexico City published pictures of the engagement, and a few were fortunate enough to obtain pictures of Miss Morrow. She dislikes to have her picture taken.

Heavy Fog Halts Flight

Paris, Feb. 14.—(AP)—Heavy fog at Le Bourget yesterday forced Van Lear Black, Baltimore publisher, to postpone for the second time his departure for Marseilles. Mr. Black is now on an air tour, will carry him to Capetown, South Africa.

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