



## U. S. AIRSHIP DISASTER ZEP CAPTAIN'S COMMENT

### TWO MISSING

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Thursday

The news of the disaster to the American airship Macon was received here with much regret, but will not influence the Zeppelin Company's plans for the future development of its transatlantic airship service, so Captain Schiller, who has commanded the Graf Zeppelin on numerous transatlantic flights, declared in a press interview here yesterday.

The Macon nosedived into the sea about fifty miles from San Francisco on Tuesday, breaking in two on striking the water. Two members of the crew of 83—the radio telegraphist and a steward—are missing.

### Crew Saved

The telegraphist had time to send out calls for help during the descent. Five warships hastened to the spot, and two of them arrived in time for their lifeboats to save 81 members of the airship's crew. Among the survivors is Commander Willy, the only surviving member of the crew of the airship Akron, which was burned off the coast of New Jersey in April, 1933. The Macon disaster is attributed to an explosion forward, which destroyed the longitudinal stability of the vessel and so caused the dive.

Captain Schiller pointed out in the course of the interview that the sensation caused by such accidents is chiefly due to the small number of airships now in use. If some country, for instance, had fifty airships, the loss of one would certainly not cause so much up-

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## COMMUNIST «PURGE» PARTY MEMBERS OUSTED

Moscow, Thursday

Another «purge» of the Communist party organisations throughout the Soviet Union has been ordered by the party's Control Committee, with a view to ridding the party of the remaining «Trotskyists».

According to press reports the «Trotskyists» are accused of attempting and aiming to disintegrate the party organisation from within, although actual proof of the accusations had not been forthcoming.

The first victims of the new purge are the Chairman of the Executive Board of the South Uralisk Railway, Daniloff, and five other officials of the same company.

They have all been summarily dismissed from their posts and expelled from the party in consequence of their «avowed sympathy for the Trotsky opposition.»

Similar action for similar reasons was taken against General Manager Rosenson of the largest Soviet Russian factory for harvesting machines, «Selmach», who likewise is expelled from the party. All Communist youth organisations of the Selmach concern have been dissolved owing to the attitude of the factory toward the dreaded Trotskyism not being sufficiently clarified.

Since the Five Year Plan was found not to have worked out according to the severe schedule laid down there have been continuous trials, purgings and terrorist campaigns.

The killing of Kiroff, the Soviet Commissioner, by another leader of the party, caused the government to fear that an uprising might be the result unless prompt and summary action was taken. For that reason there were immediate executions of some hundreds

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## ROME AND ADDIS ABBABA SUVICH RECEIVES ENVOY

### TROOPS READY

ROME, Thursday

Signor Suvich, Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, received the Ethiopian Chargé d'Affaires when the latter called at the Palazzo Chigi yesterday evening to continue the negotiations for the settlement of the recent frontier incidents.

They discussed the position between the two countries, but no official statement was issued. The impression today is that it would be too much to say that the Italo-Ethiopian negotiations are progressing favourably, but at least they are being continued.

The Chargé d'Affaires is understood to have received fresh instructions from his Government on Tuesday night. No authentic information is obtainable at the Ethiopian Legation, but there is reason to believe that the Ethiopian Government shows little inclination to meet the Italian demands.

### Arbitration

Ethiopia still refuses to assume any responsibility for either the incident of January 29 or the recent fighting near Walwal. The Government however declares itself willing to submit the case to arbitration.

A spokesman of the Italian Government declared yesterday that while the goodwill of the Emperor of Ethiopia is not doubted, it is clear that he has no control over the armed bands which are attacking the Italian outposts. Italians believe that if the dispute is settled Signor Mussolini must demand an indemnity sufficient to cover the expenses of mobilisation.

The troops concentrated at Messina have not yet sailed for East Africa, but are being held in readiness to sail at any moment. Not even short leave is being granted to the mobilised men.

Reports that Italy has presented the Ethiopian Government with demands constituting an ultimatum are vigorously denied here. It

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### LINDBERGH VERDICT

FLEMINGTON, N. J., Thursday

Bruno Hauptmann has been found guilty of the kidnapping and murder of the infant son of Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh, and condemned to death by the electric chair. March 18 was fixed as the date of the execution.

Mr. Reilly, counsel for the defence, has given notice of appeal. The execution will therefore be postponed.

## SNOW IN SPAIN DISTRESS IN THE NORTH

SANTANDER, Thursday

A serious situation exists today in the town of Reinosa and the surrounding district, in the province of Santander, where the severe frost which followed the recent heavy snowfall continues.

The snow lies a metre and a half deep in the streets of Reinosa itself, and two metres deep in Olea, Valde, Valdeprado, Valderribe, San Pedro del Romeral and other villages. The temperature, sixteen degrees below zero, baffles every attempt to clear paths through the snow, which is as hard as stone.

A two-year-old girl named Angeles Ruiz Cano fell into the fire at her home in one of the isolated villages. She died the following day, as there was no means of bringing her into town for skilled treatment.

Food supplies have been low since Friday, as the peasants who supply the market at Reinosa have been unable to make the journey. Cattle farmers at San Pedro del Romeral are having to melt snow for their animals to drink.

Indignation reigns among merchants and shepherders in Reinosa at the helplessness of the authorities in the face of the catastrophe. They state that they have been unable to sell anything for three weeks owing to the lack of communications, and cannot meet their outstanding bills, or even pay their rent.

Something like a tax strike threatens to develop in consequence. The traders say that they will have to give notice to have their names removed from the tax rolls, which would be equivalent to going out of business.

## CANCER IN REICH

### CLINICS TO BE ESTABLISHED

### CAREFUL STUDY

KOENIGSBERG, Thursday

Intense and widespread interest is reported aroused here yesterday by a communication of the Chief Medical Councillor, Doctor Juengst, to members of the Fatherland Women's Club about steps now being taken throughout East Prussia to fight cancer on a grand scale.

The Public Health Office and the Provincial Committee for Combating Cancer have together organised a system of medical examination for all women over the age of thirty. The service is to be given free of charge.

Four clinics are already equipped in Koenigsberg itself for this purpose. No legal compulsion is being brought to bear, but this policy is endorsed by the authorities. An appeal to all women to submit for a thorough examination in their own and the nation's interest.

### Further Research

The experience thus gained from observations in East Prussia will be used as the basis for further researches which it is planned to have embrace the whole Reich.

The entire scheme is being undertaken with great care, in view of the erroneous reports circulated with official approval and later denied some months ago.

At that time it was stated a German professor had succeeded in finding and isolating the long-sought cancer germ. Had this been true, it would have been of world-wide importance, since a serum could then be derived and cancer successfully fought.

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## PIANO RECITAL BY J. MAS PORCEL

Don Jaime Mas Porcel is to give a piano recital at the Mallorca Junior Club this evening at 6 p.m.

The event has been arranged in response to requests from several members of the foreign colony. Those who have heard Señor Porcel's fine playing as a member of the Trio de Mallorca have long hoped to hear him in a solo recital, and their wish is now to be gratified.

The first part of his programme for tonight begins with a Bach choral arranged by himself, and is completed by a Haendel passacaglia and a Scarlatti sonata. Schumann's «Papillons», Opus N.º 2, forms the second section.

The third part is devoted entirely to Chopin. It includes two preludes, two mazurkas, two walses and a nocturne. The concluding section consists of Debussy's «Clair

de Lune», Señor Mas Porcel's «Christmas» and «May» sonatas, «Malagueña» by Albéniz and «Danza del Molinero» by Manuel de Falla.

Another piano recital of great interest is billed for Tuesday, February 18 at 6:30 p.m., at the Almudaina palace. The pianist is Don Joaquín Nin-Culmell, who comes to Palma from Cuba and New York, on his way to fulfil engagements in European capitals.

Señor Nin-Culmell's programme is divided into two parts, the first devoted to foreign classics and the second to Spanish composers. A «Concerto Italiano» by Bach is the opening piece, and is followed by three Schumann «Romanze», Opus N.º 28, and Chopin's «Fourth Ballade», Opus N.º 52.

The three parts of the first cue-

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## «RIPTIDE» AT THE LIRICO

Mrs. Patrick Campbell, Norma Shearer, Robert Montgomery and Herbert Marshall head a distinguished cast in «Riptide», which is now playing at the Lirico on the same programme with a Laurel and Hardy comedy called «Why Work?»

«Riptide» created something of a furore in the United States when it was first released for exhibition there. The Legion for Decency cited it with glee in its campaign for moronic but clean movies, and the picture was thus banned in a good many cities and several states.

The trouble was that «Riptide» is a picture for adults. The story is negligible if a trifle involved (which is not as paradoxical as it may sound) but the acting is more

than excellent throughout.

Herbert Marshall and Norma Shearer are required to portray a range of deep emotions which would cause the average actor to throw himself about the set and go into facial contortions. Two stars don't. They handle difficult assignments with admirable restraint and effectiveness.

Both Robert Montgomery as a gay young American and Mrs. Patrick Campbell as the dowdily turn in competent performance which help the picture considerably. Disregard the plot and watch the acting. It is worth watching and a good many of the lines are worth hearing.

The Laurel and Hardy comedy

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**THE DUCE AND AFRICA**

The Roman eagle, that unneigh-  
tly and anachronistic fowl re-  
tated by Signor Mussolini, is  
opening its bill and talons and  
giving warlike screams at the  
representatives of the Tribe of Judah, other-  
wise known as the Emperor of  
Ethiopia.

It is possible, of course, that the  
Duce's business is just another of  
his well-known political thefts.  
It does not look like that at  
the moment.

The meetings of the Italian War  
Council and of the Fascist Grand  
Council look like business. So does  
the mobilisation of reservists, and  
the concentration of Italian troops  
at the port handiest for shipping  
to the Red Sea—though to  
say it is officially stated that  
there is no intention of sending  
troops overseas at present.

Everything, in short, points to  
the Duce's intention to help him-  
self to at least a part of the ter-  
ritory of the last indigenous Afri-  
can kingdom. Whether he will be  
able to do so depends on the at-  
titude of France and Great Brit-  
ain.

Laval has made it clear that  
the colonial agreement between  
France and Italy, which he nego-  
ciated with the self-appointed suc-  
cessor of the Caesars, does not in-  
clude any provision for the partici-  
pation of Ethiopia. The Quai d'Orsay and the  
London Foreign Office are under-  
standingly looking with disquiet on Sig-  
nor Mussolini's schemes of African  
expansion, and the most that he  
can hope for in either direction is  
a policy of non-intervention.

Britain, by closing the Suez Ca-  
nals to Italian transports, can  
throw a decisive monkey wrench  
into the machinery of conquest.  
Such an action may be dangerous, but  
it is a fair question whether the  
wailing habit of letting Fascist  
dictators have their own way in every-  
thing is not more dangerous.

Italy defied Europe successfully  
when she took Fiume, and  
again when Corfu was snatched  
from the nose of Geneva. Unless  
she is called, weak and compa-  
ratively unimportant countries like  
Greece and Ethiopia will not  
be the only victims of the troubles  
covered up by Blackshirt megalom-  
ania.

**ON THE ISLAND**

*By The Wayfarer*

Last month eleven cruisers called in Palma, bringing some seven hundred short time visitors to the Island. Present indications are that this month will see a good many more large cruisers visiting Mallorca. Two large vessels called in Palma this week for one day visits.

**WHEELS:—**

Spinning wheels of chance as officially twirled by the Spanish government handed a member of the foreign colony a profit of some four hundred per cent. Friends of Mr. Robert Gavett have been searching for Mr. Gavett ever since he inadvertently let it slip that he had won forty pesetas in the last lottery.

The said wheels have left Mr. Kevin P. O'B. Mac, Kavanagh and Mr. Kenneth Craven wringing their respective hands. Their friends are not searching.

**SUCCESS:—**

From the Secretary of the Mallorca Society of Arts comes word of the unusual success scored by Don Xavier Vidal Quadras, last Sunday. His address on Morocco and the life of a Spanish Legionnaire was enthusiastically received by the largest audience of the pre-

sent season. Mr. Bowden presented the speaker.

**GOOD NEWS:—**

It is authentically reported that the condition of Mr. Richard Harter is definitely improved, and that he has made a start on the road to recovery—a road which his many friends hope will be a very short one.

**ARRIVALS:—**

Among the latest arrivals in Palma and El Terreno are Mr. and Mrs. H. G. de Fraine. They are stopping at the House Cecile in El Terreno. Mrs. Francis D. Scott arrived early this week and is staying at the Grand Hotel. Mrs. Rachael Weinstein, Mr. Joseph Godall, Mr. Roger B. de Monvel, Mr. J. Richard and Miss Richard are also at the Grand. They arrived this week.

**ROVING:—**

A roving party attacked the countless centers of gaiety and amusement in Palma and El Terreno one night this week. Mr. Tom Davies, who came to the big city recently from the Puerto de Alcudia, was showing big time night life to his sister, Miss Dorothy Davies of London. Miss Davies arrived here with her motor car

a few days ago, having driven through France to Barcelona. Miss Murphy, Mr. Norman Jacobsen, Miss Nita Dreilberg, Mr. Rolf Memisohn, and others completed the rovers.

**DEPARTURES:—**

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Crowley-Boevey have to Barcelona. They will return to their home near Newham within the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Charles Mor-dan left for London recently after a short stay at the Hotel Victoria.

Other departures for England include Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Shaw Sealy, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Robinson, and Mr. J. Stern. The later is bound for his home in Hamburg.

**AT THE GRAND:—**

Now stopping at the Grand Hotel in Palma are the following; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Billanol, Mrs. Claire Pillans, Mr. C. Rousell, Mr. Charles Everts, Mrs. Mary Douglas, Mr. William Shepsheril, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Nasmith, Mr. Arthur Milner, Mrs. Winifred E. Hill, Mrs. Agnes Haine, Mrs. Maurine F. Haine, Mrs. Mary D. Cooper, Mr. Cecil Speid Soote, Mrs. Amery Whitridge, and Mr. and Mrs. William C. Piercy.

**Out Of My Head**

by HARRY GALLAND

A hint was dropped hereabouts a day or two ago that it might be a good idea for the present occupant of this space to tell a bedtime story for the kiddies. The reason given for the suggestion need not concern us.

Never one to fail to take a hint if it is clearly expressed, such as with the toe of a boot, I am about to tell a bedtime story. If all you kiddies will gather round papa's knee, papa will dish the dirt.

Once upon a time there was a man and a woman, and they came to a little island named Mallorca to live there. They hadn't been invited to come, but they hadn't been there long enough to be asked to go, so they stayed there.

The man and the woman were married. What? To each other, Willie, and what did I say about fool questions? Anyway, they were married, and the woman said to the man just after they had arrived.

«I thought you said it was going to be warm in Mallorca.»

The man said, «I did. And if you don't think it is warmer here than where you came from, then why don't you . . . .» But then he got tired and kicked her instead of finishing the sentence. He was a nice man.

Now the woman found that she had a lot of time on her hands and nothing to do with it or them, and she began to look around for amusements. She was much too dumb to sit down and read a book—besides, she had read a book—and the movies only changed their programmes twice a week.

So the woman began to make friends with other foreign women in Mallorca, and pretty soon she was having such a lovely time! You see, kiddies, she found that all the other women were playing a game called «Rumour-Spreading,» and as her mind was just small enough to understand it she began to play it too.

She told all her friends that the Military Governor really *did* wear pink undies, and there was a bank that was . . . well, you know, and Mr. Blimp was *desperately* ill, in fact they said he'd . . . and everybody knew this winter was going to be worse than last winter, and—oh, a lot like that.

Well, when the woman's husband found what his wife was doing and that she was enjoying it so much he couldn't stop her, he took to drink. And he began to enjoy himself.

But the husband drank so much that he exhausted the supply of liquor, and there wasn't any left for anyone else. So the Governor, who didn't wear pink undies (they were blue), got angry and he told the man and his wife to leave. And that's just what they did, and that's just what you kiddies better do, because it's time for bed Scram!

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### SPANISH PRESS BILL

MADRID, Thursday

The Cabinet has decided to accept several proposed amendments to the bill to supersede the present Press Law, which is now before Cortes.

The Government however will not insist on either the amendments or the other sections of the bill. The whole question is to be left to a free vote of the house.

One of the amendments provides that newspapers which have been published for some time need not deposit security for their civil and penal responsibilities. Deposits varying from 1,000 to 10,000 pesetas may however be required when new periodicals are founded, and a register of such foundations will be kept.

The censorship clauses of the original draft bill are also to be modified. No alterations are to be made in the important section which makes the position of responsible editor incompatible with a seat in Cortes and with other public offices.

The reason for the ban on deputy-editors is the immunity from prosecution enjoyed by deputies during their parliamentary mandates. Deputies will also be prevented from taking responsibility for articles which they have not written themselves, and the author of an offending article will be held personally responsible for it, apart from the responsibility of the editor and publishers of the paper in which it appears.

### THEATRE GUIDE

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### WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

LONDON, Thursday

The minimum temperature here yesterday was forty-three degrees Fahrenheit and the maximum forty-five, with rain and no sunshine all day.

NEW DELHI, Thursday

The discussion of the Select Committee's report continued in the Council of State here yesterday. The majority of the Indian speakers expressed themselves in favour of accepting the reforms.

WASHINGTON, Thursday

The Supreme Court adjourned without giving its decision on the gold clause, which is now expected to be given on Monday.

PERTH, West Australia, Thursday

Search parties are being organised to look for Lord Sempill, who is missing along the North-West mail route following a storm over rough country, over which he was passing on his solo flight to England.

LONDON, Thursday

The German comments on the Anglo-French declaration which followed the London conference are expected to be handed to the British and French Ambassadors in Berlin today. An apparently inspired comment from Berlin suggests that the German Government has not appreciated the vital principle of the declaration, namely that Germany should agree on a settlement of the security and disarmament problems simulta-

neously with her reentry into the League of Nations, but will maintain the attitude that her rearmament is a preliminary to all discussion.

TOKIO, Thursday

The lower house of the Japanese Diet passed the budget for 1935-36 after the Premier had promised that an extra session of the Diet will be called. The appropriation for the fighting services, for which 939,000,000 yen were suggested when the budget was discussed in November, is now increased by 100,000,000 yen, while approximately 148,000,000 yen are allocated for expenditure in Manchuria.

The budget total is 2,190,644,938 yen, of which the services take 1,021,470,000.

### U. S. AIRSHIP DISASTER

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roar unless it resulted in considerable loss of life.

There were still a great number of railway accidents occurring annually, he went on, but no one was thereby deterred from travelling on the railways.

Captain Schiller refused to venture an opinion as to what consequences the United States are likely to draw from the latest misfortune. He added however that the new Zeppelin now nearing completion will be equipped with Diesel engines instead of petrol engines, thus practically eliminating the danger of explosion, even if hydrogen be employed as the lifting gas.

### PIANO RECITALS

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dermo of Albeniz's «Iberia»—«Evo-cación», «El Puerto» and «Corpus en Sevilla»—open the Spanish section. «Habenera (1928)» by Señor Nin-Culmell himself is next, and the programme is completed by three compositions by Manuel de Falla, the «Dance of Terror», «The Magic Circle», and the «Ritual Dance of Fire» from «El Amor Brujo».

### ROME AND ADDIS ABBABA

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is stressed that the Italian Legation at Addis Abbaba, acting on instructions from Rome, merely lodged a formal protest.

In that document the right to demand an indemnity was reserved, and the necessity of the Ethiopian Government's taking measures to prevent the recurrence of the border incidents was emphasised. The note insisted that negotiations be opened without delay for the definite determination of the frontiers between Ethiopia and Italian possessions.

### COMMUNIST «PURGE»

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of persons. With the Kiroff trial out of the way, the Trotzkyism purge gives the latest excuse for the continuance of the reign of terror.

### CANCER IN REICH

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The fight against cancer has been going on in Germany as in the rest of the world for years. No real headway has been made in the way of discovery of a means of combating the dread disease for some years. The present step, if it leads to anything, will be the first forward move of any importance during the last decade.

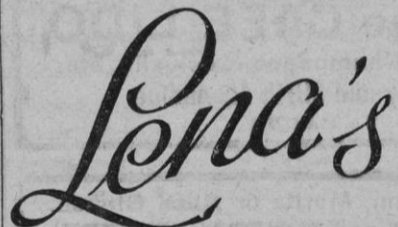
### «RIPTIDE»

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which is in Spanish and comes at the latter half of the bill, is just what you expect from these two. What you should expect and most people get is a series of deep, loud laughs. Is anything more necessary?

H. G.

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### HOTEL THIEF COURTESY

MADRID, Thursday

Don Pablo Saenz Padilla's notecase and personal documents were found back today, thanks to the kindness of the considerate thief who relieved him of them in the Gran Via here.

The thief however did not return Señor Padilla's purse watch, or the 1,000 pesetas the notecase contained. No the identity of the marauder discovered.

Señor Padilla was awakened other night by the noise which a burglar made in emerging under his bed, where he hid himself. He noticed in the intruder's hand a *chino*, a instrument made from a razor fitted to a metal handle, probably designed for slitting ophthalmic vein.

«I came here to kill a man», told Señor Padilla. «Not I mistook the room. Be quiet, I shall have to kill you first, then myself.» He then walked calmly out of the room.

After he had gone Señor Padilla discovered his loss. He also ascertained that the telephone wire had been cut to prevent his giving alarm.

A day or so later Señor Padilla received a telephone call.

«I am the fellow who entered the room the other night», explained the voice over the wire. «I am going to send you your notecase. It contains documents which do not interest me, and will be less be useful to you. Excuse me, taking it away.»

The notecase arrived shortly. The polite burglar had had taken care to send it in a box which gave no clue to his identity or his whereabouts.

### Ambulances Exempt

By United Press

BOSTON.—If they can arrange commuters using the new Boston tunnel will ride to work in ambulances. Mayor Frederick Mansfield ruled that all ambulances, whether owned by the city or not, will be exempt from paying tolls when using the tunnel.

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