

PREDICTS REGULAR AIRWAYS TO EUROPE

RIGID AIRSHIPS UTILIZED

Rear Admiral Moffett Sees Big Rigid Dirigibles Future Transatlantic Carriers; Details

Rigid air-ships, as large as ocean liners, carrying passengers from inland cities of the United States to Europe in approximately 2 1/2 days, providing a safe, clean, noiseless, dustless, swift and wholly pleasant journey were predicted by Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics of the United States Navy, in a recent interview. He also described some of the contributions of the navy to development of commercial aviation in this country and praised some of the aids that civilian aviation is rendering to naval service.

To Build Two Ships
The navy is to build two rigid airships to be more than 800 feet in length, and having twice the capacity of the Shenandoah, he announced. Use of the rigid airship will first be developed, he believes, for journeys over water, because the aircraft can successfully compete with steamships, being able to travel three or four times as speedily as the fastest liner, clean, with no roll or pitch and providing a restful, pleasant trip. He points out that such a ship will be used in transatlantic journeys, but perhaps first will be commercially successful in trips from inland points here to cities of Europe, without stopping at Atlantic coast cities in this country.

It was also predicted that a combination of passenger, express and mail service for commercial air routes in the United States will result in a profitable business.

Wherever possible, airplane landing fields are to be established by the United States Navy at naval stations and other areas. Admiral Moffett announced, commenting that naval airports have been located at Philadelphia, Charleston and Mare Island, Calif. On his return to Chicago from a visit to fleet maneuvers on the Pacific coast, the chief of the Aeronautics bureau will inspect the United States Naval Training station at Great Lakes, 40 miles north of Chicago, with a view to establishing an airport there. A field may also be located at St. Paul or Minneapolis, he said.

Navy Favors It

The navy is "strong for commercial aviation development," he said. Its fields are open to use of the public for emergency landings and for fueling stations. Recently Philadelphia's airport was located nine miles from the principal business section of the city and this distance was a handicap to efficient service, but commercial airplanes are now using the navy's field which is close to the post office and "it is a wonderful asset to Philadelphia," Admiral Moffett stated.

Experimentation by commercial companies aids the navy, and work done by the naval bureau is of definite value to civil aviation's progress, it was shown. The Navy developed air-cooled motors, like those now used on practically all commercial airplanes, it was recalled, and learned that air-cooled motors, though they cost more than others to build, are cheaper to maintain and are "40 per cent safer." The Navy now is building a 600-horsepower air-cooled motor, it was announced. Commercial airplanes use a 200-horsepower motor.

ABOLISH LABOR IS NOVEL QUESTION

Writer Says Mechanical Means Can Be Devised to Take Care of Problem

There is talk of the need of "common" labor, as one reason for widening the doors to immigration, but why not lessen the need for "common labor"?

That is the question asked by Eugene B. Clark, president, Clark Equipment company, Buchanan, Mich., in an article in Nation's Business Magazine. Mr. Clark believes that we have traveled considerable distance in doing away with "common" labor, but there are long steps yet to be made.

Material that once traveled on men's backs, he writes, now goes by machinery. In every branch of industry labor-saving devices have appeared to lessen the burden of the worker and at the same time increase his productive capacity.

Steel is in common use by civilized peoples today because it is cheap. It is cheap because it is produced with the minimum of manual labor, by the use of labor-saving machinery developed to the nth degree.

"The manufacturer must and can solve the problem without the aid of the lawmaker," says this manufacturer. "Machines must be developed to take the place of man-power. Countless labor-saving machines have been given to the skilled worker. More labor-saving machines must be given to the unskilled worker."

"Mechanized common labor is the logical solution of our labor problem."

A popular referendum now on the prohibition amendment would seem a good deal like voting to find out who was queen of the May back in Cleveland's administration.

PUBLIC SERVICE CO. PUBLIC RELATIONS

Stressing the policy of being frank with the public, as one of the most vital factors in the building up of a favorable public relationship by a utility company, Charles W. Bradley, vice president of the Public Service company of Northern Illinois, and the head of its public relations department, addressed the governing officials of most of the towns in the Kankakee region at a gathering in Kankakee on October 5.

The meeting was in the nature of a dinner affair and was staged in connection with the Public Service Open House week, W. C. Dowdy, the company's district manager at Kankakee, presiding. Mayors, village boards, council members and various other civic officials made up a large part of the attendance.

"The Public Service company," said Mr. Bradley, "has undertaken a number of activities designed to better equip employes for contact with the public. A short time ago an extensive service investigation was carried on throughout the company in order that we could have accurate knowledge as to just how the public was being treated by employes of this company. From this investigation, numerous improvements in service have resulted, and instruction is being given to groups of employes throughout the districts with a view to still further improvement."

Mr. Bradley described the Public Service company's open house project as an effort to acquaint the public more intimately with the organization which supplies gas or electricity to thousands of persons throughout northern Illinois, dwelling at some length on the contention that the public is entitled to accurate information as to the company's capacity for furnishing these commodities in an ever-increasing volume.

INTERESTING FACTS REGARDING ILLINOIS

There were more than a million visitors to Illinois' state parks and the memorials during the summer months, department of public works figures show. Starved Rock heads the list with 750,000 sightseers.

Telephone calls in Illinois average 396 annually for each person. This number is two and two-thirds times the average of the entire country.

Three Illinois aviators are among the 23 flyers named by the War department as "aces," the title being given only to flyers who achieved at least six air victories.

One of the few buildings in the world in which the steel frame work is electrically welded instead of riveted together is located in Decatur.

Illinois has 800 of the 11,000 millionaires in the United States. It ranks third of the states.

A 900-candle power beacon light serves a double purpose in Winnetka, being used as a police signal light and as an aviators' guide.

The first Republican national convention was held in Chicago May 16, 1860, when Abraham Lincoln was nominated for president.

Them was the happy days, say the old timers, looking back to when they used to work 10 hours, go to bed at dark, saw up their own wood, and lug water from the back yard well.

This is the season of the year when all candidates in all political parties look like sure winners.

MACHINES HELP MAKE BETTER AUTOMOBILES

COST ALSO MUCH REDUCED

Expert Says Industry Convinced of Advantages of Mechanical Handling; Saves Time and Labor

Mechanical handling with its attendant pace-making for production is the greatest single factor in making possible a better than pre-war automobile at a less than pre-war price, it was reported to the annual national production meeting of the Society of Automobile Engineers in a paper on transportation by conveyor by Paul Phelps and N. H. Preble.

The automotive industry, as a whole is convinced of the advantages of mechanical handling, these specialists declared. "It recognizes," they said, "that properly designed equipment, when installed, will effect great savings in direct and indirect labor, will conserve floor space, and serve as mechanical pace-makers to speed and regulate production and simplify its control."

Points Out Savings
"When we consider that the cost of electrical horsepower employed in the moving of material is roughly a few cents an hour, while the man horsepower will cost in the neighborhood of 50 cents an hour, we can immediately visualize important cost savings. In addition the indirect savings in improved manufacturing conditions may easily be even more important."

Mechanical handling apparatus is being constantly broadened in scope by new methods and new designs, the engineers were told. Use of special automotive machinery is another contributing cause to the manufacture of better automobiles sold at less than pre-war prices, it was shown by A. H. Frauenthal of the Chandler Motor Car company. Enormous strides have been made during the past decade in increasing production per man-hour by use of special automatic machinery and conveyors, he said.

The deer, foxes, rabbits, etc., are looking forward to the shooting season with some confidence, but the hunters should take out more insurance.

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BOY SCOUTS IN THIS STATE NEAR 30,000

Other Brief Items About Illinois; Its Oil Wells and Other Features

Illinois has nearly 30,000 Boy Scouts, ranking third of the states.

On January 1, 1926, Illinois had 16,900 producing oil wells—an increase of 169.

The five largest candy factories in Chicago together use 20,000,000 cubic feet of gas annually—enough gas for a city of 6,500 people.

A game called "rolly polly" is played by farmers in Henry County. It was brought to this country from Belgium. The game consists of rolling heavy wooden discs at a stake. Scoring is similar to horseshoes.

A motion picture film of the activities of the Eucharistic congress, including the transportation of 240,000 persons between Chicago and Mundelein, will be made a part of the records of the Vatican.

In 1825 Joseph Beaubien was the wealthiest man in Cook county. He paid taxes on property valued at \$1,000.

Long distance telephone circuits from the east, reached Illinois in 1892 and were formally dedicated by Alexander Graham Bell.

Ninety years ago a group of restless farmers organized a Congregational society in New York state and in a body moved to Illinois, founding here the thriving community of Geneseo.

Geneseo is the old home of one of the inventors of the first gas water heaters, the late W. H. Barnstead.

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NEW RECORD OF CARS IN LOOP IN AN HOUR

A new high record was made by the Chicago Rapid Transit company last Thursday morning when 989 cars entered the loop in the hour from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock. This is the greatest number of cars ever put into the loop in a single hour in the history of the elevated lines.

The increase in seating capacity is due to the 8-car train operation. The number of trains entering the loop that morning was 180 in the heavy rush hour.

Before the installation of 8-car trains the usual number of trains entering the loop in an hour was about 185, but the maximum number of cars never exceeded 910. The longer trains have made it possible to reduce slightly the number of trains and increase the carrying capacity by approximately 80 cars an hour. That means an additional 4,000 seats in an hour.

The increased capacity applies in about the same proportion to the evening rush hours.

American young men are urged to study declamation, and they have been practicing all summer on the baseball umpire.

One fellow who doesn't get melancholy when the melancholy days arrive is the coal dealer.

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FRESH GREEN or WAX BEANS	lb. 15c 2 lbs. 25c
MICHIGAN CELERY—Well Bleached	15c per bunch
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EXTRA FANCY TOMATOES — Ripe & Solid	15c per lb. 2 for 25c
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