

PHANTOM AIRPLANE SUCCESS IN TEST

IS PILOTLESS MACHINE

Paris Dispatch Tells of Trial of Flier Which Is Result of Ten Years' Work by Engineers

Now comes the pilotless plane—the "phantom ship" of the air. The pilotless plane has had its tests and proved successful, according to an International News story from Paris.

The phantom flier is due to ten years effort on the part of Major Max Boucher and Engineer Raoul Bernady and is based somewhat on the same principle as the automatic gear shift in automobiles.

The plane used for experiment is a Breguet "19" fitted with a Renault 300 horsepower motor.

A group of motors, electrically controlled, guide the ship either up or down or from left to right. Too much lift to the left and automatically a motor actuates the ailerons stabilizing the plane.

To leave the ground wheels are placed under the tail. After a short run the speed of the motor controls the plane and the ship leaves the ground, the wheels under the tail being left behind.

When the plane is ready to land a button is pushed and the motor at once slows down and a long wire is automatically dropped from the bottom of the fuselage.

Once this wire touches the ground a contact is made which controls the position of the plane. The nearer the plane approaches the ground the shorter the wire becomes and consequently the plane straightens out for a landing.

Once the plane touches ground the motor is automatically shut off and brakes are applied stopping the ship in a restricted place.

May Use Wireless

Major Boucher says that it is only a matter of a few months before he can apply wireless to his plane and then he intends to follow behind his "phantom ship" in another plane guiding all its movements.

"After that," says the major, "it remains to install a special switch-board whereby an entire fleet of planes may be maneuvered by one operator even at a distance of many miles."

Major Boucher's plane was tested under the auspices of the French army and all trials have been pronounced satisfactory by the army aviation technical service.

LATE PROCEEDINGS IN PROBATE COURT

George Evert, Lake Bluff. Hearing on claim of Martin J. Neal continued generally to be taken up on notice.

Alice Armstrong, Highland Park. Order for *adjudicium* to take depositions in the matter of the claim of Race N. Wilt.

William H. Hawk, Highland Park. *Adjudicium* ordered issued to take the deposition of Ruth Solem, witness to will.

Maria Helen Johnson, Highwood. Final report approved. Estate closed.

Thomas Longino, Highland Park. Petition for probate of will filed and set for hearing Oct. 15.

AVERAGE TIRE BILL LESS THAN YEAR AGO

The average motorist's tire bill, at the present time, is costing him but 62.2 per cent of what he paid for tires one year ago, according to a survey just announced by The Automobile Club of Illinois.

The average factory price for balloon tires in June was \$11.81, compared with \$14.95 in June a year ago. The factory price of cord tires was \$8.86 in June of this year, compared with \$10.94 in June, 1927. Fabric tires in June sold for \$5.31, compared with \$7.19 in June of last year, the association's figures show.

ADmiral MOFFETT AT GREAT LAKES STATION

Former Commandant Says That Station Will Increase Aviation Work

Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, war-time commandant of the Great Lakes Naval Training station, arrived at Great Lakes last week and was the guest of Rear Admiral and Mrs. Thomas T. Craven. Admiral Moffett spent some time in making an inspection tour of the station. He was more than pleased with conditions as he found them.

Great Lakes has one of the finest and best equipped aviation fields and units to be found anywhere," Admiral Moffett stated. "They are doing a fine work there and are most fortunate in having Rear Admiral Craven as commandant. He understands the work thoroughly, is thoroughly conversant with all the phases of aviation and realizes its importance to Great Lakes."

According to Admiral Moffett, who is head of the Bureau of Aeronautics at Washington, it is planned to extend the aviation possibilities and facilities at the Great Lakes station as soon as funds for the work are available.

For some time past Admiral Moffett has been engaged in a tour of inspection of the naval aviation activities on the Pacific coast.

WOMEN ARE URGED TO SUPPORT HOOVER

AT INTERNATIONAL MEET

Annual W. C. T. U. Convention in Lusanne Favors Election of Secretary To Be Nation's Head

All women voters were called upon to use their ballot for the election to public office of men and women championing purity, peace, political equality and the extinction of the liquor traffic in resolutions passed by World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the triennial convention at Lausanne, Switzerland, recently, according to a dispatch to the Christian Science Monitor. No specific reference was made to the political situation in the United States in the platforms adopted by the convention, but many Republican and Democratic women in the United States delegation of 170 members have declared openly their intention of working for the candidacy of Herbert Hoover.

To Study Alcohol Problem

Resolutions asked the League of Nations to appoint a commission to study the alcohol problem, approved the substitution of arbitration for battles by such means as the proposed multilateral and anti-war treaty between nations, asked for a reduction of opium production to so-called medical and scientific needs, recommended total abstinence from liquor, temperance education for youth, world-wide extinction of the liquor traffic, a single high moral standard for both men and women, the strict enforcement of laws against the traffic in intoxicants, education for citizenship and laws to protect women and children in the home and in industry.

Increase Officers

The delegates wanted to increase the number of vice-presidents from one to three, and to add an advisory administrative committee of seven to simplify the work of the executive council organization.

The convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union was opened for Sunday morning service at which Fraulein Rosa Gurtnecht of Zurich and Mrs. Mary Harris Aamodt of the United States spoke. With Mrs. Emil Solomonob, South African presiding, there was a memorial service.

Kenosha Man Abducted AND HIS BODY TARRED

Non-Striker Believes Attack Was by Enemies; Four Men Are Arrested

Harold Henderson, non-striking workman at the Allen-A knitting mills at Kenosha kidnaped by strikers, sniggered into a farm house last week fifteen miles from a point where he was kidnaped, his clothing stripped from him, his body coated with tar and almost unconscious from exposure and exhaustion.

He told a story of having been tortured for hours by his abductors, of finally being loaded, bound and gagged and tied up with blankets so that he could not see, and of being driven to a lonely spot on a prairie where he was released.

Kenosha police and the sheriff's office was notified by the farmer where Henderson appealed for aid and the man was rushed to a hospital. He was questioned by Captain Emil Clausen of the Kenosha police. Later four suspects were arrested.

JUNE AUTO OUTPUT IS MORE THAN YEAR AGO

June production of automobiles in the United States totaled 396,714 units, an increase of 74,747 passenger cars and trucks over the June production of 1927, which totaled 321,967 units, according to the monthly statistics of the American Motorists' association. Comparing the six months' production of this year with the same period last year, the association's figures show a total gain in 1928 of 42,906 units, the production of the first six months of this year being 2,261,880 units of which 1,965,727 were passenger cars and 296,153 were trucks.

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Payment for said work to be made in cash on engineer's estimates.

Plans, specifications and blank proposals may be secured from the City Clerk in the City Hall, Highland Park, Illinois, or from James L. Pyffe, engineer, 225 No. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

The Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids if they deem it best for the public good.

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