

BRISBANE

THIS WEEK

24,720 Miles in 18 Days
Some Ladies' Hats
Gen. Butler's Peace Plan
12 Ladies Good and True

H. R. Ekins, first-class newspaper man, has gone around the globe by air-plane, covering 24,720 miles in 18 days, 14 hours, 56 minutes. Such a trip seems wonderfully fast now. Soon it will seem wonderfully slow. Air progress is rapid. Because it was done scientifically, by machinery, the eighteen-day trip seems less romantic than the Nelly Bly



Arthur Brisbane

seventy-odd day trip that beat Jules Verne's "Around the World in Eighty Days." Nelly Bly, clever newspaper woman, knew how to make it interesting, going out of her way to travel by elephant, camel, jinrickshas, etc. Flying around the world costs about \$5,000.

Some day some woman, let us hope, will balance her fashion budget, decide just what she wants to wear, and then wear it, as men have done, but the day is far away. These are some of the hats from which your wife, daughter, sister will choose this season:

Hats shaped like East Indian war shields; hats heavy in gold embroidery; flat pillbox turbans, gold braided; Russian style hats off the face, with tall tiara fronts; hats of Persian lamb and embroidered felt; small toques, dipped down front and back, covered with soft feathers, "the military touch predominating."

Why, do you suppose, do women take so much trouble to spoil faces and heads naturally beautiful? It cannot all be the fault of hat-makers.

Gen. Smedley D. Butler, retired fighting major general of the United States marines, asks the Women's Christian Temperance union to start a campaign against drunken automobile drivers, and also help peace by working for a constitutional amendment forbidding the President or congress to send troops out of the country.

You cannot change men by legislation, as was discovered in our prohibition mistake; you must change the men from the inside.

For the first time in history, New Jersey, selecting a jury all women, has surprised some, annoyed others. Why? For ages women have been judged and sentenced by individual men or groups of men. They have been ducked, branded with hot irons, put in the stocks, beheaded, hanged, burned alive.

Is there injustice in turning the thing around for a change; at least no twelve women would burn or duck anybody.

Lloyd's, British insurance concern, will insure you against anything happening, if it "guesses" that it will not happen; it usually guesses correctly. It refuses to insure against war striking England, although until lately the charge for that insurance was only one-fifth of one per cent; 200 pounds for 100,000 pounds insurance.

Somebody in Lloyd's possesses intelligence. That big organization does not like to think of war with airplanes added.

News from the East interests Americans: they might have to pay the bill. Japan and Russia, supposed recently to be on the verge of war, are said to have an understanding about things in the east that would involve depriving the British of profitable locations and rights. This does not please Britain, but that is the business of Japan, Russia and England.

Interesting flying item: Russia orders in Baltimore a passenger "clipper" plane, to cost \$1,000,000 and carry forty-four passengers, besides a crew of six.

The plane, very fast, can go 4,000 miles without taking on fuel, a range that would bring it across the Atlantic nicely, if it ever wanted to come back with a load of explosives instead of passengers.

England and France no longer guarantee any protection for Belgium in case of war, so the new King, Leopold, says all alliances are off, with France, England and everybody else.

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Current Events

IN REVIEW

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Edward May Abdicate to Marry Mrs. Simpson

MERE scandal and gossip have no proper place in this department, but the "affaire Simpson," as the French would term it, has progressed until it assumes world importance. As arrangements are being made for the quiet and uncontested divorce of Mrs. "Wally" Simpson, American friend of King Edward VIII of England, it is rumored in London society circles that the bachelor monarch will abdicate in favor of his brother, the Duke of York, and marry the attractive woman who has shared so much of his time in recent months. In support of this rumor is the reported fact that plans are being made for renting the farms of the Sandringham estate in Norfolk, which is the king's private property. Also, there is a story that this estate may be sold to the Aga Khan, the immensely wealthy spiritual head of the Ismaili sect of Mohammedanism.

King Edward

Should Edward give up the throne, it would eventually be occupied by Princess Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the Duke of York, and this succession would be decidedly popular with the people of England. The abdication king might revert to the dukedom of Cornwall, which provides a net income of about \$350,000. There is nothing in British law to prevent the king from marrying whomsoever he pleases, but no ruler of the country since Henry VIII has wedded a commoner. Court gossip in London says that Prime Minister Baldwin and the archbishop of Canterbury recently appealed to Edward for greater discretion in his relations with Mrs. Simpson and were hotly rebuffed by the king.

English newspapers imposed on themselves a voluntary censorship in this affair, but it has been broken by the Sunday Referee which prints an article declaring the king "may marry by spring," that this would result in postponement of the coronation, and that tradesmen have been insuring themselves against such a delay.

Japan "Not Fortifying" Isles Under Mandate
FOR some time there have appeared in print stories about how Japan was establishing air and submarine bases in the former German islands of the South Pacific over which she holds a League of Nations mandate. It has been expected that the league's mandate commission would investigate these reports, and now Japan seeks to forestall such action by a formal report to the league in which she asserts she has "no fortifications, military or naval bases" in those islands. The Tokio government says it is scrupulously observing that part of the mandate which forbids the use of the islands for military purposes.

Following establishment of a south seas bureau in April, 1932, all Japanese armed forces and men of war have been withdrawn gradually from the islands, the report says, adding that the natives of the islands never have been subjected to military training.

Five Groups Accused by Trade Commission

CHARGES filed in Washington by the federal trade commission accuse five trade associations of attempting to corner the automobile parts and accessories business. The groups, which were ordered to show cause why they should not be compelled to cease their alleged combine, are the National Standard Parts association, Detroit; the Motor and Equipment Wholesale association, Chicago; the Automotive Trade associations of Greater Kansas City, Mo.; Mississippi Valley Automotive Jobbers association and the Southwestern Jobbers association. Their officials also are defendants in the suit.

The commission points out that the associations represent a "substantial proportion of the total volume of business of all manufacturers and jobbers of automobile parts and accessories throughout the United States." The commission charges that these groups "have combined together with others jointly, preventing the establishment of new and additional competitors,"

and with "executing certain agreements and conspiracies among themselves and with others."

Blum Warns Socialists of Republic's Danger

RADICAL Socialists are threatening to quit the "Popular Front" government of France because of discord with Communists, and they have been warned by Premier Leon Blum that the one condition whereunder the life of the republic can be prolonged is that the Popular Front "remain united." In an address to the radical leaders, Blum said a split in the coalition government would force his immediate resignation, and that dissolution of the parliament and new elections would result.

Monarchists of Austria, who would like to make Archduke Otto emperor, were encouraged by a speech delivered by Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg in which, defying the little entente, he shouted:

"No outsider, but only Austrians will decide whether the monarchy shall be restored!"

The day of a plebiscite to decide on the question of restoration of the Hapsburg claimant to the throne is "not yet in sight," the chancellor said. But, with Princess Adelheid, sister of Archduke Otto, listening, he declared that monarchist propaganda has a "proper place" in Austrian life.

"New Gold Standard" Tried by Uncle Sam

IT IS a new gold standard, a way of doing business which has never been tried before," was Secretary Morgenthau's characterization of the agreement just entered into by the United States, Great Britain and France, whereby, subject to 24-hours' cancellation, they will exchange gold for each other's currencies. Financiers, economists and business men were taken by surprise by the move and immediately gave it close study. Some were disposed to label the maneuver "political expediency," but experts generally said it was a logical step in the sequence of monetary events but not positively in the direction of stabilization.

The new plan, Mr. Morgenthau said, differs from the old gold standard in that it will permit the export or earmarking of gold only to and between governments instead of private business institutions and traders.

"The door is wide open," said Mr. Morgenthau. "We're not going out drumming up business, but we'll welcome all other countries which want to participate."

According to the Treasury department, the United States alone will announce a selling price for gold.

No More Army Chaplains, Say Disciples of Christ

THE Disciples of Christ, in annual international convention in Kansas City, voted to send no more of the church's ministers to serve as chaplains in the United States army. The resolution adopted also asked the Federal Council of Churches "to sever its connection with the war system by dissolving its chaplaincy commission" and "to provide a non-military ministry of religion to men in the armed services at the church's own expense and under their own authority without involving the Church of Christ in any alliance whatsoever with the state or the military system."

Nineteen Die When Ship Sinks in Lake Erie

EIGHTEEN men and one woman perished in the waters of Lake Erie when the Canadian ship Sand Merchant foundered off Cleveland during a gale. Seven men, including the captain, were picked up after clinging to life boats for eleven hours. The woman who was lost was the wife of the first mate, who also drowned.

Northern Italy was shaken by earthquake shocks that were felt as far away as Yugoslavia and Austria. Twenty persons were killed by tumbling walls, and thirty others were injured.

Samuel Merwin, Novelist, Dies Suddenly

DEATH came suddenly and unexpectedly to Samuel Merwin, one of the well-known contemporary American novelists. He succumbed to a heart attack in the Players' club in New York. Mr. Merwin, who was sixty-two years old, wrote, among other books, "Anthony the Absolute," "The Passionate Pilgrim," "Hills of Han," "Silk," and "Bad Penny." He was associate editor of Success magazine from 1905 to 1909 and editor the following two years.

Coast Maritime Workers May Decide to Strike

AUTHORITY of the national maritime commission to declare a permanent truce in current contract controversies is challenged by the negotiating committee for the Pacific coast maritime unions, and members of those unions are instructed to vote on a proposal for a coast-wide waterfront strike. The maritime commission had peremptorily demanded that the Pacific coast ports be kept open while it sent an investigator to San Francisco to discuss the conditions which have long threatened to bring on industrial warfare.

In telegrams to President Franklin Roosevelt and the commission, the committee said the commission had caused "great unrest" among the workers through its participation in negotiations between ship-owners and dock and shipboard employees.

Russia Using Spanish War to Foment Discord

SOVIET RUSSIA made a second determined effort to aid the beleaguered government of Spain, and sustained a second rebuff. Ivan Maisky, Russian ambassador to England, handed to Lord Plymouth, British chairman of the non-intervention committee, a virtual ultimatum demanding immediate convocation of the committee to consider blockading the coast of Portugal against arms shipments destined for the Spanish insurgents. It was understood in London that Lord Plymouth replied that if the proposition were seriously made, it should be presented through diplomatic channels to the governments concerned. The Russian plan was for a blockade by English of French warships.

Observers in Europe are convinced that the Soviet government does not expect the powers to agree to any such blockade as is suggested, but is chiefly interested in stirring up discord.

Leaders of the Fascists were reported to have planned a steady, steam-roller advance on Madrid, and this offensive was already under way. The defenders of the capital were hastily building fortifications in the suburbs and surrounding the city with trenches.

Belgium Drops Alliances and Will Be Neutral

BELGIUM, which since the close of the World war has been tied tight to France by a military alliance, has decided to drop that and all similar alliances and to rely for her safety on strict neutrality and a larger army. King Leopold so informed the cabinet, telling the ministers that Germany's reoccupation of the Rhineland "practically puts us back where we were before the great war." Belgium's geographical position, he said, "makes it imperative for us to maintain a military machine of such size as to dissuade any neighbor from using our territory to attack another state." The period of military service was extended from 12 to 18 months.

"Belgium must pursue a policy exclusively and wholly Belgian," Leopold said. "In any case our engagements should not go beyond keeping off war from our own territory. Belgium must remain outside of its neighbors' conflicts. "Any policy of alliance with a single country would weaken our position abroad. A purely defensive alliance would not meet the case because, however prompt the intervention of our ally, it would only come after the invader's blow, which would be crushing."

Only America Lags in Naval Construction

FIGURES made public by the American Navy department show that since July 1 last every great naval power except the United States has increased the number and tonnage of its war vessels. In the 2½ months from July 1 to September 15, the United States reduced the number of its ships from 324 vessels totaling 1,080,715 tons to 306 vessels, totaling 1,063,878 tons.

The "Kid" Began to Suspect Someone

At the end of the second round in a boxing bout, the "Battling Kid" staggered to his corner badly bruised by his opponent's blows. His manager shouted in his ear: "Keep it up Kid, he hasn't laid a glove on you yet."

The manager repeated the cheerful advice at the end of the next two rounds although the "Kid" looked worse after each encounter.

At the end of the fifth round, the boxer had to be helped to his corner. To his manager he mumbled: "You better watch the referee. Someone in that ring is giving me an awful beating."

DESIRES AND CAPABILITIES

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