

Scenes and Persons in the Current News



1—View of the Rock of Gibraltar, where Great Britain assembled a powerful fleet of warships. 2—Lieut. Felix Waltkus of Chicago, who started from New York on a solo nonstop flight to Kaunas, Lithuania, and made a forced landing in Ireland. 3—Big vessels of the French war fleet on their way from Toulon to Djibouti, French Somaliland.

Temperance Champion Heads Alcohol Board

Franklin Chase Hoyt of New York city, who has been appointed head



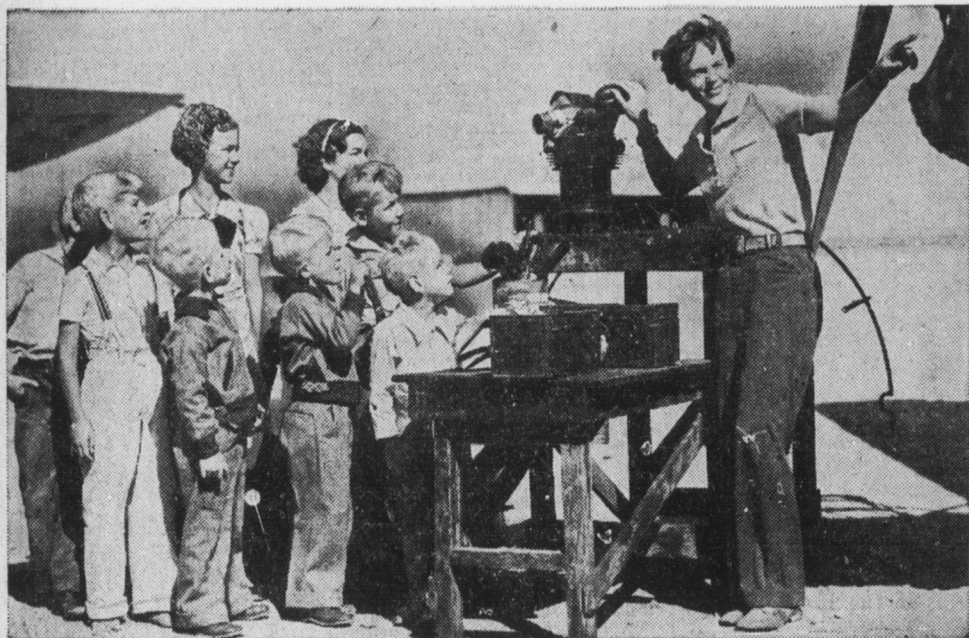
of the alcohol control unit of the Treasury department by President Roosevelt. A descendant of Chief Justice Salmon P. Chase and winner of the Hearst temperance award in 1929.

Hands Across the Northern Border



L. D. Seward (right), in charge of new border inspection station at Elhighgate, Vt., greeting his Canadian colleague across border line.

Amelia Tells the Children All About It



While aiding a pilot friend to repair a cylinder of his plane, Amelia Earhart, America's foremost aviatrix, became the center of interest in Santa Ana, Calif., when a group of children gathered around to witness the repair.

Two Record Breakers of the Air



Howard Hughes, left, photographed just before he set a new land plane speed record of 253 miles an hour. Maj. Alexander P. De Seversky, at right, set a new mark for amphibians, 230.03 miles an hour.

Sir Bolton's at the Helm of British Navy

Sir Bolton Eyres Monsell, first lord of the admiralty, who ordered



Great Britain's Mediterranean fleet to be concentrated at "key" points.

Starting Work on Florida Ship Canal



President Roosevelt at Hyde Park pushed a button that started preliminary work on the Florida ship canal that will connect the Atlantic with the Gulf of Mexico. In this picture are seen men under army supervision cutting down trees to clear the way for the big channel.

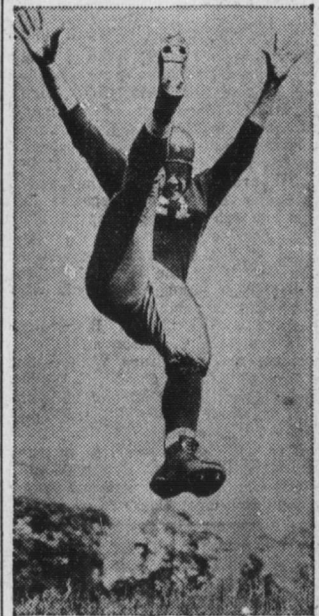
Triumph for Young Opera Singer



Jean Tennyson, one-time "Follies" prima donna and now soprano of the Chicago City Opera company, who won acclaim following her appearance at the Salzburg music festival. She is one of the youngest artists ever to appear at this musical event, which brings together leading singers from all over the world. Her beauty is a far cry from the overfed divas of yesteryear who tripped through "Madame Butterfly" like yodeling pachyderms. The modern trend is toward good-looking opera stars.

New Fordham Flash Boots Pigskin Far

Joe Woltkoski, star punter, is winging off a long kick, as he practices with the Fordham team for



a strenuous gridiron program. He plays end with the Rams.

With the smell of football filling the autumn air the season for the dopsters who can tell you how all the teams are going to make out is at hand. While they are doing their expert forecasting, here is one dangerous gridiron gentleman who is due careful consideration.

Invention of Lithography
The inventor of lithography was Alois Senefelder (1771-1834). He was a Bavarian actor and dramatist. Not oversuccessful, he tried to be his own printer and publisher, to that end experimenting with metal plates, Solenhofen stone, acids and inks. His mother asked him one day to write her laundry list. Paper not being convenient, he wrote it with his greasy ink on a smooth stone upon which he practiced writing in reverse. Later, instead of cleaning off the writing, he tried etching the stone and pulling a proof. What resulted was his discovery of relief engraving on stone. Subsequent experiments led to his development of lithography.

Alligators Native to New World
Except for a branch of the alligator family in China (with members about six feet long) all known alligators are native to the New world. They are found in the southeastern part of the United States chiefly in Florida, but also in Georgia and the Carolinas. They also live in tropical parts of South America.

Origination of Commencements
The custom of holding commencement originated in the medieval universities, though the appropriate term was inception. The ceremony and the term were a part of the inheritance received by Harvard university from Cambridge university, thus becoming general among American colleges.

Lift Through the "Sea"
There is a museum in a New York skyscraper where the lift shaft is used to represent the depths of the sea. Traveling down in the lift gives one the impression of diving into the sea right to the bottom, for the different fish are all displayed at their natural depths in the lift shaft.

Correct "Noon Marks"
Four correct "noon marks" are made in a year, on the following days: December 24, April 15, June 14 and September 1. Owing to the inclination of the earth's axis and its unequal movement in its orbit, solar days vary in their length. The average solar day corresponds to the 24 hours of our clocks, which keeps what is called mean time. If a clock were so constructed as to give the real solar time for all periods of the year, it would be observed that sometimes when the solar clock pointed at noon, the ordinary clock keeping mean time, would be pointing at figures between 11:45 and 12, or at other times between 12 and 12:15. Four times each year, however, upon the days mentioned, the shadow of a dial, or noon-mark, would point due south at noon by the clock.

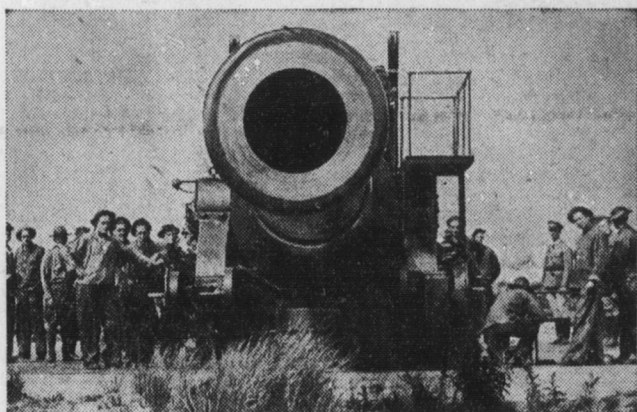
Shoots 99 Out of 100 to Win Rifle Trophy

Private (First Class) Remes de la Hunt, United States Marine corps,



winner of the Coast Guard Trophy match at the National rifle matches at Camp Perry, Ohio, with a score of 99 out of a possible 100, against 1,500 contestants. Private de la

Big Gun That Broke a Long Silence



Hunt was Jeeply chagrined about that one miss that spoiled an otherwise perfect shooting record. However, as long as Uncle Sam's devil dogs can shoot 99 targets out of 100 the enemy had better be dog-gone snappy in getting out of the way, don't you think? It'd be healthier for him.

This 16-inch coast defense gun at Fort Tilden, Long Island, broke a silence of 12 years the other day when in a firing test it sent a 2,100 pound projectile 15 miles out to sea. America, in her program of strengthening the national defenses from all angles, wants to be sure her guns can still talk.

Planning How to Spend Five Billions



W. M. Cotton, director of the Project Control division of the WPA, guides the laying out of plans for the spending of the huge five billion works relief fund. Here he is seen conferring with his assistant, Harry H. Freeman, while three busy secretaries take notes.

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