

# NEWS OF WORLD BRIEFLY TOLD

Outstanding Happenings of Week Gathered from Everywhere Condensed for the Busy Reader

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 5.—Two air mail letters will race each other around the world, traveling in opposite directions, in an "around the world air mail derby," announced here today by the Post-Intelligencer. In a unique contest sponsored by the newspaper the two letters will be mailed from Seattle February 17 and will be speeded on their opposite paths around the globe by use of all available air mail routes here and abroad.

New York, Feb. 6.—Thomas W. Miller, former alien property custodian, convicted of defrauding the United States by his failure to give a his impartial and disinterested services, must go to jail. His conviction was unanimously affirmed by the circuit court of appeals today. Unless Colonel Miller secures a writ of certiorari from the supreme court or favorable action by President Coolidge, or a parole from Federal Judge Knox, who sentenced him, he will have to serve the 18 months. A fine of \$5,000 was part of the sentence.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The judicial arm of the government reached into the senate today to remove Robert W. Stewart, outstanding Teapot Dome witness, from immediate jeopardy for contempt. Estopped by the District of Columbia supreme court from imposing instant sentence on the wealthy Chicago oil operator, the senate turned at once to that court, asking that Stewart be imprisoned by judicial process for his refusal to answer questions as to the disposition of Continental Trading company liberty bonds. Under the writ issued by Justice Bailey, the chairman of the board of the Standard Oil company of Indiana, was taken from the custody of the assistant warden-at-large of the penitentiary and released under \$1,000 bond for appearance in court next Tuesday.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The American government was represented today by Secretary Kellogg as willing to sign a treaty with all the world powers to prohibit the use of submarines for any purpose. The need to the state department disclosed this position in a letter to Chairman Porter of the house foreign affairs committee, which today discussed at some length the forthcoming resolution proposing the abolition of the undersea craft. The secretary emphasized, however, that while the Washington government was ready to sign such an agreement, it would be impossible for one country to abolish submarines and leave other nations free to operate and build them. The resolution, which the secretary endorsed, would provide that the United States "continue to use efforts to bring about the discontinuance of this type of vessel."

Havana, Feb. 4.—A series of international principles proclaimed by the United States as forming the basis of its policy in the western hemisphere were criticized, attacked and denounced at the Pan-American conference today by delegates of a half score countries. The attack, which has been brewing ever since a report on the fundamental rights and duties of nations, prepared by Dr. Victor Maurtua of Peru, was published Thursday as soon as Chas. E. Hughes, head of the American delegation, had finished a speech giving the Maurtua report the full and unconditional support of the American government. Following each other without delay in short speeches remarkable for a lack of oratorical flourishes, speaker after speaker arose to pour a greater or lesser measure of censure on the Maurtua proposal. Argentina, Mexico, Guatemala, Salvador, Santo Domingo, Honduras, Colombia and Uruguay joined with varying degrees of intensity in assailing the principles approved by the United States.

London, Feb. 3.—All the glory that goes to great soldiers in their death was Earl Haig's today as the British Empire reverently gave him its last salute. Pomp of military mourning was merged with simple homage of many thousand plain men and women who have tasted the bitterness as well as the victory of war as the great funeral cortege wound slowly through London at noon today, pausing only for a brief service at the ancient abbey of Westminster before the field marshal's body was sent back to its native Scotland. There it lay at midnight tonight in St. Giles cathedral in Edinburgh, and there, near Benezysde, it will be buried, far off the beaten trail, even as once the body of a great American soldier was interred in the countryside at Mount Vernon, England would have laid Haig to rest in the Parish church of the empire, St. Paul's cathedral, beside the great duke—Wellington—beside the bodies of Nelson, of Roberts, of Wolseley and other military heroes of British history, but it was Haig's wish to be buried among his ancestors in Caledonia.

## THIS WEEK

By ARTHUR BRISBANE

More Battleships  
21 American Nations  
The First Airplane  
A Great Bear Fighter

The government proposes to spend \$124,000,000 every year for twenty years on battleships of different kinds, including fast, necessary cruisers. This means a total investment of two billion five hundred and eighty million dollars in new ships. The country can afford it and such a program will impress other countries.

We could also afford flying machines to protect those fighting ships which in modern war, without flying machine protection, would be as helpless as sheep among wolves, without shepherds or sheep dogs.

One hundred and four delegates, representing 21 nations of North and South America, including the United States, are gathered in a great conference hall in Havana. Those 21 nations are the greatest power for peace in the world, also the greatest power for war. They stick together.

Canada, without relinquishment of loyalty to the British Empire, should be a leader in that conference. Canada's interests are in these American continents, their independence and their future.

El Imparcial and other newspapers in Spain are displeased with President Coolidge's warm reception in Cuba, natural because this country took Cuba from Spain and gave the beautiful island to the Cuban people. El Imparcial says this country has reserved rights in Cuba. It has reserved only one, the right "to interfere for the preservation of Cuban independence." We not only made Cuba independent, but guarantee that she shall remain so.

The original Wright brothers' air machine, first plane that ever carried a human being through the air under human control, is boxed up for shipment to England. It ought to stay here in the Smithsonian Institute.

The Smithsonian Institute should have Lindburgh's trans-Atlantic machine also, and the government should pay Lindburgh enough for it to make him independent for life. If Lindburgh got \$1,000,000 for that plane, he would get less than one per cent of what this country owes him. The Spirit of St. Louis, despite all Lindburgh's good care, must be getting old and worn, and a brand new machine, best and safest the world can produce, should take its place.

Human beings as a whole, like individuals, do only one thing really well. The work of the human race today is scientific and industrial, making new discoveries in science, applying them to man's material welfare. Today scientific workers are like builders installing plumbing, heating and other conveniences in a big building; later families move in and live comfortably.

After a few years, or centuries, of industrial, scientific development, this nation will move into the finished structure and find for amusement something better than bootleg whiskey, crime waves, prize fights and struggling to get more money than it needs.

Uzendum, a Basque imported from the Pyrenees for prize fighting, as they used to import fair-haired Northerners for gladiator fights in Rome, "walks all over Ed Keeley of Boston, batters him into submission in two minutes and fifty seconds." Rather a come down for Uzendum, playing hired thug. His ancestors used to harpoon whales in the rough Atlantic, off the west coast of France, two thousand years ago.

Anthony Rousch Mills is dead, age 77, at Sundance, Wyoming, and is probably in heaven now talking with Lahire, that famous French bear fighter of centuries ago.

Thirty-eight years ago Mills, turning a sharp corner in the Black hills, came face to face with a silver-tipped grizzly that knocked his gun out of his hand, bit off his nose, seized him by the calf of the leg and dragged him along the trail. Rousch pulled his knife, stopped the bear's flight by holding on to a tree, and cutting its jugular vein, killing the bear.

It was a good bear fight.

Old Lahire's fight is made memorable by this first prayer that Lahire had ever uttered: "Lord I do not ask you to help Lahire, I only ask you not to help this bear." The prayer was answered and Lahire won.

Ducking the Stork

John, aged six, was told that he had to go to the hospital to have his tonsils removed, and his mother was bolstering up his morale. "I'll be brave and do just what you tell me, mother," he promised, "but I betcha one thing, they can't palm off no crying baby on me, like they did on you when you were in the hospital." —Charleston News.

## ROCK CLIFFS RECORD ART OF VANISHING RACE

Duluth, Minn.—On the "Painted Rocks" of Lac La Croix, rising sheer out of the still waters of an almost inaccessible lake near the Minnesota-Canadian border is written in crude but imperishable paintings the story of a vanished people.

Seventy to eighty feet the painted rocks tower above the deep lake and the sun's spotlight playing upon their somber sides throws the grotesque figures into startling relief.

Seven groups of paintings, with 10 to 15 drawings in a group, compose the legendary record. There are figures of animals, tracks of ancient beasts, hand and foot prints on a gigantic scale and figures of Indian lore such as the god of war with thunderbolt arrows clutched in one hand and a great bow in the other.

The scrawled figures were placed on the rocks with vegetable paint, made of mushrooms that became scarlet for about two days in the fall. The paint apparently kept the

rocks from eroding, and the figures stand out in slight bas-relief.

Spurr Fitzman, Duluth photographer, is credited with taking the first photographs of the prehistoric frieze. He swung himself along the face of the rocks on a 60-foot rope and used special color screens and sensitive chromatic films.

The natives know nothing of the people who thus perpetuated the history of their time. There are no records to show who they were.

One obviously is a moose, but his horns have 12 long prongs like an elk or caribou.

The other animal is either an antelope or a mountain goat, with long, wavy horns. No animal like that roamed the Minnesota Arrowhead country within the memory of man.

The rocks are on the south side of Shortess Island, Lac La Croix, two days' hard paddling from Crane Lake, on the Canadian boundary canoe route.

Mistress: "I saw the milkman kiss you this morning. I'll take the milk in myself after this."

Janet: "It won't do any good, mum. He promised to kiss nobody except me."

Billy: "I see that Fanny Footlights roped in old Moneybags in approved fashion."

Tom: "You mean she lassoed him?"

Billy: "No, the lass sued him."

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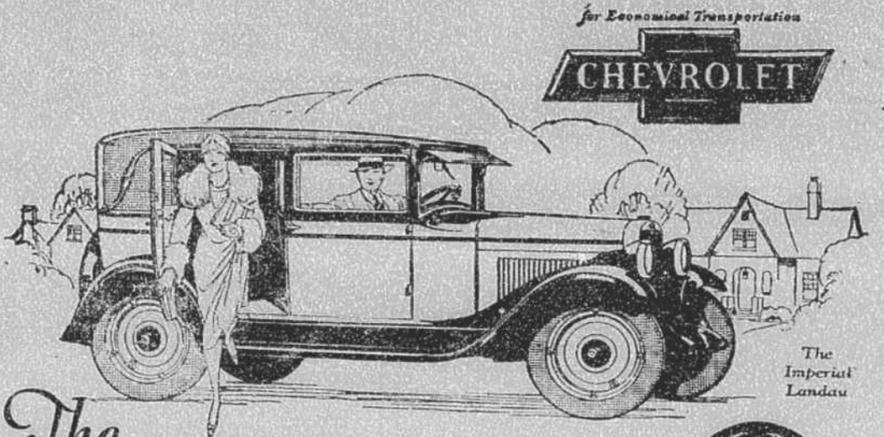
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