

TODAY and TOMORROW

FRANK PARKER FROCKBRIDGE

CORRIGAN courage

The one-stop solo flight of young Douglas Corrigan - from New York to Dublin is the most spectacular feat in flying since Lindbergh flew alone to Paris in 1927. It is even more amazing than Lindy's flight, for it was made in an old plane which by rights should have been on the scrap-heap long ago, while Col. Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis" was a new machine built especially for his attempt to cross the Atlantic, and equipped with the most modern instruments of that time.

Young Corrigan's exploit completely overshadowed the round-the-world flight of Howard Hughes. That was magnificent teamwork of plane builders, engineers and navigators. But Douglas Corrigan did his trick single-handed. He serviced his own plane - in fact he had built the engine himself out of parts of the two discarded engines.

To me his flight is an impressive demonstration that the qualities of ingenuity, resourcefulness, initiative and courage which built this nation, still live in the youth of America.

FAIR prosperity

Next Spring two World's Fairs will compete for the interest of travelers from all the world; one in New York, one in San Francisco. The present outlook is that half a million visitors will come to America from abroad and that close to a hundred million Americans will attend one exposition or both.

The motor, rail and bus travel over the highways leading from Coast to Coast will be heavier in the Summer of 1939 than ever before. So will the congestion on the roads leading to the great metropolitan cities of our Atlantic and Pacific coasts. There will be more people on the road looking for good food and lodgings than ever have been, more trailers and more cars to pull them.

One certain effect of this enormous increase in travel is that more money will pass from hand to hand, and move faster, than in any previous recent year. And that spells prosperity. The World's Fairs of 1939 ought to give a great impetus to economic recovery.

TOMORROW progress

The New York World's Fair 1939 has for its slogan "The World of Tomorrow." I doubt whether it will disclose the world as it will be 30 or 40 years from now, though it will indicate some of the directions in which the world is moving.

I tried to list some of the things that make the world of today which were unknown when I attended my first World's Fair at Philadelphia, a little boy holding my father's hand, in 1876. There were no electric lights, no telephones, no movies, no automobiles, not even bicycles, no airplanes, no typesetting machines, no steel ships, no air-brakes, no radios, no artificial refrigeration, no kodaks, no steam turbines, no rayon, no phonographs, no tractors, not even safety razors in that bearded world of my childhood. Celluloid was a novelty, kerosene lamps had not yet completely displaced whaleoil and candles, wood-pulp paper was just coming into use and halftone pictures had not been invented.

Anybody who had tried to forecast the world from the point of view of 1876 and had described it as it is now would have been called crazy.

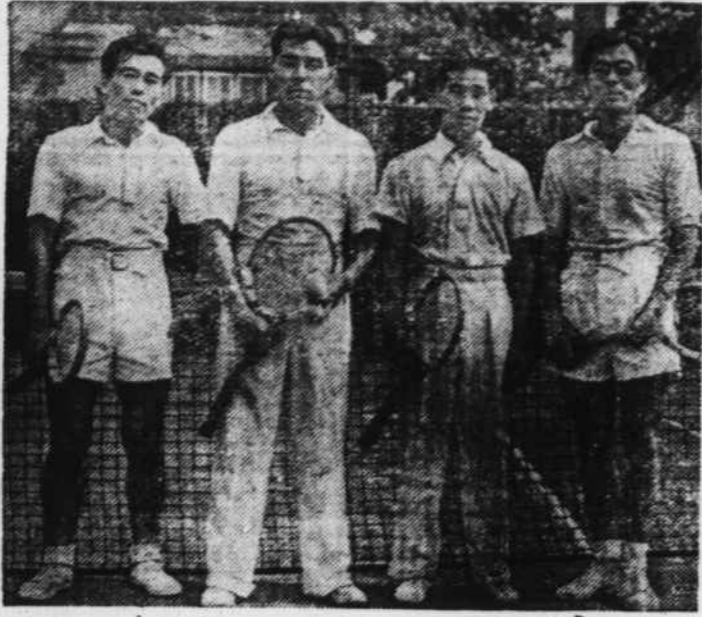
GUESSES the future

Any guess about the physical changes in the world in the next forty years and the social and economic changes which will flow from them is more likely to be wrong than right. However, I am going to hazard a few guesses based upon the indications of the present.

The world of tomorrow will be a more completely electrified world, a better refrigerated world and a world in which chemistry will play a larger part than in the world of today. We will produce electricity at much less cost and use it more efficiently in a thousand ways than we do now. It will heat every building in Winter and keep them cool in Summer. And most of the materials we use to make houses and clothing and for our daily food will be produced synthetically by chemical means.

By 1980 we will be getting our domestic water supplies on both coasts directly from the ocean, and extracting a large part of our minerals and chemicals from the seawater which we will distill to make it drinkable. And by 1980, also, most of our passenger travel from city to city and nation to na-

Japan's Davis Cuppers



The Japanese Davis Cup team which is in this country now to participate in North American Zone Davis Cup matches. From left to right, Fumiteru Nakano, Jiro Yamagishi, Yasumine Kuramitsu and Captain Tamio Abe. Yamagishi is No. 1 singles champion of Japan.

tion will be in the air at 400 or 500 miles an hour, five miles above the highest clouds. Call me up in 1980 and tell me if I've guessed wrong.

BEAUTY standards

Of one thing I am sure. The world of tomorrow will be a more beautiful and colorful world than the one we live in now. The people themselves will be more beautiful, because they will be healthier. Their clothes, their homes inside and out, and their environments will be far more pleasing to look at. Standards of aesthetic taste will be universally higher.

It will be a gayer world. There will be more and better entertainment and amusements of all kinds, in which an increasing number of the people will take part. There will be more and better music, dancing, play and sports for everybody. The theatre and the movies will be better. And it will be a world better educated in the arts and graces of living, if not in intelligence. Manners will be better, courtesy more prevalent; it will be a kinder and more tolerant world, inspired by higher spiritual purposes and aspirations.

EX-BANKER IS GIVEN STATE PRISON TERM OF 25 TO 30 YEARS

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In the case and explained the degrees of guilt. Jurors revealed after returning their verdict that three ballots were taken in making the decision. On the first, four voted for first degree, six for second degree, and two for manslaughter; on the second, 19 favored second degree and two stuck to manslaughter; the third was unanimous for second degree.

Prosecuting attorneys argued that Tharrington became infuriated when he was denied a date by Mrs. King on the night of the shooting because she had a previous engagement with McMillan.

Premeditation Charged Offering evidence to show he flashed a pistol at a roadhouse a few hours before the killing, the state argued he went to the apartment with the premeditated purpose of killing and actually accomplished his purpose.

Fighting back at every turn, the defense argued Tharrington was on a business trip at the apartment when McMillan returned from his date with Mrs. King, that McMillan attacked him viciously and Tharrington had to shoot to save his own life.

Walton Parker, who accompanied McMillan on the occasion, was the principal witness for the state, while Mrs. King and her divorcee-sister, Mrs. Maude Mosely, who watched the shooting, testified for Tharrington.

High lighting the evidence, Mrs. King took the witness stand and dramatically denied she was Tharrington's "other woman."

Approximately 30 witnesses were offered by the state and the defense put on about the same number. Among the witnesses were several experts.

CALLS SPECIAL SESSION (Continued from page one)

Council of State or designate the institutions and purposes for which each item is approved.

Administration supporters hope the Legislature will adopt a lump-sum act. Such a measure would enable the Council of State to reallocate funds where specific projects failed to materialize, and such a measure also would eliminate the possibility of lengthy debate over single items for improvement.

A bill suitable to the Governor and drafted on the strength of Budget Commission recommendations will be submitted as soon as the Legislature meets, at noon Monday; and the fastest possible

action is expected—three readings on consecutive days in each house.

Third Sitting The special session will mark the third sitting of the 1937 General Assembly, which was called into special session in December, 1936, to pass Unemployment Compensation Act and PWA enabling acts.

Lieutenant Governor Wilkins P. Horton will preside over the Senate, and R. Gregg Cherry, of Gastonia, will again rule the House of Representatives.

A. Hall Johnston, of Asheville, president pro tem of the Senate, resigned to accept appointment as a Superior Court judge and is ineligible for the special session. Party leaders are not certain a new president pro tem will be elected this session.

There will be other vacancies which cannot be filled before the session because all Legislators must be elected. There is no provision for appointment to fill vacancies.

Expects Good Sale Treasurer Johnson said he was confident that the State could sell any bonds which the Legislature may authorize at an interest rate of 2.75 per cent or lower. A bond issue of more than \$6,345,000 would be illegal under the debt limitation amendment to the Constitution, he explained.

"I'm sure we can sell the bonds at the lowest interest rate a North Carolina bond ever has been sold for," he added.

Under PWA regulations, each \$45 of Federal funds must be supplemented by \$5 of North Carolina funds.

The U. S. Department of Commerce reports that the country now has 3,965,900 miles of highways. With at least one nut driver to every mile.

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We have many things to boast of for our little town. Among them is the fact that our Tobacco Market PAID last year the HIGHEST AVERAGE PRICE of any town in the United States.

While all the foregoing, and more, can truthfully be said of our little town, yet in the language of "Holy writ" I must confess that "I have somewhat against thee." According to newspaper reports other towns and counties are applying the 5 per cent of liquor profits in eliminating bootleggers and judging from reports, they are having wonderful results, I do not know much about how our allotment is being spent, neither do I know the results, but, I do have pretty good reason to know that some are evading the officers by doing business at the same old stand. With all proper respect to those who have the matter in hand, I would apprehend these, if I had to call in J. Edgar Hoover and all his force.

S. H. AVERITT.

Interested in improving his tomato crop, C. H. Fries, of Salisbury, Route 1, Rowan County, has developed a new tomato variety which promises to be of great value to North Carolina gardeners.

MONKEY SHINES



Afton Bernard, beautiful member of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition's staff, investigated some of the "Monkey Trees" being transplanted to Treasure Island in San Francisco Bay for the World's Fair. But she got caught—by the "Monkey Tree" and a photographer with an eye for beauty.

CLASS REUNION

The Class of 1936 of the Franklin High School had its annual class reunion at Pullen Park in Raleigh on Wednesday, July 20. Girl members of the class furnished the eats, while the boys gave the drinks.

Mr. G. B. Harris, Superintendent of the School, was unable to attend because of business engagements.

The class of 1936 is the only class to inaugurate and continue the idea of class reunions. The class is looking forward to many more happy reunions.

FARM INCOME DROPS

Cash income from the sale of farm products in the first six months of 1938 is now estimated at \$3,084,000,000, or 12 per cent less than the \$3,499,000,000 reported for the first half of 1937, says a report of the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics sent Julian R. Mann, extension statistician at State College.

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R. H. Barringer, of Balls Creek, Catawba County, wanted a fish pond so he contracted with the County terracing unit to build him one. The water is led into the pond through a trough and the land around is terraced so that a minimum of silt can pollute the water.

W. A. Davis of near Clayton, Johnston County, is conducting some research work with hybrid corn in cooperation with Dr. G. K. Middleton of State College. The hybrid varieties will yield from 10 to 20 per cent higher per acre than other corns, he reports.


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