

GLOBE CIRCLING RECORD HIS AIM

John Henry Mears Will Attempt to Beat Time of Zeppelin.

Camden, N. J.—No one is watching the return voyage of Rear Admiral Richard Evelyn Byrd from his Antarctic adventures with more expectancy than John Henry Mears, America's famous round-the-world racer.

Mears, whose greatest aim in life, apparently, is to circumnavigate the globe faster than any other human being, is hard at work here mastering the art of flying in preparation for his next attempt to bring back to the United States the record for globe circumnavigation.

He wants to be a capable pilot before next June when he will start. Balchen, Rear Admiral Byrd's copilot, will attempt to lower the record of 21 days made last year by the Graf Zeppelin for a round-the-world flight. Balchen is at present with Byrd but Mears expects him here about the end of May to complete plans for the flight.

Instructor Lauds Mears. Bill Day, a local pilot, who is teaching Mears to fly, said the New Yorker is going to make a "cocking good pilot." Day is a wartime flyer and has been an instructor most of the time since.

Mears, who has made two previous round-the-world records, knows full well the strain on a pilot in such an undertaking and he is determined to be fully capable of taking over the controls from Balchen periodically during the proposed flight which will include considerable transoceanic flying.

The next attempt by Mears and Balchen will be made in a plane capable of exceeding 175 miles per hour with a cruising speed of 140 miles per hour.

Circled Globe in 23 Days. Among Mears' accomplishments in circumnavigating the globe in record time is his 35-day record in 1919. In that speed test he employed a biplane, and a short hop in an airplane which ended in a forced landing in Puget Sound.

In 1923 Mears and the late Capt. C. B. D. Collier lowered the round-the-world time to 23 days. They used the City of New York, a heavy monoplane, for the major portion of the trip. Collier was killed in a crash in Arizona some months later while attempting to establish a new transcontinental record.

Discussing the round-the-world flying, Mears was quite serious when he declared he was convinced that within 25 years the journey can be made in 24 hours.

"With new developments coming every day," Mears said, "who can deny that a flying speed of 1,000 miles per hour is not possible in 25 years? New type engines, new methods of construction, rocket propulsion and the like will make anything possible, in my opinion. Twenty-five years from now we will look back at present flying speeds and laugh."

German Millionaire

Had Only Two Suits

Berlin.—The late Herr Loeske, one of Germany's richest men, who left an estate worth \$25,000,000, ignored his kin in his will, and as a consequence 800 relatives are claiming his wealth. The trials in the civil courts have revealed that for the last 20 years Loeske never spent more than 15 cents for his lunches, his limit for his evening dinner was 18 cents, and he never ate breakfast.

It is claimed that he had only two suits of clothes. His best suit he had for 20 years, while his everyday suit was 38 years old.

He owned valuable property in Berlin, and other German towns; oil wells in Galicia and Rumania; clock factories in Switzerland; half a dozen art dealing firms, each with a royal title, and the three shops of Margraf & Co., the best-known jewellers in Berlin.

Once Famous English

Jockey Is 102 Years Old

Appleford, England.—Known as a jockey of prominence 70 years ago, John Faulkner recently celebrated his one hundred and second birthday. As a youth he rode at 63 pounds, and it is on record that he received three pence (about a nickel) for his first race. He has been twice married and is the father of 32 children. When seventy-three years of age Faulkner rode in several point-to-point races.

Milady to Decorate

Her Legs in Paris

Paris.—Paris is introducing many fantastic ankle decorations. Some of the latest samples have long, thin ribbons which wrap up and around the leg, others have anklets of colored embroidery, or painted animal heads, garlands of flowers, and cob-web traceries. There are also painted butterflies with brilliant wings woven into the silk to outline the pattern of the wings, and black and colored patches on the heels rising in a triple tier above the back of the shoe.

A Candle in the Window

For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did.—Hebrews, 7:19.

Linzer's Fish Supply

While it might be supposed that a steamship crew could catch its own fish, large liners now in the transatlantic tourist business carry for each trip 8,000 clams, 200 crabs, 500 barrels of oysters, and 1,500 pounds of fresh fish.

The Exclusive Story

By ALBERT E. ROBINSON

HARRY DONNELLY eagerly pounded out the story. Not only was it hot stuff—it was exclusive, a scoop. It was one of Harry's duties to open the branch office of his paper, ten miles out in the suburbs, in the early morning. Eight years of loyalty had given him this privilege. He checked up on fires and accidents that happened after the night staff went home at three, and sent them in for early copy.

He did this by use of a machine resembling a typewriter in its exterior, though full of complicated mechanism, which, when operated, duplicated the copy, errors and all, on a similar machine in the main office.

Harry was just finishing the story on this machine. He had returned from the hospital where he had been in at the death of a prominent citizen, victim of a motor car accident while rushing to catch a plane for a business trip. The prominence of the victim made the story front page stuff, but his dying words, whispered in Harry's ear, entitled it to a headline.

No one had heard them but Harry. A blond nurse was engaging the attention of the ambulance driver and his attendant. The doctor had not arrived. And Harry, bending his ear to the pale lips, heard, clearly and distinctly, these words:

"I did it. I killed Tom Lansing!" Like elusive bits of a picture puzzle fitting suddenly into place, these words placed together an unfinished picture in the brain of the reporter. Tom Lansing, murdered six months ago in his hunting lodge. A mystery that had stirred the whole country for nearly a week.

Harry, his mind in a whirl at the magnitude of his luck, arranged the sequence of his story in the text, and when he reached the branch office he lost not a moment in putting the lead on the machine.

"John Ritter, well-known merchant of this city, fatally injured by a motor car early today, confessed to the murder of Thomas Lansing, banker and fellow church member, last July, in a dying statement in Providence hospital to a reporter for the Enterprise."

And so on for ten pages—more than a column, and exclusive! He glanced over the copy. Reasonably free from typographical errors. Then, aglow with self-satisfaction, he closed the office, strolled down to police headquarters, stopped at fire headquarters, ate a leisurely breakfast, and returned.

The phone was jangling as he entered the office. Probably the desk, to offer congratulations and make sure he was sober. But it was a woman's voice, soft, low, pleasant to the ear.

"Mrs. Ritter? Widow of the victim."

"Mr. Donnelly, they told me at the hospital that if John, if my husband, said anything before he died, you would know. They thought he whispered something to you. Oh, did he?"

Did he? Harry felt rather sick. She was speaking again.

"When he left the house this morning, I feared something would happen to him. He has not been himself for weeks, and they say he was himself for weeks, and that car without seeing the path of that car without seeing Tom Lansing committed suicide. Tom asked my husband for a loan that day, and when he refused it, he went to his lodge and shot himself."

"He acted too slowly. Just before he shot himself he called John on the phone from the lodge and told him what he was going to do. When John got there it was too late. All he could do was to make it look like murder, for the sake of the bank and to keep himself from letting it happen. He would take in his sleep at night and murmur, 'I killed him, I did it.'"

"Hold the line," Tom gasped, and leaped to the office phone, knowing as he did so that he was too late. The paper would be on the street by now. The operator seemed to take hours getting the city desk, but at last he heard the bored voice of the chief.

"That story about Tom Lansing?"

"What do I care about Tom Lansing? He's been dead six months. Where have you been? I've been trying to find you for an hour."

"That story, chief. The one I sent over on the machine."

"Say, listen to me a minute, will you? Forget the machine. There's a story on the machine. The boy forgot to put a new roll of paper on last night, so this didn't register. Now, please inform me, if you can find the time, what you mean by letting the Journal scoop you on the death of John Ritter? Are you sound asleep out there?"

"I'd phone it right away," Harry hurried to the other phone. "He had been covered, but he didn't care."

"Get a Ritter," he called. "Are you still there? Well, all Mr. Ritter said to me was that he wasn't suffering and that things were better, as they were. He said you would understand."

"I do understand." And the way she whispered "Thank you" sounded like a blessing. Well, he would need something like that, he told himself, as he took up the phone connecting with the city desk.

Miss Their Purpose

In America, early Sunday church bells merely remind a lot of folks they don't have to get up and go to work.—Des Moines Tribune-Capital.

Blind Fate

Love is blind. Look about at the married couples and see for yourself.—Florida Times-Union.

Penalty of Vanity

People who are very vain are usually equally susceptible; and they who feel one thing acutely, will so feel another.—Bulwer-Lytton.

SENATE REJECTS PARKER



Judge John J. Parker.

Washington.—By a vote of 41 to 39, the senate refused to confirm President Hoover's appointment of Judge John J. Parker of North Carolina as associate justice on the Supreme bench. It was the first senate rejection of a Supreme court appointee in 33 years.

WHEAT, COTTON PANIC HALTED BY FARM B'D.

Teague Cites Fixing of Loan Values as the Savior.

Washington.—The policy of the federal farm board in fixing loan values on wheat and cotton, and conducting stabilization operations in wheat was described to the nation by C. C. Teague, member of the board, as having "undoubtedly saved a panic in those commodities which would have cost the farmers of the country millions of dollars."

"And if this depression had been added to the business depression caused by industrial stock losses, it perhaps might have cost the country billions of dollars. This action was taken in a national emergency and, in the opinion of the board, was entirely justified and in the interest of all the people, even if later this action cost the taxpayer some money."

"If those efforts to prevent a serious decline in wheat and cotton prices have made any important contribution toward the prevention of a general crisis or panic in this country, it may be that this alone justifies the agricultural marketing act."

Mr. Teague assailed the recent action of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States at its meeting here, in adopting a resolution to work for amendment of the agricultural marketing act so as to prevent such operations by the board. That action, he asserted, was the greatest mistake in its history.

Memphis, Tenn.—Assurance that cotton now held by the co-operatives would not be dumped on an unwilling market was given to the American Shippers association by Carl Williams, member of the federal farm board, after a conference with Mr. Williams, E. F. Creekmore, vice president and general manager of the American Cotton Co-operative association, and a committee of shippers.

Charges had been made that the federal farm board, through its \$100,000,000 cotton co-operative marketing group, was holding cotton and increasing the basis so that consumers and buyers had been forced out of the market.

Stock Raisers Approve \$1,000,000 Market Co-Op

Chicago.—A meeting of live stock producers here approved plans for the National Live Stock Marketing association, the fourth co-operative group to be set up by the federal farm board, the other three being similar organizations for grain, cotton and wool. Steps toward incorporation of the new \$1,000,000 unit are to be taken immediately. It was indicated, following action taken to settle differences between existing co-operatives in the live stock field.

Alexander Legge, chairman of the farm board, present with Vice Chairman James C. Stone, who presided over the meeting of 17 live stock organizations, predicted that the new setup will give stock farmers ample opportunity to develop a unified national organization.

Condemns Five to Die; Cites Penalty of Crime

Frankfort, Ky.—Gov. Flem D. Sampson set Friday, June 13, the date on which one white man and four negroes convicted of murder are to die in the electric chair at Eddyville. He then issued a proclamation pointing out the penalty of crime, and ordered all wardens and sheriffs in the state to read it to their prisoners "at least once a week" until June 13.

Sub Trip Through Polar Sea

Washington.—His plans for a submarine trip through the top of the world to seek the meteorological secrets of the polar sea were recently unfolded by Sir Hubert Wilkins, famous Arctic explorer, to the American Geophysical union.

May Check Hoof, Mouth Disease

Buenos Aires.—Professor Lignieres, a Franco-Argentine specialist, has announced the discovery of a serum to halt the hoof and mouth disease.

Make Friend of Duty

Duty only frowns when you flee from it; follow it and it smiles upon you.—Elizabeth, queen of Rumania.

American Invention

Rev. Jonathan Goble, an American Baptist missionary, invented the jirikasha in 1871. He was in Yokohama at the time and devised it as a vehicle in which his invalid wife might take the air.

LIGHTS of NEW YORK

By GRANT DIXON

The City Underground.

To me, one of the most fascinating tours of New York can be made for a nickel on the front platform of a subway train. From a front window the subway is not as dark as it appears farther back in the train, and there are numberless things to watch and puzzle over. There are the signal lights, and the accompanying automatic blocks that prevent a train from colliding with another. Every so often there are illuminated boards with the letters SB on them. I tried for months to figure out what SB meant, but finally had to give up and asked some one. It means section break, and indicates to the motorman that one current supply ends and another begins there. I believe he is supposed to shut off his motors at this point.

At first—or even hundredth—glance it appears that every inch of the subway system is used. Platforms are jammed with waiting passengers, and no room is wasted.

New York's Speedway.

Park avenue, one of the principal streets in New York running north and south through the heart of the city, is really a speedway. Broadened a few years ago, this thoroughfare carries most of the rush hour traffic and in order to speed it up a police unit on all cars driving at a very fast rate.

Therefore it is nothing unusual to see traffic moving through the center of New York at the rate of forty to forty-five miles an hour, without any protest from the police, but rather with encouragement.

About Manhattan.

Last Sunday I took a six-hour walk of about twenty miles around Manhattan, starting on the fashionable upper east side and working down through the slums. The slums are dirty, right enough, and crowded. But all the children and the streets appear to be well-fed and are warmly clad. And there is no begging there. I wasn't until I reached Park avenue at the completion of my jaunt that beggars, clad worse than the slum dwellers, approached me.

Hope for Seafarers.

That awful curse of the Twentieth century seafaring man, the ship's concert, may finally become a relic of the past, instead of a pest of the present. The word has gone out that the United States lines, faced with strong competition for summer trade from new ships of other lines, have decided to take on a cabaret crew.

And why take on a cabaret crew? Summer hotels have recently been enormously successful in hiring Broadway players as masters of ceremony and generals of social activity. The Broadway players, weary of tramping up and down looking for jobs that don't exist, welcome these opportunities to get away from it all. They will even take smaller salary than is customary for the opportunity of sporting around in flannel trousers and summer dresses at the more expensive resorts.

Big City Flashlights.

A sign on Forty-first street: "Blank's Steer Sleds, 5 cents." The curious crowd always gathered about a very bad taxidermy exhibit in a Greenwich Village window on Sixth avenue. The gallant little figure of "Puck" still braving the elements in front of the old "Puck" building on Lafayette street. The blinking owls that stand guard over New York university's downtown center on Washington square.

A crowd, standing in a pouring rain, watching a lightning sign-painter in a show window.

White Men Use Indian

Tishomingo, Okla.—The white man's law is enforced in the same old granite building here where the Indian chiefs of the Chickasaw tribe made laws to govern their people many years ago. The building, constructed of native granite taken from the quarries on Pennington river, once served as the capitol of the old Chickasaw nation. When state government replaced the territorial government the building was sold by the United States to Johnston county and it was converted into a courthouse.

Tragic Static Cause

New Brunswick, N. J.—At a station at the government reservation at Hadley field, electric, found the body of Ernest R. Hood, electrician, lying electrocuted across a 2,000-volt wire.

Executions in Poland

Warsaw.—In the last five years 115 persons have been executed in Poland for capital crimes, according to a report issued by the minister of justice.

Some Wood Will Sink

The leaves of some trees turn red in autumn like the maples and gumms, says Forests and Mankind. Others turn yellow like the ash and tulip tree. Some have leaves so gaudy they could be wrapped about one like a robe and others leaves that are hardly bigger than your fingernail. Some trees have wood so soft you can tear it apart in your hands and other wood so hard no nail can pierce it and so heavy it sinks in water like a stone.

That's Different

The recruit had been at the naval training station two weeks and had spent most of that time digging ditches, chopping trees and filling depressions. Finally he sought his immediate superior.

\$16,000,000 Makes This Richest Town

Gerber, Cal.—For 20 minutes Gerber was the richest city of its size anywhere on earth. Train 13 pulled into town with \$16,000,000 worth of gold bullion, being shipped from Seattle to San Francisco.

A New Study

Every woman should earnestly seek pleasant and profitable methods of using the extra hours placed at her command by modern household conveniences.—Woman's Home Companion.

Loose Screws

If loose screws are drawn out of furniture, dipped into glue and screwed back quickly, they will stay put.

Men of Inventive Mind

Belong to All Nations

Answering an inquiry as to the names and nationalities of the inventors or discoverers of the steamship, locomotive, telephone, printing press, automobile, radio, airplane, airship, electricity, electric light, television, the Detroit News says:

As many of these inventions are the results of years of development by numerous workers rather than of one inventor, we can give only the name of the inventor of the first practical device. Steamship, Robert Fulton, United States; locomotive, George Stephenson, English; telephone, Alexander Graham Bell, Scottish inventor living in America; printing press, attributed to Johann Gutenberg, German, though printing presses were probably used first in China centuries before; automobile, Carl Benz and Gottlieb Daimler, Germans; radio, Guglielmo Marconi, Italian (wireless telegraphy), Valdemar Poulsen, Danish, Dr. Lee De Forest, United States; and others; airplane, Orville and Wilbur Wright, United States; airship, Henri Giffard, French; A. Santos-Dumont, Brazilian, and Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin, German; electric light (incandescent), Thomas A. Edison, United States, and Joseph W. Swan, English; television, John L. Baird, Scottish. No man can be considered the inventor or discoverer of electricity; some of its manifestations have been known since the time of the ancient Greeks.

Humble Leech Has Its Use in Modern Medicine

An excellent remedy for black eye is a leech, says a writer in the London Mail. These funny little, colored slug-like creatures, which were once so extensively used by doctors for sucking blood from patients, can also suck the black blood from a discolored eye. In a recent fight in London one of the contestants received a terrific punch in the eye, which began to swell rapidly. A leech was bought for a few pence from a neighboring chemist and attached to the eye. The result was that the leech also began to swell rapidly and the congested blood was drawn from the eye.

Leeches, which generally live in streams, ponds, marshes or ditches, have two suckers, one at each end. Most people imagine that they were useful only in the old and more barbaric days of medicine, but a press association reporter found recently that they are still frequently used with great success.

Wonderful Organ

Before the completion of the Mormon tabernacle in the early 60s, Joseph Ridges began to superintend the building of an organ for the temple. One hundred men were employed constantly in the construction. White pine from the hills around Parowan was used. The logs were hauled by oxen. Glue for the pipes was made from cattle hides and buffalo skins.

The organ was first rebuilt in 1885 by Johnson, again in 1900 by Kimball and in 1915 by Austin. It now is a combination of seven organs, the whole operated electrically from a movable console with four manuals or keyboards and 270 stops and couplers. There are 8,000 pipes.

Made Quite a Hit

A Budapest restaurant proprietor, Matthias Woldhut, hit on an original idea to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the opening of his restaurant. He announced that on that day the price of meals would be the same as 25 years ago. The bill of fare showed: Soup, 1d; boiled beef, with horseradish, 5d; roast veal, with rice, 8d; baked carp, 4d; roast pork and cabbage, 8d; beer, 3d. At eleven o'clock in the morning every seat in the restaurant was occupied, and at noon it was necessary to summon the police to prevent a further flood of customers.

Horse Judges Hoaxed

Brian G. Hughes, who died several years ago and who was known far and wide for his practical jokes, once entered a horse in a New York horse show under the name "Pudaka Orphan." The animal was from the Fifth-seventh street car barns and was just a great big horse, but it had gone through five elimination tests, and was one of 27 entries left when one of the judges began to think that the name of the Hughes entry sounded a bit suspiciously like "Pulled a car often," and the pride of the car barns was withdrawn.—Detroit News.

Five Motor Fire Pumps

The first artesian well to be brought in the Klamath marsh district was completed on the Frank Bollinger ranch a few days ago by C. E. Williams, Lake county well driller. There is sufficient flow to irrigate 200 acres.

Despite the Fact That Every House in Ontario Is Occupied and That More Than 50 New Homes Have Been Erected Since 1920, Census Figures Indicate a Less Population Than in 1920, When the Figure Stood at 20,339,319. This Year the Preliminary Count Shows Only 19,411,000.

The motor vehicle department and the state traffic division, which have occupied quarters in the state printing office structure for two, have moved into the new state office building. The two departments will occupy the entire lower floor of the new structure.

Two Tracts of Land Located Near the Oregon Coast Highway a Short Distance from Reedsport Are to Be Set Aside by the Douglas County Court for Park Purposes. The Parks Will Be Donated to the Use of the City of Reedsport but Legal Title Will Be Retained by the County.

Pendleton is to be northwest headquarters for the Farmers' National Grain corporation, according to Henry W. Collins, district manager. There will also be branches in Portland, Se-

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Assembled for Information of Our Readers.

Carl Olson, 35, was killed instantly by falling timber while working in the camp of the S. & C. Logging company of Garibaldi.

Six new 4-H clubs have been organized in Lane county. Two are cooking clubs, two sewing clubs, one poultry and one flower.

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the Silver Star motion picture theater at Freewater and damaged the Argemmer brothers' bakery.

The 75th anniversary of the founding of the Central Presbyterian church of Eugene was observed recently at special services at the church.

Ralph Dunn, about 50, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Ed Parker residence on Bear creek, about 30 miles southeast of Prineville.

Census returns show that Jacksonville, former county seat of Jackson county, is not a dead town. Since 1920 its population has increased from 469 to 760.

The formation of the Forest Grove union high school district, including 19 districts, will be submitted to voters at a special election to be held June 16.

Fire broke out in the Jefferson warehouse, and it was burned to the ground together with a large quantity of grain, chopped feed, a car of salt and other products in storage.

Albany's postal receipts for the first quarter of 1930 were \$13,163.22, or \$167.37 higher than those for the corresponding quarter of 1929, according to R. N. Torbet, postmaster.

Harold Dobyns of the United States Biological survey and Jim Carner, coyote hunter, killed 163 adult and pup coyotes during April in the Butter creek and Willow creek regions.

Arthur T. Yeaton, who has been a resident of Salem for 61 years, celebrated his 90th birthday May 1. By the old residents he is remembered as one of the best horsemen of his day.

Miss Helen Pearce has the honor of being the first woman graduate of Willamette university to receive the Ph. D. degree in English. It was conferred by the University of California.

The city council of Heppner recently decided to number the houses and name the streets. Meters are to be placed on the city water, which soon will be piped from the artesian well.

The Eugene playgrounds maintained by the city during the summer months will open June 23, it has been announced. A new playground has been added, making a total of five in different parts of the city.

Transfer to the Eugene Lumber company of vast timber tracts in the upper Calipoolia river district, heretofore owned by the Dollar Portland Lumber company, is made in a deed filed in the Linn county recorder's office.

Work on the new downtown ornamental street-lighting system for Pendleton will start soon, according to word received by Mayor L. J. McAttee from the contractors at Seattle. Part of the lights are to be ready for use by July 15.

Howard Sherrill, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sherrill, of the Oakgrove orchard district near Hood River, died after being run over by a car driven by Walter Regnell. The boy, playing tag, tripped over a loose shoe lace and fell in front of the car.

Bids for the construction of approximately 55 miles of road and a frame building for caretakers' quarters at Emigrant Park on the Old Oregon Trail will be considered at a meeting of the state highway commission to be held in Portland soon.

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THE MARKETS

Portland

Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, \$1.16; soft white and western white, \$1.02; hard winter, northern spring and western red, \$1.00.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$20 per ton; valley timothy, \$20.50@21; eastern Oregon timothy, \$23.50@24; clover, \$17; oat hay, \$17; oats and vetch, \$17.50@18. Butterfat—22@26c.