

Events of the Week in Pictures

FILM ACTRESS TO WED DAREDEVIL



Hollywood's screen colony will attend the elaborate wedding of little Alice White, who used to be a script clerk before a director "discovered" her and made her an actress, and Richard Grace, movie stunt actor. At present, Grace is wearing a steel brace to protect his neck which he broke while performing a film stunt. Last year he made two unsuccessful attempts to fly from California to Hawaii.

Rotary's Protege



(Wichita's) Marion Talley is ready for grand opera. She is Miss Kathleen Kerating, 19, whose musical career has been financed by the Wichita, Kas., Rotary club. She has studied abroad for two years under the tutelage of Mme. Emma Calvo and now is ready to give a concert for the home folk before making her American opera debut.

She's Smith Rooter



Mrs. Stella Hamlin, of New Orleans, recently elected Democratic committeewoman from Louisiana, is known as an excellent stump orator. As a delegate at Houston, Tex., she expects to "whoop things up" for Al Smith.

Lowers Air Postage



Representative Clyde Kelly, of Pennsylvania, is the author of a new airmail law which passed the house by a unanimous vote, reducing postage on airmail from 10 cents per one-half ounce to 5 cents per ounce.

Lays Wager on Life



W. W. Watson, 80-year-old capitalist of Salina, Kas., has made a wager with an insurance company that he'll live five years—and says he has a "cinch" bet. Watson paid the company \$100,000 in cash and it in turn is to pay him \$1,500 for every month that he lives. It'll take him five years to get "even." After that the company pays him \$50 a day.

Nearly a Tragedy



When her husband failed to invite her to accompany him to a basketball game after she prepared him a big supper, Mrs. George Smith, 17, of Indianapolis, Ind., took poison. "I got you a good supper and you didn't take me to the game as you did before we were married," she told him when he arrived at the hospital. He has promised to take her to all future games.

Awaits U. S. Bonus



If bills now before the United States senate and house are passed, Sergeant Michael Donaldson, one of the outstanding World war heroes, will receive a \$10,000 bonus and a life income of \$200 a month in recognition of his war services.

BEACONS FOR NIGHT FLYERS



As an aid to aviation and the development of night flying, the Standard Oil Company of California is building what will be the two highest powered incandescent electric beacons in the country—one to be placed on the summit of Mt. Diablo near San Francisco Bay and the other in the Merced Hills, Los Angeles. These beacons will develop ten million candlepower and the flashing beams from them will be visible to aviators for between 100 and 150 miles. The company has taken this action at the suggestion of the United States Department of Commerce, the Airways Division of which is now engaged in installing lights to mark the airways from Los Angeles to San Francisco and from Los Angeles to Salt Lake City. The Department of Commerce is also projecting a series of lights northward and eastward from San Francisco, as indicated in the chart above. These official airway lights are set at frequent intervals and are of three million candlepower each. The government will give the light on Mt. Diablo the official designation of "SD," standing for "Standard- Diablo," and "SL," signifying "Standard- Los Angeles," for the light in the Merced Hills. The light for this type of beacon, built by the Sperry Gyroscope Co., is furnished by large 1500-watt incandescent lamps especially manufactured for the purpose. The reflector and lens of the beacon are 36 inches in diameter. The light is equipped with an ingenious device holding two of the incandescent lamps—one directly in front of the focal point of the reflector. In the event of this lamp burning out the second lamp is automatically thrown over to take the place of the one that has gone out. This is done almost instantly so that there is no interruption in the operation of the beacon. The beacon itself makes six complete revolutions per minute. An automatic astronomical clock turns the beacon on at sunset and off at sunrise. This clock automatically compensates for the constantly changing hours of sunset and sunrise. The beacons will be mounted on 75-foot steel towers. The symbols SD and SL will be hung on the side of the towers as a mark of identification in letters twelve feet high outlined in neon lights. These lights complement the existing system of daylight airway signs which the Standard Oil Company maintains at some 500 points on the Pacific Coast. These signs are painted on the roofs of its warehouses and give the name of the town in which located. They can be read by aviators at a height of several thousand feet.

DADDY OF ALL HIBERNATING TOADS



After having been shut away from the world in a rock ball, believed by scientists to be at least three-fourths of a million years old, this tiny toad hopped about the table of the Denver city park museum recently, apparently none the worse for his experience. The Smithsonian Institution's authority on pleistocene paleontology will endeavor to find out whether the creature actually passed 750,000 years hibernating or whether some hoax has been perpetrated.

SCREEN COUPLE ON HONEYMOON



Mary Astor, screen actress, and Kenneth Hawkes, film director, whose wedding was one of the most notable functions of the winter in Hollywood, Cal., have been passing their honeymoon in Cuba and Panama. Above, they are posing aboard ship.

A GAS ATTACK FOR SEASICKNESS



An apparatus invented by a doctor in Munich, Germany, by which it is claimed the worst effects of seasickness can be overcome, is being experimented with by German steamship companies. From one to three inhalations are said to bring instant relief and comfort to the passenger. This photo shows the apparatus in use.

QUEEN'S VEIL MAY BRING REVOLT



Because his wife, the lovely Queen Souriya, has gone about Europe with her face unveiled, King Amanullah may face insurrections when he and the queen return to Afghanistan. Natives, seeing the unveiled queen's picture in papers which have reached them from London are deeply disturbed at the transgression of their religious custom. She is credited with saying she will not wear the veil when she returns to her country. The above photograph of the royal couple was taken in London.

Lindy's New Route



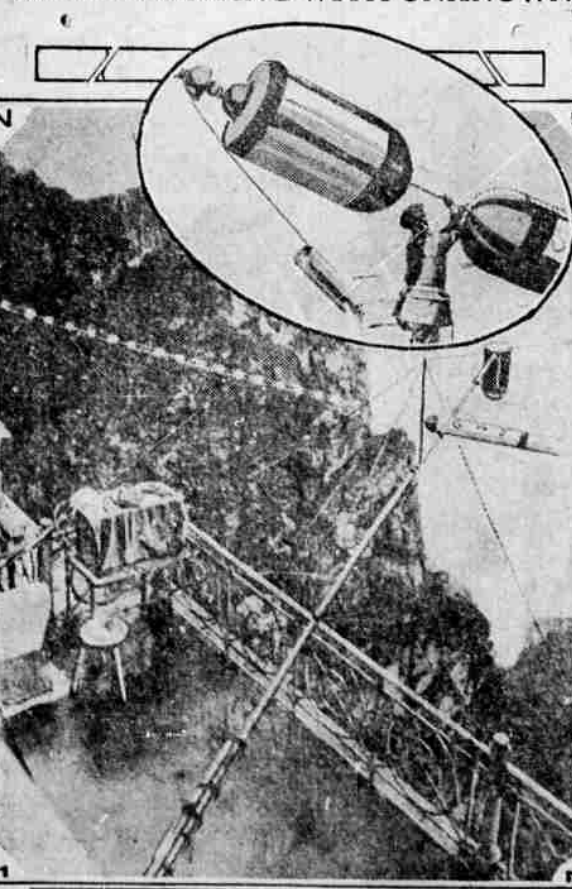
Here is the latest route selected by Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh in his tour of Central American countries and Cuba by airplane. He changed his trail to lead from Panama to Venezuela, Porto Rico, and Haiti to Havana, Cuba, instead of across the Caribbean direct from Panama to Havana.

Her Verdicts Hold



Georgia F. Bullock, above, of Los Angeles, California's only woman judge, has been appointed to the superior bench for three months at Los Angeles.

EXPERIMENTING WITH UNKNOWN



Working on the theory that five to six million volts of electricity drawn from the sky will disrupt an atom, three young German scientists are experimenting at Mount Generoso, near Lugano, Switzerland, to measure the accuracy of their calculations. Their work is dangerous, since they do not know what may happen if they succeed in releasing the energy and find themselves unable to control it. Above, the conductor leading to earth, which can be adjusted to control the length of the spark gap. Inset, the huge apparatus at the terminal of the 660-meter iron cable, from which the sparks jump to the variable conductor.