

# In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

At 7:01 Saturday morning, a British jet airliner took off from New York's Idlewild airport from London on the first commercial (fare-paying passengers) jet flight from the United States. It was a British Overseas Airways plane named Delta Bravo. It carried 28 passengers in addition to the crew.

At about the same time, a BOAC sister ship named the Delta Charlie took off from London and headed for New York. It carried about 40 passengers in addition to the crew. The two ships were expected to meet each other in mid-Atlantic. By radio, of course, in pressurized jet airliners, whizzing through the upper air at half or two-thirds the speed of sound, there can be no such thing as the passengers gazing out the windows and waving to each other as the ships pass.

In a way, that's too bad. It does away with a colorful experience. But one can't have everything.

THE eastbound plane, because of prevailing favorable tail winds, set its wheels down in London in about six and a half hours. It was a non-stop flight.

Because of the prevailing headwinds it must encounter, the westbound plane took longer. It made one stop—in Newfoundland.

That's pretty fast!

WHAT does it all mean? It means a lot of things. It means for one thing, that the world is shrinking.

IN an effort to realize how much the world is shrinking, let's drop back about a century—when horsepower was HORSE power. Let's forget the rest of the country and deal in terms of our own Far West.

One of the famous fast trips of the early Far West was made by one Juan Flaco (Thin John, when rendered from the Spanish into English) who rode from the Pueblo of Los Angeles to Monterey in the reputed time of a little better than four days. General Kearney's expedition had got into trouble with the Spanish Dons, and was getting the worst of it. Juan Flaco rode to Monterey for help. He didn't ride one horse all the way. At least one horse was shot from under him. He wore others out. Each time he lost a horse, by hos-

tile bullet or exhaustion, he had to hunt up another horse. That made his time all the more remarkable.

BACK in those days, in the West as elsewhere, travel TOOK TIME. Because travel took so much time, people traveled relatively little. It was not uncommon in those days for people to live out the span of a lifetime without ever getting more than 50 miles from home.

The world is changing. The time is not far off when those who don't get ALL OVER THE WORLD in the course of a lifetime will be the uncommon ones.

THAT brings me up to the point I really wanted to make when I started this piece.

In the town of Riddle, in Douglas county, in our own Southern Oregon, they're putting French into the curriculum of the high school. It isn't going to be just BOOK French. Gilbert Gordon, the instructor, plans to teach CONVERSATIONAL French, so that in time to come his students will be able to make their way among French-speaking people. He points out that nearly 80 million people speak French as a first language and more than that many speak it as a second language.

THE time will come when Americans will travel over the world as freely as they now travel over their own state. When that time comes, they should be able to speak the languages of the people they will travel among.

It's high time for our schools to begin to teach foreign languages, and I'd like to congratulate the school authorities of Riddle on the progressive step they have taken. I hope more of our schools follow the example set by up-and-coming Riddle.

Hunter Anxiously Awaits Deer Season  
Rockland, Maine—(UPI)—Herman W. Payson of Rockland is eagerly awaiting the Oct. 21 opening of the deer hunting season.

Payson said he was rabbit hunting at Owl's Head over the weekend when a deer leaped from a thicket, stepped on his foot and knocked him down.

## Pope Opposes Plastic Surgery To Boost Charms

Castel Gandolfo, Italy—(UPI)—Pope Pius XII said in a speech last week end that doctors have no right to perform plastic surgery on women wanting to increase their charms "to induce other persons to sin."

The speech was delivered Saturday to doctors attending the 10th Italian Congress of Plastic Surgery, and its text was made public late Monday. The Pope on Sunday delivered another speech to notaries from Latin nations.

"It is obvious, for instance, that it is illicit to perform a surgical intervention requested with the intention of increasing one's power of seduction and thus more easily inducing others to sin," the Pontiff said in his Italian-language speech.

Other Surgery Wrong  
The same, he said, goes for plastic surgery carried out "exclusively in order to shield a criminal from justice," or for operations "affecting the regular functions of physical organs" or "desired out of a mere whim of fashion."

On the other hand, the Pontiff said, surgical intervention is legitimate or even advisable in a number of cases.

These, he said, include cases where "some deformities, or even mere imperfections, cause psychic troubles in the subjects or hamper social and family relations or prevent them from carrying out their activities, especially as regards persons who concern themselves with public life or art."

## News Analyst Has Brush With Death

La Grande, Ore.—(UPI)—American Broadcasting company news analyst William Winter had a brush with death Monday when a mountain slide suddenly buried Highway 30 just 200 feet in front of his car.

Winter, of Los Angeles, was en route to La Grande to deliver the key speech to teachers at an Eastern Oregon education conference.

The slide occurred about 20 miles northwest of here at 2:45 p.m. (PST). Highway crews cleared the route in about 45 minutes. Winter said it seemed "like half of a mountain" fell in front of his car.

## Authority of Pope Can't Be Designated In Catholic Church

Vatican City—(UPI)—No official of the Roman Catholic church can temporarily exercise the full authority of Pope Pius XII while the Pontiff lies incapacitated at his villa in nearby Castel Gandolfo.

Routine Vatican affairs continue to be administered by the secretariat of state or the various sacred congregations of the church.

Decisions Delayed  
But decisions which are within the province of a pope alone must be delayed pending his recovery or, in event of his death, the election of a successor.

Such powers cannot be delegated to anyone no matter how long the Pope might remain incapacitated.

Vatican sources said there is no known precedent for a situation in which the head of the church is alive but unable to discharge his duties for long periods.

The Apostolic Constitution does provide for the position of camerlengo (camerlengo) who would, upon the death of a pope, assume charge of the administration of the church and organize the conclave to elect a new pontiff.

First Business  
But Pope Pius XII never named a camerlengo. Should the present pope die, the election of a camerlengo from one of their number would be the first order of business for the College of Cardinals.

This most likely would be Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, dean of the Sacred College.

## Modern Grandma Sheds Shawl

Chicago—(UPI)—The retiring president of the National Federation of Grandmother Clubs of America said Monday night the modern grandmother has shed her shawl in favor of the sack.

Mrs. Thomas Stalcup, 69, Akron, Ohio, said before the federation was formed grandma's place was in the rocking chair and baby sitting. She said grandmothers now don't have time to rock because they're too busy taking part in community affairs through social and welfare organizations.

And, she added, "we don't let our children push the baby sitting chores off on us all the time." Mrs. Stalcup said not only have some grandmothers abandoned their gray hair and shawls, they "have gone so far as to wear sack dresses and tint their hair."

The federation, holding its 20th annual convention here, received a message Monday from President Eisenhower, a grandfather.

"As homemakers, mothers and grandmothers you have an important role in directing and building the character of our citizens," the President's message read in part.

## Ship Officers Call Off Strike

New York—(UPI)—Merchant ship officers called off their six-day strike Monday night, freeing an estimated 60 vessels.

A spokesman for the United States Lines said the liners United States and America would sail on their next scheduled departure dates, Oct. 16 and Oct. 23.

The strike was ended through the good offices of AFL-CIO President George Meany, who stepped in as arbitrator of the dispute between the International Organization of Masters, Mates and Pilots (AFL-CIO) and 20 major East and Gulf Coast ship operators represented by the American Merchant Marine Institute.

The dispute is not yet resolved, but the parties agreed Monday night to the issues which Meany will decide as arbitrator and the union announced that picket lines would be removed immediately from the ships. Meany set Oct. 21 as the date of the first arbitration session.

At issue are vacation, overtime and working condition demands primarily. The union announced it had agreed to withdraw a demand that masters of four of the largest steamship lines be hired through its hiring halls.

## Long Island Said Gradually Sinking

Washington—(UPI)—Long Island, N.Y., is sinking into the sea but there's no cause for panic.

Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner, retiring president of the International Council of Scientific Unions, disclosed Monday that Long Island now is going down two feet every 100 years. It was sinking only six inches a century before 1930.

Berkner said the reasons are not completely clear to science, but most of the continental United States is sinking with only land north of a line drawn between Boston and Chicago gradually rising.

It could be the result of steadily rising sea levels because of melting glaciers or an increasing load of silt on earth, Berkner said.

## Newsman Find Covering Pope's Illness Difficult

Castel Gandolfo—(UPI)—Newsman reporting the illness of Pope Pius XII agree that the importance of their assignment is rivaled only by its difficulty.

When President Eisenhower was ill, for example, frequent and detailed medical bulletins were issued and correspondents were permitted to meet with attending doctors to get answers to further questions.

Not so with the Pope. Medical bulletins are generally vague rather than specific. Newsman are kept from the grounds of the Papal palace, unable to reach the diagnosing physicians.

Issued Through Office  
The official bulletins on the Pope's condition are issued through the Vatican press office headed by Luciano Casimiri, a layman who is a popular figure with the entire Roman press corps.

But the press spokesman can usually do little more than issue the information or prepared bulletins given him by higher Vatican authorities.

The official bulletins or announcements generally tend to be optimistic with the result that a development minimized in one bulletin is wholly confirmed in the next.

## Pope's Illness Not Reported in Russia

Moscow—(UPI)—The Pope's illness has not been reported so far in the Soviet Union.

## Skeleton Found In Harney County

Burns—(UPI)—Sheriff Eldon Sitz of Harney county reported today that the skeleton of a former Drewsey ranch hand was found last week end by two hunters in the Blue Bucket Creek area near the Malheur river.

The skeleton was identified as that of Manuel Martin, who worked at the Arley Acton ranch at Drewsey in January, 1955. Sitz said the man had not been reported missing and that he terminated employment at the Acton ranch on Jan. 13 three years ago.

The hunters who discovered the skeleton, still clothed, were Glenn Tuttle of Prairie City and Harold Baumgartner of Nyssa, the sheriff said.

## Bandits Rob Drive-in Theater at Portland


Portland—(UPI)—The Sandy Boulevard drive-in theater was robbed of about \$240 Monday evening by two bandits armed with a rifle.

Army aviation set a record for safety in 1957. Army pilots had only one accident for each 2,300 hours of flight.


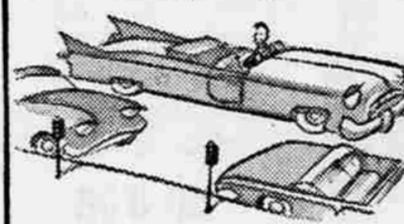
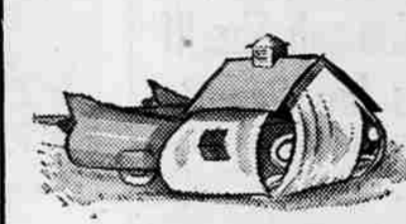

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