

### Capt. Jack Knight Retires From Flying; To Direct Education

Completing twenty years and 2,400,000 miles of flying with the record of more miles flown than any other pilot in the world, Captain Jack Knight, of United Air Lines, announced today his retirement from active flying to accept a position as director of public education for United.

Knight disclosed today that his last schedule flight marked completion of his eighteen thousandth hour of officially logged flying time. Coincidentally, the last trip was a non-stop sleeper schedule from Denver to Chicago, the division over which Knight sixteen years ago made famous air mail flight which made him a national hero.

He enlisted in the air service of the U. S. Army in 1917, and learned to fly at Ellington Field, Texas. He became instructor of acrobatics there. After the Armistice, Knight took an engineering job in Chicago, but one day in 1919 some planes flew over the city's loop. The urge was too strong, and he decided to return to flying.

Knight made early history for the air mail flying "DH's," pioneer "flying cranes" as they were popularly known then. He joined the U. S. air mail service in 1919, first flying between New York and Chicago and later between Omaha and Cheyenne. In 1921 Congress con- sidered the appropriations for air mail. Knight could not be flown at night the time saved did not warrant the expenditure. Knight was one of a band of seven air mail pilots who volunteered to make a continuous day and night flight across the continent to prove that if the government would make the appropriations to put in the world's first airway lighting system, air mail would serve a more useful purpose. It fell to Knight's lot to draw the night portion of the trip from Chicago, aided only by bonfires which farmers were asked to build along the route. The day was saved for air mail. Congress made the appropriation, and the New York-San Francisco airways became the first lighted and improved airway in the world. This flight, made six years before Colonel Lindbergh flew the Atlantic ocean, brought Knight international prominence overnight.

When United Air Lines took over operation of the route in 1927, Knight flew the Chicago-Omaha division, and later the Chicago-Denver section, from which he retired this week.

The first plane he flew in scheduled service was a war-time Jenny, a single-engine 200 horsepower open cockpit biplane with a cruising speed of 90 miles an hour and with no flying instruments. In contrast, his vaudeville flight was made in a 12-ton 2000 horsepower twin-engine Mainliner with a cruising speed of 192 miles an hour and all modern aids to air navigation.

"It is difficult to say what single advancement is the most important that I have seen take place in place in twenty years," Knight said today. "Radio, instruments, improvements in airplane design and other factors are all outstanding. But the refinement of aircraft engines, perhaps, is as important as any. In the early days landings on account of engine trouble were the rule and we all expected them. Today modern 1,000-horsepower engines are marvels of efficiency. Judging by progress I have seen in the past, I am reluctant to hazard a guess of what airplanes will be twenty years from now."

Knight's headquarters will be located at United's general offices in Chicago, but he will cover the entire system. His work will include public representation of the company, supervision of educational programs on air transportation, and individual contracts.

### Second Concert In Series Lists Gordon String Quartet Dec. 5

The North Shore Chamber Music association will give the second concert of this season's series in the Kenilworth Assembly hall on Sunday, December 5, at 4 o'clock. The Gordon String quartet will give the program. Jacques Gordon and his group have been enjoying an exceptionally successful season in the east and we are fortunate to hear this famous quartet in our neighborhood. David Sackson plays the second violin, William Lincer the viola, and Naoum Benditzky the violoncello. This famous ensemble has appeared three times at the Coolidge Festival and for eight successive summers has played chamber music in New England at Music Mountain in the foothills of the Berkshires. The following compositions will be played:

- I. ROBERT SCHUMANN  
String Quartet in A minor, Op. 41, No. 1  
Introduction (Andante espressivo) — Allegro  
Scherzo (Presto)—Intermezzo  
Adagio  
Presto
- II. WALTER PISTON  
String Quartet No. 1  
Allegro  
Adagio  
Allegro vivace
- III. (a) FELIX MENDELSSOHN  
Scherzo in E minor, arranged by David Sackson  
(b) H. WALDO WARNER  
Folk Song Fantasy: "Dance to Daddy."

Tickets can be procured at the Kenilworth Assembly hall on the day of the concert. There will be two more concerts given this season of which announcement will be made later. Information concerning these concerts can be procured by calling Mrs. E. R. Zettler, Deerfield 477.

### Deerfield School To Present "Magi's Gift"

The Christmas play is being cast largely from members of the eighth grade. It is the same play that has been given for the past few years. The cast to date is as follows, although changes may be made later when actual hard work on rehearsals begin.

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| Mary            | Jean Baum   |
| Margaret        | Jean Goodman  |
| Ann             | Gloria Segert   |
| Good Dame       | Jane Krause   |
| Elizabeth       | Dorothy Jean Anderson   |
| Harold          | Robert Ritchie  |
| Tom             | Ralph Shelden or Bob Hyett  |
| Morely          | Leland Flagg  |
| Sir Arthur      | Leslie Brand  |
| Guest           | Billy Anderson  |
| Jester          | Norman Brenne   |
| Lord of Misrule | Buddy Piper   |
| Peddler         | Russell Newlander   |
| Conchy Bill     | Alan Hatcher  |
| Two Pages       | Jerry Savage, George Weiss  |
| Trumpeter       | Carl John Bates   |
| Musicians       | Doris Cooks, Betty Meyer  |
| Carol Singers   | Woodbury Cole, Earl Klomp, Roberta Klomp, Rose Marie Barrett, Constance Koebelin, Bernice A. Flanagan |
| Yule Log Group  | Raymond Johnson, Carl Grubert   |
| Boar's Head     | Harold Snyder, Jack Bock, Russell Frost   |
| Wassail Bowl    | Willis Johnson, Jack Garne, Robert Puzsin   |
| Morris Dancers  | George Bunte, Walter Smith, Buddy Galloway, Alan McGinnis, Ralph Ott, Harold Pottenger                |
| Ivy Green Girls | Ruth Jacobs, Emma Geist, Violet Hoffman, Betty Van De Weiden, Rosemary Wilken, Norma Weider           |

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### DEERFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL NOTES

The first grade children's account of their trip to the Brookfield Zoo Thursday, Nov. 18:

Frank Page: We left the school about nine-thirty and got on a big bus and left for our trip to the zoo. We all took our lunch. It was snowing when we left.

Richard Day: On the way we watched out the windows for interesting things to see. We crossed railroad tracks and saw two big trains. We saw many train signals. We saw many schools and one big orphan's home. We saw the Speedwell hospital where wounded soldiers are cared for. We saw one big truck with the word "milk" printed bigger than we had ever seen it before. We saw only two churches. We crossed a river which had ice on it.

Winfield Nevin: When we came to the zoo we went through a big gate. Mrs. Knaak, our teacher, told the gatekeeper what school we were from.

Second grade (Card)—We have a grocery store in our room that is almost as big as a real grocery store. The boys and girls brought boxes and crates. We built shelves for our large stock from the boxes. We made a counter with some boards. Most of our stock is play stock, being empty cans and cartons. George Herman and Donald Johnson brought paint. We painted our store red and white. We made many signs for our store. We also printed charts. We had our grand opening Wednesday afternoon. Our mothers came to see our store. Refreshments were served and we made souvenirs for our mothers. We also made two grocer's aprons. The girls did the sewing. We all like to play in our store.

Second grade (Patton): The grand opening of the Down-Town grocery was set for Wednesday, Nov. 24. We have been busy making a counter and shelves. We made an awning in our store. It is colored blue and red. We too, sewed

aprons for our grocermen. We are making notebooks with pictures of food and written work about the grocery store.

Seventh grade (Toll):  
Our Play

Last week our class presented a book appreciation play called "And Then What Happened" for book week. We presented it in the auditorium and the upper grades were invited to see it. The characters were: Heidi—Bernice A. Flanagan; Tom Sawyer—Willis Johnson; Plaire—Alan McGinnis; Bobby—Wallace Peterson; Peggy—Roberta Blaine; Teddy—Ralph Ott; Helen—Nora Margaret Russell.

Constance Koebelin was the director and was in charge of rehearsals. Earl Klomp was in charge of the scenery. Almost everyone in the room had some part in producing the play.

While studying the plan of a newspaper, our class wrote editorials. An editorial is the editor's comment upon some event of current interest. Following are some of the editorials written:

Do You Co-operate? The casting of the Christmas operetta has begun. After Thanksgiving, practices will begin. It is time for all to co-operate. Help Mrs. Hardacre and the teachers who are helping her by doing cheerfully what you are told to do and attending practice regularly. Be as orderly as possible and don't talk because earnest practice makes our Christmas operetta a thing of beauty and a joy for all.—by Constance Koebelin.

Safety First. All boys and girls riding bicycles should be careful at all times. When riding to and from school keep on the south side of the street from Waukegan road to the school. Be careful when you ride on the school grounds. Do not ride on the side walks where children are walking.—by Willis Johnson.

Quiet School Halls. The school halls should be quiet because the people in their rooms working are

disturbed by undue noises outside the room. Every child should be as quiet as possible when he goes thru the halls and up and down stairs. This is only good manners.—Ralph Ott.

Eighth Grade. Several years ago the graduating eighth grade bought a radio to be used in the classroom. To date it has been almost impossible to use it in the class rooms because there were no outlets except the light fixtures. Outlets were installed this summer and now the eighth grade listens to a fifteen-minute educational program daily at one o'clock from WLS. Any other room may use the radio whenever they have an occasion for it.

Hubby—"It's no use, darling, I have been to every shop in town, and not one of them can match that piece of ribbon for me."

Wife—"Splendid! I just wanted to make sure no other woman in town would have anything that shade!"

### Real Estate Board Banquet Dec. 15th

The annual banquet of the Evanston-North Shore Real Estate Board will be held Wednesday evening, December 15th, at the Shawnee Country club in Wilmette, it was announced today by V. J. McDonnell, general chairman. The new officers and directors will be inducted into office following the dinner. An elaborate floor show and dancing will begin at 9 o'clock. Plans are being made to accommodate about 350 guests. Because the membership of the board totals 178 it has been decided to allot tickets on the basis of two to each member.

The banquet committee is made up of the following: V. J. McDonnell, general chairman; Roland Peterson and Florence Cook, co-chairman; Lewis T. Dodds, treasurer; Alder R. Tigue, program chairman; Dorothy E. Wink, chairman on arrangements; William A. Sadler, publicity.

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