Rocket Car Wrecked in Test

Opel's "Devil Machine" Attains Speed of 254 Kilometers an Hour on Rails

Leaps Track in Second Run

Hanover.—An ear-wracking roar, followed by a series of cloudburst detonations. A serpent's tongue of flame. Dense billows of black smoke thinning gradually into white. Movement made almost invisible by velocity.

Thus the observer's brain recorded the spectacle of Fritz von Opel's rocket car blazing along the railroad tracks in the environs of this city to-day at a speed of 254 kilometers an hour—thirty-nine faster than has ever been achieved before by a vehicle running on rails.

The devil car, as the German press calls it, flashed over the course laid down for it all by itself. Its propeller rockets were exploded by an automatic device and rockets facing the other way and affixed to its prow served as a brake in bringing the engine to a reluctant halt.

Herr Opel deemed this experiment, the third he has undertaken thus far for a demonstration of the feasibility of rocket locomotion, too dangerous for human participation in the furious course along the rails. His judgment was justified, for while the day's first trial unquestionably confirmed his contentions, the second was disastrous.

Leaps From Track and Burns Up

Loaded with a charge of explosives four times more powerful than on its initial run, the machine sprang from the track some 300 yards from the start, crashed into a gully bordering the road-bed and burned up in a thundering bonfire of exploding rockets. This time it carried a passenger—a most unwilling passenger—a cat. The cat did not come back.

Fully 20,000 persons lined the railroad stretch on the Lunenburger Heide, set aside by the German Government for the purpose, among them Herr Dorpmuller, head of the German Railway Company. The spectators were held back by a strong barrier of police stationed along both sides of the track for more than two miles. Despite the obvious danger, the multitude again and again broke through the police lines in attempts to get a closer view of the devil car.

This sinister contrivance resembled the skeleton of an automobile more than anything hitherto existing. Its front was equipped with wings similar to those on the rocket machine Opel drove a month ago on the Berlin speedway and designed to prevent it from bounding off the rails. Its wheels were solid and, like the chasis, built of light steel painted bright red. At the bow was a small cylinder capable of holding two rockets—brakes. At the rear, connected with the front by a single steel rod, was an enclosed space big enough to hold a man, but where only the cat in a specially attached cage had the doubtful honor of riding.

Behind the "carosserie" was a case about three feet square holding 24 rockets. These were discharged at regular intervals by a mechanical device.

Started by Electric Fuse

The initial impetus was communicated to the explosives by an electric fuse set in action by one of Opel's engineers. The young automobile manufacturer himself gave the command for the start at half-past two.

Instantly there occurred those hellish manifestations recorded above. The devil car vanished from view down the track leaving bruised eardrums and smarting eyes behind it. A stretch seven kilometers long had bee nreserved for its passage. The speed test, however, was limited to the first two kilometers of this distance, at the end of which the brake rockets automatically exploded, gradually bring the machine to a halt.

Instruments placed at intervals of 250 meters registered electrically the engine's velocity, which leaped from sixty kilometers per hour at the start—considerably less than the initial speed of the rocket automobile—to a maximum of 254. The greatest speed ever attained on rails therefore was 215 kilometers an hour, registered by an electric car run over a German railway in 1903. Thus the first half of the experiment was thoroughly successful.

Then came the less fortunate second stage. Opel had hoped to increase the car's velocity to more than 300 kilometers. But the short wings were impotent to keep it on the ground and as soon as it hit its stride it hurtled into the air and tumbled off the road-bed in a flaming mass. Probably the cause was the premature explosion of one of the brake rockets.

The spectators stormed forward through the police cordons and it was a matter of luck that nobody was hurt by the blazing rockets.

Opel expressed satisfaction with the results of the day's work, which he declared proved the speed possibilities of rocket propusion. The next step will be a rocket airplane, about which he remains uncommunicative, but which it is understood will be tried out next month.—(N. Y. Times.)

If we are to keep Government out of business, business must be kept out of Government.—Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas.

OWL LAFFS

BY O. W. L. (ON WITH LAUGHTER)

A sick calf acts that way anyhow, but a man only when he is in love.

There are more opportunities today than there are men capable of grasping them.

She's old enough to be called "Miss" if she no longer prefers sitting on the floor to put on her stockings.

THE CORRESPONDENT'S PLEA

If we could write the things we feel,
Could make imagination real—
If pencil, paper, pen and ink
Had but the gift to make us think.
We'd shed our studied attitudes,
Inane remarks and platitudes,
And write our missives just as though
They went to people whom we know.

We'd scorn such terms as "even date"
And "in reply we beg to state,"
"Regarding" would not be "in re."
Our meanings would be plain as day.
"Yours truly" we would not "remain",
From stilted phrases we'd refrain—
How vivid would our letters be
In simple phraseology!
No "15th inst." or "30th ult."
Our readers' sense would insult;
From floral bombast like "esteemed"
Our sentences would be redeemed.
In homely words and simple style
We'd write each letter with a smile—
Oh! What a difference—goodness knows,
If we could write plain English prose!

DOINGS OF THE NAMES CLUB

There's nothing in a name, as A. Boss, who was married last week, will soon find out.

Ida L. Shortness was granted a divorce from John Shortness—which indicates the shortness of married life.

Dave Tubbs and Rosa Bowles were married last week. Now that she's got Tubbs she'll probably want a washboard.

Now go on with the story: And there was the Scotchman who wouldn't wear sox because they put too much strain on his garters.

Pity one couldn't know he's got enough until he's got too much.

Advice Regarding Gardens: "Weed 'em and Reap."

Cute in a Baby—Awful at Three—and it's Dangerous

by Ruth Brittain

Thumb sucking does look sweet in a baby, but it is disgusting in the three-year-old and sometimes it hangs on until fifteen or sixteen! The habit may cause an ill-formed mouth or induce adenoids; and it always interferes with digestion. Pinning the sleeve over the hand; attaching mittens, or putting on cardboard cuffs, which prevent bending the arms at the elbows, are some of the ways to stop the habit.

Another bad habit—irregularity in bowel action—is responsible for weak bowels and constiuation in babies. Give the tiny bowels an opportunity to act at regular periods each day. If they don't act at first, a little Fletcher's Castoria will soon regulate them. Every mother should keep a bottle of it handy to use in case of colic, cholera, diarrhea, gas on stomach and bowels, constipation, loss of sleep, or when baby is cross and feverish. Its gentle influence over baby's system enables him to get full nourishment from his food, helps him gain, strengthens his bowels.

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Dancing Now in Revue Song

London Hit Tells About Girl Who Had Prince for a Partner Twice Removed

London—The Prince of Wales can and often does enjoy a joke at his own expense. A humorous allusion to his many achievements, whether on the hunting field, at golf, or at the dance, is sure of a ready laugh from him, and no resentment.

Such an allusion is most likely to be made on the stage, and it is the duty of the Lord Chamberlain, the censor of plays, to see that it is within the bounds of propriety. Of course, if the Prince himself says he does not object, there is an end to the matter; and he has raised no objection to his name being mentioned in a song which is one of the hits of a revue now running in London.

As Americans know, the heir to the British throne is found of dancing and that he is catholic in his choice of partners. When he patronizes a dance, whether it be a patrician or a plebian affair, he does not just "look in," make one or two gracious bows and then execute a quick getaway. He goes to dance, and he does.

He has patronized many dances organized by the proletariat in the cause of charity, has entered thoroughly into the spirit of them, and has made glad the heart of many a girl belonging to the humble classes by selecting her as his partner. The fact that he is a "good mixer" and can enjoy himself in any company is responsible largely for his great popularity.

The chorus of the revue song in question, as sung by Miss Mimi Crawford, runs as follows:

I've danced with a man who's danced with a girl
Who's danced with the Prince of Wales;
I'm crazy with excitement—completely off the rails;
When he told me what she told him
The Prince remarked to her,
It was simply grand!
He said, "Topping band,"
And she said, "Delightful, sir."
Glory, glory, Hallelujah.
I'm the lucklest of females,
For I've danced with a man who's danced with a girl
Who's danced with the Prince of Wales.

The revue is called "Many Happy Returns," and it contains many sly thrusts at men and women who are for the moment prominent in the public eye. Some of these thrusts, it is understood, were regarded by the Lord Chamberlain as a trifle too personal, so they were either cut out or toned down.

The revue was first produced privately at the Arts Theatre. Being a private performance, the Lord Chamberlain had no authority to exercise his blue pencil. It was thought, however, that the Prince should be asked if he abjected to the song inquestion, and he replied, through one of his secretaries, that he did not.

I'm somewhat of a talker myself.—William Sulzer.

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Every weak girl should promptly follow the example of Miss Stoddart, feeling sure that the pills will renew her health. You can get the pills from any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

HAD NOT BEEN TAKING A DRINK

Minister: I suspect you have been taking a drink, Mr. Brown.

Church Member (coldly passing on): I'm an honest man, sir. I paid for my drink, as I always do.

The King Collects His Rent

At the beginning of the week, on the anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, the Duke of Wellington went to Windsor Castle to present to the King the banner by which he pays his rent for the estate of Stratfieldsaye. This estate was granted to the "Iron Duke" who won Waterloo, and his descendants in perpetuity, on the quaint condition that the holder of the ducal title should present to the sovereign on each anniversary of the battle a banner which has taken the form of a miniature Napoleonic eagle standard.

Quitrents of this kind are not uncommon survivals of other times. The Duke of Atholl holds part of his lands on condition that he presents a white rose to the sovereign when honored by a royal visit. Red roses have been given to the King by the owner of a house in Buckinghamshire when the monarch passes that way and the owner of estates near Aylesbury is under obligation in similar circumstances to furnish straw for the royal bed.

If part of the proceeding is that his Majesty should sleep upon straw, it seems unlikely that he wil ever collect this quit rent.

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Sandino Flays U.S. "Crime"

Note From Rebel Chief Thanking Americans for Medical Supplies Received

Tells of "Extermination"

A grimy, weary rider on a mule, fighting jungle beasts and suffering from tropical diseases, has succeeded in piercing the lines of the American marines to General Augustino Sandino with the first shipment of medical supplies bought with American funds and has returned with a letter from the leader of the Nicaraguan rebels denouncing "the systematic extermination of a deenseless people by a country that is not officially at war," according to the headquarters of the All-American Anti-Imperialist League, 38Square. A copy of the purported letter was given to the press.

The shipment of medical supplies was sent from New York in the early part of March, in answer to a plea from General Sandino that "for want of bandages and medicines my wounded are dying like dogs on the road." When the consignmet reached Froylan Turcios, personal representative of General Sandio at Tegucigalpa, Honduras, a call was made for a volunteer to take it to Sandino, accordingto the story by Harry Gannes, Secretary of the Anti-Imperialist League in New York. Dr. Gustave Machado was accepted, Mr. Gannes said.

General Sandino in his purported letter assails the "policies of aggression" of the Washington Government.

The letter reads as follows:

Sirs—Members of the United States Section of the All-America Anti-Imperialistic League, 39 Union Square, Room. 40, New York City:

"I am glad to inform you that I have received from the hands of Dr. Gustave Machado(who came to our encampment as a representative of the Central Committee of the Hands-Off-Nicaragua Association) a package containing cotton, bandages and other medicines to cure the wounds of our soldiers.

"We are especially delighted that you, honest North Americans, manfest in this manner your protest and disapproval of the policies of aggression that the existing Government of United States is carrying on in Nicaragua.

"We know that the majority of the North American people is not directly responsible for the ferocious crimes that the marines commit every day in our country. Even to us came notice of the news of the meetings and public manifestations against the sending the marines to Nicaragua. We well know the situation of the working classin your country, also victims of the appression of the exploiters, exploited by the same interests that are now fighting to enslave the people of Latin America.

"But it is our conviction that if all the citizens would make heard their voice of protest, the opinion of the majority would be carried out, the opinion against the criminal plans of the Washington Government.

"We want to transmit through your army of liberation of Nicaragua to the anti-imperialist fighters of the United States for the sending of medicines,asking them at the same time that they should make known our opinion of the systematic extermination of a defenceless people by a country that is not officially at war, in violation of the Constitution of he United States.

"With cordial greetings, I am yours for country and liberty.

"A. C. SANDINO.

(Seal) "Patria y Libertad."

Encouraged by the success of their first shipment, the All-America Anti-Imperialistic League announced that it is planning to send more medicinal supplies to General Sandino as soon as possible.

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Baby's Own Tablets are sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Strong Man Ties Traffic

Lionel B. Morrett, of Sydney, Australia, who prefers to be known as "Little Samson," the world's strongest small man," weighs 107 pounds and stands four feet ten inches in his riding boots. At Forty-eventh Street and Broadway, in New York, at noon recently, he allowed two truck horses, attached to him by chains, to pull East and West. For some seven minutes the horses, responding to the proddings of attendants, struggled vainly to gallop in opposite directions. Several thousand persons watched and traffic was suspended.

When the stunt was over and "Little Samson" had been duly photographed and congratulated, he made a short speech to the assembled Times Square habitues to the effect that he soon would be seen performing in vaudeville at the regular rates. "Little Samson" is 26 years old. He atatributes his strength to a balanced diet. "I eat when I'm hungry, but I eat the right things," he said mysteriously.

Every Home Needs Minard's Liniment

Education and the Bible

Martin Brack in the Leeds Yorkshire Post (Cons.): Much is written and spoken about education; hardly a newspaper is printed that does not contain some reference to the subject. Yet these thoughts of God and of man's life, with which the Bible is inspired throughout, are the very ones which are omitted from present-day education, or relegated to a minor position in it. As to adult education, its sources seem to be the daily Press, a few weekly and monthly magazines, and a multitude of novels. Some further fodder for the minds of both young and old is provided by the cinema. But what place does the Bible take?

When Food Sours

About two hours after eating many people suffer from sour stomachs. They call it indigestion. It means that the stomach nerves have been overstimulated. There is excess acid. The way to correct it is with an alkali, which neutralizes many times its volume in acid.

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Prince of Wales Now 34, Passes Birthday Quietly

London.—Britain, on June 23rd, wished the Prince of Wales many happy returns on the occasion of his thirty-fourth birthday, but, in accordance with custom, there was no public celebration. The Pince himself passed a quiet week end at Sunningdale, bettering his golf.

He closed his year with a short speech to students of the London School of Economics, gathered in a chilly wind on the new school building's roof, which later all were glad to leave for a dance inside. There he remarked to friends:

"I say, it was jolly cold up there." He danced with a number of the girl students, making his own choice of partners. Afterward the students gave him a carved oaken model of the school's crest. This was the only birthday present he would accept, having recently turned down a valuable gift with the words, "I'm too old for birthday presents."

As another year has ticked off without altering the celibate state of the Prince, the usual question, "Will he ever marry?" is being asked, but as usual he gives no sign which may be taken as an answer.

"Many a girl has discovered that she can't vote on her twenty-first birthday unless it happens to be election day."

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