

To Build Road From New York To Buenos Aires

12,000 Miles Long, It Will Be Opened on Anniversary of Columbus' Arrival in America

Over miles-high mountain peaks, across plateaus both arid and fertile, and through sea-level swamp and jungle, men, armed with spades, axes, picks and brush-knives, aided by oxen, horses, burros and machines, are building a road in South America.

"Pan-American Highway" When completed, this road will be a thin white ribbon stretching from Buenos Aires, 12,000 miles north to New York City, says a commentator in The New York Sun.

It is to be called the Pan-American Highway and its official opening, is set for October 12, 1942, the 450th anniversary of the discovery of the western world by Columbus.

The project is rapidly becoming a feasible reality instead of a wild flight of the imagination. The first northern link of this great international highway is already familiar to thousands of American tourists who have traveled over it from the United States to Mexico City. Equal thousands of South Americans have motored over the southern portion, now complete, from Buenos Aires to Lima, Peru. The completion of the westernmost link of this highway connected with the existing roads from Lima, Peru, to Quito, Ecuador, and thence northeast to Bogota, Colombia. Colombian highways carry the route to a point near the Panamanian border.

Chicago Show Sets Records

Smiling Canadians Leave Live Stock Exposition With 25 Titles and 507 Firsts

Prize-winning aristocrats of the agricultural world paraded at the 1939 international livestock show at Chicago the last night of the exposition, while exhibitors craved \$1,000,000 in sales and prize money into the vaults.

"It was the greatest show in the 10-year history of the exposition," said B. H. Heide, general manager.

Thirty states, four Canadian provinces and Argentina were represented among the top winners. The Argentines won one first place, Canadians took 25 championships and 507 firsts.

Knighted For Exploit



Admiral Sir H. H. Harwood, former Commander in command of the British squadron which put Germany's pocket battleship "Graf Spee" out of commission. He has been knighted by King George and promoted to rank of Admiral following the victory.

Does Hitler Eat Too Much Fat?

Expert on Diet Declares Man With Torpid Liver Is Bad-Tempered

"If Hitler had fewer eggs and less butter and the German people had more, the world would be a more peaceful place," said Mrs. Eileen Murphy, of the British Commercial Gas Association, speaking at Stoke, Eng., on modern home-making.

"Hitler does not drink, smoke or eat meat," she said. "But his diet contains too many eggs and too much fat."

"His chef has to cook eggs in thirty different ways, and he is very fond of vegetables done with fat."

"Eggs and fat are good when eaten in moderation. But too much of them tends to upset the liver. A man with a torpid liver is usually bad-tempered, unreasonable and hard to live with."

NEWS PARADE ...

The Second Great War broke a record in its fifteenth week — for excitement. Two events, one of unexcelled dramatic interest, the other world-shaking in importance, held the spellbound attention of newspaper readers, radio hounds, of all countries. We refer to the "suicide" of the Graf Spee; the expulsion of Russia from the League of Nations.

What a wealth of speculation hinged on these two happenings! Had Hitler himself ordered the scuttling of the Spee? Was it a gesture of great bravado, or was she blown up in order that the secrets of her construction might not fall into enemy hands? With regard to the action taken at Geneva, many thinking people felt regret and annoyance that the League had not seen fit previously to do something about the aggressions of Hitler, the rape of Albania by Mussolini. (The League had never even discussed the disappearance of Austria, Czechoslovakia or Poland from the map). Looking ahead, too, the world wondered whether Russia's expulsion would not throw the U.S.S.R. and Germany closer together.

Italian Foreign Minister Count Ciano's speech to the Fascist Chamber embodied the first clear and comprehensive statement of Italian policy since the beginning of the war. He asserted, first of all, that the Rome-Berlin Axis remains strong as ever despite Italy's neutrality. Extenuating Hitler's pact with Stalin, he declared that Italy knew of the accord in advance. Further, he said, Italy informed the Reich last May, that she would not be prepared to engage in warfare for three years. Such a statement appeared to end for the moment any hope that Italy could be induced to come in on the Allies' side. (Same week: Virginia Gayda, one of Mussolini's mouthpieces, in a radio address declared that Italy must have sea outlets at Gibraltar, the Dardanelles and Suez).

During the week U.S. Ambassador Kennedy returned to Washington from his post at London to give a report on the war by word-of-mouth to his chief. He emphatically urged the States to stay out of the conflict at all costs. "This is not our fight," he said.

At home in Canada, the final draft of the momentous Empire air training plan was completed. Highlights: estimated cost of plan for three years, \$600,000,000; with Canada's share, \$350,000,000; required establishment in Canada of 67 schools of all types; nearly 40,000 men required to carry out plan, exclusive of students; about 60 new air fields to be constructed and 20 existing fields enlarged; United Kingdom to supply most of aircraft, including engines and spares, as her share in cost; Canada, Australia and New Zealand to contribute to total cost in proportion to use made of plan by pupils from those countries; excluding cost of aircraft supplied by Britain, Canada to bear cost of initial and elementary training in Canada and about four-fifths of remaining costs of program; program to be administered by Dominion Government, with supervisory board composed of representatives from four countries involved; great majority of pupils will be Canadians; pilot training to take about 26 weeks, many thousands of pilots to be turned out each year.

The War at the end of 1939 was not one war, but three: between the Allies and Germany; between Russia and Finland; between Japan and China — Western, Eastern, Far Eastern.

Will Get View Of Six Planets

Astronomer Says Unique Grouping In February Display Is Seen Only Every Few Thousand Years

The people of today will be privileged to witness something which neither their children nor their great-grandchildren will see — a grouping of six planets in the western sky next February, Dr. Frank S. Hogg, professor of astronomy at the David Dunlop Observatory, Toronto, told the Royal Canadian Institute in an address last week.

"It's only every few thousand years that you find as many as six planets in the same region of the skies," he said. "Along with earth, there will appear in the western sky during the latter days of February the planets Mercury, Jupiter, Venus, Saturn, Mars and Uranus."

Pretty Canadian Girl Is Instructing Future Pilots of The R.C.A.F.



Determined to show the air force that women instructors can turn out as good a pilot as male instructors, pretty Helen Harrison is busily engaged in giving instruction to pilots who have their eyes on the R.C.A.F. She is teaching flying at Kitchener-Waterloo Flying Club after being turned down when she applied for work ferrying military planes. Her record includes the instructing of military pilots in South Africa and test pilot for a Canadian aircraft company. Pictured with her is Provisional Pilot Officer Paul Henderson.

Grand Titles Go To 8 Canadians

At International Hay and Grain Show, Chicago — Winners in Live Stock Section Also

William Rogers of Tappan, B.C., was awarded the grand championship for rye at the twenty-first international grain and hay show Rogers' victory brought the total number of grand championships won by Canada this year at Chicago to eight.

The other grain grand awards were wheat, field beans and oats to Alberta; alfalfa to Saskatchewan; soy beans and field peas to Ontario and timothy seed to British Columbia.

Ontario Boys, Best Cows Two youthful farmers, members of the Canadian Boys' and Girls' Farm Clubs, Gerald Hessemauer of Rodney, Ont., and Garnett Knist-

Film Hero Dies Suddenly



Douglas Fairbanks, great star of the silent screen and renowned for his acrobatic ability before the camera, died suddenly from a heart attack at his home in Santa Monica, Calif. He was 55.

Will Regulate Hog Industry

Ottawa Acts to Prevent Scandals Like in Last War

Blanket regulation of Canada's hog industry — designed to guard against any repetition of the bacon scandals of the last war — is to be an immediate result of the arrangement now concluded with the British Government for large-scale purchases of Canadian bacon last week. A story in the Windsor Daily Star.

To Supervise Industry A bacon control board is being set up by the federal government to supervise all phases of the nation's hog industry. It will regulate not only the price to be paid to the primary producer, but also the operations of the packing plants. The spread that the packers will be allowed to earn will be rigidly specified by the federal bacon authority.

So far as the farmers are concerned, it is likely that the scheme will return them about an average price of nine cents per pound or a little better over the year for their bacon hogs.

Called Adequate The hog population of the Dominion at the present time is four and one-quarter million animals. This is adequate to the productive requirements of the new British arrangement.

Makes Tomatoes

O. A. C. Lecturer Plans to Develop New Types — Takes Seven Generations to Fix the Variety

C. E. Mighton, of Guelph, is a young plant wizard who has set himself to perform a real feat of legerdemain — two of them, in fact. He has determined to be the Burbank of the tomato.

This young lecturer at the Ontario College of Agriculture promises to reach into his scientific hat and pull out a bigger, redder, juicier tomato than any now grown in Canada, and present it to the catnip preservers and tomato juice squeezers of Western Ontario.

"Small, Round, Firm," Wanted He promises to reach into another hat and pull out a little, firm round tomato, more prolific than any grown in Canada, and to present it to eastern Ontario canners who have been looking for a tomato that won't go squasy in the can.

"There'll be no hocus-pocus or 'abracadabra' about it," said Mighton, in a recent address at Toronto. "We are working along strictly scientific lines, and I think we are meeting success."

Strictly Scientific "Once you have found the characteristics you want, it takes from six to nine generations to fix them," he said. "At O.A.C., we grow two generations a year, one outside and one in a hothouse, so it will take three to five years to fix our variety once we find it."

VOICE of the PRESS

INTERESTED SPECTATORS Ethiopians will be interested in Italian indignation over Russian barbarities in Finland. — Brandon Sun.

SUPPORTING THE TOWN BAND Interesting is the result, the passing of a by-law at Port Erie to spend a quarter of a mill annually for the town band and that is not a big price to pay for band concerts. It is possible Port Erie may set a fashion elsewhere in the province. — Niagara Falls Review.

PRESERVE SPIRIT OF DEMOCRACY If there is to be democracy after the war is over, democracy must not be abandoned while the war is on. The spirit of democracy must be respected, not suppressed, within the democracies themselves. The thing for which the war is fought abroad must not be lost at home. — Toronto Star.

WARNINGS UNHEEDED Another case of poisoning by monoxide gas has been reported. It is regrettable that, in spite of all the warnings that have been published for years regarding the danger of this deadly gas, fatalities still occur to those who thoughtlessly tinker with their motor cars in closed garages while the engine is running. — Brantford Expositor.

MICKIE SAYS—

SOME SUBSCRIBERS GOT THE IDEA THAT WE MAKE SO MUCH MONEY ON ADS AN' JOB WORK, WE DON'T HAVE T' COLLECT OUR SUBSCRIPTION MONEY! IT AINT SO, FOLKS! IT AINT SO!



LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



"I Want You To Tell Me How You Managed to Get Into the House Without Waking My Wife."

By GENE BYRNES

REG'LAR FELLERS—Get the Broom

