

British Monarchs Celebrate 37th Anniversary of Wedding

London.—King George and Queen Mary of England celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary quietly at Buckingham Palace recently.

They attended services in the palace chapel in the morning, and during the day received congratulations from members of the royal family and personal friends.

The King's second sister, the Princess Victoria, celebrating her 62nd birthday, which falls on her brother's anniversary, visited the King and Queen in the afternoon.

The rulers of Britain looked back over a life together of many events—events common to every man and woman, and others peculiar to persons of their position. There were births, deaths, marriages—and, on the royal side, a coronation, the responsibility of their Empire in the throes of war, the never-ending functions of state.

Their marriage was a romantic affair—a film story in an age when

cinemas were unknown. The Princess May—as Queen Mary was known then—daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Teck, became engaged to Prince George, now the King, only a little before they were married, July 6, 1893.

It has always been said the King and Queen are an exceptionally affectionate couple. After their marriage, they set up house at White Lodge, Richmond Park, Surrey, as the Duke and Duchess of York.

A son was born to them a year later, the infant who is now the Prince of Wales, followed by another son, the Duke of York, and then a girl, Princess Mary, in 1897.

Two more sons were born, in 1900 and 1902, Prince Henry and Prince George.

King George became monarch in 1910, on the death of King Edward, and the following year little Prince David was made Prince of Wales with traditional ceremony at Carnarvon Castle, Wales.

Airmen Form Social Empire Association

"Compares Air Force" New Flying Club—Includes Canadians

London.—"Comrades of the Air Force" is the name of a new association formed here for the purpose of linking up airmen in a social way. Air Commodore Charles R. Sanson, one of the most intrepid airmen alive, presided at the inaugural meeting here recently.

The comrades intend to establish branches throughout the country to facilitate regular reunions. All officers and men who served in the Royal Naval Air Service, the Royal Flying Corps and the Royal Air Force are eligible for membership as are also members of the air forces of Canada, Australia and South Africa.

The idea of such a social link-up is warmly supported by air Marshal Sir John Salmond. Lord Trenchard, marshal of the Royal Air Force, has been invited to become president of the new association.

Kingsford-Smith to Seek Fresh Record

Flier Will Take Off From Britain to Austria Shortly

Los Angeles.—Plans for a solo flight from England to Australia in an attempt to break the record of 14 days were revealed recently by Flight Commander Charles E. Kingsford-Smith, pilot of the world-circling monoplane Southern Cross.

Kingsford-Smith, only man to fly across the Pacific and Atlantic oceans, said that he proposed to make the flight in a light plane and set 10 days as the required time. He will fly by way of Rome, Athens, Calcutta, and Batavia, he said.

The noted pilot said the flight will start before September, for he will marry Mary Powell in Australia that month.

Half-a-Million Dollar Ape Farm

Half a million dollars has been appropriated by the Rockefeller Foundation for the establishment and maintenance of an ape farm at Orange Park, Fla., where apes will be bred scientifically and their progress carefully observed by a group of anthropologists, under the direction of Prof. Robert M. Yerkes of Yale University.

Rains Deluge Desert in Central Australia - Grass Springing Up

Adelaide, S. Aust.—Quick transformation, almost overnight, from parched desert to a region of flooded rivers, luxuriant vegetation and contented grazing stock is not unknown in Australia, but it has rarely been experienced on such a scale as has been witnessed in the central areas of the continent.

Watered by the best rains, in many places, for half a century, the whole region has been transformed, the floods spreading over enormous expanses of dusty, thirsty land and a green tinge of almost forgotten grass covering the landscape.

Country which has not had rain for more than three years received inches of magic moisture. There were areas that had had only from a half inch to an inch of rain for several years. Some places have received as much as ten inches during the recent rains. Soon the land will be carpeted with wildflowers, converting it into a rich garden.

Even in some of the more favored areas, these floods are the most extensive for 30 years. The wide, empty banks of the River Diamantina, one of central Australia's great rivers in the years of long ago, are covered over by a sea spreading out for miles. The flooded ground will provide feed for sheep and cattle for a long period. It is difficult now to so where herbage is not growing.

Frontier Clashes To Be Prevented?

Berlin.—Germany and Poland are making a serious effort to prevent a repetition of frontier clashes, such as have occurred in the recent past. Officials on both sides of the frontier are being instructed to act more carefully.

Germany, furthermore, is determined not to let the German-French negotiations break off completely. It is learned. An attempt will be made to keep up the discussions on at least one of the many points involved.

The whole subject matter is complicated. The fixing of the sum to be paid for mines, the determination of the quantity of coal to be delivered to France and other problems need investigation, but their solution may have advanced sufficiently for the League council to discuss them in September.

Miss England II Will Run Next Year?

London, England.—Lord Wakefield, owner of the motorboat Miss England II, has decided not to race her again this year as a mark of respect to Sir Henry Seagrave and E. Halliwell, who perished after breaking the world's speed record on Lake Windermere.

It is expected she will compete again next year in an endeavor to improve the present world's record, as many famous pilots have already offered to drive her, and both the engine and the hull are reported to be undamaged by the accident to the hydroplane's step, which caused the boat to overturn.

Demand for Wood Steady

Although each year sees more substitutes on the Canadian market, the amount of wood used remains practically constant. This is due to the new uses being continually found for wood, as a result of the great amount of research now being carried on with a view to finding new uses for wood in its natural condition or by modifications, chemically or mechanically.

Plane Rushes Swiss Mail to Huge Liner

Cherbourg, France.—Steamer-aviation mail service between Switzerland and America was established July 5, when a plane from Basel brought 500 pounds of Swiss mail for the United States to the steamship Berengaria.

The plane left Basel at a.m., arrived at Cherbourg at 10.45, and had the mail aboard the Berengaria at 1 p.m. The liner sailed for New York at 3 p.m.

Even the mailman, who is used to the dusty tracks, and hardly knows any other, was held up for several weeks by floods.

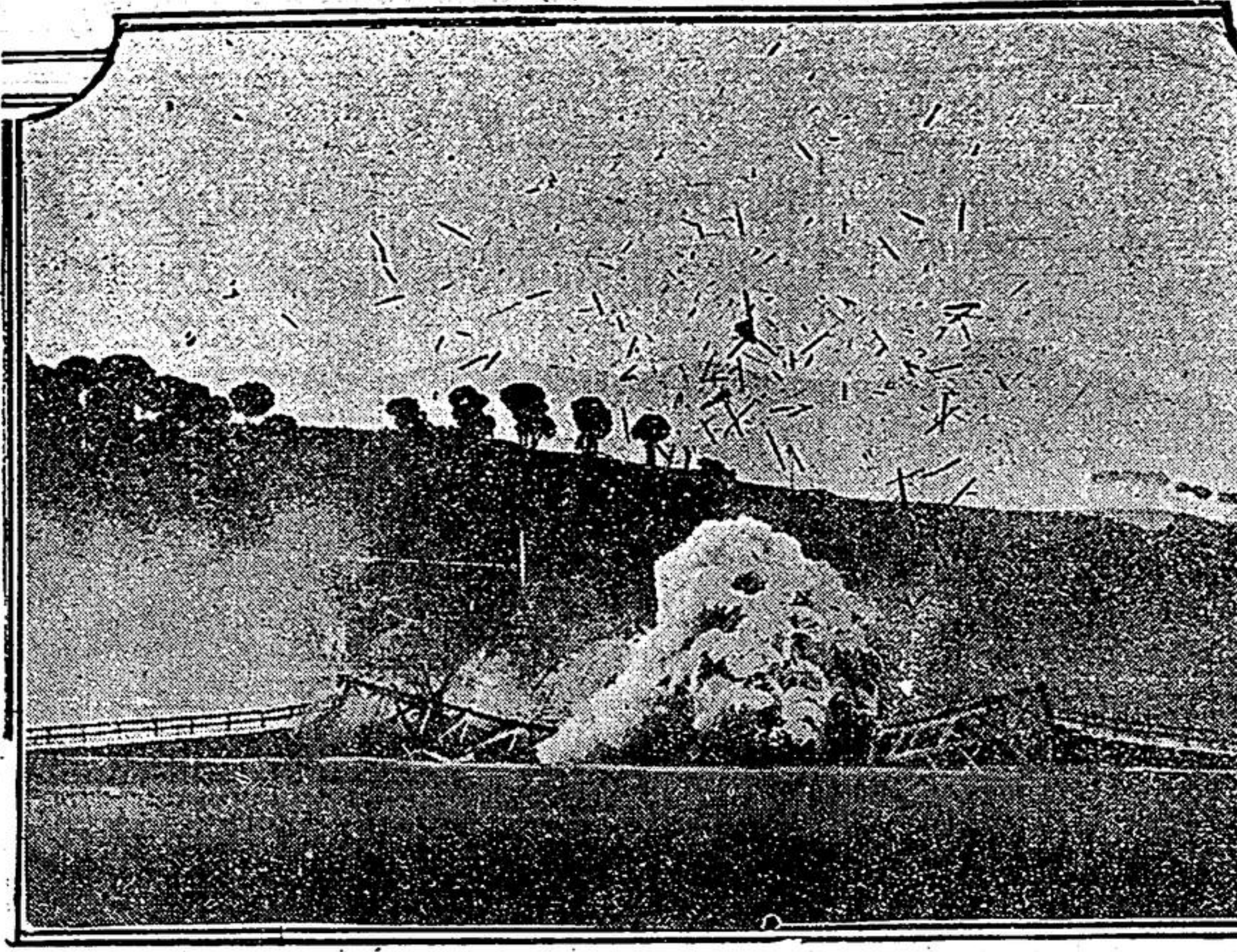
No one who has seen central Australia in normal times can imagine the wonderful sight presented by water glistening over thousands of acres of this empty continent.

Dry conditions have reduced the flocks and herds to such an extent that for the present there is not much stock to take advantage of nature's feast. Restocking has already started, but it is a slow and costly process. Finance will be a difficulty, but the railway to Alice Springs will facilitate transport in a manner that was not possible a year ago. A wet winter is required to put the pastoral industry on a sound basis, and most of the interior will still want one or two good seasons to set these long, dry areas on a secure footing. But station owners are proceeding as fast as possible with restocking, making ready for the better seasons that now seem to be assured.

Meanwhile the new railway to Alice Springs, which is the capital of the southern half of central Australia, has promoted a tourist traffic to the interior.

Motor excursions are running out to the scenic beauties of the McDonnell range, which is unique in its massive charm and climate of crystal exhilaration.

Spectacle for Royalty.



Graphic incidents were witnessed by the King, Queen and other members of the Italian Royal family at the Italian Air Pageant which took place at the Littorian Aerodrome, near Rome.

Bobby Jones is Welsh by Extraction

London.—Bobby Jones, who now holds the British open and amateur championships in Welsh by extraction. The name suggests it, and Enderby Howard has confirmed it. Jones's origin in Wales dates back several generations, but the line is unbroken, and his mother was a Miss Clara Thomas.

He is linked in marriage to Ireland. His wife was a Miss Maleny Pitt and excited, she could not bear the strain of following her husband's matches at St. Andrews. "She stood on the balcony of the hotel, waiting every day for news, and waving her handkerchief to him when—on several occasions—he was so hard pressed as to be brought to the last green.

New System Proves Highly Successful

Cincinnati, O.—With the declaration by the Proctor & Gamble Company of a quarterly dividend of 60 cents a share on common stock, or a \$2.40 annual basis, as compared with \$2 a year ago, the possibility is raised that such success as this indicates may be considerably due to the "employee-director," "employee-profit-sharing" and "guaranteed employment" plans which have respectively been in force since 1933 and 1924.

The Proctor & Gamble Company was founded in 1837. In 1838 its profit-sharing system was established, thus causing the company to be among the first of the American business organizations to realize and act upon the fact that a time would come when workmen as well as moneyed persons might, to the profit of the organizations, be shareholders in growing corporations.

In August of 1924 the employees, under an extension of the profit-sharing plan, were guaranteed 48 weeks' work in the year. Men from the ranks became directors.

Our idea of cruel and unusual punishment would be to sentence a Native Son to write the history of Canada in 500 words.

Earthquakes Cause Mysterious New Disease, Physicians Declare

Gangtok, State of Sikkim, India.—This little state perched on the top of the world on the main axis of the Himalayas, sustained the brunt of India's recent earthquakes, rocking like a skyscraper when the shocks swayed Assam and other mountainous districts hereabouts.

Public opinion blames, to some extent, the earthquakes for a mysterious epidemic resembling cholera which has broken out here. Forty-five per-

sons have died of it within the last few days. The disease continues to spread.

One theory of physicians is that the earthquakes disturbing the earth's surface, uncovered dormant germs to which the people were then exposed. Many buildings were damaged here. Government buildings, schools and shops were the worst affected. Many houses were cracked throughout the country.

Woman's Air Speed Mark Set by Amelia Earhart

Detroit, Mich.—Amelia Earhart, transatlantic flier, established an international woman's speed record here recently by averaging 181.18 miles an hour over a three kilometer course. Earlier in the week she had made another record by averaging 174.9 miles an hour over a 100 kilometer course.

The flights were checked by observers from the National Aeronautic Association and the Federation Aeronautique Internationale.

Paris to Aid in Building 20,000 Apartments

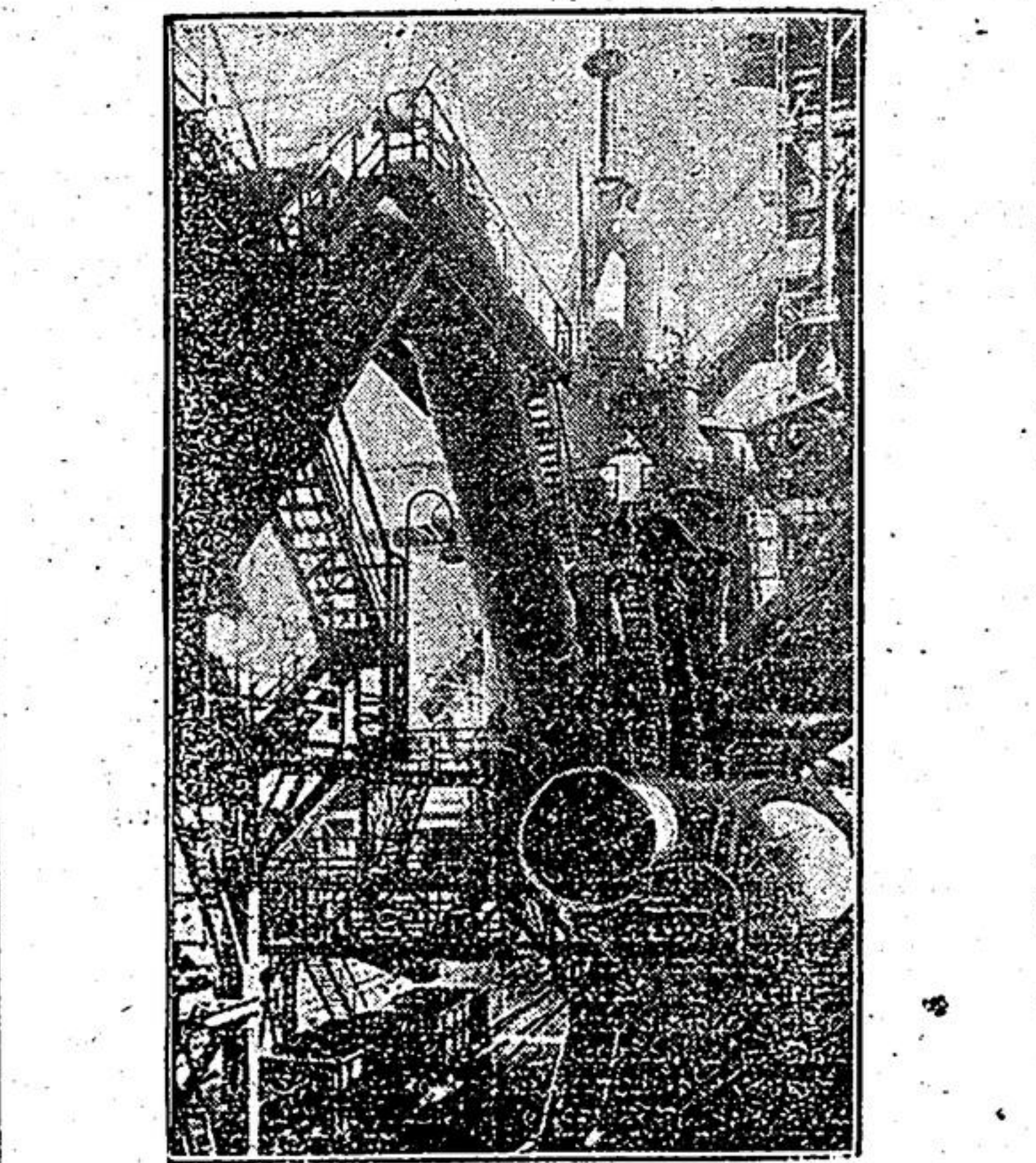
Paris.—The city municipal council has approved a project for the construction of 20,000 apartments by a private company which will have municipal support.

Some flats will be let at a rent which will show a loss, but others will be rented at rates which, while exceeding by 33 per cent the maximum provided by the Loucheur law, will still be 25 to 30 per cent cheaper than rents generally are for such accommodations.

YOUTH

Parents have a wonderful way of forgetting how they felt when they were young.

And sail the billows fine, But keeping books in a pickle-shop is as near as I get to brine.



A view of an imposing work of the new Krupp steel works in Essen, Germany, on the Rhine-Herne canal. These works will probably be visited during the Berlin world power conference this year.

Death-Trap Mine Takes 162 Lives

70 Bodies Recovered—49 Injured Are in Hospital

Neurode, Lower Silesia.—Long black flags wave over the buildings of the Wenceslaus Mine, where 162 miners lost their lives as a result of a terrific explosion of carbonic acid gas in diggings 1,100 feet below the surface.

Ninety-two bodies have been recovered, and 49 injured are lying in the mine hospital, while 70 bodies are still imprisoned in the chamber where the blast occurred. In an attempt to save the lives of 130 men in the next section it was necessary to slam the air doors shut after the explosion, leaving 81 to their fate.

Miners Fear Closing
In the drawn faces of those waiting at the mine-head the suffering of these people, whose average family income is \$1 a day, may be easily read. Yet despite the danger and the loss of life, which has practically decimated the village, they are discussing nervously the possibility that the Government may order the mine closed down as unsafe. There will be no money except the dole then. More than 900 were turned off on July 1 owing to the depression.

"There are another 100 who won't have to be paid off," is the grim comment of more than one realist among the watchers.

Carbonic acid gas, which is heavier than air and often develops in pockets to a pressure of 150 atmospheres, streams forth when an accidental tap loosens the pocket wall. It works rapidly and painlessly. "We find them as if they had simply fallen asleep," a doctor said.

Known as Death-Trap

This gas has long been known here, and the Wenceslaus Mine has always had a particularly bad reputation as a death-trap. The precautions taken include setting off a charge of dynamite before a new shift goes on, in order to shake any of the necessarily exposed pockets of gas loose. It is also forbidden to use vibrators, miners in drilling for fear of opening up a deadly wall of poison. Nevertheless, there is no absolute safeguard except the closing of the mine, which is said to be unprofitable anyhow, and to produce a poor grade of coal.

Explosions of carbonic acid gas have been known to have a force sufficient to disrupt a mass of stone and coal weighing more than 1,000 tons, according to the Prussian Bureau of Mines, which further points out that the most dangerous moment is in the use of explosives, which must be discharged electrically from a distance, and when the men are all above the ground.

It is impossible to ascertain the cause of the catastrophe now, but it is assumed that it must have been started by a driller coming unawares on a pocket.

President von Hindenburg sent a telegram of condolence and \$2,500 for the bereaved families, while the Prussian Government sent \$25,000, and the Reichstag will vote a sum for relief.

Southern Cross Is Presented to Backer

Santa Maria, Calif.—Lieut. Colonel Charles Kingsford-Smith recently presented the famous plane, the Southern Cross, to G. Allen Hancock, backer of its transpacific flight, and then flew to San Simeon, Calif., for a holiday.

The return flight of the ship will end its career, which emblazoned it in aviation history as one of the greatest pathfinders of the skylarks.

With Lieut. Col. Kingsford-Smith on his last trip in the sturdy plane were two other members of the crew which flew the Southern Cross from Ireland to San Francisco, Capt. J. Patrick Sneli, Irish navigator and John W. Stannage, radioman, and Mr. and Mrs. Hancock. Mr. Hancock said he planned to place the Southern Cross on display at an aviation college he founded here and later might place it in a museum.

Six Bullseyes!

Bisley Camp, England.—Sergeant Mackay of Scotland is 78 years of age. He won the King's Prize classic for Empire marksmen—though it was called the Queen's Prize then—back in 1883. But if anybody thinks he is losing his keen eye and steady hand he has only to point to the score card he hung up at the Bisley meet recently—six consecutive bullseyes at 200 yards.

Eruptive Core of Vesuvius Widening

Naples, Italy.—The eruptive cone in Mount Vesuvius had widened recently under the force of continued eruptions during its belated period of spring activity.

The lava flows rapidly through underground passages to the crater, where it piles up. The incandescent material in the bottom of the crater has doubled since the activity.

Rabbit Gives Birth to 23

Winnipeg.—A rabbit has scored something of a record according to local authorities.

A gray chinchilla, owned by W. Toole, recently gave birth to 23 young ones; of these 20 are still alive and doing nicely.

Girl Defeats Aces In British Derby

Nation Hails Winifred Brown as New Air Heroine

London.—Miss Winifred S. Brown, piloting an Avro-Avian airplane, won the King's Cup in a recent competition with eighty-seven other craft in a 750-mile air race around England. Thereby she achieved a place in British popular admiration comparable to that held by Miss Amy Johnson, who recently flew alone to Australia, for Miss Brown is the first woman ever to capture the greatly prized trophy of the British Air Derby.

Mrs. A. S. Butler, piloting one of the other five machines entered by women in the race, finished fourth. Her husband was second.

PRINCE'S PLANE EIGHTEENTH
Planes entered by the Prince of Wales and Prince George, his youngest brother, but not occupied by them, finished eighteenth and seventh, respectively.

Flight Lieutenant H. R. D. Waghorn, who last year, in a seaplane, won the Schneider Trophy or Great Britain, could win no better than third place with his Blackburn Bluebird.

The performance of Miss Brown, who is twenty-six years old, is considered remarkable by aviation experts. Only one other woman previously has finished near to the front in the Air Derby, which is a handicap event. That was Miss Winifred E. Spooner, who won second place two years ago. She flew a Martlet plane in the last Derby.

AVERAGE 102.7 MILES AN HOUR

Miss Brown's time was seven hours and twenty minutes over the 750-mile course, an average of 102.7 miles an hour. She won also the Siddeley Trophy, a special prize offered in connection with the race and for which only members of the Light Airplane Club were eligible.

She started from Hanworth Field, near London, in fourteenth position, an hour and sixteen minutes behind the first started. She was seventh at Bristol, 122 miles away, and roared into third position at Manchester, where she has her home. Hundreds cheered her there.

At Newcastle—the half-way mark—she brought her plane further to the front after a sensational neck-and-neck duel with Waghorn, who is a veteran of the fastest seaplane races ever held.

Delicate Fragrance

Now that every one is striving to keep pace with the mode and appear ladylike, romantically modern, quaintly smart, or demurely elegant, the exotic types of perfumes just will not serve.

Unquestionably the ankle-length demureness of the net gown with tiny puff sleeve calls for a demure, delicate fragrance. The magnificent opera gown of velvet, with its attendant blaze of imitation or real diamonds requires a harmonizing scent. Similarly the feminine formal suit, with its soft, frilled blouse of satin or crepe, needs a subtle feminine odor. The skilled simplicity of the more elegant sports mode exacts a correspondingly sweet odor.

What shall these perfumes be? Floral fragrances and bouquet odors. With the new silhouette these light floral scents and sweet bouquets create an allure and further the secret of femininity. They need not be entirely unsophisticated, as the newer odors offered by the best perfumers attest.

Revenge

The very harassed-looking young man stood outside the big jeweller's shop window clutching half a brick in his hand. Presently he raised his arm to throw the missile when suddenly a policeman arrived on the scene and held his arm.

"What are you doing?" asked the constable angrily.

"I'm going to smash it through that window," snapped the young man desperately.

"Smash-and-grab raid, eh?" replied the constable officiously. "You'd better come along to the station."

"Oh, but I don't want any of the jewels!" put in the young man hastily. "I only want my revenge on them for selling me a wedding-ring last year!"—Answers.

Making Sure

Wilson, the commercial traveler, looked at the long list of calls and the list of trains he had to catch during the week's trip.

"I don't mind getting up early in the morning," he ventured; "but you've left very little time for me to have my meals."

"You can eat on the trains," replied the employer. "You can't waste much time with all those calls to make."

Wilson departed, and a week later he returned to the office.

"Well," asked his employer, "got a good bunch of orders?"

Wilson hesitated for a moment, and then said cheerfully, "Well, I haven't got any orders, sir, but I caught all those blooming trains."—Answers.

"A man is under the influence of drink" within ten minutes of taking any alcohol," said a medical authority, giving evidence before the Licensing Commission.