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## BOTWOOD AIRPORT POINTS THE WAY

THE story of the building of a trans-Atlantic airport at Botwood, Newfoundland, is one likely to be repeated many times before aviation has reached all those parts of the world where commerce will send it. The development of this particular field, apart from its location in an inaccessible timber country, and the size of the task involved, focuses attention of several features which may be said to mark the trend of air commerce for some years to come. It is an airport of the future, and a pattern for those that follow.

Actually there are two ports at Newfoundland. The flying-boat harbor, which the Caledonia has been using, at Gander's Lake, and the land field, some two miles inland, at a site once known as Hattie's Camp, and not far from the spot where Alcock and Brown took off on their famed first crossing. In effect they are but a single project, part of one service, but separated as they are in the interests of safety. The Botwood port owes its location to the harbor site, chosen because it is free of ice all year round and has very little fog.

It will be some time, perhaps, before the land field comes into its own. Though Britain intends to make test flights with a four-engined plane of the Albatross type as soon as the field is ready, this phase of the service is not expected to expand to any proportions before the large 100-ton airliners, which exist only on the designer's drawing board, are put in operation. But it is to accommodate such craft in absolute safety that the Botwood field is being built.

Covering an area of 860 acres, cleared of obstructions for a mile on every side—its own wireless control towers are a mile away—it is to have four runways, three 4,500 feet long and 600 feet wide, intersecting at angles of 45 degrees, and the fourth 5,000 feet long and 1,200 feet wide. This construction has already earned it the reputation of the safest airport in the world.

The trend outlined by these gigantic planes and the close co-operation between land and air services is toward a policy of long "hops" between centres with dual facilities, serviced by feeder lines operating to and from the intermediate points. It is this trend, perhaps, which is encouraging New York to establish a combination land and sea port, which has convinced San Francisco and a half a dozen other large United States cities that land, sea and air must be made to meet if all that aviation promises is to be realized.

## TO THE EDGE AND BACK

A WORLD that can survive the punishment this one has taken should be able to stand a lot more ruination. Think of the variety of crises we have been through in recent years.

Somewhat or other, most of these crises appear to be washing up rather better than was expected. Pessimistic persons may insist upon the inevitability of chaos, but pessimists have been doing that for untold centuries, yet in the aggregate, the human race shows encouraging progress.

Rarely has there been a time in history when indications of the collapse of civilization were not present if one were in the mood to look for them. In this day man is still aware of the awful lessons he learned in the world war. It may appear superficially that those lessons have been forgotten but they do pop up in the minds of the men who have the power to precipitate a big war.

Russia has withdrawn its armed forces from the disputed Amur river island territory. Germany has withdrawn her ships from the Mediterranean. Men of power seem to be going to the edge of chaos, only to turn back at the vision of horror that rises before them.

In short, we see a world where persons are at least aware of the public will to international and domestic peace. With God's help that will of the people grows ever stronger.

## THE FEMININE TOUCH

NEITHER to point a moral nor prove a point, we give utterance to our growing interest in the feminine touch in strikes. Much is written about the brutality of men in labor war. Some day some impressive expert is going to write a treatise on woman on the warpath.

Photographs of picket lines in the steel strike will be interesting historical and psychological exhibits, particularly where they show women in action.

An excited male picket may throw a rock or a fist, may swing a club or a right to the chin. That is mere elementary stuff to the women.

Photographs of workers returning to the mills under guard show them walking between two standing lines of pickets. The men on the picket line appear content to jeer, or even merely look scornfully upon the non-striker. And one woman has burst from the line and is seen trying to pull the trousers off the non-striker to make him further an object of derision.

It was woman who long ago introduced this stripping technique. They did it first to non-striking girls and then stopped their march back to work. It certainly was effective picketing.

What do we conclude from it all? Show us a man brave enough to conclude anything about women.

## SNAPSHOTS

It appears that the local tourist book which came out late and looked like blazes is liable to cost the board more than it was expected. The whole affair in regard to the committee issuing of the book was badly handled. The board will have to cough up the money.

When a man is put on a committee to handle things he should be one who knows his onions in regard to local conditions and requirements.

An effort should be made by the S.P.C.A. or by some other organization to save the kiddies who are running around the back streets and parks up to eleven o'clock p. m. whilst the parents are at the pictures or in bed.

As far as a woman is concerned, the North Pole, the South Pole and the Equator might have stayed there, forever, and she would never have bothered looking for them. Unless, of course, she suspected that her husband was hanging around one of them, with a blonde.

Too bad that Amelia is lost. But what benefit after all was her trip going to do to science or to the world.

Women's styles have always had their amusing angle but this is the first season the girls have taken to wearing a bandage for a hat.

A Paris expert has named the world's ten best dressed women. We didn't know there were ten women in the world today who dressed.

Those Russian aviators flew to New York and were given a formal reception the other day. They left without claiming the city for Moscow.

Give a girl enough rope and she will make a hat of it.

Just to make the stamp collector's life a little dizzier Czechoslovakia has issued Little Entente stamps.

## MOCK WAR

(Continued from Page One) air squadrons protecting the English Channel located the "invader."

The "attack" was staged in the closing hours of a fortnight of naval "combat" over an area stretching from the Azores to the English Channel, in connection with land manoeuvres that for the last two days kept all southern England west of a line from London to Bristol in a "state of war."

Throughout the last two days, after the "invaders" reached the coast, hundreds of planes were engaged in the action — flying without lights. Civil aviation had been warned to keep clear of the area.

The hottest part of the "battle" was from midnight to 2 a.m. today when the movements of civilians were restricted. Squads of men to deal with "gas bombs" and damage to roads, buildings and electricity, water and gas services were mobilized along with first aid units.

## FRENCH FRANC DOWN IN VALUE

(Special to The Daily Mail) (PARIS, July 17)—Rapid devaluation of the value of the French franc has been announced. The franc which was formerly rated at one hundred and twenty eight and a half to the pound is now one hundred and thirty-two to the pound. In some circles it is claimed that the devaluation was caused on account of the contemplated resignation of the Finance Minister. The French Government has given the municipalities power to issue further taxation on articles already taxed by the state.

MONCTON, July 17—Scout Douglas Biden left yesterday by the Ocean Limited for Montreal from where he will sail on the S. S. Albatross with the rest of the Canadian Contingent which will attend the world jamboree at Bloemendaal, Holland. Other New Brunswick boys attending will be Scout Patchell of Saint John and Scout George Fisher of Sackville.

NO MENTION MADE OF WITHDRAWAL OF VOLUNTEERS ROME, July 17—The Italian Press shows favorable comment on the plans proposed by Great Britain following the failure of the Non-Intervention Committee. However, no mention is made in any part of the Press of the withdrawal of foreign volunteers from Spain.

IRISH FREE STATE WILL TAKE PART (Special to The Daily Mail) LONDON, July 17—The Irish Free State is to take part in the British Empire exhibition which is to be held next year at Glasgow.

## ENGLISH SCHOOL GIRLS COMING TO CANADA

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MONTREAL, July 16—Close upon 100 English secondary school girls will be entertained in Canadian homes in various parts of the country during next month when two groups of the English misses will be paying a visit to the Dominion under the auspices of the overseas Education League.

The first group of some 25 girls will sail from Liverpool July 23 in the Canadian Pacific Liner Duchess of Richmond. They will be in Montreal August 1 and 2 and will then leave via the Great Lakes for Fort William and the Lake of the Woods. Winnipeg will then be visited and the party will then return to Ottawa, Toronto and Niagara Falls.

A larger party consisting of about 60 girls will leave in the Duchess of York on July 30. They will spend from August 7 to August 15 in Montreal and will then go to Ottawa for three days and to Toronto for about ten days, they will also visit Niagara Falls. Both parties will sail from Quebec August 28 in the Empress of Britain.

Arrangement for entertainment and hospitality to the young English girls have been made by the overseas Education League.

More and more the suspicion grows that in the Spanish Civil War the head of the Loyalist Government is casting the role of Halle Selassie.

## OBJECTS OF

(Continued from Page Eight) up the St. John, he ordered the vessel sunk in the river. Last summer a boy named Albert Haines, of Devon, found a silver coin of French mint which had apparently been washed up on the shore. The coin bore the date of 1653, which would be several years previous to the occupation of Fort Nashwaak by Villebon.

In building his wharf, Mr. Gibson used lumber and stone taken from old Fort Nashwaak of the days of Villebon, and this material, or most of it, is probably still to be found on the site of the wharf near where the workmen are now engaged.

Residents of 50 years ago and more used to tell stories of hidden gold supposed to have been buried in this locality, and back along the fields of the property now owned by Albert Myles, and also on that occupied by the old concrete works below the track at Devon. It was stated that on one occasion a chest containing a quantity of gold money was dug up and that the parties who unearthed it kept the matter quiet and later removed to the United States, where their descendants are living today. It is also said that a man named Agnew who owned a property in that vicinity used to show a map supposed to have been drawn by some of the older inhabitants, which map was said to give information regarding where the gold was buried. All of the older inhabitants of this portion of the town of Devon and Barker's Point have long since passed away, and with them has died the secret of where this gold is buried.

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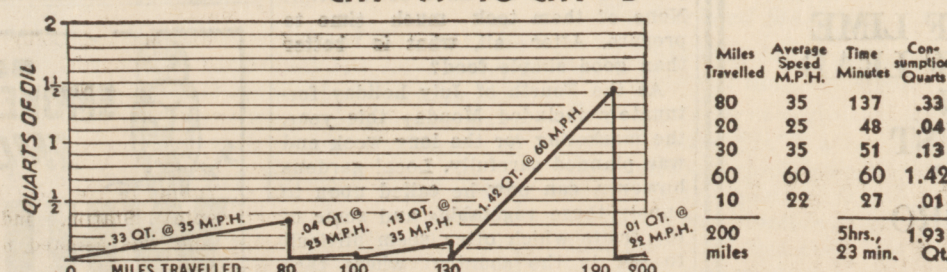
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