## **DEPUTIES REPASS BLUM DECREE BILL**

#### Life or Death Test Seen for Cabinet in Fight for Full Fiscal Powers.

BACKGROUND-

French People's Front cabinet this week approved a bill requesting the Schate and Chamber of Deputies for temporary "full fiscal powers" for Premier Leon Object of the move was to enable him to rule by decree in an attempt to avert a fiscal crisis as the government anticipated a 1937 deficit of \$1,760,000,000.

By the Associated Press.

PARIS, June 19.-The Chamber of Deputies tonight voted for the second time to give Premier Leon Blum full powers to rehabilitate French finances by decree, throwing back to the Senate a fight which some political quarters thought might develop into a life of death issue for his government.

The upper house earlier by a vote of 188 to 72 rejected the bill embodying the emergency powers demanded by the premier, the opposition charging they were dictatorial. Premier Blum took up the challenge

and, returning with his original demand to the Chamber, received a second avowal of support in a late night session by a vote of 346 to 248. The Senate had rejected the premier's proposals and instead passed a substitute bill substantially trimming the powers he contemplated assuming.

#### Resignation Attractive. Blum, in the midst of predictions

this action would mean the end of his government, said merely: Resignation would be an attractive idea to me, but what a disappointment

it would prove to the country." With those words he went back to the Chamber to get a new start in the battle and the Deputies rallied to his support to enable him to take his demand to the Senate tomorrow An intense, if not a crucial, fight is

expected to take place then. It was necessary for the Chamber to readopt the bill because the Senate. by its action, had killed it and passed B bill of its own making.

#### Cabinet Downfall Averted.

Just before the Chamber met for a critical night session its Finance Committee readopted the premier's bill by 26 votes to 16 with two abstentions and cleared the way for the Deputies'

Immediate downfall of the cabinet because of the Senate attack was averted by the premier's strategy in refraining from staking "confidence in the government" on his bill. The defeat, therefore, did not compel his

Government supporters, however, viewed the situation of the people's front cabinet with pessimism. Many predicted Premier Blum would be beaten again tomorrow when his bill returns to the Senate from th ber and when, presumably, he will pose the question of confidence. Others close to the premier, how-

ever, said a compromise might yet be reached to save the cabinet After rejecting the government's bill

the Senate administered another setback by passing its own substitute by a vote of 238 to 52. This substitute was sent to the Chamber. Defeat Is Seen.

The Deputies gave the premier's bill its first passage Wednesday after an all-night session

The Senate substitute measure would Stamps. specifically deny the cabinet power to Winning contract. establish exchange control, change the Resorts. gold value of the franc or in any way interfere with free dealing in gold, foreign exchange and securities. The crucial test was expected to come on an eventual demand for a Well-known folk

vote of confidence in the Senate Blum insists the cabinet must be given the right to act by decree to meet an expected 1937 deficit of \$1. 760,000,000, to protect the franc and government credit. These sweeping powers were asked until July 31

From within Blum's own people's front cabinet came predictions that he will be beaten if he attempts to shove the measure through the Senate. He had to overcome opposition from within his own ranks to get the bill through the Chamber Wednesday Observers recalled that agreemen finally was reached in a similar deadlock last October after conflicting bills had been sent back and forth between Benate and Chamber.

### THREE MEN HELD IN CAPITOL THEFTS

\$1.500 Worth of Coils, Fittings Taken From Dome-Police File Larceny Charges.

Theft of \$1,500 worth of metal steam coils and a number of brass and copper fittings from the dome of the Capitol was believed solved by police last night with the arrest of three colored men on charges of larceny from the Federal Government.

District police, laying in wait outside the Capitol early Friday, arrested two of the men as they were making their second trip from the dome, allegedly carrying one of the 200-pound coils. valued at \$100. The men were loading the coils into a cart, police said. Precinct Detectives F. L. Arrington

and Watson Salkeld and Policeman W. B. Edwards arrested the men. who gave their names as John Davis, 27, of 31412 Harris court southeast, and Walter Brown, 56, who gave a fictitious address, according to police, They were booked on larceny charges.

While the officers were conferring with Capitol Engineer August Eccard, who had first reported theft of the coils, they saw another colored man emerging from the basement of the south wing of the Capitol, carrying brass and copper fittings. Arrested, J. F. FARGO. 45 YEARS he gave his name as William R. Mason, 47, colored, 429 Delaware avenue southwest. He, too, was booked on a larceny charge.

Eccard reported the first metal steam coils were stolen Thursday.

McNutt's Father-in-Law Dies. BLOOMINGTON, Ind., June 19 (A) -H. M. Timolat, father-in-law of Paul V. McNutt, High Commissioner of the Philippines, died tonight at his home here. He had been ill several

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#### SCIENTIST IS KILLED BY SHOT ON TAHITI TRIP

By the Associated Press.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., June 19.-Word reached Gloucester today Doan S. Nickerson, jr., 26, had died of an peete, Tahiti, where he had sailed Democrat to succeed him as majority aboard the yacht Chiva, bound on a leader if he is promoted to the Suscientific mission to Dutch New

A cablegram from Capt. Frederick E. Crockett of the Chiva, today advised Nickerson's aunt, Mrs. Adelia H. Jeffery, of Nickerson's death.

The Chiva put out from Gloucester last November 22, with a crew of six and aims of other conservative Demoon a two-year expedition to obtain photographic and other data concerning the natives of Dutch New Guinea and small nearby islands for the Academy of Natural Science of Phila-

The Chiva put into Papeete recently for repairs before proceeding to New

# IN EXPRESS FIRM, DIES

By the Associated Press NEW YORK, June 19.-James Francis Fargo, 80, who was credited with developing the modern system of express travelers' checks, died here yesterday.

A son of James C. Fargo, one of the founders of Wells, Fargo & Co., predecessor of the American Express Co., he was born in Chicago. Associated with American Express

for 45 years before his retirement in as a hint, in return, that he is not New Hampshire from 1935 until he 1926, he was a former vice president, impressed with the generosity of a took his place in the Senate early this treasurer and director of the firm, a tentative designation to a Supreme year. As EDENTON, N. C., June 19 (AP).— director of the Hanover National Bank Court justiceship conditioned on his interest in labor and social problems Alvin (Al) Morris, Edenton cotton and vice president of the American ability to put the court reform bill, in generally. Alvin (Al) Morris, Edenton cotton mill assistant foreman was drowned in Edenton Bay todal when he fell from a hoat.

Surviving are his widow, a son and daughter, all of New York.

# RELIEF BILL FIGHT **DEMOCRATS' TEST**

Senate Battle Affects Race of Rival Candidates for Robinson Post.

BACKGROUND-

Federal relief appropriation for coming year has been subject of controversy for months. President asked \$1,500,000,000; House Committee reduced sum, but restored it later. House bloc then earmarked one-third of total, but later agreed to withdraw action.

Senate Committee provision would require local communities to advance 40 per cent of project costs; Majority Leader Robinson surprised observers by supporting principle of this plan, but suggested 25 per cent local participa-

The fight in the Senate over the \$1,500,000,000 relief bill emerged yesterday as an important test between conservative and liberal groups in the Democratic-New Deal coalition and between rival candidates for the Dem-Canada en ocratic majority leadership in the Senate if Senator Robinson is elevated to the Supreme Court.

When Senator Robinson came for-Page A-2 ward with a proposal that localities be required to contribute 25 per cent of the cost of W. P. A. projects it was at first regarded as a compromise tax litigation in the interest of the administration, designed to head off the proposal of Senator Byrnes, Democrat, of North Carolina, to require a 40 per cent contribution.

But within the last 36 hours the situation has changed. The progressives in the Senate refused to compromise. Senator Barkley, Democrat, of Kentucky, stood fast and assumed the leadership of the fight to preserve a free hand for W. P. A. in exacting local contributions. A check-up made Friday and yesterday by Senators supporting the administration on this issue has convinced their leaders that they have the votes to reject the Robinson-Byrnes amendments.

Byrnes Faces Setback.

If the Robinson-Byrnes amendments are defeated, Senator Byrnes' aspirations to succeed Senator Robinson as majority leader will be set back seriously and Senator Barkley's will be greatly improved. Both Senator Byrnes and Senator Barkley have been close to President Roosevelt, but Senator Byrnes recently has pulled back toward the conservative side. Senator Dawn Play takes American Derby as Barkley, without question, is the first choice of liberal groups in the administration for majority leader if Senator Robinson goes to the Supreme Court.

> Senator Pittman, Democrat of Nevada, President pro tempore and another possible candidate for majority leader, also has expressed opposition to the relief bill in the form sought by the administration. He has Page A-10 not indorsed the Robinson and Byrnes Page A-10 amendments, but has suggested a still milder compromise of his own. Senator Harrison, Democrat of Mississippi. who has disclaimed ambition to be majority leader, but who will command serious consideration if he changes his mind, has been inactive in the relief fight.

Beneath the surface, both sides have been doing more work than they admit publicly, with a view to making the votes on the Byrnes and Robinson amendments a significant test of strength. During the last few days, Bernard M. Baruch, one of the leading conservative Democrats, has been in Washington, conferring with prom-

Seeks Brakes on Spending. In years past he has interested himself in the campaigns of a number of Democratic Senators and Representatives who now hold positions of influence, and he is believed by more progressive Democrats to be especially active at this time in trying to apply congressional brakes to both the spending and social reform program

of the President.

Senator Robinson's desertion of the was replaced. administration on the relief issue has many puzzling aspects. At first it was in the mechanical device. regarded as an action which had the tacit approval of the President. But nurses and medical attendants made the President assured other Senators the transfer. who subsequently called on him that the form it went through the House temporarily, that a compromise was from the streets. necessary to head off the Byrnes economy is imperative. But there is away. speculation to the effect that he decided to cut loose for one or more of three other purposes: To give a hint of his nuisance value if he is not promoted to the Supreme Court, to try to check the progressive tendencies of the New Deal, and to help pave the way for the choice of a conservative

preme Court. Court Compromise Waits. If the relief bill is held intact by a combination of progressive and "freshman" Senators under the leadership of Senator Barkley, Senator Robinson's purposes, whatever they are, will be set back along with the ambitions

Another factor in the situation

which is said to be puzzling the

President's lieutenants is that Senator Robinson has not yet made any report on his ability to effect a compromise in the Senate on the court reform bill. He was reported to have sought and to have been to the commission to find out what could be done in the way of a compromise. The sounding out has been going on, but, so far as it can be learned, without a great deal of active assistance from Senator Robinson. At any rate, he is reliably reported to have made no recommendation to the President. The pointed hint has been made to Senator Robinson that the fulfillment of his own ambition to go on the Supreme Court is dependent on his success in adding two more justices been said between him and the Presiinson's behavior on the relief bill is Labor.

being interpreted in some quarters

some form, through the Senate.

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'Arrives in "Iron Lung"



has been his home for 15 months. Note Snite's reflection in the mirror. With him are his nurses.



Three of the Chinese nurses who accompanied Snite, infantile paralysis victim, across the Pacific from Shanghai, shown with his father as they arrived on the President Coolidge at San Francisco. Left to right: Liu Mei Chih, the father, Huang Tuan Chen and Pi Hua-Ying. -Copyright, A. P. Wirephotos.

### Paralysis Victim on Last Lap Of China to Chicago Voyage

"He weighs 130 pounds, exactly what

The most critical point in the

to ship at Shanghai, when a motor of

the respirator broke down. A reserve

The cost of the long trip was esti-

39 GET TERMS IN PLOT

Conspiracy to Kill Austrian Chan-

cellor Is Charged.

VIENNA, June 19 (AP).—Thirty-nine

persons accused of plotting terroristic

acts against the government tonight

were sentenced to from two to seven

Part of the alleged conspiracy was

a purported plot to kill the chancellor

The sentences were passed soon

after the outlawed Austrian Nazi party

demanded in a widely circulated

"proclamation to the world" that it

be restored as the legitimate "voice of

Former Beloit Educator Dies.

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass., June 19

(AP).-Prof. Eratus Gilber Smith of

Beloit, Wis., formerly of Beloit College

and former Mayor of the city of

Beloit, died today at the home of

friends here. He had been attending

the sixtieth anniversary of his class

months imprisonment.

the German people.'

and bomb the chancellery

mated conservatively at \$150,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—Fred- the mechanical respirator at Peiping. erick B. Snite, jr., 26, infantile paralysis victim, was transferred from his Chicago loan company, decided on the "iron lung" aboard the liner President 12,000-mile journey to bring his son Coolidge today, to a Pullman car that home. will rush him to Chicago.

During the intricate transfer, he was he did before he became ill," the never out of his "iron lung" more than father said. three minutes. After the transfer, his father said he had gone through the ordeal well, and had suffered no re-

Young Snite, who arrived from motor was switched on quickly. China en route to Chicago for treatinent members of the Senate and ment, was transferred to a portable 'iron lung" while his device was switched to the deck to be taken ashore. Then he was replaced in the device, and carried ashore by ship's

Rear of Car Removed.

The "lung" was placed on a flat car and carried to an awaiting Pullman. The rear of the Pullman had been removed to facilitate the placing of the "lung" in the car. Once the "lung" was inside, the rear wall of the car

Snite was cheerful despite 447 days Squads of white-clad longshoremen.

With a police motor cycle escort, the he still wanted the appropriation in Pullman and the accompanying flat

car were moved by rail along the Em-Whether Senator Robinson was con- barcadero, San Francisco's water-front vinced, and convinced the President thoroughfare, as hundreds watched Snite expressed a wish to see the

amendment remains uncertain. Sen- liner which had brought him 7,000 ator Robinson is known to share miles from Shanghai to San Francisco. heartily anyway the belief of Vice Nurses rigged up a mirror arrange-President Garner, Senator Byrnes and ment which gave him a glimpse of the other conservative Southerners, that ship just before the Pullman moved

A baggage car containing a spare respirator and a dining car for the Snite family entourage also were connected to the train, making a threecar unit for the rail journey to Chi-

Two Weeks on Liner. The patient spent two weeks aboard the liner President Coolidge but was colored, were convicted late today of seasick only four times and actually first degree murder in the fatal shootbenefited from the voyage, his father ing of Herman W. Fogleman, Win-

ston-Salem insurance salesman. They Stricken about 15 months ago while were sentenced to die August 6.

Two Convicted of Murder. WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., June 19 (AP).-Tom Linney and E. J. Jefferson.

at Amherst College. He was 82.

Wage Bill Is Forum Topic SENATOR BRIDGES TO PROPOSE CHANGES.

MENATOR HENRY STYLES BRIDGES, Republican, of New Hampshire will discuss Sound Approach to Wages and Hours Legislation" in the National Radio Forum tomorrow at 9:30 p.m. The forum is arranged by The Star

National Broadcasting Co. Senator Bridges contends that the objectives of the Black-Connery wage and hour bill for industry are commendable, but that the methods provided in the bill for administering the legislation are unsound.

and broadcast over a network of the

In his forum address he will propose changes in the bill which he believes will make the measure more constructive. Hearings on the bill, which has the backing of the Rooseto the court. All that has occurred or | velt administration, have just been completed before joint sessions of the dent is now known, but Senator Rob- House and Senate Committees on Senator Bridges was Governor of

Before becoming Governor he was years ago he was secretary of the a member of the New Hampshire New Hampshire Farm Bureau Feder-



Public Service Commission. Some ation.

### HUGHES ATTACKS HARSH MAJORITIES

Chief Justice Also Calls "Organized Minorities" Peril to Democracy.

By the Associated Press. AMHERST, Mass., June 19.-Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes today denounced both the "ruthlessness of a temporary majority" and the "activities of organized minorities," charging the former, "if unchecked," would eventually lead to the entire overthrow of democratic institutions. The 75-year-old Chief Justice,

speaking at an Amherst College alumni reunion, did not elaborate on his references to the "temporary were taken from the library majority" or the "organized minorities," declaring it would not become him to speak of current interests. experts" the task of answering ques- ordered.

tions on current problems. Nor would he grant an interview as he left the campus for Providence, R. I., where he will attend the Brown University commencement exercises. Shuns "Current Problems." The Chief Justice expressed his

opinion of the "ruthlessness of a temporary majority" as he discussed the need for colleges equipping their graduates with qualities which would supply the essential resistance to specious appeals of demagogues and the irrational demands of zealots." It came after he set himself on record "unwilling" to discuss current interests and problems. If college men, he asked, are not tolerant, reasonable and intelligent, who will be? Frequently during the talk the Chief Justice's audience applauded and, at the conclusion, his listeners cheered. Early in his talk, Hughes referred

who is one year younger than Hughes. "We (Chief Justice Rugg and himself) know nothing about old age." he declared, "only what we read in Cicero, and our hearts are young, and our spiritual arteries are not hardened." He did not explain the remark.

to Arthur P. Rugg, chief justice to

the Massachusetts Supreme Court,

Recalls College Days. Speaking briefly and extemporaneously, Chief Justice Hughes recalled his own college days, and declared: Perhaps we neglected current affairs. Students had an opportunity to gain a historical background that could serve them in later years." "In college," he continued, "the

main difficulty is to secure a dietary

regimen to assure sound mental diprogress and liberty, adding that a the picture theaters, and came back thorough knowledge of democracy with this advice: was one of the most important thing Don't, in movie houses, put your educators could inculcate into youth. purse on the seat next to you even edge of democracy," he said, "lies the vacant. When one of our more imessential resistance to propaganda pressionable lady operators placed her

"Emotional Drive" Needed. He declared the highest mission of educational institutions was to send men out into the world equipped with thorough knowledge of their subjects and "emotional drive." "Such qualities," he said, "would Later his father, wealthy head of a

and specious appeals of demagogues."

clous appeals of demogogues and the irrational demands of zealots." In his whimsical talk he reviewed his association with former President Calvin Coolidge, Dwight Morrow and Supreme Court Justice Harlan F Stone, three of this tiny New Engjourney was the transfer from hospital land college's most prominent grad-

> He called Morrow a "statesman in business and an artist in the diplomacy of friendliness." former President Coolidge "the sagacious son of Amherst who enveloped the White House with an atmosphere of New England thrift," and declared of Justice Stone "it is one of the greatest privileges of my life to be associated with that eminent jurist."

Recalls Coolidge Thrift.

His audience chuckled when Hughes told of a meeting between Morrow and Coolidge in the White House. Morrow, he reported, asked Coolidge if he recalled the time his father asked young Calvin not to go to a dance and offered him a bribe of a quarter to stay away. "I don't remember about the quarter," the Chief Justice quoted Coolidge

Henry Stuart Hughes, the Chief Justice's grandson, will be graduated from Amherst Monday, summa cum laude. Today young Hughes and Thomas V. Whitney of Toledo, Ohio, were awarded jointly the Stanley V. and Charles B. Travis Prize and the Woods Prize for the "most improvement as a man and a scholar during the college course and for outstanding excellence in culture and faithfulness as man and scholar. Like his father and grandfather be fore him, another grandson, Charles Evans Hughes, 3d, will be graduated from Brown University on the same day Henry Hughes leaves Amherst.

PLANE SPEEDS EAST

Army Craft Averages 260 M.P.H in Hop From Michigan. NEW YORK, June 19 (AP) .- Flying

the new Curtiss P-36 Army pursuit plane, Lieut. E. Brecht landed at Mitchel Field today after a two-hour flight from Selfridge Field, Mich., at an average speed of 260 miles an hour. The plane, one of three recently delivered to the Army, and described as probably the fastest production pursuit plane in the world, was flown for inspection by West Point graduates who became second lieutenants recently.

The plane was under military guard and all civilian visitors were barred from the field. Brecht flew at 13,500 feet against a

40-mile headwind, indicating a normal speed of 300 miles an hour. He planned to return to Selfridge tomor-

SENTENCES SUSPENDED Two Convicted of Conspiracy to

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 19 (AP) .-W. H. Land of Memphis and G. G. Gean of Halls, convincted of conspiracy to defraud the State of gasoline taxes, received suspended prison sentences in criminal court today

They are to pay fines of \$1,000 each

Pay Fines of \$1,000 Each.

Each had been given a prison sentence of from one to five years, in addition to the fines. Land en

### Washington Wayside Tales

Random Observations of Interesting Events and Things.

RESULTS.

RS. H. B. BOMBERGER, who teaches school out in Brentwood, confronted her class on the closing day of school last week and announced calmly, "School is out today, for every other class in school. This class will return tomorrow. It will continue to return daily and indefinitely until somebody returns three books that year and never returned."

Then she let the children out of school. He said he would "leave to the The next day they came back, as



With them, they brought 23 books, lost from the library in recent years.

CHRISP STYLE. Signs around town in the strange places where our correspondents take nourishment. Nineteenth street-WHOLE HALF FRIED CHICKEN-50c. Ninth street-CHRISP WAFFLES

-10c. Ninth street again-THE BEST AND MOST ECONOMIC FOOD NOW ARE EGGS.

FAN.

**EATED** about two rows in front of the other day was a pretty blond lass, who seemed more or less bored by the show until the orchestra and stage show came on. Then she perked up, obviously much excited. The stage band played one num-

ber. She applauded vigorously. It played a second. This time her to take off for Bangkok, paddy-whacking was wild and free. Then she got up and left the thea-TRADE TRICKS.

WE'RE quite sure the fair damsel's disappearance had nothing to The Chief Justice said democracy do with such business, but an enercarried the banner of freedom and getic Wayside operative recently went that there was no conflict between around asking questions at some of

her gently turned the seat up (with onto the floor All the thief had to do then was supply the essential resistance to spe-

\$20 on the next seat the other day.

more effectively during cinema senti-

abandon the bag in another section of the theater Tony, an accommodating usher, loaned the lady a dime to get home. and told her that theater thieves prey regularly on women who spread their belongings about.

Because movie house purse snatchers change places frequently, searchstructed to inquire of all folks switching locations too many times if they are looking for some one. Our operator thinks her robber

was a man, because he left a very nice lipstick. SEEING DOUBLE. WO 8-year-old twin boys who

couple of headaches to the man on the gate. They come and go so often that the man can't keep up with them, me. He missed a sight of hundreds principally because they're almost ex-

Wait a minute, Richard," the man Devotees were kneeling on mats and cays, "are you sure you've paid to-I'm not Richard," the twin replied, "I'm Paul, Don't you remem-

act duplicates.

ber, I just paid you?"

The man remembers one of the wins paid, but he can't tell which When the two of them are in the pool together and only one has paid the gatekeeper can't tell which to collect

"Richard," the gatekeeper said in exasperation the other day, "I'll bet you deserved that beating I saw Paul giving you this afternoon "I'm Paul," replied the twin, with

an enigmatic smile. STAGE EFFECT. WHILE power failures have raised havoc with lots of community gatherings during the recent heavy



stage electrician to the switch only by the narrowest of margins.

Seems there were about 1,500 people listening to a choral concert in the University of Maryland gymnasium the other night, when the chorus came around to singing a cradle song.

About the time the electrician was to turn off the lights to produce a 'slumber" effect the power failed. The audience noticed a flash light among the chorus and wondered at the forethought of some singer. But Harlan Randall, director, explained after the number was over and the hall remained in darkness that the flashlight was not there as a matter of forethought. It was supposed to represent the dim light over an imaginery cradle 'round which the women were singing.

Father's Car Kills Son. RIDGELAND, S. C., June 19 (AP) .-

Charles Reeves, 10, fell under a car driven by his father, Dr. J. W. Reeves, tracks for 50 yards what State officials termed a wide-spread scheme to evade the 7-cent out of control, and the boy fell from Saturday shopping and were on their gasoline tax.

# AMELIA EARHART OFF FOR BANGKOK

Noted Flyer Arrived at Rangoon After Flying Through Monsoon.

By the Associated Press. RANGOON, Burma, June 20 .-Amelia Earhart took off at 6:30 a.m. today (7 p.m. E. S. T. Saturday) on the next leg of her flight around the world

It was believed her destination was Bangkok, Siam, about 400 miles southeast of here. She arrived here yesterday after a flight through a Burmese monsoon, which she described as the worst ex-

perience of her journey Her trip from Akyab, Burma, 300 miles from here, took 2 hours 53 minutes. On two previous attemp s she and her navigator, Capt. Fred Noonan, were forced back by bad

PASS THROUGH MONSOON.

Miss Earhart and Navigator Go Touring in Rangoon. BY AMELIA FARHART. By Radio to the Star.

RANGOON, Burma, June 19 .-

The short jump from Akyab to Ran-

goon of 400 miles produced the worst weather encountered in several thousands so far. After trying yesterday to sneak underneath the monsoon, and again this morning, on the third try we pulled up to 8,000 feet to be sure of missing the mountain ridges and bargain through. The Sperry gyro-pilot kept the course better than a human hand could and gave a human pilot time to watch temperatures and pressures and r. p. m.s of the engine instruments. After two hours we let down, and the bright grain plains beside the Irrawaddy River smiled up at us. Then we dodged about for 50 miles amid air squalls which momentarily curtailed the sun from view. The first us in a local motion picture house sight of Rangoon was the sun touching the golden pagoda. This great

> the city was still but a shadow on the horizon. Shortly after landing rain poured down so heavily that it was hazardous

> structure stands on a rise of ground

and could be seen for miles, while

Consul Acts as Guide. Fred Noonan and I decided to take one hour and see something of Rangoon. Mr. Austin Brady, the American Consul, at whose home we stayed the night, lent his car and acted as guide, pointing out places of interest. He explained that the road we drove to town on was called Mandalay, and actually is the road to Mandalay, which is a famous place and lies a

day's motor trip from Rangoon. Around through the heart of the "In possession of thorough knowl- if the rest of the row is completely orful. People wear gay colors. There city we went. The streets are very colare many rickshaws and gharries, which are one-horse vehicles, the hat, jacket and bag containing nearly inner furnishings of which I can only guess at, as most are shuttered. The so that she could wield her hankie rickshaw runners all wear conical hats made of old kerosene tins, at least when it rains. I noticed some street cars with compartments for women only. These are reserved especially for Indian women who are forbidden pick it up, remove the cash, and all male association. However, women in general here seem to have more

freedom and education than in most places we have been. Many are in business and they have had a vote for many years. The widespread education of the Burmese is

mainly due to a monastic school supported by the public. Sees No Fat People. I have seen no fat people. All seem

slim and well built. Graceful lungyies worn in various styles accentuate their slimness. Mr. Brady's driver has promised to show me how to wind these garments on and fasten them. After sighting Golden Pagoda from the air, I had to examine it from the ground. To enter, one must be unshod, and plod up long flights of steps, swim at a hotel pool here are a worn by numberless feet before. For the first time on the trip Fred Noonan failed me. He would not take off his shoes and socks and go inside with of Buddhas of fall sizes in little stalls where drums and gongs were sold

> ornaments. There really was a woman smoking a "whacking white These are made of cornhusks and filled with leaves and some tobacco.

offering flowers before shrines, with

sing-song prayers and strange jewelled

They can be bought in size for wed dings to last three days. As far as distance is concerned. I hope to make Singapore tomorrow. Whether or not the weather will per-

mit is another question.

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storms around here, we hear from one U. S. and England Not Represented in Annual Event, Opening

> in Brussels. BRUSSELS, June 19 .- Twelve balloonists from five countries began filling their big bags with hydrogen today for take-offs tomorrow in the second race for the fifth Gordon Ben-

nett Cup. The United States, six times winner of the annual event, and Great Britain were not represented. Belgium, Gergenius whereby lightning beat a many and Poland entered three balloons each, France two and Switzer-

> Demuyter of Belgium, last year's winner and holder of one cup because of his previous three successive victories, hoped to repeat this year. The inflation process will continue through the night. Each bag has a capacity of 2,200 cubic meters. The pilots will carry a two-day

THREE DIE IN CRASH

Car Struck by Train Near Smithton, Pennsylvania. SMITHTON, Pa., June 19 (AP) .-Three persons were killed today in

a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train on the outskirts of this town. The dead were Mrs. Ada Lane. 40: her daughter, Mary Jane Lape, 16, and Edward Stimmel, 23. The machine was dragged along the

be tried of more than a score in- Savannah, Ga., dentist, here today Daniel Lape, Mrs. Lape's husband dicted last year in connection with and was fatally injured. A wheel identified the bodies. He said the

the collision of their automobile with

land one.