

THURSDAY

Automatic Navigator For Jet Aircraft

LONDON, Jan. 30 — (Reuters) — The Society of British Aircraft Constructors today revealed details of a new radio device said to make child's play of high-speed jet navigation.

It automatically draws the aircraft's course on the pilot's map and shows him exactly where he is at any time.

The gadget, undergoing tests at a seven-mile altitude, will be used on the world's first jet airliner, the Luxury Comet, due to go into routine service next spring.

By picking up signals from a series of ground stations, the automatic navigator—known as the Decca Flight Log—can plot a course accurately at up to 1,500 miles an hour.

If conditions are good it can guide a pilot to within 250 yards of the end of the airport runway, the Society said.

Stalin-Churchill Meeting Urged

LONDON, Jan. 30 — (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill chortled yesterday at a Labor suggestion that high-level meetings with Stalin might get him a kiss from the mustached Red chieftain.

Urging a Stalin-Churchill meeting, Hugh McGovern reminded the Prime Minister that the Communist leader once met the wartime German foreign minister, Joachim Von Ribbentrop, Chinese Nationalist leader Chiang Kai-Shek, and a Japanese ambassador "whom he kissed on both cheeks."

Amid guffaws, Churchill responded: "Mister McGovern is as good a judge of such delights as I am."

BULLETINS FROM BIRDLAND

By WINIFRED E. WILSON



ORCHESTRA SEATS

Even though a large number of our feathered friends leave us for many months, we Canadians have particularly good orchestra seats for the birds' most outstanding performances. On their breeding grounds birds are in their best voice. For this reason, some songs are rarely heard in the United States except in the most northerly or mountainous districts. But Canada is a vast nesting place for countless birds. Here they may be seen at work as well as at play.

Besides the year-round residents, winter brings us certain Arctic birds that never cross our boundary. As the days lengthen, migrants start to move up from their southern holiday resorts. On arrival in Canada, dressed in their best suits, the males are singing the finest songs in their repertoire. They begin by singing for joy, then to entice the ladies and reserve for their brides the choicest spot for a home, later to protect their chosen territory from molest.

In winter, each individual thinks solely of its own welfare, and can only be seen flitting about in search of food. But in summer we Canadians have the privilege of getting to know them intimately, peeping into their homes, witnessing their way of life. Who can watch unmoved the love scenes of spring and listen calmly to the male's ecstasy of song?

How fascinating to follow the building of the Myrtle Warbler's nest from the time the first small spruce twig is laid on a bough of an evergreen tree to the moment when the home is lined with hair and feathers, awaiting occupancy! Before long, four little speckled eggs lie on the soft mattress. We wait impatiently while the loving couple make sure that those precious eggs are kept warm. Sometimes the dutiful husband carries a tiny insect to feed his wife who is too busy incubating to go marketing for herself. At last the joy of discovering the first wee baby bird! Soon the parents are hard-pressed to keep all the little rascals filled. Who can resist the temptation of spying on their family life?

For a short period in mid-summer our birds go into retirement while they change their costumes, and on their reappearance some of the gentlemen are unrecognizable. Messrs. Bobolink, Scarlet Tanager, Goldfinch, and others have entirely lost their individuality. They might be mistaken for their wives. What birds wear snowshoes?

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Believe it or not, but recording the angler's catch is now going on in sections of Canada and the U.S.A.

The creel census is based on voluntary completion by anglers of special cards designed to secure data regarding the numbers, species and lengths of fish taken, the type of line used, the time of day, and most important — the time in hours and minutes required for the capture.

The idea behind the fish-taking census is to provide the administration with a sound plan for fisheries management. The biological survey is merely groundwork on which the plan is based, while additional surveys and analysis of creel census data are required to check on the progress of the work and to alter the management's procedure as needed for best results.

Found, is derived from the Latin word pondus. Ounce, from uncia, or twelfth, being the 12th of a pound. Inch, from the same word, being the 12th of a foot. Yard, from the Saxon word yard, or girth being originally the circumference of the body, until cumber Henry I decreed that it should be the length of his arm. Halfpenny and Farthing: In 1066, William the Conqueror began to reign, the penny, or sterling, was cast. With deep crosses, as a half-penny, or in quarters, for Fourthings, or Farthings, as we now call them.

Acquaintance Table

2 glances make — 1 Bow
2 Bows — 1 How'd'y do
6 How'd'y do — 1 Conversation
4 Conversations — 1 Acquaintance.

The Smoker's Song

For thy sake, Tobacco, I
Would do any thing but die! —
Charles Lamb

"There is a tiny weed, man,
That grows far o'er the sea, man;
The juice of which does more bewitch
Than does the gossip's tea, man.
It's name is called tobacco,
'Tis used near and far, man;
The carman chews — but I will choose
The daintier cigar, man.

"Tis daintier ev'n in shape, man —
So round, so smooth, so long, man!
If you're a churl, 'twill from you hurl
Your spleen — you'll sing a song, man!

If ever you are in trouble
This will your trouble still, man,
On sea and land 'tis at command,
An idle hour to kill, man!

And if the blind god, Cupid,
Should strike you at the heart, man,
Take up a glass, and toast your lass —
And — ne'er from smoking part, man!

And also if you're married,
In Hymen's chains fast bound, man;
To plague your wife out of her life,
Smoke still the whole year round, man!

How sweet 'tis of an evening
When wintry winds do blow, man,
As 'twere in spite, to take a pipe,
And smoke by the fire's glow, man!

The sailor in his ship, man,
Will wildly roll the waves, man,
His pipe will smoke, and crack his joke,
Above his yawning grave, man!

The soldier, in the tavern,
Talks of the battle's roar, man;
With pipe in hand, he gives command,
And thus he lives Mice o'er, man!

All classes in the world, man,
Have each his own enjoyment,
But with a pipe, they're all alike
'Tis everyone's employment!

Of all the various pleasures
That on this earth there are, man,
There's not to me affords such glee
As a pipe or sweet cigar, man!"

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D.D.F. Adjudicator Sees Production By Newman Club

WINNIPEG, Jan. 30 — (CP) — A left-handed compliment was given the Newman Club of the University of Manitoba last night for their presentation of "Three Men on a Horse," a Broadway farce.

Pierre Lefevre, British adjudicator, said he enjoyed the evening "immensely," but there had been a number of pitfalls for an amateur cast. The presentation, in many respects, lacked a three-dimensional quality.

The play, by the American authors, John Cecil Holm and George Abbott, is about a greeting card of picking the winners at the race tracks and falls in with a group of professional gamblers. It was the first entry to be presented in the Manitoba Regional Drama Festival, "Medea," adapted from Euripedes work by the American poet, Robinson Jeffers, will be presented tomorrow night.

Continued Gov't Support Of R.C. Flying Clubs

OTTAWA, Jan. 30 — (CP) — Continued government support to the Royal Canadian Flying Clubs Association was assured yesterday at the Association's 23rd annual meeting.

Top-ranking officials of the Transport Department and the R.C.A.F. took an active part in the two-day meeting, which concerned itself with the efforts of the 36-member clubs to improve flying standards, encourage interest in aviation generally, and help provide Canada with a pool of trained pilots.

Yesterday the Association heard C. M. Drury, deputy defence minister, discuss the problems of air training and Canada's \$1,500,000,000 aircraft-production program. Mr. Drury paid high tribute to the work of the R.C.A.F.

"So far as progress in Canadian aviation is concerned," he said, "I believe that your Association can properly claim to have been more influential than any other single body in keeping this country in step with developments between the wars."

Air Commodore F. S. Carpenter, training officer for the R.C.A.F., urged the Association to consider ways and means to keep "in reasonable practice" a pool of reserve flying instructors.

During 1951, the 36 clubs reported 557 accidents in 66,050 hours of flying, compared with 33 clubs reporting 35 accidents in 38,376 hours of flying the previous year. Of the 1951 accidents, two were major ones involving three fatalities.

Showgirl Gets \$2,500 Insurance

NEW YORK, Jan. 30 — (CP) — Rosemary Williamson, attractive brunette showgirl, was awarded \$2,500 Tuesday by a judge who called her a conniving "Cleopatra" who didn't deserve a cent.

The money was an insurance award for Miss Williamson's stolen fur coats and diamond ring — part of the gifts lavished on her by an admirer, Sidney Levy, who swindled his business associates of \$53,000 to spend on her.

Our Daily Serial

By Peggy Dera

CHAPTER NINE Part Two

Buzz said sternly, "Whoa! You are in over your head, kid, and sinking fast!" But there was affectionate amusement in his eyes, and his hand, that drew hers through his arm, was very gentle. "What she means, Mr. Mallory, is that if Celia wants to marry you, that's her business! Naturally, we both hope you'll be happy!" said Buzz firmly, and added "I don't suppose there's anything more for us to say — except good-night!"

Win watched them as they went up the walk, and when he looked at Celia again she saw that his face was hard with resentment.

"So that's your mother and father," he commented dryly. "I don't wonder that you felt like a stranger here. Is about Judith as casual towards you?"

Celia said swiftly, "It's just that you don't understand—" but she bit back the words. She couldn't betray the confidence that Ruby Pearl had entrusted to her; she couldn't tell him that Buzz and Mary Sue were so completely absorbed in a tight little world all their own, or that their absorption was based on the knowledge of each, supposedly unknown to the other, that Mary Sue was living on borrowed time, and that any day the breath of life that held them together might be snuffed.

Celia looked up at him gravely and said, "I've told you, darling— Aunt Judith is really my family. And she won't be willing for me to marry you until she is honestly and sincerely convinced that we really love each other and that our marriage will endure."

Win put his arm about her and said dryly, "Hm-m! I'm not sure I like that, either. Think she's going to be hard to convince. Maybe I ought to just bundle you up and run off with you—hey, that's an idea! How about marrying me tomorrow, and we'll fly to Mexico and face Aunt Judith? It would be a marvelous honeymoon!"

"I couldn't, darling. I've got to tell her first," Celia insisted. At last he yielded the point and stood in the drive, watching him go away, after promising that she would ride with him in the morning.

She went upstairs at last, suddenly conscious of the rumpled feeling that inevitably followed a day in the open, even with all the conveniences that Win had been able to provide. She showered, and was slipping into a thin, short-sleeved white dinner dress when there was a knock at the door and Honey came in, sleek and shining and very lovely in her chateaux crepe frock.

"Look, Celia, Susan's been telling me some perfectly fantastic story about you being engaged to Win Mallory!" said Honey as she came in.

"What makes you think it's so fantastic, Honey?" Honey looked incredulous. "Then it is true!" she said. "Does it sound so crazy? After all, Honey, I'm — well I have had

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men tell me I'm attractive and even fun to be with."

Honey laughed and hugged her impulsively. "Hi, come down off that high horse, and brush that chip off your shoulder, pal," she ordered gaily. "Don't be such a nut! Gosh, you're beautiful and any man with a nickel's worth of sense would fall for you like a ton of bricks! I didn't mean that! I just wondered how you could go for him! Though he is terribly good looking, and — well, attractive."

"And as Mary Sue pointed out, in his presence, is terribly rich," said Celia dryly.

"Angel, don't be angry with Mary Sue," pleaded Honey gently. "She is — well, she's unique. There's nobody quite like her. But she's the sweetest soul alive!"

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