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The Corrigan comedy continued today, with accent on the plane he flew. Howard Hughes ascribed all the credit of his flight to the superb flying equipment that American aviation produces. In the case of Corrigan, it's just the opposite, the marvel being the cheap old crate he flew, the cheapest plane that ever voyaged across the Atlantic.

A new touch of Corrigan comedy is provided today by Shelley Edmondson of Rensselaer, New York. He's a former navy flyer who once owned the Corrigan crate. He flew it a bit five years ago, back in Nineteen Thirty-Three. "I didn't like the plane much," he said today. ^{Then he} ~~was~~ related that he thought of flying it from Albany to New York, but decided not to, afraid the old bus couldn't make it, couldn't make ^{the} hundred and forty-three miles! He flew it only three times for a total of six hours and forty-five minutes, and had enough of it. Then he traded it in and got an allowance of three hundred and twenty-five dollars on a new plane. ^{Corrigan bought} ~~it for~~ \$333.

So legend is growing around the crate that made the surprise across-the-ocean flight. ^R The Irish authorities let it out of hock today. They had it impounded, because of the

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irregularities of the Corrigan arrival, ^{that} ~~an~~ accidental flight
to Dublin, ^{enroute} ~~missing the way~~ to Los Angeles.

And there's word from St. Louis, which has had aviation
ideas ever since Lindbergh flew the ^{Spirit of} ST. LOUIS, with the
benediction of the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce. The Missouri
metropolis ^{today} horns in on the Corrigan comedy, because the now
famous crate was built in St. Louis. So today Mayor Dickmann
cabled to Corrigan in Dublin and offered to purchase the crate.
"We will feel honored to have it among our souvenirs," says
the Mayor's telegram. And he adds he would like to make a bid
for the purchase of the ancient flying machine.

If the legend of the worthless plane keeps growing,
they may bid the price up until it's really worth something -
and I don't suppose that would displease Corrigan.

Meanwhile, the ~~frölicksome~~ frolicsome hero is getting
money and offers ^{(more) from} ~~of~~ money ~~of~~ various entertaining projects.

The Roumanian, Capt. Papana,
who has long been planning a trans-
atlantic flight crashed up today - wrecked
his ship.

KING

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In these days of European pomp, parade and prodigious demonstration, many have wondered -- what kind of show would Paris put on for King George and Queen Elizabeth? That question was answered today. It was military, a mighty panoply of armed power.

(When the Royal train bearing the English King and Queen drew into the station, cannon ~~thundered~~ thundered a royal salute of a hundred and one guns. Their Majesties were greeted by President Le Brun and the highest officialdom of France.) Then King and President entered the official motor car for the procession. They stepped into it simultaneously from either side. That was because ^{all} ~~the~~ the diplomatic experts of the French Foreign Office couldn't decide the point of punctillio -- who should have the precedence getting into the car. President or King? *— probably just avoided bumping heads.* So as a compromise, they climbed in simultaneously ~~and~~ ⁱⁿ

Then the car led the procession through Avenue Foch and the Champs Elysees, ~~it was~~ preceded by a troop of Moroccan cavalrymen, who galloped with fluttering robes.

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(The route was lined solidly with soldiers, thirty-five thousand troops -- twenty regiments of infantry ~~men~~ ^{for} five

regiments of cavalry and ten thousand mobile guards. It was the greatest military display Paris has seen since the Armistice Day parade after the World War.) As a climax ~~for the day~~ President Le Brun decorated Queen Elizabeth with the cordon of the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor, the highest French decoration. King George didn't receive it, because he had already had been granted that supreme honor way back in 1919, when he was a mere second son of the King -- and the Prince of Wales was heir to the crown. So he couldn't get it again, but he could reciprocate for the honor granted to the Queen. George the Sixth bestowed the Order of Knighthood on President Le Brun, conferring on him the Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath.

~~So the royal ceremonies at Paris have begun and will continue day after day with mounting pageantry.~~

GERMANY

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Stocks were up in New York today, but there's not much of a story about that. Stocks were up in Berlin - and that has a curious angle. The prices of securities on the Berlin Bourse ^{re-}bounded, high.

~~today~~ What caused the sudden rise? Why, an announcement. The

German government formally declared today that Jews will not be

forbidden to own securities. (The ~~supposition that~~ supposition

that they might be so forbidden had caused prices to sag - because

of the assumption of Jewish buying power taken out of the market.

So, with the announcement that this buying power will not be

taken out - up went the stocks.)

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Czechoslovakia comes bristling into the news again tonight, as dangerous a subject as ever. Today Henlein, the Hitler of the Sudeten Germans, issued a drastic warning to the government at Prague. Said Henlein - "Don't think of passing those new laws affecting us, until you finish negotiating with us."

The Czech government has drawn up a new lot of legislation to govern its relations with the large element of Germans in the country, also the Hungarian minority. And this new legislation remains to be presented to ^{the} Czechoslovak Parliament for ratification. ~~Henlein today declares that the government has been giving the impression that the German minority question is about to be settled, which is far from the case - says the Sudeten Hitler. He declares a real settlement has not even begun, so he~~

Henlein today

[^]warns the Prague government not to have that minority legislation placed before parliament until the Sudeten Germans have agreed to it.

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A new Presidential grandchild - boy born to Franklin Jr., and the former Ethel Dutoit.

T.V.A.

The T.V.A. once more. Dr. Arthur E. Morgan, the ousted Chairman, testified before the Congressional Investigating Committee today. He made a long series of charges against his two former colleagues, Harcourt Morgan and David Lilienthal. He said they made important decisions behind his back, without saying a word to him, and ~~he~~ charged Lilienthal with being - aggressive and dictatorial.

CIVIL LIBERTIES

Senate
Before the Civil Liberties Committee today there was dramatic testimony concerning the Republic Steel strike riots in 1935. Some witnesses testified that the trouble was caused by company guards. Others that strikers began the battle. A woman of Canton, Ohio told how she had been shot, and, she brought forward articles of clothing ~~was~~ showing bullet holes -- a pair of shoes, for example.

"I notice," said Senator La Follette, "that there's a hole in the sole of this shoe. I don't see how you could be shot in the sole of the shoe unless you were shot after you had fallen down."

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The woman replied: "In the hospital they told me I must have been shot twice. Once when I was running and once when I was down."

She blamed it on company guards, whereupon the testimony continued -- pro and con.

STRIKE

Here's something that sounds like Ajax defying lightning,
or a man against an army. There was a violent strike riot in
South Chicago today, ~~with~~ police clashing with a mob of union
pickets. The cops resorted to the usual anti-riot weapon
nowadays - tear gas and nauseating bombs. A heavy barrage of the
gas missiles landed among the massed pickets. The maddening
fumes spread, and the strikers ~~fell~~ ^{battled} weeping and sickened. ~~The~~ ^{And}
~~the~~ ^{there} ~~rested~~ ^{standing} one man; ~~he~~ ^{stood} the gaff, ~~standing~~ ^{standing} the gas.

He picked up unbroken tear and nauseating projectiles, and
flung them back at the police, and gave them a dose of their own
gaseous medicine.

~~He was arrested and of course he was wrong, of
course he was breaking the law, of course he was resisting the
officers of the law. If I were the judge, I would want to shake
his hand in imposing sentence - if any.~~

FIRE

On the Pacific Coast they're having forest fires; ~~was~~
plural, fires. More than six hundred are burning in three
Pacific Coast states. In California, in three hundred and
thirty-two places, the woods are ablaze. In Klamath ^{National}
~~Park~~ - in Oregon - a
hundred and eighty fires are sending up vast clouds of smoke.

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TP A long stretch of dry weather on the coast and the woods and
underbrush were parched, inflammable, like tinder. A week ago,
violent thunder storms swept the Cascade and Sierra Nevada
ranges, with innumerable flashes of lightning striking the
earth, ~~setting~~ off scores and scores of fires. ^{But} ~~the~~ forest
rangers blame others on careless campers.

SHAKER

Today died Eldress Anna Case of the Shaker Colony at Albany. ^{And now} that old traditional religious group is left without a leader - three, just three, ^{Shakers are left, and they} are leaderless. ~~Five~~

Time was when Shakers were important in the world of religious sectarianism. They quivered and they shook when they got religion - hence the name of Shaker. Two hundred and sixty-two years ago, in the great days of the cult, a Shaker colony was founded in Albany. It thrived for a while, but then that kind of religion lost its favor, and the Shaker colony declined for many years. This year ^{members} nine were left, but in rapid succession five died - old people. That reduced the sect to four members, led by its Eldress - Anna Case. From Eighteen Eighty-Nine until Nineteen Twelve, for thirty years, she was second Eldress. Then she became a top ranking leader, for twenty-six years - until today when she died at the age of eighty-three. Now only Sisters Frieda, Grace and Mary are left, the last surviving members.

HEART

At Chicago they're not saying of Roman Nieinski - that his heart is in the right place. A man is supposed to bear up under his troubles, face them bravely. But Roman Nieinski tried to commit suicide, so we've got to say that his heart is not in the right place. ^R Because of his troubles, he got out his pistol and fired it a couple of times - just to be sure it worked. Then he aimed at his chest, at the exact place of the human heart. He was careful about it - ~~he~~ wanted to be sure. Thus accurately he fired, and to his astonishment he didn't fall dead. He was bewildered, he couldn't understand. When the doctors examined him they found the bullet had gone through his chest, but it hadn't touched his heart. Because his heart wasn't in the right

place, it was ~~couple of inches~~ ^{heart mis-} out of position, ~~further over to~~
placed in Nieinski. So he'll recover.
~~the left than it should be.~~

~~Nieinski will recover.~~

CONVICT

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There was a flurry of deadly melodrama in the Ohio State Prison today. Two convicts approached the Assistant Prison Superintendent. One of them took out a butcher knife, which he had somehow managed to procure, held the point against the Assistant Superintendent's back, and told him to lead them to freedom. They forced him to walk with them toward the prison exit. A guard came up, saw what was happening, and started to go into action. The convict with the knife leaped upon him and stabbed him, wounding him seriously. Thereupon another guard nearby opened fire, and shot down one of the convicts - wounding him badly. The other convict fell to the floor, and the report was that he had been killed. But it ~~turned out~~ turns out now that he had merely thrown himself down to dodge the bullets. *Prison break failed.*

TUFVERSON

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One of the strangest of unsolved mysteries is recalled to memory by prison news from Auburn, New York - prison news about an eye, an eye knocked out. One of the ^{convicts} ~~prisoners~~ at Auburn is Captain Ivan ^{Pod} ~~Perzaj~~, the man in the case of the missing woman lawyer, Miss Agnes Tufverson. He ~~is~~ a former captain of the Austrian army and ~~was~~ a dashing military figure when he married the woman lawyer; and ~~was~~ later called upon to explain her disappearance. ^{But -} Her disappearance has never been explained. The captain was sent to prison, because it was found that in marrying Agnes Tufverson, he committed bigamy.

Today, a guarded story is released by the Auburn Prison authorities, telling of a savage fight between two convicts. One a long term hold-up man, the other the one-time Austrian Captain. And in the brawl the Captain lost an eye, one eye knocked out. No explanation is given of the prison ~~disturbance~~ ^{episode} that brings to notice again the man in the mystery of the missing woman lawyer.

SIMONE

Today in Los Angeles, the judge pronounced sentence on Sandra Martin, who used to be private secretary to the French movie actress, Simon Simone. The former secretary pleaded guilty ~~to~~ defrauding the movie star by tampering with her checks.

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The sentence imposed by the judge has a rather fantastic sound, quite in harmony with the whimsical mood of movieland. Sandra Martin is condemned to from three to forty-two years in prison, but after nine months she'll be placed on probation - probation for ten years. In that time she may have her liberty, unless she talks out of turn.

All of this harks back to what Sandra Martin had to say when the charge was made against her. She declared she had plenty to tell about Simon Simone, had gained knowledge of many things while in the employ of the movie star. She would publish them, she would write magazine articles about them. That's what the probation applies to, as the judge declared today - no newspaper stories or magazine articles or any revelations concerning the

Simon Simone.

private life of ~~the star~~ In particular, *Sandra must never* ~~she has never made~~

make

public ~~yet any of the~~ the name of the young man who last

Christmas received two keys, two golden keys, to the Simon Simone

apartment. If she says anything about that during the ten years

of probation - they'll slap on the prison sentence of from

three to forty-two years. ~~less the nine months she has to be~~

~~incarcerated~~ For if she told it would bring a moan from Simon Simone.

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FLEAS

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If this next bit of news smacks of the press agent, I can only say it smacks nobly, gloriously, magnificently of the press agent. The shapely Claudette Colbert is to appear in a picture with scenes in Paris. And one bit of action calls for the shapely Claudette to get bitten by French fleas. For this dramatic climax Hollywood is importing a trained flea circus. Of course, the dramatic representation of the shapely one with ~~the~~^a flea bite could be graphically suggested by the eloquent human act of scratching. But I suppose they want to get close-ups, microscopic close-ups of the fleas at various points of Claudette's shapeliness - the elegant limbs for which she is famous.

Now here's where the press agent provides the inimitable touch. A Hollywood dispatch states that the fleas on Claudette are ~~to be~~ specially trained, so they won't bite her. They're developing a special kind of non-biting fea.

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It's famous Hollywood tradition that stars on scene brave ^{bleig lights,} trying ordeals, the ~~heights,~~ sandstorms on the desert, blizzards, duckings in the water, ~~and~~ punches in the nose. So you'd think that a mere flea bite would not deter Claudette. But then the world is always improving, and so is Hollywood press agency. ~~So~~ the fleas don't bite -- and, SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.

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