There was a loud humming and droning over New York City today. An airplane was doing the droning--and in that plane was Ruth Nichols, out to break the altitude record for women.

She took of from Jersey City airport shortly after noon, and then circled over New York. She flew over to the Statue of Liberty, dipped and circled round the Goddess and then turned the nose of her ship toward the Sun and started for a long climb upstairs.

An hour and a half later she returned to Jersey City airport and announced that she had broken the altitude record for women.

The highest a woman had ever flown before was 27.418 feet. Miss Nichols report ted that she had played tag with the clouds at 30,000 feet, which as you know, is higher than the top of Mount Everest.

One of the officials who examined the instruments of the plane said that

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 Miss Nichols might have been as high as 32,000 feet. The record, however, is not yet of ficial. It has to be formally checked, and they are doing that now.EARN BOARD

The Federal Farm Board has a new chairman. Alexander Legge, who has been the has resigned, and President Hoover has appointed James . Stone to take his place. Mr. Stone was formerly vice-Chairman of the Farm Board.

According to the International News Service, President Hoover states that Mr. Legge resigning because of private affairs. The President tried to persuade him to stay on the job, but Mr . Legge felt compelled to ign retire.

The unemployment question has $v a n i s h e d$, at least in one part of the country. The place is down in Mississippi. In Bolivar and Washington Counties work has been
started on the levees which hold back the waters of the Father of Rivers. All of the jobless in those parts have been put to work on the big operation.

In Coahoma County, Mississippi, they are starting in
on a $\$ 400,000$ road building job, and it is expected that by summer all of the unemployed in that locality will be at work and drawing wages too.

Well. I see they are doing something for the desert
rat. He's the wandering mining prospector, often unkempt
and unshaven, who with inexhaustible patience and hope, toils his way across mountains and through deserts, looking for pay dirt; looking for gold.

According to the United Press, the Governor of Nevada
says that the desert rat is one of the most important elements
in the development of mining and in the discovery of new mineral deposits.

And so the old adventurous prospector is going to have something done for him.

Governor Balzar of Nevada in a message to the Legislature, has recommended that the State Bureau of Mines should go so far as to grubstake the desert rats. He recommends that the Bureau assay free of charge all samples sent in by the prospectors.

It is further proposed to give a bonus of one thousand dollars to

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every desert rat who makes a strike which produces ten thousand dollars worth of gold in the first six months. Well, the old time desert rat has been kicked around a good deal when going about looking for grubstakes and talking about the big strike he to make - ard it's about time so me body did something for him.

There are no more picturesque men in the world than the wandehere who search for new eldoradoe. The life story ot nearly every one of them wowed make a thrilling book.

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Newspapers to day are carrying pictures of a series of white geometric forms. These are miniature buildings, and they make up a model of what will be New York's great radio city. The construction of this new marvel will begin next summer.

According to the New York WorldTelegram, the radio city will occupy a great area, the blocks from 48th to fIst Street, and from Fifth Avenue to Sixth Avenue.

It will be a grandiose center for all kinds of entertainment, radio, television, phonograph records, vaudeville shows and motion pictures, and possibly the new Metropolitan Opera House may be in that gigantic new radio city.

At this point $I$ ' $m$ inspired to make the request - please pass the headaches.

According to the Associated Press, scientists at the University of Illinois Research Hospital have discovered that headaches are caused by brains. Migraine, which is the twodollar word for headaches, occurs principally among the intelligentsia. In other words, no brains, no headaches. The scientists point out that Julius Caesar and Napoleon suffered from headaches.

So if you have one you are in excellent company.

Some further inside information about the World War came out today. It shows that Prime Minister Clemenceau of France wanted to have General Pershing removed rom his command of the A. B. F.

The New York World-Telegram prints a series of paragraphs from the memoirs of Marshal Foch which were published today in book form. They show that Clemenceau told Foch that he ought to appeal to President Wilson.

The dispute was caused by Pershing's insistence that the American troops should not be simply made part of the French and British armies. General Pershing insisted that the doughboys should fight as the American army and under the American flag. Foch, as the generalissimo of the Allied Forces, disagreed with Clemenceau and supported Pershing. The Memoirs show that Foch and Pershing agreed that the Americans should fight as an American Army.

## DIGEST

Now, wait a minute here. I don't want to get bawled up on this figure. It's a big one. Let's see--it's 17,632 MILLIONS! That is, 17 BILLION, 632 MILLION DOLLARS. That's how much money there is saved up in the world. It's a total of the savings, great and small, of millions of people. It's the biggest ever. Strange to say, more money was saved in 1930 than in any previous year. Ono billion three hundred fifty million dollars were saved all over the wort at

Or $r$ bather, according to the Literary Digest, it isn't strange at all. People are more inclined to save money during times of depression than during boom times. The uncertainty and lack of confidence cause people to put their money aside instead of spending it or investing it.

Well, all that money saved up certainly does mean that people are not buying enough to make business boom. But that's only one side of it. The

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Lit erary Digest quotes the publication known as Business Week as saying that while the orgy of saving impedes business tempo arily, it only means that money is being piled up for a future boom, future prosperity. Once the tide starts running strongly toward prosperity all that money will swing into action and there'll be good times as never before. the better.

## Percy

This next item might come under the heading of moving pictures.

The Government of the Republic of Peru certainly is a swiftly moving picture. They 've had another overturn down there. This week's record stands at two successful revolutions and the succession of three governments.

According to the Associated Press, Colonel Jimenez is Peru's new ruler. He appeared at the presidential palace last night and told the maxixixi provisional president, Dr. Elias, that Peru needed a new chief executive, and the Colonel thought he was the man for the job. As he was backed by a considerable force of soldiers who had rallied around bim, Dr. Elias gracefully stepped down, and thus ended another revolution.
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Now just a few days ago Ur. Elias did the same thing to Provisional President Cerro, and pushed him right off the throne.

The one good thing about these swift moving pictures of government is that there has been little bloodshed and violence.

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$$ was a member of the Labor Government but he has broken with his old associates because their Socialism want hot enough to suit him.

Well, a big meeting was called to start the new Red radical party. Sir Oswald was to preside as the Moses who would lead the English workers into the new promised I and, but he got sick and couldn't be there. His place was taken by his wife, Lady Cynthia Mosley. She's as radical as her husband, although The's the daughter of the late manque of Curzon, who was the mona haughtiest and most aloof of British noblemen. Lady Cynthia addressed the big

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throng in a fiery speech and said all the parties in England were blundering and meddling. She said a desperate and dangerous crisis was confronting England, and she offered as a solution the plan which her husband has been advocating. This is to establish a dictatorship in England which would lead the island into the Lady Cynthia suggested that England should be run by a governing board of five men.

According to the Associated Press, most of the crowd had come to heckle the fair advocate, who was dressed in what is described as a most becoming fashionable gown. But the daughter of Lord Curzon spoke her radical speech with vigor and fire, and made a good impression. They came to heckle-but they stayed to cheer. calls a shine." Jut imagine a London Bobbie talking his most indignant cockney. M al has a right to be indignant, because a mean trick has been played on the English police, and a woman did it.

According to the New York Sun, she is a well known fraud. Sixteen times she has been sent to jail for larceny. When she was released after her last prison sentence, she came out of jail without twopence, and she wanted to get to the nor th of England. That was a problem, but the lady proceeded to solve it.

She went wixto to the police and said she was a Scotland Yard detective and told them to get a car for her right away. She mas after two men who had committed a crime.
The local Bobbies were eager to oblige a . Sher lock Holmes from Scotland Yard and they got the car. She was driven to Hersham and there she made a wow x

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and then on various pretexts max she had them drive her from place to place. but she certainly did have an extensi ve and pleasant tour of England.

In an interview today Gandhi, to Id group newspaper men that he expected to accomplish the complete independence of India. But that, he explained, doesn't mean separation from the British Empire. He wants India to remain within the British Commonwealth of nations as an equal partner.

According to the Associated Roo. Gandhi said that some of his Indian associates did not believe that. England would ever agree to the freedom of India wi thin the Empire. But, the Mahatma added, that he thought the British Government would see things as he saw them and he was working with the optimistic hope of achieving his goal-ad * Completely self-governing India.

I have a letter here from Leon 0. Smith, of Earlville, New York. He asks me if Flint Lock guns are in use by wild tribes in any part of the world. Well, I can't answer for the whole world, although I imagine that Flint Lock guns are not used to any great extent. I can speak though about the wild peoples of the southern parts of Asia. Among them you see plenty of Flint locks but they are mostly hung up in houses and are no longer used. Nearly all primitive peoples are now armed with modern weapons.

How they get them would make a long Romance in itself. I remember while traveling in Central Asia among the fierce Afridis, 1 visited a rifle factory in a remote mountain pass. There l saw
 a time. Workmen would bore out barrels on a wobbly hand-lathe, another shaped a breachfock with a chisel and a broken file. Still another held a stick between his toes
and whittled away at it with a knife.

But those fellows turned out a tip top imitation
of our Western rifle and it seemed little less than a miracle. Other rifles came into those parts from Russia. In
the days before the War the Germans would run firearms across
the Persian Gulf and then send them inland by caravan. And
then the British Army itself is a constant source of supply.

The tribesmen enlist in British regiments and are given weapons.

Then they desert and go back to their hills. Thousands of

British rifles have thus found their way into the hands of the wild fighters of the Hindu Kush mountains.

With them the first necessity of life is a good
weapon and they seem to know how to get them. So the flint
lock has just about vanished, even in savage lands.

CHINA

There has been a new outbreak of trouble in China. The United Press reports that 10,000 troops of the Nationalist Government mutinied, and When the authorities attempted to disarm them they went on a rampage and begin looting the surrounding countryside.

They call china the sleeping Riant. Int the giant in sleeping fitfully these days. - in fact walking in his sleep.

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a pair of galoshes to the box office and you can see the latest masterpiece which the Soviet impresarios have devised.

Give me those galoshes, Ivan, and step right in, says the impresario. And ar for me, give me my. galoshes and del step right ontand soloing until tomarion.

