

Flying Clipper and Crew Before Trans-Atlantic Hop Takeoff



Members of the Pan-American Clipper ship which already has flown one leg of its trans-Atlantic hop from Port Washington, L. I., to New Foundland are shown. From left to right are: Capt. Harold E. Gray, First Officer William De Lima, Second Officer William Mastan, navigator; Engineering Officer Walter Etchison; Radio Operator Thomas Roberts and Steward William Thaler. The clipper is in the background.

ITALIANS AWAIT COURT DECISION

Clash Expected to Follow Review of Marriage Annulment Appeal.

By United Press
ROME, July 5.—Italy's supreme court, the court of cassation, took under review today an annulment appeal that has become historic, hinging on a premarriage agreement to "take necessary preventive measures to avoid procreation" and to separate upon "spiritual and physical alienation."

The Roman Catholic ecclesiastical tribunal of Tientsin, China, annulled the marriage. The Florence civil court of appeals, however, refused to do so.

Thus state and church, in their views on marriage, are brought together in the case and, whatever the decision, a controversy was expected.

Signed an Agreement

Antonio Riva and Emilia Corradi were married at Florence in 1921. Before the marriage they signed an agreement which said in part:

"In full accord the partners agree to take necessary preventive measures to avoid procreation... In case of physical and spiritual alienation we agree to separate. Whenever one of the partners no longer feels for the other the affection which inspired the marriage, he shall openly declare himself, immediately and without recrimination, and the other partner will renounce every conjugal right."

The couple went to China, but separated four years afterward.

Divorce was not recognized in Italy, but the signing of the Lateran treaty between the Vatican and the Italian Government was thought to show a way out.

Annulment Is Granted

Signora Riva was advised to seek annulment on the ground that the marriage never was valid for want of accord. She obtained one, the decision citing:

"A matrimonial accord is an act of will, means of which both parties give and accept the exclusive external right to each other's person in relation to acts given for generation of offspring."

The annulment decree was forwarded to Italian civil courts for their action. But the civil courts held:

"Mental reservations expressed or not expressed by partners prior to marriage can not invalidate an accord manifested by them to a representative of the civil state. In any event, years of cohabitation sealed the marriage. Reservations may have validity as to religious marriage, which is a sacrament... but cannot have validity in civil matrimony, which is contractual and not sacramental."

It was the final appeal from this decision that the Supreme Court took under consideration today.

MINISTER'S FAMILY SETS SCHOOL RECORD

By United Press
EDWARDVILLE, Ill., July 5.—The five children of the Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Stelzriede all chalked up perfect school attendance records in the last year. One, Keturah, has attended school 11 years with only one absence. Carman, the youngest, has not missed a day in his three years' attendance.

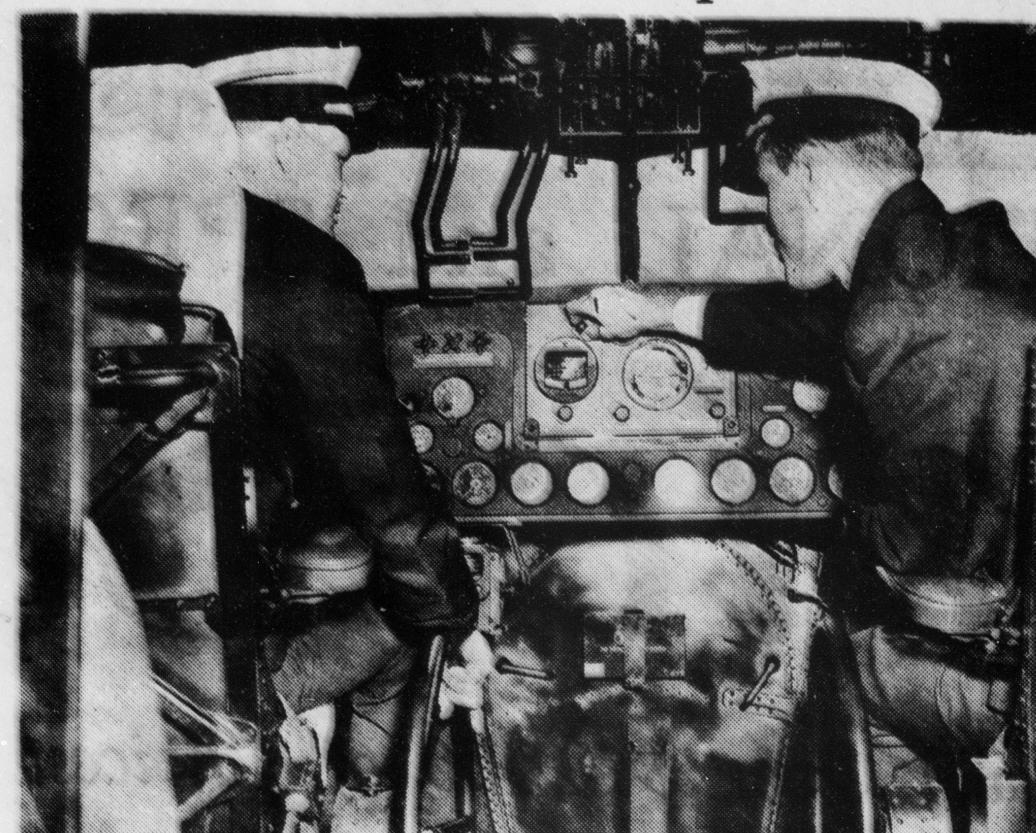
SHORTAGE OF BOOKS REPORTED IN RUSSIA

By United Press
MOSCOW, July 5.—So acute is the shortage of books in Moscow that parents and children go to the author's house and ask permission to copy in manuscript some of his works, and other books in his possession.

3 TYPES OF AERIALS
There are three types of auto aerials. One mounted on the front or rear bumper; another is of flexible steel with a rigid steel brace held on top by vacuum cups, and the third is a blade-like piece of steel which is turned up or lowered from the inside.

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Capt. Gray, left, and First Officer De Lima are shown at the controls of the Pan-American Clipper flying boat before its takeoff on the trip that will take them to Ireland. The flying boat made a stop at New Brunswick to take on fuel before continuing its hop to New Foundland. The flight is for the purpose of setting up regular trans-Atlantic service from the United States to England.

WPA WORKERS DROP RAPIDLY

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ODD ROAD FOUNDATIONS
Cotton, tin cans, molasses, aluminum, iron, rubber, and a mixture of surface oil and molasses are used in some parts of the world as a foundation for highways.

'The Trouble I've Had!' Sigh New York Snake Experts (?)

Even Herpetological Society President Finds Pet Rattler Spurns Affection.

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EIGHT-HOUR SPREE COSTS ONLY \$1.85

ELYRIA, O., July 5.—Police arrested a man twice in the same day recently, once at 11:30 a. m. and again at 8 p. m., on charges of intoxication. The first time he was picked up, the man had \$4. The second arrest found him with only \$2.15. Using these facts as a basis, police calculated it costs approximately \$1.85 to go on an eight-hour "bender."

CANADA COMBATS T. B. AMONG INDIANS

OTTAWA, Ont., July 5.—The Canadian Government has begun organizing a nationwide campaign to wipe out tuberculosis among Indians.

The Department of Indian Affairs, co-operating with the Canadian Tuberculosis Association, is selecting a committee of 12 authorities on the disease to map a plan of action and carry the fight to the Indian reserves.

FINE PROVIDES SUITS FOR BO YSWIMMERS

By United Press
PHILADELPHIA, July 5.—Allowing his youthful charges to swim without clothes, Scoutmaster Harry Green, 21, the price of five new bathing suits. This was the fine meted out by Police Recorder James Norcross, before whom Green was taken following complaints of residents near Blackwood Lake.

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