

Rickard Informs Public That Tunney's Opponent Will Be Heeney Or Risko

By Davis J. Walsh International News Service Sports Editor. NEW YORK, Mar. 23. (INS)—Through devious channels, comes the word from Miami today that George Rickard and Brother Tunney have reached an "understanding."

Heeney, it seems, is the preferred candidate at the moment and it is assumed that, if the championship were to be fought for tomorrow, he is the man who would be in there taking uncalculated liberties with brother Tunney's knuckles.

Polish Wrestler Is Winner Four Times Over Challengers

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 23. (INS)—Tex Rickard could learn something about elimination tournaments from Stanny Stasiak, giant Polish wrestler, who next Wednesday night will meet Ed "Strangler" Lewis, world's heavyweight wrestling champion, here in a title bout.

Cleveland Indians Find It Difficult To Replace Speaker

NEW ORLEANS, Mar. 23. (INS)—Midway between the 1928 and 1927 seasons, the Cleveland Indians, having lost the pennant the year before on the final day of the season, suddenly were deprived of a great centerfielder and a successful manager simultaneously.

Training Camp Briefs

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 23. (INS)—For the next two days the world's champion New York Yankees will stick to their own ball bat and practice hitting. They need the practice, for they lost the 11th place game yesterday in five straight against the Boston Braves at 2-1. The Yankees got on 15 runs but all nine of them were by Combs and Lazzeri.

Celery Markets

Bureau of Agricultural Economics cooperating with the Florida State Bureau of Markets.—R. K. Corbin, Local Representative. There were 36 cars shipped to the 227th District yesterday and 15 from Manatee Section, making the total for the State 102, 6,437, 24,241, 24, 198.

CHULUOTA

Gabr Long has had an irrigation system put into his orange grove the work being done by the Sanford Machine Co. J. W. Miller of Mason City, Ia., arrived Sunday evening and is the guest at the Inn. Mr. Miller owns property here and is planning on building a winter home.

Governor Concludes West Florida Drive

JACKSONVILLE, Mar. 22.—With his West Florida campaign nearly finished, Gov. John W. Martin has started this week to cover Nassau, Columbia and Suwannee Counties and then expects to work down into the central portion of the state, he will go to Lake City tonight for his second speech after a week and a half in Tallahassee.

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Woman's Christian Temperance Union Stages District Meet Here Thursday

Mrs. Mary Harris Armour, described as the "Billy Sunday of the W. C. T. U.," was the principal speaker of the central Florida conference of the Women's Christian Temperance Union held in this city on Thursday, coming to a close last night. Mrs. Armour said the foundation of law observance is laid in the home and declared that there is no more reason for repealing the Eighteenth Amendment than for preventing the laws against murder, stealing, gambling, and other crimes.

Declares That Already Number Of Grinning Simpletons Is Appalling And That Continuance Would Be Shame

PEKING, Mar. 20. (INS)—The possibility of China uniting itself after a fashion through the common desire of northern and southern leaders to obtain tariff autonomy at the end of this year is now looming large on the political horizon while the armies are indulging in the usual winter respite. The whole matter harks back to the ill-fated Customs Conference which was held between the Powers and China in 1920 and which ceased to function when all semblance of Chinese government dissolved around the foreign delegates.

Second Announcement

Simultaneously a second announcement was made that "The Government of the Republic of China declares that it will be abolished simultaneously with the enforcement of the Chinese National Tariff Law; and further declares that the abolition of the Government shall be effectively carried out by January 1st, 1929."

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Eight On Tariff MAY BE UNITING MEANS OF NATION

Before the Customs Conference passed out of the picture, the assembled foreign representatives one day made the gratifying announcement that the contracting parties other than China hereby recognize China's right to enjoy tariff autonomy; agree to remove the tariff restrictions which are contained in existing treaties between themselves and China; and consent to the going into effect of the Chinese National Tariff Law on January 1, 1929.

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Nye Questions Smith On His Oil Reticence

(Continued from page 1) called as a witness before the oil investigating committee, because there was no evidence that he was involved in any way in the Continental Trading Co. bond transactions. "You gratuitously enrage me, however, with being a party to a plot to enable the Republican Party to escape in some measure the penalty for the disgraceful record of the party in connection with these scandals," continued Nye. "Surely you cannot be ignorant of the fact that upon my own initiative and responsibility and without the suggestion of any other members of the committee, Republican or Democrat, I appointed an investigator, on the basis of information privately furnished to me, who traced the bonds of the Continental Trading Company owned by Harry F. Sinclair directly to the coffers of the Republican National Committee through the banks of New York City."

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Pay Your Taxes Promptly

**delay or failure to pay
means an added burden
next year**

PROPERTY owners can best lower taxes by paying the assessments due before April 1

FAILURE to pay means that the City will not have enough money to meet running expenses. Bonds that should be retired will have to be refinanced with the result that taxes will mount higher than ever before.

THE number of city employees have been reduced to a minimum, and salaries cut. Overhead has been pared to the bone. If this year's taxes are paid, the City's financial problem for this year will be practically solved. If payment falls short, no amount of economy can prevent increased millage next year.

SEVENTY-five per cent of the total revenue the City is supposed to receive comes from the payment of taxes.

IT'S a serious situation and narrows down to just this:

IF you, as a property owner will pay your taxes this year, then the burden for next year will be lighter.

IF you, as a property owner, DO NOT PAY, then money will have to be borrowed, interest and principal will have to be paid and the result will be HIGHER TAXES NEXT YEAR.

Which shall it be?

CITY OF SANFORD

This is the first of six advertisements.

Another will appear in Monday's Herald

HOT MAR BATTERY CO.

Coral Gables To Get Money From Insurance Firms

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...purchasers number nearly 1,000, distributed as stated. We are, in fact, Miami's greatest industry. We have invested in 6 years more than \$10,000,000 in national advertising. We have sold more than \$8,000,000 of Coral Gables throughout the country and breadth of the nation. We are well known as Miami itself. I doubt that there is any single enterprise or institution in the Greater Miami area about which we might stop the tenth man you might meet on the streets of Oklahoma, Wichita or Hartford and ask that man what he knows about that institution, but what you would find that he knows more about Coral Gables 10 to one than any other institution in Greater Miami. Such is the effect of cumulative advertising.

"When Coral Gables was started, and here I will begin to revert to my text—that was six years ago last November—there were three homes in all of Coral Gables area, the rest was groves built by my father and myself in 18 years of painstaking work, and pine woods and jungle. At the time I started Coral Gables, that "Magic That Moves Mountains," otherwise known as Faith, was available to me in the form of concrete backing from only three individual sources. I remember this was only six years ago, yet the transformation which has culminated in the present city of Coral Gables has been brought about in that time. Many people have asked me why the name of George Merrick has been tied into all of our advertising through this entire period. Many people have questioned whether my ability in the financial field and other material phases of city accomplishments warranted such a wide-spread use of my name. True, everyone has given me credit from the beginning as a dreamer. Some of the wise men in Miami, including men who are today leaders in the Greater Miami area at the beginning and even years after at the beginning, credited me only with the ability of a dreamer. Now actually my only right to have my name inseparably connected with Coral Gables is because out of the great field of able men who are and have been with me—able in every way I have, from the beginning, and do now, possess in greatest degree that "Magic That Moves Mountains." In other words, I have been the greatest believer in Coral Gables and Greater Miami, and I am yet the man who has the greatest faith in the future of Coral Gables.

"At the height of the boom many people said that George Merrick and Telfair Knight had been advanced by luck; that the southward trend and the mob psychology which overwhelmed our part of Florida favored us and we had simply been the recipients of the Golden Horn of Plenty. Those were the same people, in many cases, who at the beginning of Coral Gables said the whole thing was a wild, intangible and impossible dream.

"Now folks, I want to tell you a few things that many of you may not know or realize. The boom collapsed about January 1, 1926. During the two and one-third years that have elapsed since, we have had—certainly putting it lightly—no luck with us; some real ability as well as supreme faith must have been evident in accomplishing the things of which I want to tell you. At the height of the boom, Coral Gables owed \$44,000,000. Today it owes \$26,000,000. In that two and one-third years we have accomplished a total of streets, sidewalks and landscaping construction totaling approximately \$5,000,000, thereby completing over 95 per cent of our entire promise to our purchasers through 46 states and 12 foreign countries. During that same two and one-third hard years, there has been accomplished a total of nearly \$42,000,000 building construction. This record has been accomplished by no other city of equal size in the United States during that same time. During that same two and one-third hard years, when that \$44,000,000 was reduced to \$26,000,000—as at present—we wrestled with the fact that practically all of our indebtedness was short time money—six to 12 and 18 months mostly. We have made at least six entire settlements with our complete list of 12,000 creditors and still have, in the main, the worst was over and that we would be able to fulfill our promises at each settlement. We have gone through that terrible two and one-third years with this great mass of 1,200 creditors and still have, in the main, the good confidence of most of them.

"I submit that this two and one-third years record since the boom broke, as above stated, constitutes an unparalleled record in American industrial achievement and absolutely proves the statement above referred to—that the men behind Coral Gables, even if they are dreamers, also are most practical men. I submit that the men behind Coral Gables are worthy of your faith. I submit that they merit your continued confidence. I submit that as they go on with the

INQUIRY FINDS LASKER AIDED PARTY'S FUND

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...doesn't this show on the Republican books?" Mr. Upham may not have used it for the Republican Committee," said Lasker. "He may have distributed it around among the states.

"If my memory serves me, Upham said he had promised to raise some money for various states and he probably used it for that purpose. This is the most serious restriction which was put on the fund," said Walsh. "It was very hard to get the League of Nations and I quit my work to do all a layman could do to defeat the League," said Lasker. "I helped to put out propaganda against the League."

"Why didn't you give this \$25,000 by check?" Upham probably asked me to give it to him in cash," said Lasker. "That would be handy in giving it out to the states. Most politicians like to get it in cash."

"That is the custom in Chicago, isn't it?" "Almost universally," Lasker agreed. "If you had given him a check for it and no record of your gift was made, the check would have called attention to each an omission," observed Walsh.

"He would have the right, the way I gave it to him, to use it as he pleased," said Lasker. Lasker said he felt he could make a liberal contribution to the Republicans because of his interest in the League fight.

"We learned that Mr. Sinclair gave \$200,000, so your contribution wasn't so liberal on that basis," said Walsh. "I don't want any contribution coupled up to any other contribution about which a question of good faith might be raised," replied Lasker.

Lasker said he was not solicited in 1924. "They knew my interest had waned after the election of 1920," said Lasker. "I was only interested in that campaign."

MAN IS FREED AFTER GETTING DEATH DECREE

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...C. D. ("Whitey") Jones, Fleming King, Ike Sneed, Jack Goodman, S. F. ("Shifty") Batchelor, C. A. McLeod and George O. Young. All, with exception of Lovett, Jones and Batchelor, have been arrested and held in Fulton Tower, later to be released on \$2,500 bonds.

Lance was arrested in Jacksonville, Fla., a few days after the murder, and, following extradition hearing, was brought to Tallahassee and jailed on a warrant charging murder, given to the solicitor.

Although he had made several efforts to obtain his release on habeas-corpus proceedings, Lance had been confined in his Tower cell for the day he was brought back until this morning.

Lance's trial on the murder charge was held before Judge Howard, of Fulton Superior Court, last May. It was one of the most bitterly fought murder trials in the history of Fulton County, with Solicitor Boykin arrayed against the law firm of Branch & Howard and attorney Paul Carpenter representing the defense.

HOUSE RESISTS LOBBYING BILL OF CARAWAY

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...requiring a disclosure of fees paid, asserting that lobbyists are performing a legitimate service in advocating or opposing legislation.

Sen. Caraway (D) of Arkansas, author of the lobbyists' Restriction Bill, declared the measure is not intended to abridge the right of petition or open advocacy of legislation before committees. It hits at lobbyists who work in the dark and in many cases obtain money from the fraudulent representation that they can influence votes, he said.

Lions Are To Open Junior Ball Loop On Next Thursday

The Junior Baseball League, which was sponsored last season by members of the Lions Club and which will again be under the supervision by that club this year, will open its season on March 29, according to an announcement today.

All games will be played at the Grammar School park and will start at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Captains of the various teams have been chosen and the Lions will manage each team. Umpires will also be furnished by the club. Following is the schedule for the first half of the season:

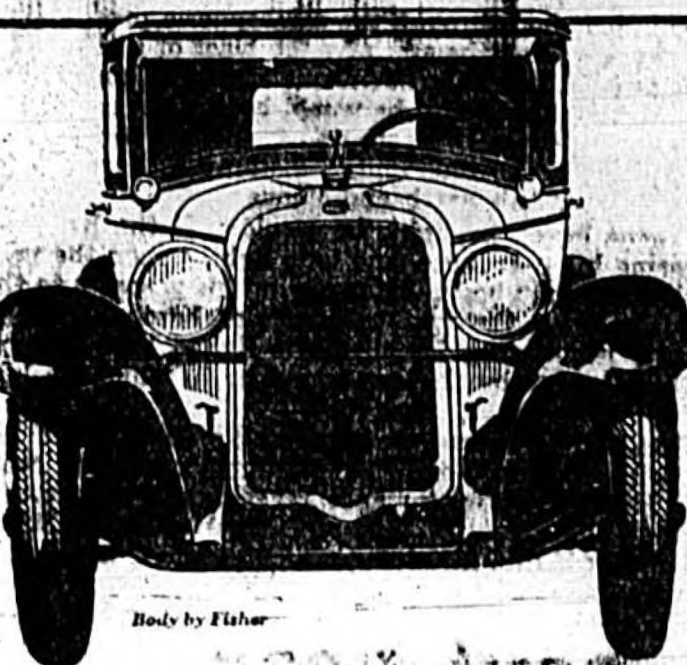
March 29—Blackfeet vs Seminole.
March 30—Red Sox vs Pirates.
March 31—Tigers vs Panthers.
April 2—Red Sox vs Seminole.
April 3—Pirates vs Tigers.
April 4—Panthers vs Blackfeet.
April 5—Red Sox vs Panthers.
April 6—Pirates vs Seminole.
April 7—Tigers vs Blackfeet.
April 9—Panthers vs Seminole.
April 10—Tigers vs Red Sox.
April 11—Pirates vs Blackfeet.
April 12—Tigers vs Seminole.
April 13—Red Sox vs Blackfeet.
April 14—Pirates vs Panthers.

MRS. POOSER DIES

ORANGEBURG, S. C., Mar. 24. (INS)—Mrs. Olivia Pooser, South Carolina's last surviving "mother of the Confederacy" died here today at the age of 109.

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Martin Has Finished Drive Into 36 Counties

TALLAHASSEE, Mar. 24.—Gov. John W. Martin arrived home late last night with his campaign for the United States Senate completed in thirty six counties of the state. He announced that he will spend several days here and then return to the northeastern part of Florida.

An audience which was said to be the largest political gathering in the history of Live Oak overflowed the local theatre there last night to hear Governor Martin review his administration and defend his Eyringdale policy, the chief reason for opposition to him in Suwannee County.

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PLANE WRECKS

QUINCY, Mass., Mar. 24. (INS)—Flying over the Atlantic section of this city today, an airplane went out of control. During the quick descent the pilot and passengers with parachutes leaped from the falling aircraft. They dropped into the harbor off Squantum. The plane crashed against a house and was wrecked.



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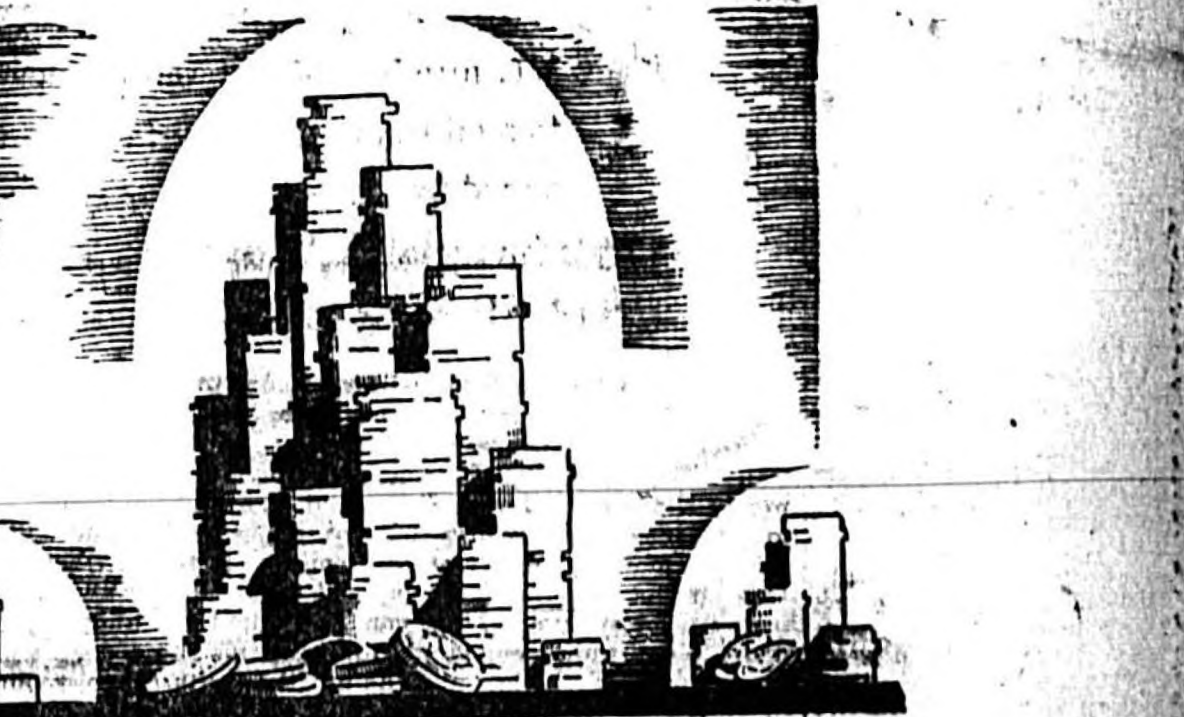
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SANFORD, FLORIDA

British Railways To Begin Fight In Earnest Upon Bus Lines Of Rural Districts

LONDON, March 23.—The war between the railroad corporation of Britain and the motor-coaches which by including passengers to travel by road instead of by rail have made such deep indentations into their traffic, is becoming acute.

The passenger corporation is now seeking legislative power to enable it to run motor-coaches and to compete with the rival motor-coaches and probable road bus lines.

It is little wonder that the railroad companies are becoming restive under this competition and are asking legislative aid to meet it. But whether they will receive popular sympathy in their attempt is more than doubtful.

The general public feeling is that if the four big railroad corporations succeed in obtaining powers to run vehicles over the roads, then with their enormous resources, their first act will be to suppress their present competitors and put up all rates to the present level of trains. And remembering what the railroads did to the old canals, the average elector is likely to fight this process to the bitter end.

California Man Flies To Detroit To Secure Chrysler From Manufacturer

Illustration of the increasing influence of modern inventions in business transactions was given recently when the purchase of an automobile was started in California and completed in Detroit.

Mr. Church was making a one-day trip from Los Angeles to New York, according to reports received by the Parkdale Motor Company, local Chrysler distributors.

Mr. Church is an engineer, designer and manufacturer of amusement devices which attract many American clients. He has always been one of his business.

When hurried calls summoned him from one part of the country to another in the past, he would stop at a Yale train and limited measured up to his idea of rapid travel.

Despite his reliance on fast railroad schedules, Mr. Church has been impressed by the fact that business associates who had him goodbye as he boarded a train would frequently be waiting for him at his destination in another city.

One of his associates took him for a drive in a Chrysler one day and he found the answer to this mystery. Thereupon he made up his mind that he would have a Chrysler for himself.

He was in Los Angeles when the decision was reached. A call on the Great Company, Chrysler distributors for Southern California enabled him to select the model and body type he preferred and a wire from the distributors to Detroit assured its delivery as soon as he could reach the factory. He had an appointment in New York on March 14th, but urgent business prevented his leaving Los Angeles until Saturday, March 10th. There seemed to be no way of getting across the continent in time for his New York appointment, let alone stopping off in Detroit to take delivery of a car, but some one suggested the air mail and a new conception of the meaning of speed being formed for Mr. Church. At 8 o'clock Saturday morning, March 10th, he boarded the government air mail and was the lone passenger on its east bound trip.

Radio Programs

- FEATURES ON THE AIR**
- (Saturday, March 24)
- 6:30—Waldorf Astoria orchestra—WEAF, WTIC, WRC, WCAE, WEL.
 - 7:00—South Sea Islanders; Guitars and songs—WEAF, WTIC, WRC, WCAE.
 - 8:30—New York Symphony orchestra—WJZ, WBAL, WHAM, WJZ, WBAL, WHAM, WJZ, WBAL, WHAM, WJZ, WBAL, WHAM.
 - 9:00—Boston Symphony orchestra—WBK.
 - 9:00—Sajoneta club banquet, various speakers—WEAF, WTIC, WRC, WCAE, WEL.
 - 9:30—Philo hour, "Pink Lady"—WJZ, WBAL, WHAM, WJZ, WBAL, WHAM, WJZ, WBAL, WHAM.
 - 10:00—Two New York dance orchestras—WEAF, WTIC, WRC, WCAE, WEL.
- SATURDAY, MARCH 24.**
- 10:15, Waldorf Astoria orchestra.
 - 11:00, Foreign Policy Association.
 - 11:30, Parnassus Trio; 6, Waldorf Astoria orchestra; 7, South Sea Islanders; 7:30, Stetler's Pennsylvania; 8, High Jinks; 9, Sojourners club; 10:00, Eddie Davis orchestra; 11, Johnson's orchestra.
 - 11:30, WJZ New York, 6:00; 2:30, Vespertine Gondoliers; 3:30, Tenner orchestra; 7, poems, Astor orchestra; 8, New York Symphony; 9, Philco hour; 10, Keystone Duo; 10:30, Mickey Mouse; 11, slumber music.
 - 12:00, BOE Newark, 7:10; 1:00, Metropole Players; 2:20, Roseland

AFRICA AND AMERICA LINKED BY World's Latest Radio Service

Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., Sends First Message From Liberia To Rubber Company's Own Station In Akron—Daily Reports On Rubber Growth To Follow

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., today broadcasted the first message sent from the special radio station recently erected on the interior of Liberia, on the West Coast of Africa.

The message was received at a similar station on the roof of the Firestone factories at Akron, Ohio.

This marks a new era of communication with the interior of inaccessible countries. Heretofore, the method used was to send foot messengers through jungle trails, taking days to get in touch with the outside world. Broadcasting by radio direct from one continent to another thus gives the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. a great advantage in developing its million-acre rubber plantations in the interior of Liberia.

Although these properties are located over 5,000 miles from the Firestone headquarters at Akron, Ohio, it will now be possible to send reports every day by radio from the Liberian plantations to Akron.

100,000 Acres Laid Out

Mr. Firestone, Jr., has been in Liberia since early January. In his first report by radio today, he said that the Liberian government had agreed to lease 100,000 acres of land to the Firestone Rubber Co. for rubber plantations. The land was laid out in a grid pattern along the Du River and the Cavalla river.

Firestone engineers in the same time had constructed over 75 miles of roads and had built and established headquarters on the two plantations, with housing facilities for the resident staffs of 118 Americans. Power plants for the development of electric power, light and refrigeration had been built, as well as hospitals and trade stores for the benefit of the Americans and also to supply the needs of the 15,000 natives who are employed in clearing the jungles and planting rubber trees.

1,500,000 Trees Planted

During the past year, according to Mr. Firestone's first radio report, over 1,500,000 rubber trees were planted on a total of over 15,000 acres of cleared jungle land. This is a record in rubber plantation work. It is the largest number of trees set out and cleared by any single company in the same length of time. And Mr. Firestone stated that the rate of progress in clearing land and planting rubber trees is being constantly increased.

Mr. Firestone reported that the steamship sent over for service had been placed in commission along the Liberian coast and is now making up the Firestone plantations and the coast towns of Liberia. He expressed the hope that Firestone will soon have his own vessels operating directly between New York and Liberia, making the Atlantic passage in less than two weeks. When this is done, it will not only give Firestone an advantage of from two to five weeks in time as compared with other rubber-growing countries, but will also greatly reduce the cost of transportation.

Teach Natives Trades

Great progress in the development of the Firestone trade schools was also reported. Mr. Firestone said that the natives were very anxious to learn under the instruction of the Firestone technical staff. The dark-skinned Liberians are being taught to be carpenters, electricians, plumbers, electrician, automobile mechanics, sanitary engineers, soil experts and foresters.

\$5,000,000 Loan to Liberia

Mr. Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., has successfully arranged a \$5,000,000 loan in America for the Liberian government. This places Liberia on a firm financial basis, and permits the development of roads, schools and public buildings.

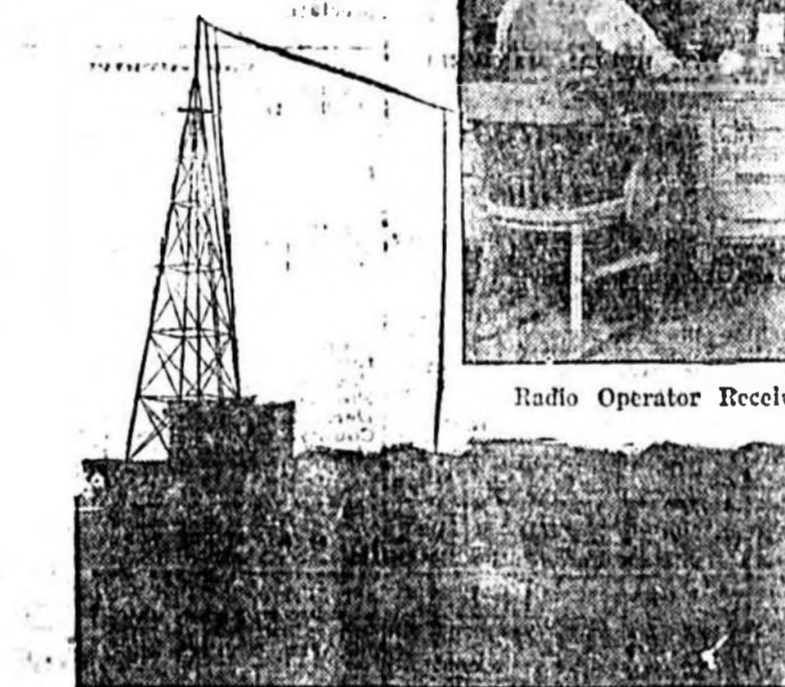
The 18 Americans comprising the Firestone technical staff are helping to organize the 2,000,000 or more native Liberians and give them remunerative employment which had not been hitherto available in their own country. The natives are proving very adaptable and willing to work in an organized way. This has made possible the clearing and planting of such a large acreage during the past year and has undoubtedly had a very appreciable effect in the recent reduction in the price of crude rubber.

European newspapers have carried many articles regarding Firestone for going into Africa to plant rubber. They claimed the soil was poor for rubber growing and that the natives would not work. The British government now realizes that Firestone's Liberian enterprise is anything but a folly.

British Colonies in the East

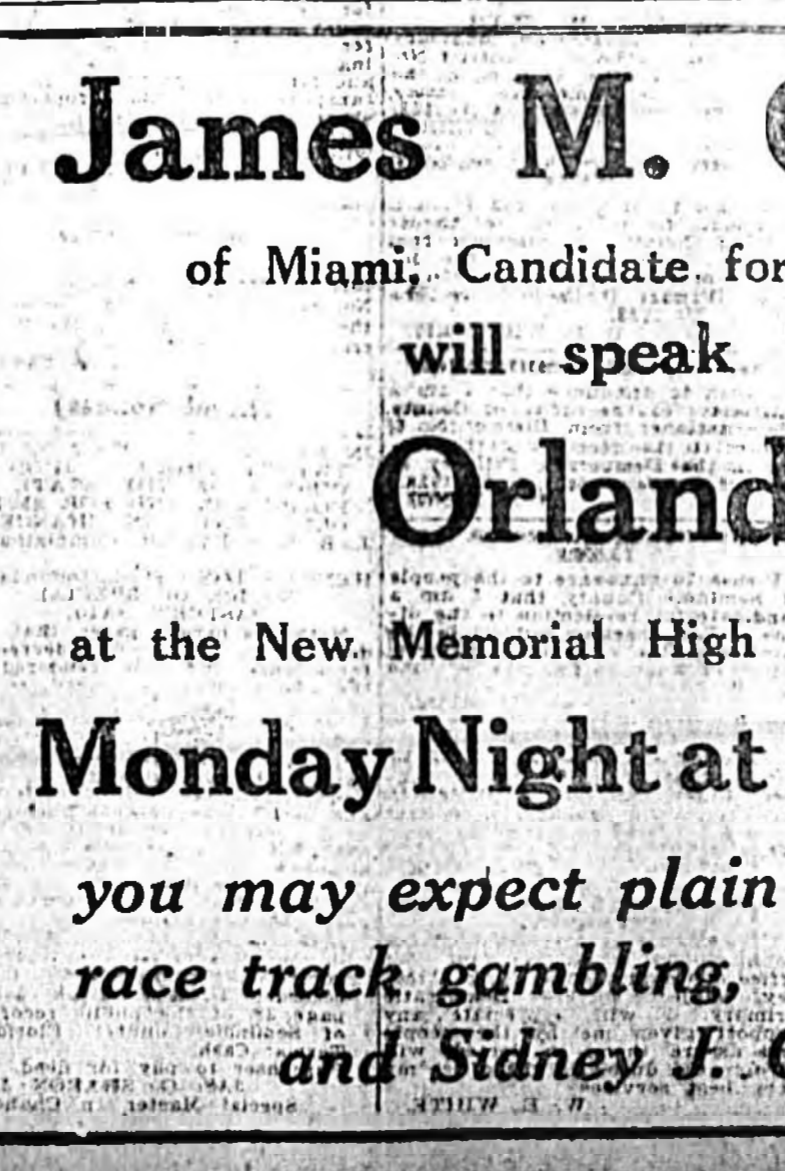
The British colonies in the East have vigorously expressed themselves along this line. Ceylon has voted to abandon rubber restriction entirely. In Singapore, Straits Settlements, 47 out of 72 Dutch rubber growers are in an increasingly important category. And now the British Parliament is seriously considering the question of abandoning or at least modifying the rubber restriction policy.

When Premier Baldwin brought up the question of modifying rubber restriction in the British Parliament, rubber was selling around 42 cents a pound. Within a few weeks it dropped to about 18 cents a pound. Since a variation of 1 cent a pound means a difference of over \$8,000,000 a year to American rubber buyers, the decline from 42 to 24 cents a pound will mean a saving of \$150,000,000 a year to America if the present price is maintained.



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Huge Monoplane Is Old Style First Test Flight By Leading

LONDON, March 23. Characterized as some of the greatest achievements of modern aeronautical engineering, the largest all metal monoplane in the world has undergone successful trial flights at Croydon, where it was constructed, and is soon to be put into actual service.

The giant plane, which is known as the Beardmore Inflexible, has a wing span of 169 feet and a total weight of 15,000 lbs. It is declared to be capable of carrying twenty passenger, and sufficient fuel to take them on a flight of many hours duration.

With appropriate ceremonies, the plane was launched on its first test flight at the Royal Air Force Aerodrome recently, and although it was kept in the air less than a half an hour and put through no complicated maneuvers, it is declared to be a marvel of perfection in control and flying ability.

The machine is equipped with three Rolls Royce engines each of 650 horsepower. It has been constructed with a view to carrying a large number of passengers with the added advantage of sufficient room to store a large supply of gasoline.

There are few planes in the world which in any way approach the Beardmore Inflexible in size. The nearest competitor in span is the French Penhiel flying boat, which is 131 feet from wing tip to tip, and is driven by five Jupiter radial engines of 425 horsepower each. The French Farman night bomber has a span of 114 feet, and a weight of just less than eleven tons.

The machine was ordered by the Air Ministry from the original plans of Dr. Rohrbach, the German airplane designer. It is to be used for experimental purposes mainly, as a vehicle from which the most valuable data for further developments can be secured.

Paris Prepares Large Tourist For Coming

PARIS, March 23.—Paris is ready for a bumper season. Fair weather has been than usual with its lists before the usual tourist season has increased a number of tourists. French tourists are expected to be in Paris in large numbers. Open-air schools for tubercular patients have been opened in the grays.

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