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United States, whose airlines account for most Atlantic crossings, is to pay \$15,000,000 a year.

Many persons today owe their lives directly to the ocean stations. In 1947 the flying boat Sky Queen was forced down with 69 aboard.

Centenarians Polled

Dr. Flanders Dunbar of New York City is interested in longevity. She wrote a letter to all the centenarians she could discover in the United States and asked them about themselves and recently in New York she submitted a report to the International Congress on Gerontology.

First of all, she said, there was strong evidence that those parts of the country most favorable to longevity were the very parts usually thought of as being most conducive to ulcers.

The one note struck most consistently in the replies received by Dr. Dunbar was the vital necessity of purposeful activity. Indeed, on only this one matter of active employment were the old people in complete agreement.

The First V. C.

A centennial anniversary which passed unnoted at the time is recorded in the current issue of The Legionary. This was the winning of the first Victoria Cross.

A London Times war correspondent's dispatch from the Crimean front first suggested that Queen Victoria institute a new reward for heroism to honour men like Lucas.

Lucas received a tumultuous welcome upon his return to London where he received the V. C. from the Queen on February 24, 1857.

Today, his name is almost forgotten. His grave in the village churchyard at Mereworth, Kent, is unnoticed.

Lonely Ocean Stations

A 311-foot U. S. Coast Guard cutter recently arrived at a lonely stretch of North Atlantic water called Bravo to help carry on a prime project in international co-operation.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Tomorrow, the 8th Sunday after Trinity; Holy Name Sunday.

The British Medical Research Council has "reported progress" in its study of the common cold.

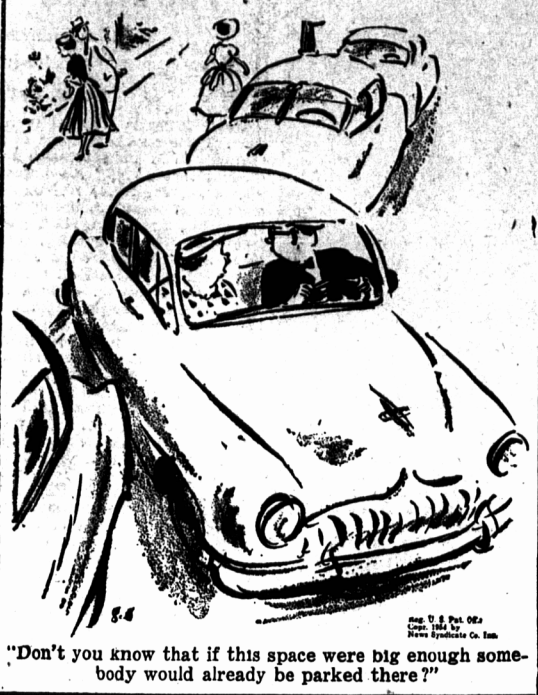
We are always intrigued by ancient placenames denoting something of the history of a locality.

An American pilot has been balked in his proposal to fly the Atlantic by Canadian regulations prohibiting single-engine aircraft from flying further than gliding distance from the coast.

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The Neighbors



NOTES BY THE WAY

The philosophers say that life begins at forty. But on the highway it frequently ends at eighty.

A good home-span metaphor: As welcome as rainfall to bush firefighters.

It's a mistake to hold your head too high. You might stumble and cripple your dignity in the fall.

Three of the stenographers in the office are still speaking in spite of having taken their vacations together.

Man has pursued a lot of dreams in his time—the Golden Fleece, the Philosopher's Stone, the idea that the car can be packed for a family vacation so that only one suitcase need be brought into the motel at night.

A centenary to be marked this summer of unusual significance is the people of Britain and millions throughout the world is that of Big Ben.

The young man who has been adjudged Illinois best teen-age driver gives this advice to other youngsters: Always drive as if your parents were with you.

The following story, reported from Paris, confirms the Frenchman's essentially partisan attitude towards politics.

Some people claim to be psychic Others may be psychic and not know it.

Science is advancing so fast that it must often appear, to those whose mental speed is geared to the thirties or the decades before, to have entered the realms of fantasy.

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EDMONTON, (CP)—The RCMP announced Tuesday that the wreckage of a small plane has been sighted near Whitecourt, 110 miles northwest of Edmonton.

The Poet's Corner

Day unto day Life waxes and wanes, Like a candle Burning its wax away, Till naught but charred wick Remains.

Well content would I be With a flame as still, Some glint to have given Wherewith one who can see Might work his inscrutable Will.

If, perchance, long eternities Hence, that strange mind Might in trance Of far-reaching memory turn To light me one instant—else Blind.

Old Charlottetown and P. E. I. LOCAL CARRIAGE FACTORIES

"Scarcely ten years ago, Charlottetown possessed but one carriage factory, and the amount of patronage which it received was comparatively limited.

Canada's Army Strength (Moncton Transcript)

Canada's recognized top soldier, Lieut. General H.D.G. Crerar, has once again renewed his plea that the Canadian Army should be strengthened.

Still Has Its Uses (Ottawa Journal)

Along comes the Dominion Bureau of Statistics with the information that the horse population of Canada had fallen below the one-million mark for the first time in 60 years.

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The Passing Scene

Whatever else may be said about President Syngman Rhee of South Korea, it cannot be said that he doesn't know his own mind; a more reasonable criticism would be that he knows it too well.

All the same, Mr. Rhee is labouring under an idle illusion if he imagines for one moment that the United States, or any other friendly Power, will join him in a preventive war against Communist China.

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The Age Old Story For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

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