



Assistant Secretary of War Benedict Crowell, who narrowly escaped serious injury during the start of the transcontinental flight at Mineola, when the plane in which he was riding as passenger crashed in a nose dive from a height of 100 feet. Fortunately, neither he nor his pilot was injured, although the plane was badly wrecked. *Paul Thompson*



(Left) Lieut. B. W. Maynard's De Haviland 4 with its powerful Liberty motor leaving Mineola on its record-breaking transcontinental flight. The fastest elapsed time from coast to coast by a train is 120 hours. Maynard's elapsed time was 75 1/2 hours. *Paul Thompson*

Lieut. Belvin W. Maynard (right), the famous "sky pilot" aviator; his observer and his mascot, Trixie, who broke all transcontinental records and won the first half of the greatest aerial race in history. Despite fog, rain, hail and snow, the flying parson tore through space at an average of 108 miles an hour, covering the 2,701 miles which separated Mineola from San Francisco in just a minute less than twenty-five hours' actual flying time. This unparalleled performance shattered all transcontinental records for both time and speed. Lieut. E. C. Kiel and Major Carl Spatz, the leading eastbound fliers, who won second and third places, made a desperate wing-to-wing race from Buffalo to Mineola and landed at Roosevelt Field with but twenty seconds between them. Maynard's time beat that of the San Francisco fliers by nearly five and a half hours. Will the return flight surpass these remarkable figures? *Wide World Photo*



Brigadier General L. E. O. Charlton, the British air attaché, who piloted one of the 47 planes that left Mineola for San Francisco in the world's greatest air race. His Bristol fighter (one of the two foreign entries) was eliminated when it crashed at Interlaken, N. Y. General Charlton was uninjured. *Paul Thompson*



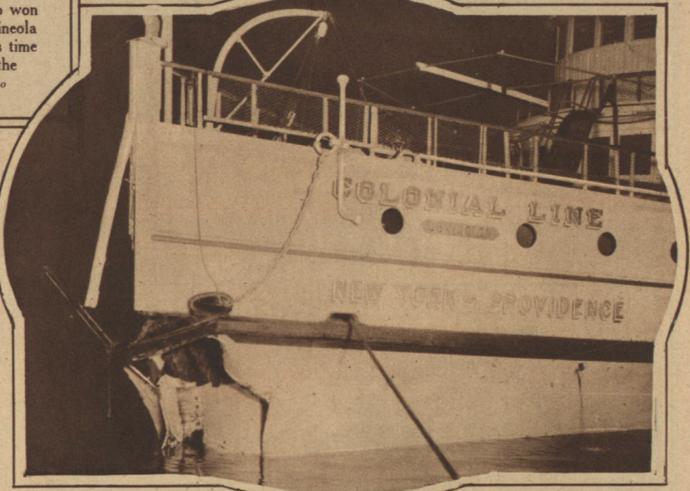
(Right)—A flashlight of Col. Archie Miller, air commandant at Mineola, congratulating Major Carl Spatz on his arrival at Roosevelt Field from San Francisco. Major Spatz was the first West-to-East aviator to arrive, having won second place from Lieut. Kiel by a 20-second margin. *International*



Little Miss Miriam Flaherty, six-year-old daughter of James M. Flaherty, Supreme Knight of the K. of C., about to christen the freighter Casey as the vessel left the ways at the Hog Island shipbuilding yard a week ago yesterday. The ship is named in honor of the Knights of Columbus overseas workers, popularly known as the "Caseys." *International*



Col. Edward M. House, the President's confidential adviser, weakened by illness and the strain of long service at the Peace Conference, heavily bundled up in a fur coat, is assisted down the gangplank of the Northern Pacific by his physician on his arrival here. *International*



Here's what happened to the Lexington when a U. S. submarine accidentally rammed it one evening recently in Hell Gate. Although half a dozen sailors were thrown overboard all were rescued and there was no panic among the 250 passengers. *Press Illustrating*



Miss Cornelia Vanderbilt, daughter of Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, tries her hand as an up-to-date farmerette by driving a Fordson tractor with a disk plough and clod breaker at a public exhibition of farm work on the Vanderbilts' country estate at Biltmore, in the mountains of North Carolina. *Wide World Photo*



Three of Pennsylvania's doughty state constabulary come to the assistance of a fellow trooper, who has been felled by a brick hurled by one of Pittsburgh's striking steel workers. That the great strike has resulted in such little serious disorder is due in large measure to the tireless efforts of Pennsylvania's remarkably efficient state police. *Ledger Photo*