

## **FLIGHT, OCTOBER 13, 1932**

### ***Airisms from the Four Winds***

#### **Another World Flight**

By the time this week's issue of FLIGHT reaches its readers, Mr. Arthur Loew, Vice-President in charge of the foreign department of the Loew Theater Corporation and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios, and his pilot, Capt. James Dickson, should have reached Melbourne, Australia, on the first overland hop of an around-the-world-in-eighty- days business trip they are making. The object of Mr. Loew's flight is the strengthening of relations by personal contact with foreign distributors of M.G.M. pictures. He will pick up and set down business associates along the way. The aeroplane Capt. James Dickson is piloting is the *Spirit of Fun*, owned by Hal Roach, of Hal Roach Studios, which has already flown through Mexico and Central America, and early this year made a 16,500-miles round trip to South America in 95 hr. flying time, at an average cruising speed of 174 m.p.h. In June of this year the same aeroplane broke the transcontinental passenger-carrying record in a 14 hr. 49 min. trip from New York to Los Angeles. It is a standard Lockheed "Orion" model, with retractable landing gear and has 160 gallons petrol and 12 gallons oil capacity. On September 23 the "Orion" left the Clover Field Airport and flew to Wilmington (Los Angeles), landing in a street of that town and taxiing towards the steamship docks. From there it was put on board the S.S. *Monterey*, of the Matson Line, and fastened down on the top shuffleboard deck for the crossing to Sydney, Australia, where the present globe-encircling flight actually commenced. If the schedule planned is adhered to, Mr. Loew and Capt. Dickson will reach their starting point in just about the 80 days deemed so preposterous for a world tour in Jules Verne's time. The itinerary of the *Spirit of Fun* will be as follows: —

Sept. 23, leave Los Angeles aboard S.S. *Monterey*, of Matson Line

Oct. 13, arrive Sydney, Australia

Oct. 15, Melbourne, Australia

Oct. 16, Adelaide, Australia

Oct. 17, Alice Springs and Wyndham, Australia

Oct. 18, Kupang. Surabaya, Dutch East Indies

Oct. 19-20, Batavia, Java

Oct. 21, Singapore

Oct. 22, Penang and Bangdon

Oct. 23, Hanoi, French Indo-China, and Hong Kong

Oct. 24, Shanghai, plane will remain here while Mr. Loew visits Japan

Oct. 31, Hong Kong

Nov. 1, Hanoi

Nov. 2, Mandaya, Burma, and Calcutta, India

Nov. 4, Agra and Bombay

Nov. 6, Karachi, and Task, Persia

Nov. 7, Basra and Baghdad, Iraq

Nov. 8, Jerusalem, and Assuan, Egypt

Nov. 9, Khartoum, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan

Nov. 10, Kenya Colony and Tanganyika Territory

Nov. 11, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, and Johannesburg

Nov. 14, Capetown

Nov. 20, Cairo, Egypt (via above route)

Nov. 21, Athens

Nov. 22, Rome

Nov. 23, Madrid

Nov. 24, Paris

Nov. 26, London

Nov. 30, sail from Le Havre for New York on board S.S. *Ile de France*, of Compagnie Generale Transatlantique.