

Around the World

with
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"We are going to New York where we take a connecting plane to Europe. Now can we get a taxi from one airline building to the other?"

Yes, if the driver doesn't shoot you. New York airport taxis wait in line. The fare

they want is to downtown—inside the airport is nothing. Now, they MUST take you. And then get back at the end of the line. So they hate you. Have your baggage checked through by the first airline to the second airline. Then take the shuttle bus.

"Our flight arrives in Paris at 7 in the morning . . ."

Change it. Or you'll sit in a hotel lobby drinking coffee until the people in your room check out. And that French coffee is miserable.

"We will be in Madrid for a week but have heard they eat dinner very late.

Is there some place where we could eat on American time?"

There's room service in your hotel. It's true, Spain goes to dinner about 10:30. Now I nearly starved until I found the Spanish go out from 7 to 10 for a merienda—a snack. They were eating while I was dying.

The places to go are the tascas—little 'aperitif AND snack bars. In Madrid, there's a row of them on Calle de Echegaray near the Palace Hotel. You drink a little sherry and nibble at the ham and mushrooms and stuffed eggs. All on the counter in front of you.

"Will we need raincoats in Tahiti in July during the celebration of the Fourteenth?"

Not the rainy season, but you'll get some rain. Carry an umbrella that folds into your suitcase. Raincoats are too hot in the tropics.

"We were wondering if

the food and water in Mexico is safe enough to take our small children?"

I've taken mine at all ages—from a year old on up. No problem. I kept them on bottled water—as I do myself. And local American residents said stay away from milk even if it says "pasteurized." You can get powdered milk and mix it with bottled water.

"I am a retired businessman. My income will not allow me extensive travel. But perhaps there is some way . . ."

The other day in a Kiplinger newsletter I read of an outfit that recruits retired executives for help in underdeveloped countries. No pay, but transportation and expenses. Transportation is the main thing. I should think you could stop over a little enroute.

The address they gave is International Executives Service Corp., 545 Madison avenue,

New York City. Maybe worth a letter?"

"I would like to send a present to a girl 'getting married in Northern Ireland, a pen pal of my daughter's?"

That is different. The duty payment on incoming presents can be more than the receiver would pay tax in her own country. All my friends overseas tell me not to send presents by mail. (Send a money order. Or see if you can get her a gift order on a big store in her own country.)

"How many American cigarettes can we take into Europe?"

The rules vary from country to country. Usually it's two cartons. I don't even look it up anymore. I buy three cartons at the no-tax, no-duty store at New York airport and just carry them in wherever I land. So far, nobody has said anything about it. (Anyway, if they did, what do you lose?)

Felony Drunk Arrest Follows Fiery Crash

A Palos Verdes Peninsula man was arrested for felony drunk driving Saturday night after his car smashed into the rear end of another vehicle. A third car coming from the opposite direction also was involved in the mishap.

Booked at Torrance Police Station was Roy J. Barth, 48, of 5011 Rock Valley Road, Palos Verdes Peninsula. He is the owner of Roy Barth Manufacturing Co., 18212 S. Western Ave., Gardena.

The second car, driven by Fred Z. Morales, 19, of 1545 W. 208th St., was preparing to turn into a driveway at 20616 Western Ave. when the Barth vehicle struck it from behind, police said. The impact forced the Morales vehicle into oncoming traffic, involving a car driven by Mrs. Emma Battu of Los Angeles. Injured in the collision was

18-year-old Terry McSherry, registered owner of the car driven by Morales. The accident occurred as the two youths were about to enter the driveway of McSherry's residence.

McSherry's father drove the boy to Harbor General Hospital, where a 4-inch laceration across his forehead was closed.

Also treated at Harbor General were Mrs. Battu and her husband, James, a passenger.

The Torrance Fire Department was dispatched to extinguish a fire in McSherry's car, which was gutted by flames.

Army Pvt. John W. Estes, 17, has completed a cooking course at Ford Ord, Calif. He is the son of Gordon W. Estes of 1618 W. 224th St.

Diabetes Unit Sets Session

"Hereditry and Metabolism" will be subject of Dr. Donald Green when he addresses members of the South Bay Chapter of the Diabetes Association of Southern California Tuesday.

The group will meet in the community room of the American Savings and Loan Building, 1959 Kingsdale Ave., Redondo Beach, at 8 p.m. The public is invited.

Dr. Green earned a fellowship in diabetes and endocrinology at the UCLA Medical School. He will answer questions following his address.

Niles Herron, chairman, said a question-and-answer period on general health matters is planned. Refreshments will be served.



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