

MEMORIAL TO BERT HINKLER.

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Three years after the mysterious crash into the Italian Alps, Queensland erected a National Memorial to Bert Hinkler from the people of Australia. Lord Gowrie, the Governor General, performed the unveiling ceremony. Many were ^{Hinkler's} triumphs ~~of this~~ ~~great pioneer airman~~ --- the first solo flight to Australia --- then the first solo crossing of the South Atlantic. Let us recall ~~vividly for you~~ Bert Hinkler's great reception at Bundaberg after his 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ -day solo flight to Australia ---- an ~~amazing record~~ ~~then~~ --- ~~time and space shattered by a perfect machine and human~~ heroism. Hinkler's Mother was one whose welcome touched the hearts of the world before the official triumphal procession through the streets of Brisbane. Fame, honour awards, and a place for his plane in the Brisbane Museum --- all these things the gallant pioneer knew, ~~before that tragedy in the Alps~~. But his life ~~is~~ ~~is~~ remembered in this stone for future generations.

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~~FALL OF MADRID.~~

Madrid the capital city of the country of despair --- rebels have achieved their big coup in the story of wracked and tortured Spain. Bombed from the skies and shelled almost without pause, the lot of civilians is more easily imagined than described. The Government's War Minister and Premier ^{Abdullah} has fled from Madrid while only a few of his troops remained to put up a weak resistance against the forces of General Franco Foreign Legionaries and Moors advanced --- to print another chapter in the history of unhappy Spain.