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In five months, eight tragic disasters have shaken public confidence in the safety of air travel.

Since September 110 people have been killed in Britain, Sweden, China, Switzerland, France. Among them died Prince Gustav Adolph of Sweden and American Opera Singer Grace Moore.

These crashes have occurred in all weathers, and all parts of the world. Most of the disasters concerned American designed Dakotas. These planes rendered valuable service during the war - the public asks, "What has happened to them now?"

Official enquiries are already at work probing the cause of each individual crash. An anxious public awaits their outcome.

Aftermath of a disaster in which nearly 300 people lost their lives. On the Greek coast near Athens: survivors are brought ashore from the fifteen hundred ton passenger ship "Helmara." Returning from Salonika to Piraeus "Helmara" blew up and sank a quarter of an hour after striking a mine off Perte Rafina in Attica.

Of six hundred and twenty people on board 86 were women. Many who escaped drowning suffered severe injuries. Greek Red Cross teams carried out rescue work.

Among their duties, Greek authorities had the task of counting money found on victims. Only a near miracle saved so many people from a disaster which might well have claimed the life of everyone aboard.

When Itma's Lynd Joyce issued a snooker challenge her first reply came from screen and stage star, Sid Field. With Pathe holding the stakes, the match was staged at London's Albany Club. An eye-opener at the bar and chief Bigga Banga's inquisitive daughter Naive takes on that pool-room pladin Slasher Green.

Fooling aside, they're both top-line players. The trouble is, with Field gagging all round the table, Lynd has trouble keeping her face straight.

Well what d'you know. He's probably got a pin table in his bedroom.

This would have been the winning shot if the table hadn't been playing for Miss Joyce.

Now Sid Field tops the Star's Snooker League. Any challengers?