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In Australia, Melbourne Teenagers steer clear of problems inna seven-day dancing marathan.

At the same time three strong characters decide to sit out the Australian pole-squatting record. Forty feet up they seek solitude while the jitterbugs gwild down below.

The old tag about taking your pleasures while you can is perhaps a worth while philosophy in an uncertain world.

Swingers and pole sitters, they're still hanging on.

The champion jitterbug lasted only 18 hours -just six days short of their target. Maybe the up-the-pole boys will have better luck.

A more useful pastime, however, can be seen at Redbourne, Hertfordshire. Here, 24 year old Kenneth McDonald can't afford 3/4d for 20 cigarettes. So he's defying Mr. Dalton by growing his own tobacco among the cabbages in his back garden.

In the petting shed - where Mr. McDonald keeps his chickens, is the drying room. Leaves are hung up in bunches of four and soon they take on a golden brown colour.

Veined in the open, the leaves are nearly ready to be rolled. Paying 5/- for an excise license and depositing a £50 security, Kenneth McDonald is all set as a tobacco planter.

In Redbourne the locals may soon be asking for a packet of McDonalds.

But of the week's personalities to visit Britain, Mae West made the showiest entrance. Pathe met the 55 year old Bowery Queen at Southampton. With her long platinum blonde wavy curls, the world's premier stage siren also had the longest eyelashes - nearly two inches of them.

Mae had her usual profound observations for the greatest of human emotions. Still a star attraction she helped to lighten the heavier headlines in the week's news with this conversation.

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