

BARCS Emery (Bruchsteiner)  
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DR. BARCS'S TRAVELS

CONSIDER how life tosses some people around in these mad times. In 1906 Emery Barcs was born in Budapest, where his mixed Lutheran-Jewish ancestors had dwelt for centuries. He is a Lutheran. His father was a master goldsmith famed in the Austro-Hungarian monarchy for his artistry. In 1936 Emery Barcs—by then a doctor of political science and a distinguished journalist who could write in English, French, German, Italian and Hungarian—was tossed out of Italy for not appearing, in his dispatches, to adore Mussolini. Back in Budapest in 1939, the Hungarian Aryan laws decided that Barcs did not "count" as a Jew, whereupon he disgustedly tossed himself out of his own country, rather than just be tolerated there. He went to Australia, was interned when the war started, was soon unconditionally released, joined the



JOHN WELLS  
Dr. Barcs at Independence Hall,  
going home the long way around.

Australian armed forces, served three years, was naturalized, became a star man with the Sydney Telegraph, came to America recently to cover the Japanese treaty signing, and then, deciding he wanted to see something of the world, used the money from the article on Page 30 to return to Australia by way of Philadelphia and Cairo. Home is with Mrs. Barcs in the garden town of Killara outside Sydney.

What would be the political leanings of a man like this? He never belonged to a party. "I am a progressive-conservative," says he.

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