

## **Charles Kingsford Smith flies the Southern Cross from California to Australia (1951)**

NARRATOR: Three-engined Fokker monoplane drew a line across the Pacific. The Southern Cross flew from California to Australia in 83 and a half flying hours, instead of the ship's three weeks. Public interest in flying was growing fast. The world came nearer. Australia welcomed Charles Kingsford Smith with Charles Ulm and Americans, Harry Lyon and Jim Warner.