

FORT WORTH HAS SECOND BIG  
FLOOD IN PAST FIVE DAYS  
AS CLOUDBURST HITS CITY

A big cloudburst at noon today in Fort Worth sent Marine Creek out of its bank for the second time within the past five days, inundating large areas of the industrial section of the city.

The North Side business district—the heart of the great stockyards—was inundated, and it appeared as if the flood crest would rise even higher than it did last Monday.

Jimmie Brown, radio shop operator was moving equipment as fast as he could, in the face of the approaching flood waters, and operators of the Isis Theatre cancelled the afternoon and evening performances scheduled there.

Water stood at three feet on the midway of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show ground at noon, and was steadily rising. Business men in the area who were losers by approximately \$1,000,000, in the flood Monday, had closed their shops and had fled to higher ground.

The cloudburst was preceded by almost total darkness shortly before noon, and city lights were turned on all over the city in order that pedestrians could see.

Tahiti Natives  
Very Happy In  
Regular Creckup

By United Press  
SAN FRANCISCO.—The war has isolated picturesque Tahiti, once a tourist paradise, and the Polynesian natives are returning to the simpler life of their fathers, Charles Borden, yachtsman and traveler, said on his return from the storied South Sea islands.

Bombs Damage A  
French Town As  
Violence Spreads

VICHY, France.—Anti-Nazi violence spread today from occupied to unoccupied France when two bombs exploded in Montpellier, near the Mediterranean Coast.

Headed for Home



Ambulance Baby  
Is Uow Year Old

By United Press  
HOUSTON.—Sharon Lynn Arfele was born a year ago in an ambulance, attended only by the two drivers.

Little Sharon's keen enjoyment of motoring now, blissfully un-mindful of a rubber shortage, perhaps is only "natural," smiled her mother, Mrs. T. G. Arfele.

The Weather

WEST TEXAS.—Occasional rain in east and north portions this afternoon and tonight, little temperature change tonight except colder in extreme northwest portion.

Nightmare of "ifs"  
Faces Oil Industry  
Over The Nation

The most staggering collection of "ifs" that ever faced an industry, in all probability, is giving headaches to oil industry economists and statisticians, the Petroleum Coordinator, and other government agencies with which the industry is cooperating.

Despite the widespread competition that exists in all branches of the oil business, the industry is by its very nature so integrated that almost any phenomenon in one branch has its inevitable ripple of reactions throughout all branches of the industry, and over thousands of miles. The weather on Long Island, New York, for example, may have repercussions all the way back to the oil fields of inland Texas.

Probably no one in the industry ever realized until now, however, the terrible extent of the truthfulness of that axiom. Already, the effects of the shortage of tankship transportation to the East Coast have been felt in every branch of the industry, in every part of the country. Oil fields in some states are reducing production rates drastically. Fields in other states are producing too rapidly. Refineries have shut down. East-coast motorists are getting less gasoline, homeowners are going to have to keep warm with less heating oil, and industrial plants operate with less fuel oil.

Even with this rationing, the industry has only begun the adjustments which it will have to make. Refineries producing super aviation fuels, toluene, and synthetic rubber raw materials must be kept operating at capacity, even though there is no reachable market for the gasoline and other normal products which they will make automatically in supplying war products. Storage tanks in the Southwest will be filled to the brim. A virtual revolution in refinery production will be necessary. Pipe lines will be ripped up and re-laid, others are being reversed, for the emergency.

Olden Sewing Club  
Meets on Wed.

Mrs. Travis Hilliard was hostess Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at her home in Olden to the Wednesday Olden Sewing Club. Knitting, crocheting, quilt piecing, embroidering and patching were included in the work carried on throughout the afternoon.

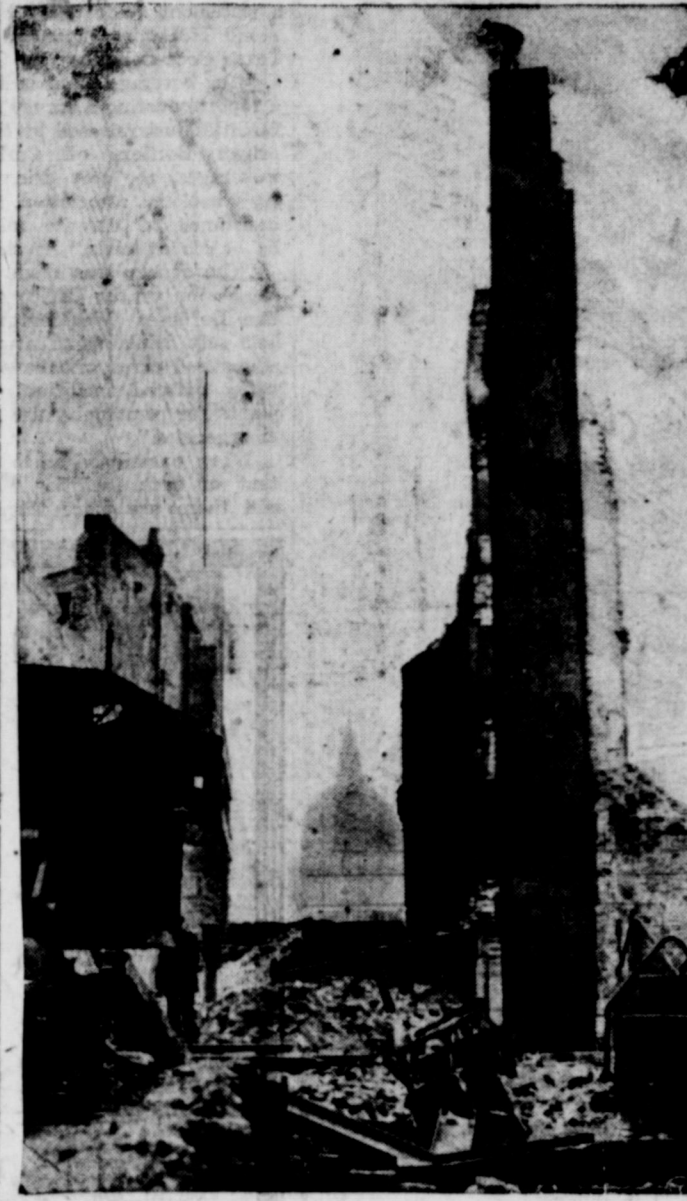
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PHOENIX, Ariz.—Thirty tons of abandoned grapefruit were hauled to the county dump by August Grunow, independent grower and shipper, because he couldn't find a market for it. It was quickly salvaged by Phoenix residents who learned of it through a newspaper.

Taking It Down—Brick by Brick



New high in tedious jobs is achieved by London workers who must take down 120-foot chimney brick by brick. German bombs left chimney standing and it cannot be blasted without risking damage to surrounding buildings. Dome of St. Paul's in background.

Cheer Leader Is  
Urging The Nation  
To "Ax The Axis"

By United Press  
SAN FRANCISCO.—J. Henry Smythe, Jr., New Yorker who lays claim to the title of being the world's leading cheer leader and slogan writer, instituted a "cheer for victory" campaign on a visit here.

Smythe offered a cheer which he hoped would be adopted by the armed forces. "Give the Axis the ax, the ax. Give the Axis the ax, the ax. Ax the Axis, ax the Axis, U.S.A."

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Navy Claims Third  
Coach At NTSTC

DENTON.—Uncle Sam's Navy claimed its third North Texas athletic coach within a month when Basketball Mentor Dan Yarbrow received an appointment as ensign in the U.-S. Naval Reserve this week.

The tall young coach, who took the Eagles to a tie for the conference championship in the recent season, is to be assigned to the cadet physical training program for naval aviation.

No Flood Yet, So  
Ark Has To Go

By United Press  
OLYMPIA, Wash.—Olympia's famous "Mudflats Ark," built by William L. Greenwood, a religious eccentric who plays six musical instruments, is doomed as a victim of progress.

Greenwood built the ark out of a 40-foot motorboat about 10 years ago as a refuge from the "second flood" which he predicted would hit the world in 1931. The ark failed to arrive on schedule and Greenwood painted the archaic vessel with religious quotations.

Honor Braves In  
Service At Kah-Oit

By United Press  
THE DALES, Ore.—Columbia river Indians will stage this year's Kah-Oit—feast of the salmon—in honor of their young braves who are in the armed services.

PRODUCTION IN  
U. S. TO REACH  
HIGH FIGURES

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—The Administration today increased its estimates of war expenditures for the 1943 fiscal year from \$56,000,000,000 to \$70,000,000,000.

War production has been stepped up so rapidly since the Japanese attack upon Pearl Harbor that war spendings for the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, are expected to total \$28,000,000,000 instead of the previously estimated \$26,000,000,000.

Governor Plans To  
Register At Home  
Monday, April 27

By United Press  
AUSTIN.—Governor Stevenson will register at Junction, Texas, next Saturday in advance of the general registration day, April 27. Arrangements are being made to permit early registry for persons who expect to be away from home on April 27 and the Governor will make a week-end trip to his ranch and register.

He will be in Fort Worth on registration day to welcome the National Federation of Women's clubs which will hold their convention this year in Fort Worth. The Governor is almost midway in the new registration age bracket of 45 to 65. He was 54 on last March 20.

Minnesota Has  
Largest Fund Of  
Any Of States

By United Press  
ST. PAUL, Minn.—Minnesota's trust fund is the largest of any state in the nation. State treasurer Julius Schmahl reported that the trust fund totals more than \$110,000,000.

No other state in the union, with the exception of Texas, has a comparable amount bound in trust," Schmahl said. Texas ranks second to Minnesota, he said, on the strength of resources obtained from state-owned oil lands.

Minnesota's trust funds, explained Schmahl, have been built up by he sale of timber, mineral, and agriculture lands and through the collection of occupational taxes on iron ore.

He estimated that the state's trust fund will reach \$200,000,000 before the state's ore resources are exhausted. Revenues from the fund go to the support of the state public school system, the state university, correctional institutions, and for road and bridge maintenance and improvement.

Most states admitted to the union before Minnesota sold their school and other public lands on a liberal basis to encourage settlement and development of the country and used the money for immediate needs with no thought for the future," Schmahl explained. "Minnesota's pioneers, however, conceived a plan for conserving the resources for the benefit of future generations."

AERIAL OFFENSIVES IN  
EUROPE AND SOUTHWEST  
MAY PRELUDE INVASION

Lean Ranger



British Ambassador Lord Halifax goes wild west at Fort Worth, Texas

Roosevelt Approves Decision Reached By Churchill Which  
Are Believed to Include A Second Front To  
Aid the Red Armies This Summer.

Tree Name Now Is  
Unmentionable In  
Patriotic Circles

By United Press  
TYLER, Tex.—If this be treason, make the most of it, but the J - - - - e mimosa tree on the courthouse square looks as if it's going to be as pritty as ever, despite our war with J - - - - .

For years now the lone J - - - - e mimosa has been blooming profusely, a thing of beauty each June. Since Pearl Harbor and the other treacherous acts of the hated J - - - - s courthouse workers no longer call the tree a J - - - - e tree. No sir, that would never do. Now it's known as the Oriental mimosa tree. That's partly right, too, for the tree grows in other parts of the Orient besides J - - - - n.

Allied aerial blows, possibly a preliminary to a bigger counter attack, hammered the Axis supply bases again today on the Baltic Sea and on New Britain Island, north of Australia.

British bomber squadrons, renewing the Royal Air Force offensive against Nazi-held Europe, swept across Germany to the important Baltic Port of Rostok, where their explosives started large fires in one of Hitler's main ports for supplying the Axis armies in Russia.

In the Southwest Pacific the Japanese main base at Rabaul again was battered by American and Australian planes, which attacked shipping and barracks and machine-gunned enemy troops. Japanese fighter planes were driven off by the big bombers.

The aerial operations coincided with two developments that may be of particular importance in the war in Europe this summer. London disclosed that President Roosevelt had sent a message to Prime Minister Winston Churchill expressing complete approval of his decisions—which are understood to include strategy regarding a second European Front. These decisions were thought to have been reached during the recent visit of Gen. George C. Marshall, chief of staff of the United States armies, on his recent visit to London.

Disastrous Fire Is  
Termed A Blessing

ASTORIA, Ore.—Astoria's devastating fire in 1922 was a major disaster, but now city leaders feel that it was helpful from the standpoint of civilian defense.

Frame structures of the 20's which were destroyed were replaced with concrete buildings and the city is now safe from bad fires in the opinion of defense directors. The concrete basements of stores have been suggested as air raid shelters, as well a viaducts under the city sidewalks.

Garden Pests, Diets  
Discussed By 4-H  
Club of Kokomo

"Use a little less sugar, have a little less weight, use 'lasses and honey, and be up to date," Miss Alice Wheatley told the Kokomo 4-H Club girls at their meeting April 20, held in the home of club member Ima Timmons.

Miss Wheatley gave a demonstration of oatmeal cookies made without sugar. She also showed the girls how to rid their gardens of "pests."

After the business meeting Ima served grape juice and cookies to Louise Eaves, Phyllis Donaldson, Wanda Donaldson, Lurline Jordan, Billie Jo Crawley, and Ernestine Jumper. The girls had as guests Mrs. J. C. Timmons, Mrs. J. N. Jordan and Danny Ray Donaldson.

Divorce Ends In  
Thirty Minutes As  
Children Make Plea

COLUMBUS, O.—True love, aided by four small children, brought Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Rist together after the couple had been divorced for 30 minutes.

Mrs. Rist recently obtained a divorce from her husband on grounds of neglect and her husband was ordered to pay \$100 a month for support and alimony. The couple and their four children walked out of the courtroom but met in the hall to say goodbye. Rist made a final plea to his wife for reconciliation and the children took up the cry.

PROCEEDINGS  
11TH COURT OF  
CIVIL APPEALS

The following proceedings were had in the Court of Civil Appeals, Eleventh Supreme Judicial District:

Affirmed: Howard Morse, et al, vs. Wesley Morse, et al, Cass. Motion Submitted: McLellan Stores Co. vs. L. W. Lindsey, appellee's motion to return mandate without payment of costs. Motions Overruled: W. H. Wagner vs. H. C. Hogan, appellee's motion for rehearing. C. E. Walton vs. West Texas Utilities Co., appellant's motion for rehearing. Case Submitted April 24, 1942: Warren S. Cook, et al, vs. Lex C. Wilmet, et al, Seurry. Cases to be Submitted May 1: A. O. Barclay vs. W. R. Sharrock, Shackleford. S. S. Manly, et al, vs. Aaron Craig Coffee, et al, Shackleford.

Texas Also Has An  
Alphabetical Mix Up

By United Press  
AUSTIN.—Texans are accustomed to joke at the alphabetical abbreviations used in Washington, but a recent compilation shows that Texas uses a few of its own. In orders of the motor division of the state railroad commission much typing is saved by a common use of initials for word combinations. "M" in a rate order means mohair but "MI" is used that means milk. "HG" is household goods, and "OUF" is used for office furniture. "FM" means farm machinery and "LF" is livestock feedstuffs. Wool is designated by "W", grain by "G" and natural timber by "T". "OE" is oil field equipment.

Swimming Stars To  
Meet On May 2nd.

By United Press  
COLLEGE STATION.—High school swimming stars will compete here May 2 in a state meet at Texas A. & M. College, Coach Arthur Adamson has announced. Adamson said that entries are expected from Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, Bryan, San Antonio, Waco, El Paso, Galveston and Beaumont. Medals will be awarded to winners of first, second and third places and trophies to teams that win the relay event.

Grand Jury Still  
Grinding At Noon

The 88th district court grand jury, which was reconvened last Monday, was still "grinding" at noon today. District Attorney Earl Conner said. He indicated that there may be several days work yet ahead of the body.

Dog Just Run To  
Exhaustion By SPCA

By United Press  
HOUSTON.—Workers arriving at a big office building found a large brown dog, part police and part collie, panting and gasping at the front door. Within a few minutes, the dog had received first aid, including a whiff of ammonia. President E. J. Schwarzman of the SPCA personally took the dog to the city shelter where it was found it was not ill.

Baby Needs Shoes

Susan McLaren, 3 who survived torpedoing of a British ship enroute from Hong Kong, selects a pair of shoes from those offered by British War Relief in New York.



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## The Crisis Looms

THE rains have begun to fall in Russia. Where General Winter has been a stout ally of the Soviet Union, now General Mud is taking command of the fighting front. By some this is hailed as good news. Well clothed, properly fed, adequately equipped, hardy men can march and fight even in the bitter cold of winter Russia. But even a native duck has to watch his step in the spring mud over there. Beyond dispute, the mechanization which has been Hitler's most potent weapon has met its match in nature.

But unfortunately, mud has no national allegiance and knows no friends. If the Nazis can not move their tanks and trucks through the mire, no more can the Reds. And therefore the successes which the Russians have been achieving during the winter must bog down into a series of local actions which, whoever wins, can have no more than a sentimental military value. Meanwhile, relieved of the pressure of Stalin's annoying offensive, Berlin can prepare for the great drive upon which the fate of the world may depend.

HITLER understands as well as we do that time fights for the United Nations. He realizes that our economic resources are too great for the Axis to withstand, once they have been brought fully into play. He is aware that, up to now, we have been delayed by a slow start, by poor planning, by failure to realize the situation's gravity, by group selfishness, by politics, by the growing pains inevitable in such a tremendous industrial expansion as we are undergoing. He knows that we are having trouble delivering to the fighting fronts even some of the materiel already manufactured.

He knows, also, that these handicaps are only temporary—that, if we can squeeze out enough time, we are unbeatable in an economic war.

Realists, on the inside of the situation, have no doubt that from the moment Russian mud dries out sufficiently to bear the weight of wheels, the Nazis will stake everything upon a desperate attack designed to destroy the U. S. S. R. before we can become a real factor in the shooting war. Starting from a front far to the east of the 1941 boundary, and undelayed by any such upset as the Serbs precipitated a year ago, the Germans will have a full summer season in which to push whatever successes they may achieve.

There is the possibility of some very, very bad news from Europe. Those wishful thinkers who have visualized Russian capture of Berlin may be due for a shock. Mercurial temperaments may go down into the depths of despair.

A Kansas jurymen has served on five murder juries. He ought to know the ropes.

It's a lot better to stop for a minute at a railroad crossing than forever.

## FAMOUS INVENTOR

**HORIZONTAL**

1 Pictured inventor, —

11 Principles.

12 Fields of action.

14 Mock.

16 Card game.

18 Evil.

19 Boy's name.

21 Sea eagle.

22 Civil Service (abbr.).

24 Bondage.

27 Exist.

28 Frozen water.

30 No.

31 Piece out.

32 Meat.

33 Fish.

34 Boy's toy.

35 Female sheep.

36 Tree.

38 Girl's name.

40 Male child.

41 Earnestness.

44 New Testament (abbr.).

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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ALYRES  
RUBLES  
TRAYS

2 Melodies.

3 Make angry.

4 Rubber tree.

5 Unit of electricity.

6 Parent.

7 Mineral rock.

8 Retreat.

9 Trap.

10 Merit.

11 Myself.

13 Street (abbr.)

14 Determine.

15 Three (prefix).

17 Fundamental.

19 Plant.

20 Devoured.

23 Barge.

25 Lift up.

26 Russian decree.

27 Band leader's wand.

29 Before.

32 Belonging to him.

36 Approach.

37 Possessed.

38 Unit.

39 Respiratory disease.

42 Dress.

43 Boggy land.

47 Fish.

49 Born.


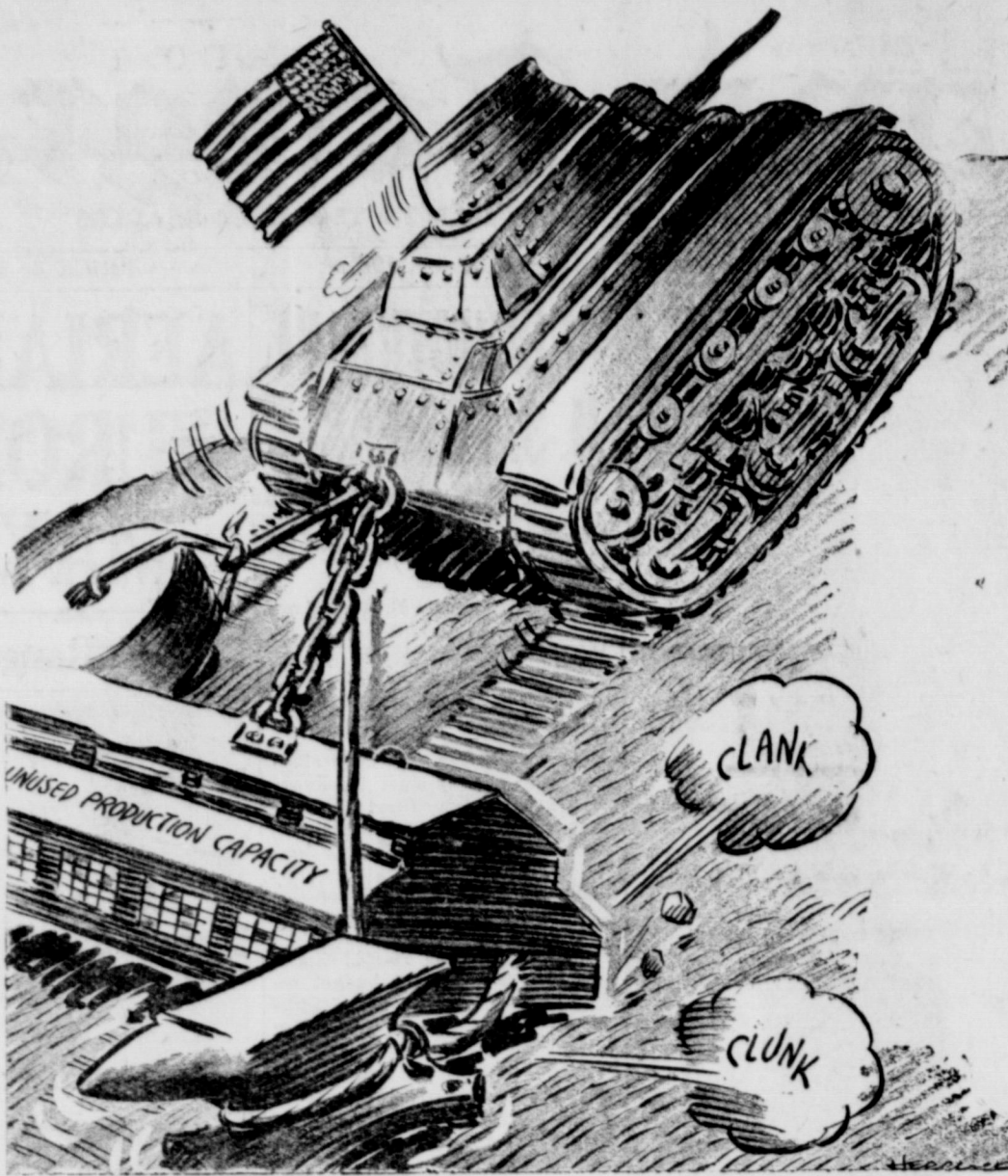
50 Vehicle.

51 Cloth measure.

53 Plural (abbr.).

54 Milligram (abbr.).

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## THE PAY OFF

BY HARRY GRAYSON  
NEA Service Sports Editor

NEW YORK.—Giants' long junket to the southwest was one of the numerous headaches left Mel Ott by Chillie Willie Terry. The Giants' most disappointing exhibition trip in history—artistically and financially—will in the future result in their remaining at their base in the deep south longer and starting north later. Ditto for their traveling partners, the Cleveland Indians. To get from their Miami training camp to Broadway, the Giants rode 5000 miles, which is like going from the Battery to the Polo Grounds via Montauk Point. The actual distance from Miami to New York is 1300 miles.

WEATHER was so bad that the Giants hadn't played in a week as they prepared to square off with the Brooklynins in the National League opener at the Polo Grounds. The same thing went for the Indians in Detroit.

The Giants and Indians established a long-distance record for a postponement when they hopped nearly 600 miles . . . to Oklahoma City. While it was thoughtful of Carl Hubbell to pitch a barbecue for the boys in his native heath, it was a costly bite for the two clubs, with or without the fiddling of Bill McGee.

BARNSTORMING of the kind was profitable before the folks in the hinterland got over the gaping stage.

The Yankees made a go of it when they had Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig and later Joe DiMaggio and Joe Gordon, but Ed Bell saw the light and called the whole thing off a year ago. Everything went along swimmingly during the Giants' pennant-winning days and when the Indians had Bob Feller, for example, but the folks in the provinces grew tired of looking at major league second-stringers after having been built up.

THIS spring, Oklahoma City was expected to get steamed because Carl Hubbell was to pitch against Mel Harder.

That was the star act in 1934, which is another tipoff on the Giants and Indians. It's time something new was added, and even with legitimate stars of current vintage, the signs are that, at least for the duration, the shortest route home is the safest, sanest and best.

Druggists Aids Tire Saving  
By United Press

Home On The Range Reveille  
By United Press

GLENDAL, Mo.—Paul and Don Shmuate, drug store operators in this St. Louis suburb, are working to save tires. Their store now acts as a clearing house for automobile owners who want to double up on trips to town. More than a score of motorists has registered.

CAMP ROBERTS, Cal.—Soldiers in Bugler Jack D. Byrd's outfit may be in for a little variety in music at reveille and retreat if the Fairdale, Tenn., soldier's classified ad in the Camp Roberts Dispatch gets results. Here is the ad: WANTED—Good used guitar.

## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



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## Local Soft Drink Plants to Assist Defense Agencies

Local soft drink plants will assist civilian defense and other war agencies in providing drinking water, should the public water source be damaged by sabotage or other enemy action, according to a statement made today by Raymond McDaniel, manager of the Texas Coca-Cola Bottling Co.

"Our beverage plant is listed in a report covering a survey of such facilities just released by the American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages, the soft drink industry's national association, for the assistance of defense and public health officials," he said.

"The survey was made at the suggestion of the Office of Civilian Defense, Washington, and lists soft drink manufacturers by states and cities who have voluntarily offered facilities of their plants for community use in such emergencies."

When questioned as to the extent of such facilities McDaniel said there are more than 6,000

## Secretary Wickard to Address Farmers At Tulsa, April 28

COLLEGE STATION.—Texas farmers have been invited to hear Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard discuss the wheat situation and its relation to our war

soft drink firms over the country, many of which have filtration and water purification systems to which local health authorities can turn for a temporary source of pure drinking water for the civilian population.

effort at a mass meeting in Enid, Oklahoma, Tuesday, April 28.

The Secretary's address will be broadcast over the National Farm and Home Hour.

In urging farmers to attend the Enid meeting, B. F. Vance, chairman of the Texas USDA War Board, said that the Secretary would discuss the importance of obtaining the best possible use of land, machinery and labor in the production of certain food crops so vital to our winning the war.

Vance said he believed a number of Texas wheat farmers, particularly those in the northern part of the state, would go to Enid to hear the Secretary.

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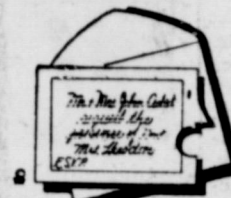
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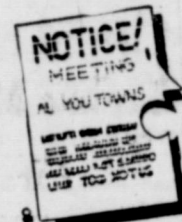
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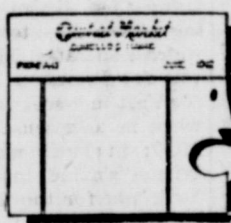
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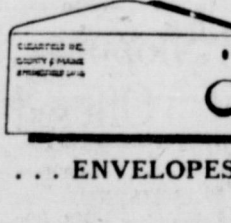
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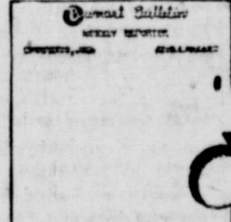
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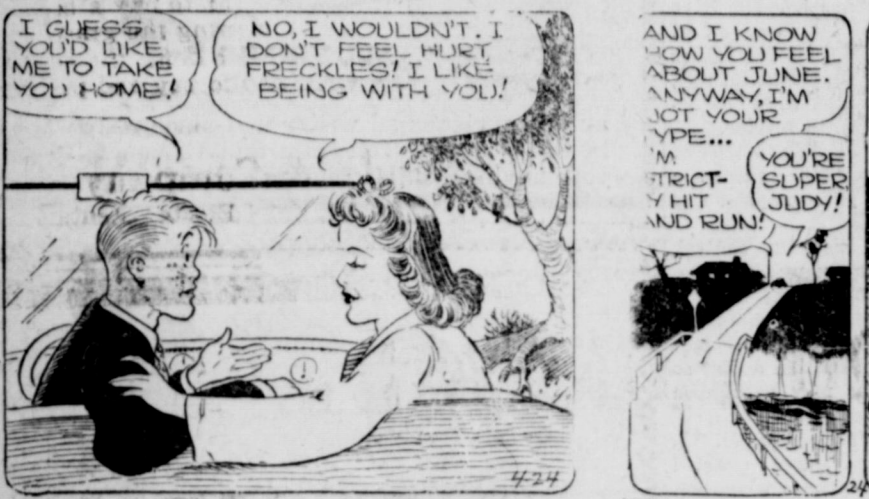
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ed the undiscourageable spirit of the early church it is now." This Sunday morning the subject is: "The Living Church—Its Creative Fellowship" (Acts 2:42 and Acts 4:32).

● SERIAL STORY MEXICAN MASQUERADE BY CECIL CARNES STATE OF SIEGE CHAPTER XVI "How do you happen to have the transcript of that cable, Colonel?" Allan asked.



# FIRE! Japan's Greatest Fear From Air Raids

BY SIEGFRIED F. LINDSTROM  
Written for NEA Service

**FIRE!**  
That is what Japan fears from air raids. Its cities and towns are built of inconceivably flimsy and inflammable materials—excepting the most modern structures in the key cities. Under a rain of bombs they would burn up as fiercely as a Christmas tree affire.

From their experience with earthquakes (some 600 are recorded each year), the Japanese knew what fire can do to them. As a direct result of the Great Earthquake of September 1, 1923, about one-fifth of Japan's national wealth was destroyed and upwards of 250,000 persons (the unofficial estimate, denied by the government) lost their lives in the flaming inferno.

An impressive parallel can be drawn between the terrific effect of earthquakes and the man made terror that is loosed from the sky. Fire invariably follows in the wake of both.

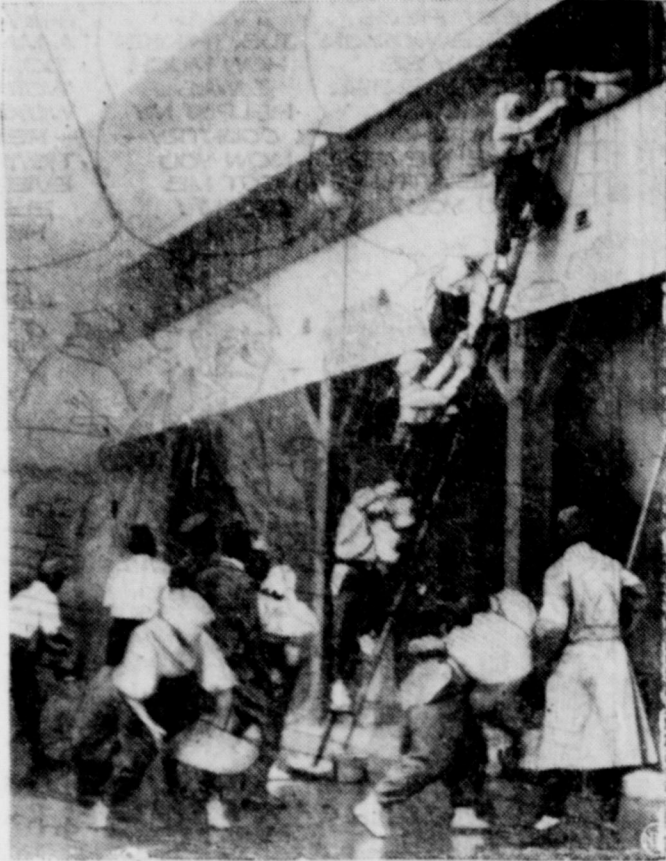
## AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS ARE "PATHETIC"

And, considering this threat of raid-started fires, Nippon's air-raid precautions are pathetically purposeless and inadequate. In the first place, the government has not had the funds to expend for air-raid shelter construction.

Another fact: Tokyo, with its 7,001,650 inhabitants, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagoya, and the enormous industrial city of Osaka, are all of them partly built on ground previously reclaimed from the sea. So even shallow digging in many important localities soon meets with rising water. The Imperial Hotel, in Tokyo, for example, is situated on ground that is as soggy as a wet sponge.

The building of air-raid shelters presents an engineering problem practically impossible of solution. Tokyo has only a single subway, seven miles long. But even this subway should prove of no value as an air-raid shelter—because it is laid just underneath the surface.

Most of the details of a typical Tokyo air-raid drill, by night, consist of A. R. P. wardens running around and ordering the excited populace to turn off their lights. In modern aerial warfare, night raiders drop a great many flares before they commence unloading their "eggs." However, the Japanese seem to have failed utterly to take this into consideration.



"Nippon's air raid precautions are pathetically inadequate." Above, a typical air raid fire drill in Tokyo, with a bucket brigade working on a flimsy bamboo ladder.

Somehow, one cannot help gaining the impression that the majority of Japanese feel that the darkness of a blacked-out city carries full protection against sudden death that may rain out of the skies. And yet neither by day nor by night do they have any kind of adequate shelter—such as the rock caves of Chungking—where they might hide.

Japan's air-raid drills also include the spectacle of men in rubber suits running hither and thither, sprinkling white powder where imaginary bombs are supposed to have landed. Factually, in case of real raids it would be just "every man for himself."

Throughout Japan, oil storage tanks stick out like sore thumbs. Practically all of them are situated in surprisingly vulnerable places. Almost invariably they are smack up against cities, most of which are built of wood and plaster and paper. On their roofs they have heavy tiles that in serious earthquakes cause more serious



"Air raid drills include the spectacle of men in rubber suits running hither and thither, sprinkling white powder where imaginary bombs are supposed to have landed." The scene above is in Osaka, great industrial city.

## Foe Has Little Defense Against Holocaust Bombs Could Start

uities, perhaps, than any other agents. When roofs buckle, these tiles come down in an avalanche. Japan's arsenals also, most of them, from Maizuru to Otaru, are placed dangerously near to residential and business areas. Only Tokyo and Osaka have a few wide traffic arteries, which, nevertheless, in event of a holocaust, should be found ineffective in affording a speedy evacuation of a populace that readily flies into a panic, anyway. This I have seen with my own eyes.

### LACK OF ROADS FOR EVACUEES

Therefore, in a great conflagration, following a terrific bombing, the congestion in the streets would know no bounds. Both Tokyo and Yokohama witnessed this sort of unbridled confusion following the Great Earthquake.

Rioting broke out. People commenced killing each other. Wild looting went on unrestrainedly until the bluejackets were landed at Yokohama (when it was altogether too late) and troops of the Imperial Bodyguards Division instituted martial law in Tokyo.

Kobe, my birthplace, Japan's foremost port city, rises up from the harbor, and crowds upward to the very tree-line of the mountains.

Here, in event of an air bombing, the populace would immedi-

ately be found facing a dilemma most frightful. For a holocaust in this overcrowded mart, laced with the narrowest of streets, would set the pine-clad mountains aflame, spreading a furious forest fire.

Such a fire could sweep inland for miles—far into the interior, feeding on forest all the way, and licking up farm villages as it progressed. Kobe's drinking water reservoirs are situated in the mountains, directly back of the city. Moreover, these reservoirs, constituting Kobe's entire water supply, are ringed with the most inflammable underbrush imaginable, and more tall pines.

And next to Nagasaki, Kobe is the seat of Japan's most important shipbuilding industry. A wide area of the perimeter of the harbor is reserved for dockyards; and beyond this, and a bit of the coast line, is another vast area holding oil-storage tanks.

### RIVERS AND CANALS ARE ADDED HAZARDS

Accordingly, the people of Kobe, in an air attack, could find no safety in flight to the hills. To do so would mean certain incineration. With their city afire, the only possible exit open to the terrified populace would be by means of the Kobe-Osaka motor highway. From this, the fleeing Japanese could scatter among the fields and rice paddies that stretch for miles between the two cities.

Additionally, every key city on the Japanese main island of Hon-do is traversed by rivers, as well as by man-made canals. So, in the inevitable fire following aerial attack, the various wards of the cities would become isolated from one another—like so many islands. And each "island would be burning like a Viking's pyre."

This awful thing happened at Tokyo, during the 1923 earthquake disaster. Further, water traffic on even the widest river, the Sumida, was paralyzed because everything afloat seemed eventually to catch fire.

In one open space—and I saw the dreadful sight myself—some 34,000 persons were trapped and burned to death where they had sought safety, with all they had managed to salvage from their wrecker homes.

## Wartime Laws Govern Cities

By United Press  
CHICAGO.—American cities have passed new wartime ordinances ranging from laws to increase tire theft penalties to control of rent, the American Municipal association reports.

Many cities have levied stringent penalties for tire stealing. Lansing, Mich., attempts to guard against tire theft by requiring second-hand dealers to thumbprint persons from whom they buy bicycles, micrometer tools, tires and accessories.

Second-hand tire dealers in Little Rock, Ark., are required to file monthly reports with the police department showing serial numbers and manufacturer of the tires they buy for resale.

Leave of absence benefits have been established by many cities. Evanston is among a few cities that provide for supplemental pay, up to three months after induction, for employees in service.

All employees of Houston, Tex., Chicago and some other cities are required to be photographed and fingerprinted.

To facilitate blackout control, several cities, including Atlanta, Ga., and Jackson, Miss., enacted ordinances requiring owners of business establishments to place electric switches outside doors, so air raid wardens may extinguish lights.

Baltimore, Washington, D. C., and Neosho, Mo., have enacted rent control ordinances which set rent ceilings as of specified dates, allowing landlords some leeway to charge for improvements.

Regardless of the big maple sap yield this year it's just a drop in the bucket.

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## Young Doctor Is Using Moisture In Curing Burns

By RICARD A. KENDRICK  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
CHICAGO, April 24 (UP).—Dr. Sidney Smith, Jr., scientific prize winner as an undergraduate for his discovery of sugar rod "damning eggs" for sewing torn blood vessels, has revealed a new

treatment for serious burns. In a thesis for a master's degree the Rush Medical College graduate recommends a warm, moist air treatment—"air ointment"—instead of the common chemicals now used for serious burns.

Smith has been engaged in research at the University of Chicago for the past two years. Two years ago, as a junior, he won the Harry Ginsburg Memorial prize for inventing the sugar-rod "dam-

ing egg." He solved the knotty problem of sewing the delicate tissue of injured blood vessels by the use of sugar rods to hold the tiny tubes firm during the operation. The rods, inserted into the torn ends of the blood vessels to be patched, dissolve the blood stream after the severed edges of the tube are stitched.

Smith's new theory for the treatment of burns resulted from his recent experiments with rats in which he discovered that warm moist air proved superior to applications of tannic acid and butesin picate ointment. Neither tannic acid nor butesin picate ointment possess specific accelerative healing action on the basis of experiments, Smith reported. It seems their main function is to provide an insoluble coagulant over the wound, he added.

"Infection under the coagulant produced by tannic acid has been reported many times and constitutes the chief objection to its use as a medicine," Smith asserted.

Four weeks of experiments with rats showed that 70 to 82 per cent of the animals given the "air ointment" were healed compared to 63 per cent given the butesin picate and only 48 per cent given the tannic acid. Combination of the other agents did not approve the rate of healing.

Smith tested his new method by enclosing the burned surface in a humidity chamber which was kept at 90 degrees Fahrenheit. He found that debris of the wound softened and sloughed off within five days, accelerating the healing action.

Alkalinity of tissue is regarded as important in promoting infection, and dryness brings about alkalinity, Smith pointed out. He explained that by preventing dryness, his moist air treatment avoids the "chief factor delaying wound healing."

Of the 10 grocers fines five were store owners, one a manager of a chain store and four were employees of the stores. Eight pled guilty and two pled, "nolo contendere". Fines ranged from \$50 to \$500.

Violators convicted and fined, all of Little Rock, were: Joe Hefner, 31 years old, store owner, pled guilty, fined \$500. George D. D. Huie, 34 store owner, pled "nolo contendere", fined \$500. H. N. Howell, 44, store owner, pled guilty, fined \$500. W. H. Joslin, 49, store owner, pled guilty fined \$350. Jesse Powell, (negro) store owner, pled guilty, fined \$250. W. C. Harrison, manager, 33, pled "nolo contendere", fined \$350. Willie Gault, 37, (negro) employee, pled guilty, fined \$500. Leroy Thomas, 32 (negro) employee, pled guilty, fined \$150. George Stennett, 33, employee, pled guilty, fined \$100.

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## Political Announcements

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- For Collector-Assessor  
CLYDE KARKALITS
- For County Clerk  
R. V. (RIP) GALLOWAY
- Representative of 106 District:  
L. H. FLEWELLEN

## You Still Can Build That New Home—If You Can Meet These Requirements

BY PETER EDSON  
NEA Service Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Suppose you are a real estate man or a private building contractor or just an ordinary citizen brought up on all the old copybook maxims to the effect that "You, too, should own your own home" to be considered a respectable citizen in the community—

Suppose further, that in these flush war boom times, you decide you want to build a new house—

Where does this new War Production Board order placing limitations on building construction leave you?

In the first place, if you don't live in one of those localities still known as a "defense" area, you might just as well forget all about building that dream-house-with-blue-room-upstairs-and-ramble-rose-climbing-over-the-door-and-yard-where-the-kiddies-can-play. Until the war's all over, that's out.

If you live in a defense area, and if you work in an essential war industry you have a chance. No one has yet accurately defined just what a defense area is, but if you'll take a rule of thumb definition, it's an area within two miles of a war production plant, or hard by a transportation system that will take you to this aforesaid essential war production job within one hour for a cost of not over 10 cents. This is the National Housing Administration's unofficial guide as to what constitutes a defense area.

Suppose you qualify as to location. What are your chances of getting in on any of this new construction?

In the long run, whatever new construction is done will be done by private builders who get the contracts from the government for approved jobs. John B. Blandford, Jr., new National Housing Administration boss, insists that this war emergency is not to drive private building out of the field and set government housing up as a monopoly. Blandford's idea is that private business shall do all the housing work it possibly can, the government stepping in only when there are temporary housing projects to be built, or low rent projects which private enterprise cannot finance or handle profitably.

The remaining restrictions are primarily concerned with the types of housing permitted. First, there must be established a clear cut proof that additional housing is needed because of existing or future shortages of shelter sufficient to house workers in war industries. No need, no house. After that, no housing unit will be authorized which will rent for more than \$50 a month or sell for more than \$5000. These restrictions are to be so tightly administered that the government may even step in and stop construction on houses already started, if they are to rent or sell for higher figures.

THE restrictions will apply even to remodeling. If your house can be made into a duplex or small apartments to shelter additional families, the chances are such remodeling would be approved—if it's in a defense area. Aside from that, any new construction or repairing to cost more than \$500 in the city, or \$1000 if it's an essential job on a farm, must get local approval from your nearest FHA—Federal Housing Administration—office, which will handle this control job for the War Production Board.

## Little Rock Stamp Violators Fined

DALLAS.—Ten Little Rock, Arkansas grocers were fined a total of \$3,250 by Federal Judge Harry J. Lenley, Eastern District, Western Division of Arkansas, at Little Rock today for violating the regulations of the Department of Agriculture's food stamp program. Assistant U. S. Attorney William H. Gregory represented the government.

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