





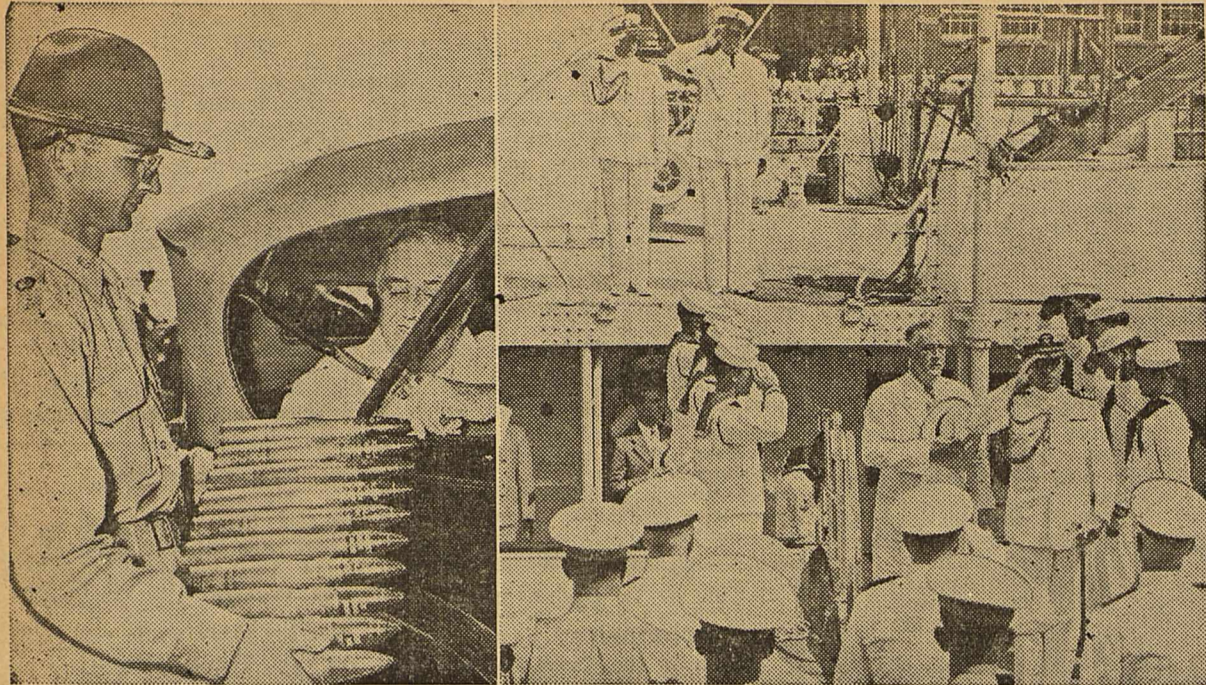








# Preparedness Is Speeding Ahead, Says F.D.R.



Visiting the U. S. naval stations, aerial and ship yards in the Norfolk, Va., area, and the naval and army bases in the Hampton Roads, Va., area, President Roosevelt expressed his pleasure over the advancing state of armament preparations. At left, the President is shown some 37 millimeter anti-aircraft shells by Lieut. E. H. Walter at Fort Monroe. At right, the President is shown arriving at the Norfolk navy yard with his naval aide, Capt. Daniel J. Callaghan. The presidential yacht Potomac is in background.

## Skull Practice Perfects A.R.P. Wardens' Work



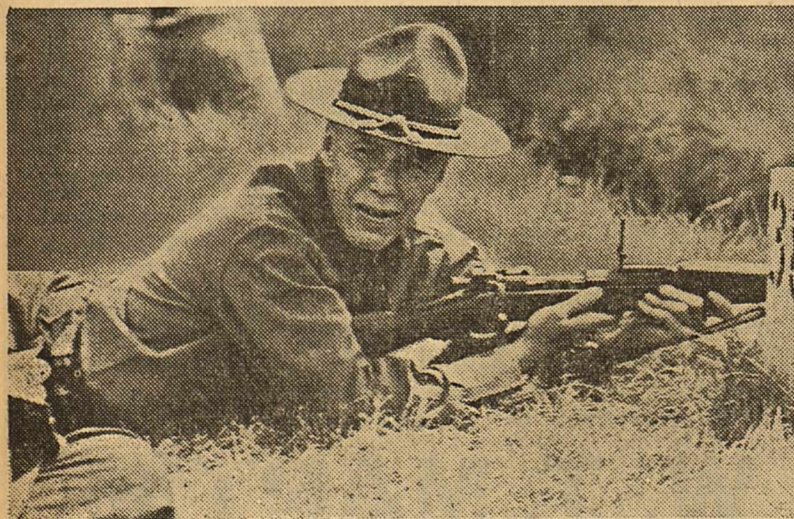
Efficient rescue work by air raid precautions wardens in England following bombings by Nazis is due to their rigid training. Above is shown a squad of wardens during a "skull drill" in a tactical table in one of the air headquarters in London. By using this table the men are carefully drilled in handling traffic, administering aid to the injured and extinguishing fires during the raids. Credit for an unusually low casualty rate during the raids on England following France's capitulation was given them.

## Bottle Tops Make Guns for Tommies



Miss Lillian Hall, a London clothes model, appointed herself a committee of one to collect all the metal bottle tops she could find. Her quest was in response to the government's appeal for old metal to be transformed into guns and munitions with which to meet the onslaught of the Nazis. Among other articles being collected are pots, pans, old cannon and tin cans. The movement which was started in London spread to other cities in the British Isles.

## Expert Training for War Portfolio



Robert P. Patterson, newly appointed assistant secretary of war, shown as he underwent training recently in the Citizens' Training camp at Plattsburg, N. Y. A former federal official, he succeeded Henry L. Stimson to the war post. Patterson was appointed in 1937.

## 'Colleagues Cheer'



"Colleagues cheer as one of their comrades takes a swipe at a ball during a baseball match" was the way an English newspaper described this Canadian soldier's battling efforts during a camp game in Britain.

## Succeeds Farley



Edward J. Flynn of New York city, right, newly appointed chairman of the Democratic national convention, is shown receiving congratulations from James A. Farley, U. S. C. in New York in 1937.

# Star Dust

By VIRGINIA VALE  
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

THERE'S never a dull moment at Big Bear, Calif., these days. No sooner did 20th Century-Fox's "Brigham Young" troupe finish work on location near there than Monogram's "Queen of the Yukon" moved in.

The town has just one important street, and it's jammed nightly with bearded extras (whose beards earn a living for them) and members of the cast. Irene Rich, Charles Bickford, Melvin Lang, Dave O'Brien, and June Carlson are in the lineup. Melvin Lang and Dave O'Brien had to stage a fight the other day; in preparation, Bickford spent several days teaching O'Brien how to avoid injuries. But—when Director Phil Rosen called "Cut!" O'Brien fell to the ground, and the company doctor found that he had a broken rib. He'd been too much excited to remember Bickford's instructions.

When young players in Hollywood get discouraged they remind themselves—and anyone who'll listen—that it takes just one good picture to make a star. "Look at Pat O'Brien in 'Front Page,'" they'll say. "Look at Cary Grant in 'Topper'—Shirley Temple



in 'Little Miss Marker'—Errol Flynn in 'Captain Blood'—May Robson in 'Lady for a Day.' Another name has been added to the "Look" list—it's that of Ida Lupino, who did a nice job in "The Light That Failed" and has won her spurs as a result of her "mad" scenes in Warner Brothers' "They Drive By Night." She'll co-star with John Garfield in "East of the River."

We may have another Rogers-Astaire picture, if RKO can find the right story for it. Fred Astaire is free-lancing at present, and Ginger is booked for three pictures, one of them being a picturization of the very popular novel, "Kitty Foyle." But some time next year they may be dancing together again.

Herbert Moulton has a new idea for screen entertainment, and he hopes you're going to like it. After six months of hard work he has finished an abridged version of "Love Me Tonight," starring Maurice Chevalier, Jeanette MacDonald and Myrna Loy, and originally released in 1932. It will run just 45 minutes.

Other old-time successes being considered for streamlining are "Design for Living," "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer," "Night After Night," and "One Hour With You."

Betty Field left the stage for Hollywood a year ago; in that time she's played four big parts, so different from each other that she's the envy of all the other young actresses. In "What a Life!" she was the nice high school girl who was Jackie Cooper's sweetheart; in "Of Mice and Men" she was the sultry, amorous young woman who attracted Lon Chaney Jr. In "Seventeen" she was a giddy young siren, and in "Victory," her latest picture, she's warm, tender, understanding.

Three years ago Ralph Edwards hitch-hiked from his home in Oakland, Calif., to New York for a job. A couple of weeks ago he returned to his home in a plane. These days he's so busy that, when he decided to take a six-week vacation, five other announcers had to be called in to sub for him. Six months ago he turned up as creator, director and master of ceremonies of his own program, the hilarious "Truth or Consequences." It was tried out on four eastern stations, and soon will be launched on WEAF in New York.

ODDS AND ENDS . . . Geraldine Fitzgerald returns to the screen to co-star with George Raft in "South of Suez" . . . Looks as if Charlie Chaplin's "The Dictator" would be released about the middle of September . . . Susanna Foster has a gold powder box which, when opened, plays "Fight on for U. S. C."—given her by the boys of the University of Southern California's band, who worked with her in "There's Magic in Music" . . . Tyrone Power will do a series of pictures based on tales about Zorro, the California bandit—his current one, "The Californian," is a re-make of the old Douglas Fairbanks "The Mark of Zorro."

# WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON  
(Consolidated Features—WNU Service.)

NEW YORK.—Snapping the United States liner, America, new queen of the American Merchant marine, through the Narrows, into quarantine and so on to her dock, Capt. Giles Chester Stedman, master of the new leviathan, handled his ship as deftly as a lad would handle a toy. Indeed, in his various maneuverings of the 35,000-ton luxury liner on her maiden passenger-carrying trip from Newport News, Va., Captain Stedman evinced sheer delight in putting his new charge through her paces. The 900 guests, United States senators, shipping magnates and so forth, must have cast their thoughts back to days when amid mountainous waves and winds ranging from gale to hurricane proportions, this young skipper—he is only 42 years old—performed deeds of daring-do on the deep, deeds that have gained for him a gold medal from the Italian government; the United States navy cross; the silver life-saving plaque from the British admiralty; the Treasury department gold medal and other like testimonials of high courage and skilled seamanship.

## True Son of Old Yankee Breed Of Shellbacks

There was that tumultuous day in the mid-Atlantic, October 20, 1925, when the President Harding, of which Stedman was then chief officer, steamed to the rescue of the Italian freighter, Ignazio Florio, beaten down and sinking. Stedman stepped to one of the lifeboats and called for a volunteer crew. Every man jack of the distressed crew was saved. Two years later, westbound and about 1,575 miles from New York, the wireless operator brought Stedman a message from the British freighter Exeter City. The craft had lost her captain, third officer and two seamen and was sinking. The seas were a veritable witchbroth, the wind shrieking at hurricane force. No possibility existed for the survival of a small boat in such a sea. So Stedman maneuvered his vessel sufficiently close to admit of a line being shot aboard the distressed freighter. With tackle thus rigged, a lifeboat was lowered from the American Merchant vessel and the crew saved. The seamanship involved was said to have represented one of the finest exploits in American annals. Last September, commanding the United States liner Washington, Stedman rescued the entire crew of the British freighter Olvergrove, torpedoed by U-boat.

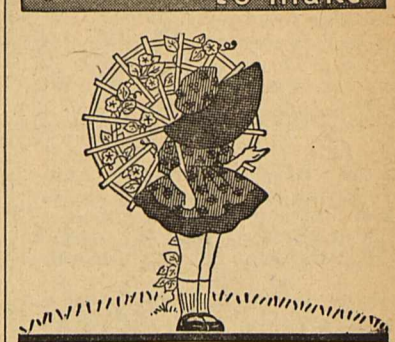
As a youngster, deciding upon a sea career, Stedman joined the United States Coastguard, where in the first World war he saw two years' hazardous service in convoy work in the Mediterranean sea and English channel. When peace came, Stedman enrolled in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for courses in marine engineering. He joined the United States Line in 1922, was made a chief officer in 1925 and at the age of 34 received his first command.

ONE of the most hard-boiled citizens this reporter ever knew was a bookish college dean who always spoke softly, but swung from the heel. Somewhat in this picture is Col. De Witt Peck of the U. S. Marines, who gives quiet emphasis to plain words in Shanghai, as the Japanese menace the foreign areas and tension increases. The Japanese seem to think they need an "incident," and Colonel Peck isn't at all likely to provide one—but he doesn't back down.

## Colonel Peck of Marines a Full Bushel of Spunk

When he is in mufti or informal dress, he is rarely without a book in his pocket and never without his pipe. He may or may not read Bergson, but he "thinks like a man of action and acts like a man of thought." He won the Victory Medal for Gallantry in the World war battles of the Meuse-Argonne and St. Mihiel, and the Medal of the Purple Heart for doubling in negotiating and fighting in Latin-America. He graduated from Annapolis in 1915 and is 46. His career is a reminder that this country has had quite a workout in handling explosive situations here and there around the world. In Nicaragua, Cuba, Haiti and other Latin-American countries, Colonel Peck has been a successful trouble-shooter and has brought things through nicely without eating dirt or leaving any hard feelings. He has built a reputation as a scholar in his studious application to problems of naval and military science. He is six feet tall, slender and academic in appearance, but said to pack a powerful punch.

# Things to make



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# HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

When frying don't put in the article to be fried until the fat is still and a faint smoke is seen rising from the pan.

Browned pears make delicious garnishes for veal or pork chops. Allow half a pear to a portion. Dip each pear into flour and brown it in a little fat in a frying pan. Sprinkle with salt, pepper and cinnamon.

Cold air drops and hot rises. The compartment of the refrigerator under the ice chamber is, therefore, always the coldest part of the refrigerator.

Japanned articles should never be washed in hot water as the Japan is likely to wash off. Use lukewarm water and soap.

Did you know that if you flour the pan of the scales you can weigh out sticky substances and you won't leave half of them on the pan when you put them into bowls?

Jellied chicken broth often appeals to invalids during warm weather. Mix 1 tablespoon granulated gelatin in 3 tablespoons of cold water. After 5 minutes dissolve in two cups of boiling, well-seasoned chicken stock. Pour into individual molds and chill until firm. When stiffened cut into 1-inch cubes and pile in glass sherbet cups. Sprinkle with minced parsley mixed with a little lemon juice.

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### AUGUST 31 IS CROP INSURANCE DEADLINE

COLLEGE STATION, Aug. 14. — Wheat farmers intending to take out all-risk insurance on their 1941 crops must do so either before they seed their wheat or by August 31, whichever is earlier.

Anticipating a last-minute rush to sign up for crop insurance E. R. Duke, state crop insurance supervisor with headquarters at Amarillo, warned that absolutely no extension could be made of the August 31 deadline, a month earlier than the deadline for the 1940 program.

Already the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation has received applications for more than 1500 policies on the 1941 Texas wheat crop. Duke predicts that the amount of crop insurance coverage in Texas for 1941 will greatly surpass the coverage of 5,277,699 bushels on the 1940 crop.

Meanwhile, indemnity payments claimed for 1940 losses are nearly complete with an estimated 100,000 bushels yet to be paid producers on loss claims. The Amarillo office has certified indemnity payments on 4,761 policies for 1,505,105 bushels of wheat lost on 381,341

acres. The supervisor pointed out that wheat collected from the corporation on loss claims is eligible to be placed under the Commodity Credit Corporation loan for the first time this year.

### U. S. 287 PAVING OPENED TO PUBLIC WEDNESDAY

A 7 1-2 mile segment of black top paving from approximately 4 1-2 miles south of Stratford on U. S. 287 was opened to the public at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Some work will be continued in smoothing shoulders along the road, but this will not necessitate closing of the road to the public, engineers stated.

### GRASSLAND AGRICULTURE

COLLEGE STATION, Aug. 14. — Emphasis on a grassland agriculture will feature a five-state meeting of agriculturists scheduled for Amarillo on September 5 and 6. The meeting will be one of a series of grassland conferences held in the nation this summer.

Regional problems of seeding, adapting introduced grasses and improving native grasses, range

management, and the raising of nutritional levels of grasses will be discussed.

Under-secretary of Agriculture Grover B. Hill is expected to conduct the session devoted to range grass problems and M. L. Wilson, federal director of the Extension Service, will speak on "Grass and Man."

The meeting will bring together farm leaders, ranchers, and representatives of the land-grant colleges, the experiment stations, state extension services and the various agencies of the U. S. Department of Agriculture to discuss the problem raised by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace.

"Now we are beginning to see the weakness of an agriculture stripped of grass. More and more we are turning in thought and practice toward an agriculture in which grass will act as a great balance wheel and stabilizer to prevent glutts of other crops—to save soil from destruction—to build up a reserve of nutrients and moisture in the soil, ready for any future emergency to create a more prosperous livestock industry and finally to contribute to the health of large numbers of our people through better nutrition."

There are residents of Stratford, who have been away on a vacation, and are now anxious for a rest at home.

Swimming is a fine exercise but even a good swimmer should exercise care in the water, if he wants to live long.

The modern scientist has about reached the place where he can make anything out of anything, if you get the idea.

The trade-at-home program will work only when it has the support of buyers and sellers.

In the present world a volunteer system is about as out of date as

the bow and arrow.

The persons who thought there would be no war a year ago, now think that the United States needs no army.

### Infantile Paralysis Is A Summer Disease

AUSTIN.—Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer states that infantile paralysis, like typhoid fever, is largely a summer disease. Although cases may occur during any month of the year, over half the total cases occur during July, August, September and October.

Through June 30, fifty-three cases of poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) has been reported to the State Health Department. Direct contact between persons is the chief factor in the spread of infantile paralysis. Because of the seasonal prevalence of the disease, flies and other insects have been suspected of conveying the virus or germ. Insect transmission has not, however, been demonstrated. Although animals are subject to paralysis, they are seemingly not susceptible to the human type of this paralytic disease. Carriers are difficult to determine; this fact makes advisable the reduction to a minimum of human contact during any outbreak of the disease.

Early symptoms of infantile paralysis comprise headache, fever, vomiting, bowel disorder, drowsiness and irritability, followed by neck or back stiffness. Prompt medical care, early recognition and reporting of cases make possible the use of valuable preventive and control measures.

### Texas Aggies Will Take Instructors Role In Military Training

COLLEGE STATION, Aug. 14. — When compulsory military service gets under way in the United

S. J. R. NO. 4 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas giving the Legislature authority to provide for appeal direct to the Supreme Court in cases involving injunctions granted or denied on the grounds of constitutionality or unconstitutionality of any statute or on validity or invalidity of administrative orders; providing for the submission of this amendment to the voters of this State; and providing for the necessary proclamation and expenses of publication.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 3-b, which shall read as follows:

"Section 3-b. The Legislature shall have the power to provide by law, for an appeal direct to the Supreme Court of this State from an order of any trial court granting or denying an interlocutory or permanent injunction on the grounds of the constitutionality or unconstitutionality of any statute of this State, or on the validity or invalidity of any administrative order issued by any state agency under any statute of this State."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the general election to be held on the 5th day of November, 1940, at which election all voters favoring such proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words: "For the Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas Authorizing the Legislature to Provide for Appeals Direct to the Supreme Court in instances involving the Constitutionality of certain Laws and Orders," and those opposed shall write or have printed on their ballots the words: "Against the Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas Authorizing the Legislature to Provide for Appeals Direct to the Supreme Court in instances involving the constitutionality of certain Laws and Orders."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. The sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of said publication and election.

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All students at Texas A. & M. College are required to take a two-year Reserve Officers Training Corps basic course which requires but three hours weekly and which carries college credit toward a degree. As juniors and seniors they may elect military science as part of their course, and, if approved by the college military department, they receive a contract with the

War Department which pays them approximately \$90 yearly and upon graduation earns them a commission as second lieutenant in the Officers Reserve Corps. Veterinary medicine students are eligible for first lieutenant's rating. Last June 360 of the graduating class received commissions and brought to approximately 4,600 the number of Aggies who have been commissioned since the end of the last war. Of these, the men who will be called will serve as officers rather than in the ranks.

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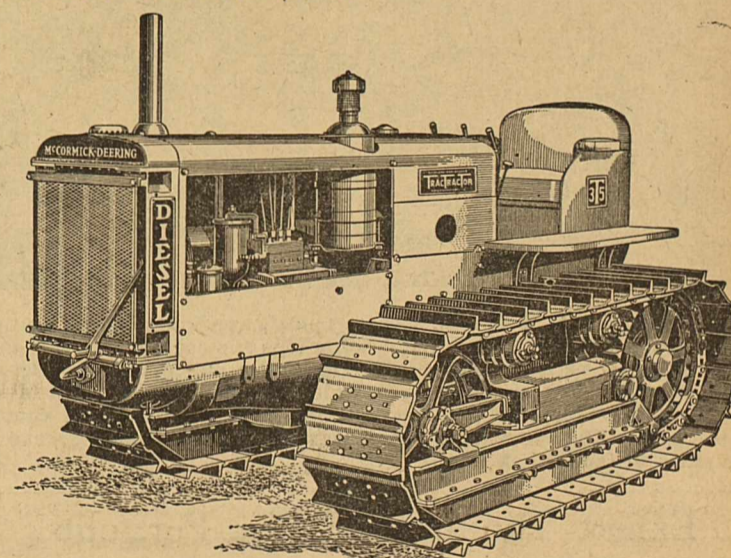
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