

"A LITTLE WIDER PLEASE . . . THANK YOU"



Amiable Hippo at Fleischacker zoo, San Francisco, "Puddle" is recovering from a sore throat after his keeper, John Swanson, got busy with a king-sized spray. "Wider, please," says Swanson as the 10-year-old hippopotamus obligingly opens his mouth.

FARMERETTES ON A PICNIC



Girls stationed at camps in Niagara peninsula were guests recently at picnic of Lincoln County farmerettes. Gergette Gledhill, 16, in flowered dress, of Kapuskasing, was chosen "Miss Lincoln County." Donna Love, Milton, runner up, holds bathing suit.

KING GEORGE HONORS MRS. CHURCHILL



Honored for her work in connection with British aid for Russia, Mrs. Winston Churchill, with her two daughters, Mary, left, and Sarah, right, leaves Buckingham Palace after receiving the Dame Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire from the King.

Highlights of the News

Sugar Ration Increased
The prices board announced an increase of three pounds per pound in the individual sugar ration for the remainder of the year with corresponding increases in the allotment for industrial and quota holders for soft drink and confectionery manufacturers and hotels and restaurants.

Cost of Living Rises
The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported a 1.5-point jump in its cost-of-living index during June—making a total advance of five points over the last four months.

Resumption of the cost of living bonus for persons in the public service has created keen interest in the United Steel Workers who have proposed a similar system for the steel industry.

Iceland Requests U.M. Membership
Iceland, which was used as a base for American troops during the war, has formally applied for admission to the United Nations.

Seven applications for admittance, consequently, are now before the membership committee of the Security Council. The seven are Albania, the Mongolian People's Republic, Afghanistan, Transjordan, Ireland and Portugal.

Palatine Issue
Informed observers say that the British cabinet might decide to inform the United Nations that Britain is ready to surrender her mandate over Palestine.

The British government has prepared to abandon plans for transferring 100,000 European Jewish refugees to Palestine in the face of mounting evidence that the United States would reject proposals for an Arab-Jewish federation in the Holy Land.

Forest Fires in Siberia
Huge forest fires are raging over 60,000,000 acres of land in Central and Northern Siberia. Airborne fire-fighting patrols have dropped parachutes which are mobilizing the villages to check the conflagrations.

Ureter in Albania
Reports reaching Rome reported that Albania had been invaded by a Russian puppet state and other military works were being built there. Civil liberties and religious freedom were said to have disappeared.

Dutch Seek New Border
Queen Wilhelmina told the Dutch Parliament that the Netherlands intends to seek a limited extension of its frontiers with Germany. No details were given.

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HEY! HOW ABOUT CLEANING UP THIS MESS?
DUEVER, RAISE A TERRIFIC FUSS ABOUT THE NEIGHBOR'S KIDS LEAVING WASTE PAPER ALL OVER YOUR LAWN.

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Allies To Unify Zones In Reich

Object of Plan Is To Remedy German Economic Problems
An important announcement recently was that the United Kingdom will join the United States in unifying their zones of occupation in Germany. The proposal was made necessary by Russia's agreement to the Potsdam agreement in July last year, for the zones, says the St. Thomas Times Journal. American unity was deemed desirable as an effective remedy for the German economic problems, and also to restore to the country of trading nations, buying in and selling to the procedure would also be important as a forward step in four-power co-operation for solving the main problems of peace. The Western powers want to break down, not to increase, the barriers between Eastern and Western Germany.

General McNarney, the United States commander in Germany has publicly stated from his experience that there is economic creeping paralysis in the Reich. Conditions are worst in the British zone, where there is the greatest industrial agglomeration and the smallest percentage of farmlands thus creating a shortage of food which the Reich, with the bulk of the agricultural land and in the most food, declines to alleviate, even at a price. The result is that the hard-pressed British have made sacrifices to send food to Germany at a cost equivalent to \$300,000,000 a year, so that the extraordinary situation arises that Britain, the conquering country, is actually paying reparations to Germany instead of being paid.

U. K. Reconversion Is Labor Shortage
Britain's reconversion to full civilian production still is far from complete, delayed by labor shortages, slowness of plant alterations, lack of machine tools and government control bottlenecks.

Raw materials are in better supply than manpower in most industries although scarcity of coal, timber and structural steel is causing some anxiety. Unwillingness of pre-war workers to return to their old type of work is putting the most serious problem for some of the country's basic industries. Almost every manufacturing plant needs more skilled workers and a better-balanced working force. Discharges from the armed services have been largely countered by retirement from industry of married women and elderly persons. The industrial labor force is about 1,100,000 smaller than in 1939.

Coal mining, basis of Britain's industrial economy, has 60,000 fewer workers than before the war; cotton spinning and weaving has 105,000 less; iron foundries 30,000 less. Reduced output in these lines indirectly affects a wide range of other industries. There is a general shortage of women workers in the light industries and finishing trades. Automobile production is hampered by a shortage of electrical equipment, blamed by manufacturers on a lack of women employees in Midlands factories.

Experimental Farms A Fine Investment
Maintaining the Dominion Experimental Farm set-up costs each Canadian citizen about 20 cents annually, according to a statement made by a farm official recently. Results indicate that this modest annual investment brings handsome dividends to the nation, and to the farmer. In reviewing the development of crop varieties and farm practice from the opening of the territories to the present day, a remarkable story of skill and perseverance on the part of the farm scientists is revealed.

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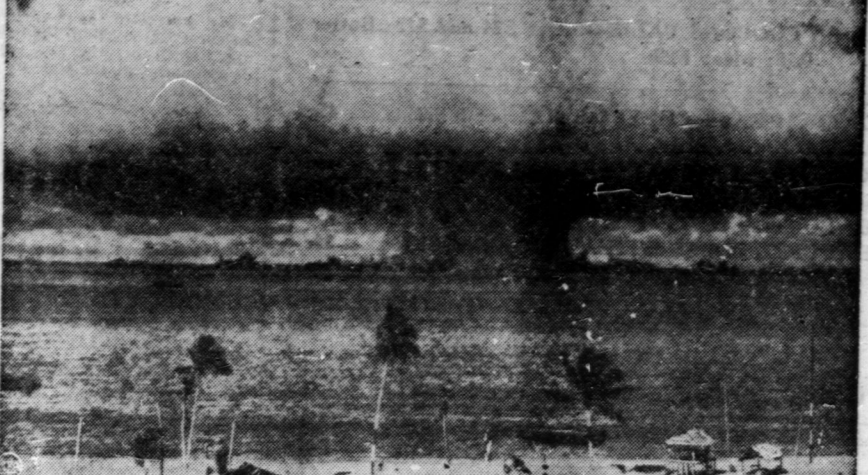
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GANGWAY FOR A BOMB



Automatically controlled camera on the beach at Bikini made this remarkable photo of the water column rising skyward as the second atom bomb exploded. Water column was a third of a mile wide at the base and rose about a mile in the air. In cluster of ships around the base are U.S. cruiser Salt Lake City and Jap battleship Nagato.

SPOTS OF SPORTS

By FRANK MANN HARRIS
("A Six Bit Critic")
The other evening, via radio, we heard what struck us as a very fine piece of music, bearing a most ridiculous title. In fact the title was more than ridiculous; it was pedantic. (Look it up in the dictionary; we had to.)

The name of this piece was "Harold in Italy" by Hector Berlioz. And just why M. Berlioz, after doing such an impressive show of music-writing, should go and tag it with a title which reminds you of something from "Little Rolo Series" in the old Sunday School Library, is considered a mystery to us, and likely to remain so. For just the light or sound of such a name is enough to turn most normal-minded folks against it; and if we had heard it announced before the piece was played, instead of after, we are quite sure we would have dialed something else, and so missed out on a real pleasure.

Which brings up the old question of why so many sports writers, who should know better, still insist on putting the most of the name "BOXLA" on the nose of sport of Lacrosse. Oh, yes, we know that "Boxla" saves three letters, and makes the labor of the hard-worked headline-writer just that much easier. And we also know that there was a time when two forms of the game were being played, the indoor or abbreviated type and the full-size or outdoor, so that there might have been some excuse for trying to keep the two separate.

But now? Well to one person at least, and we know we are not unique in this, the sight of such a sports page heading as "SOANDSO WINS CLASS BOXLA GAME" brings the same sort of feeling of faint repulsion as, say, getting down twenty minutes late for the last call for breakfast at an American-plan hotel, and seeing your fried eggs staring at you, cold and clammy, on the platter.

Just imagine the young swain of today calling up his one-and-only and saying, "Big doings tonight, sugar. Let's dig it over to the Boxla game." Doesn't it sound just too ginger-peachy for words? For Heaven's sake, boys, have a heart. We know that white paper is scarce these days. But try and spare enough of it to call a real game by its real name—Lacrosse. If you don't, we'll pray that you lose your clipping-scissors; and what a dire calamity that would be, nobody should know better than we.

Followers of the sport of harness-horse racing must have rubbed their eyes with amazement when a recent issue of Collier's Magazine devoted a whole feature article—with pictures in Technicolor, no less—to the trotters and pacers. For no longer is their favorite pastime relegated to country fairs and half-mile tracks, but real big-time stuff, with one track alone averaging better than seven thousand daily attendance, and a mutual play running into more than twenty-five million for the season.

Biggest reason for this startling revival of a sport once thought to be dying is the new travelling starting grove, which cuts to a minimum the long delays and many false breaks which were so wearisome to the average customer. Now, with this contraption, they can get the horses away just as promptly as on the running tracks, and a visitor can go to a harness meet confident that he won't have to spend half his afternoon listening to the recall bell and seeing the

Canada Removes Pegged Wheat Prices

Trade Minister MacKinnon announced last week in the Commons the removal of the pegged price of \$1.55 a bushel for Canada's export wheat sales, except to Britain, and said a "serious" effort will be made to sell at prices "roughly corresponding" to those of the United States.

The United States price for export wheat sales now is over the \$2-a-bushel mark. Mr. MacKinnon said the pegged price of \$1.55 would remain in effect only for contract countries, such as Britain, which last week signed a four-year contract for 600,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat and wheat flour. He said in his announcement: "With regard to export prices, the supplies for the United Kingdom will obviously be sold within the terms of the contract. In sales to non-contract countries, a serious effort will be made to sell at prices roughly corresponding to those of the other principal supplier—now, the United States."

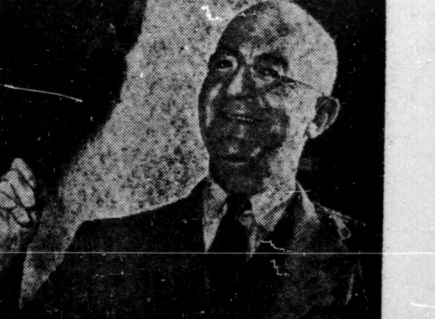
To this end, order-in-council P. C. 6122 of Sept. 19, 1945, has been revoked. "It will be remembered that through this order the government directed the Canadian Wheat Board for the time being not to exceed a sales price of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern in store Fort William-Port Arthur of Vancouver in its export sales."

Electric Car's Speed 50 Miles Per Hour

So far electrically-driven cars have only been used as small delivery vans because the weight of the accumulators only permitted low speeds. It has now been made known that one of Britain's leading motor manufacturers, working with an electrical engineering firm, has been carrying out secret experiments with an electric car and that these experiments have been crowned with success.

The new car is capable of 80 miles per hour. Up to the present the weight of the batteries' lead cell-plates has been the main handicap in the development of electric cars. After years of research work it has now been found possible to use magnesium which is much lighter.

NEW BREED OF CATTLE



Result of an experiment in cross-breeding a cow and a buffalo, this "cattle" head is shown by Dr. E. Archibald, director of Dominion Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa.