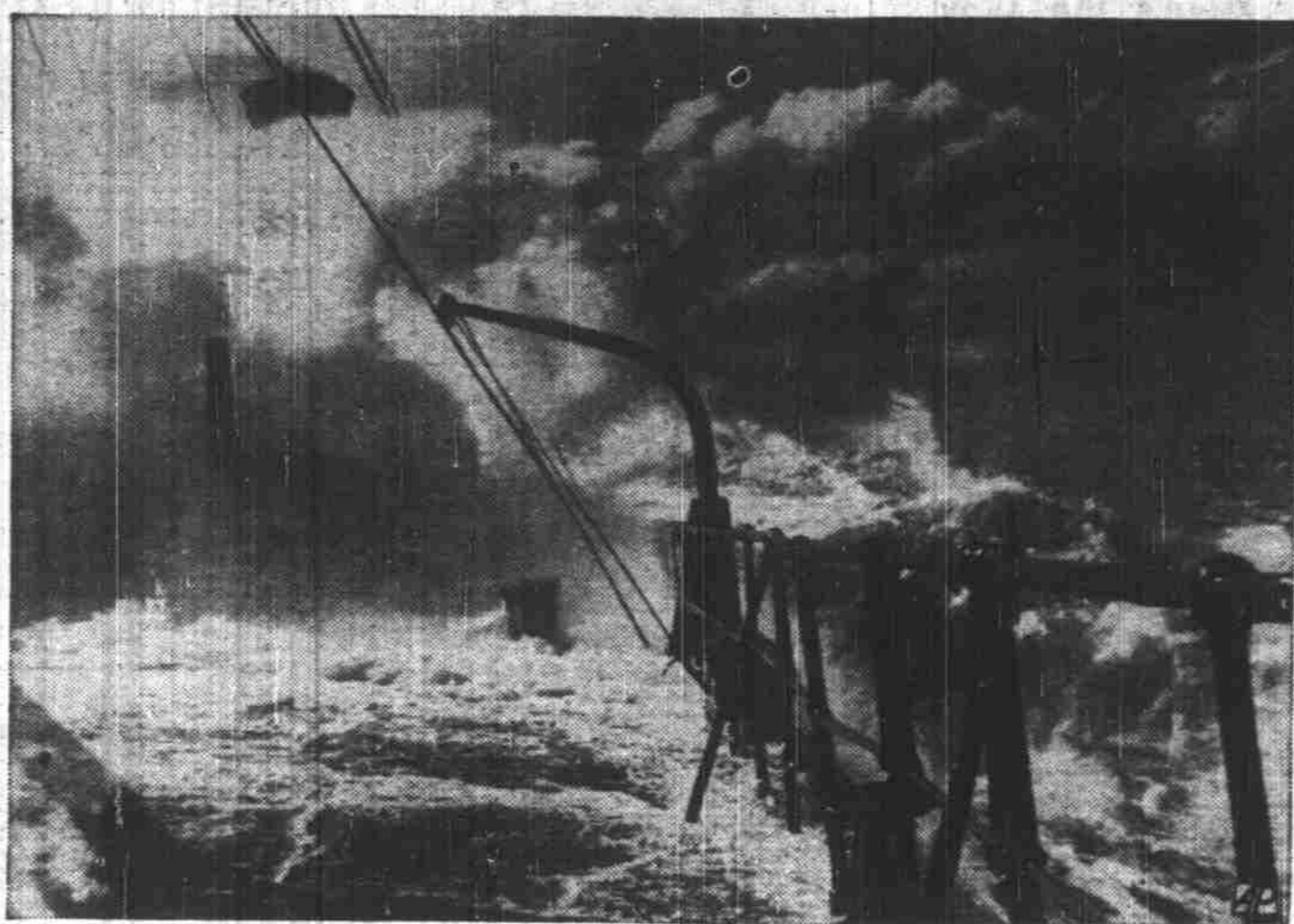


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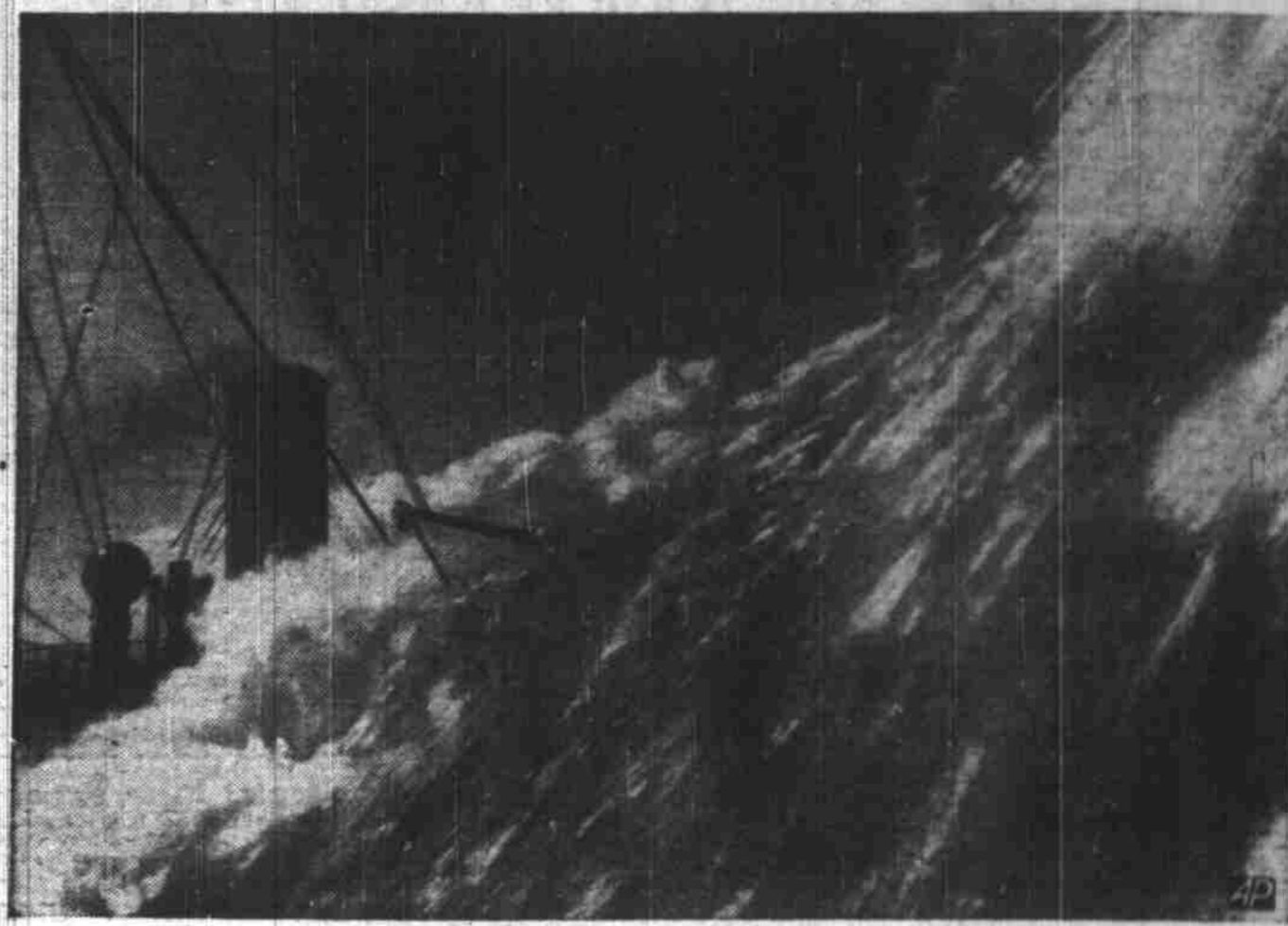
PICTURE NEWS



17 YEARS FROM NOW—If Europe's history follows its usual pattern, this three-year-old "Tommy Atkins" who admires the guard at Buckingham palace, London, will probably carry his own gun in 1957. His father's home on leave from war front.



WHEN THE SEA SWABS THE DECK—Dat ol' debbil sea really swabbed the decks clean when the motorship Tidewater plowed through the churning waves off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina, in the waters known as the "Graveyard of the Atlantic," because so many ships have gone down there. The 8,000-ton tanker was en route from Houston, Tex., to Bayonne, N. J.



HOLD EVERYTHING; THE PHOTOGRAPHER DID!—Only by grabbing a fireline pipe did E. R. Bumstead keep from being washed overboard while taking pictures of the heavy seas through which the 8,000-ton oil tanker, Tidewater, plowed off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina. Imagine being smacked by this wave. Bumstead was a Tidewater crew member.



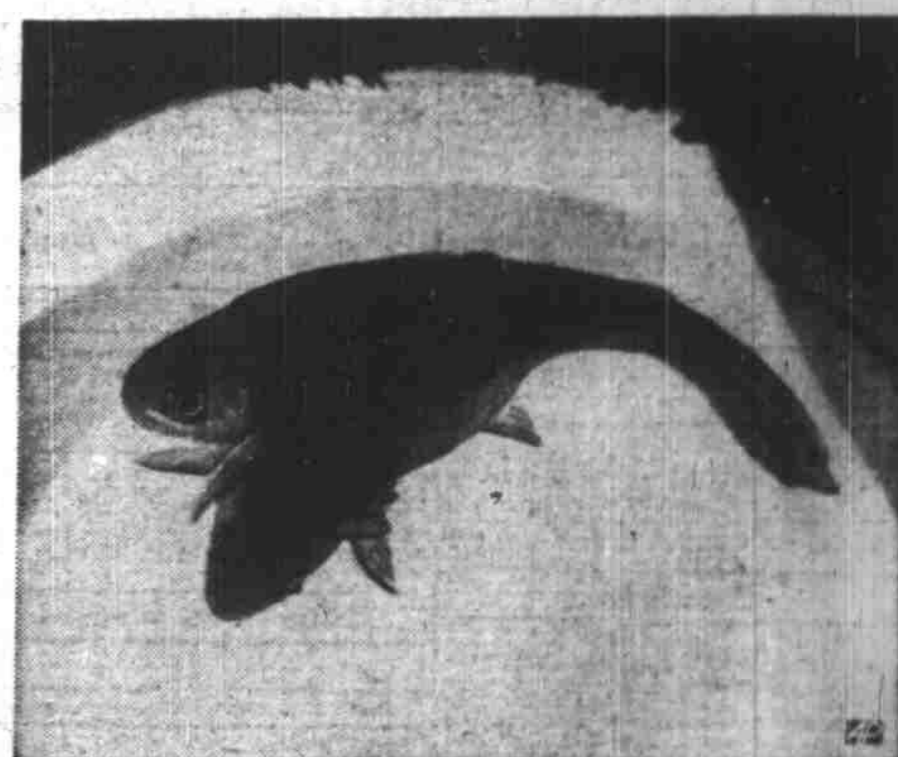
A MATTER OF TIMING—This picture—which shows the flight of a homing pigeon "stopped" by a flash of light that lasted only 1-100,000th of a second—was taken in Philadelphia. Note the "retractable feet."



ATTEND 'BALKAN' TALKS—To discuss means of "shutting Germany's back door," these British diplomats went to London for a conference about the Balkans, strategic reservoir of supplies for the Nazis. Left to right: Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, ambassador to Turkey; Sir Percy Lorrain, ambassador to Italy. Allies and Turkey have assistance pact.



NOW IF IT WERE REAL!—A tree trunk served as dummy gun for this camouflaging drill at Fort Benning, Ga.



TWO HEADS NOT BETTER THAN ONE—Concern over the safety of two-headed brook trout made officials put it in a special trough at the California State Fish Hatchery in Yosemite, Cal. They feared that normal fish might attack it. The trout is four and one-half inches long. Officials call it unusual, because such freaks usually die soon after hatching.



POPPY GIRL—Ellen Drew (above), film actress, has been named 1940 national buddy poppy girl by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of U. S. She'll be hostess of the V.F.W. encampment scheduled for Aug. 25-30 at Los Angeles.



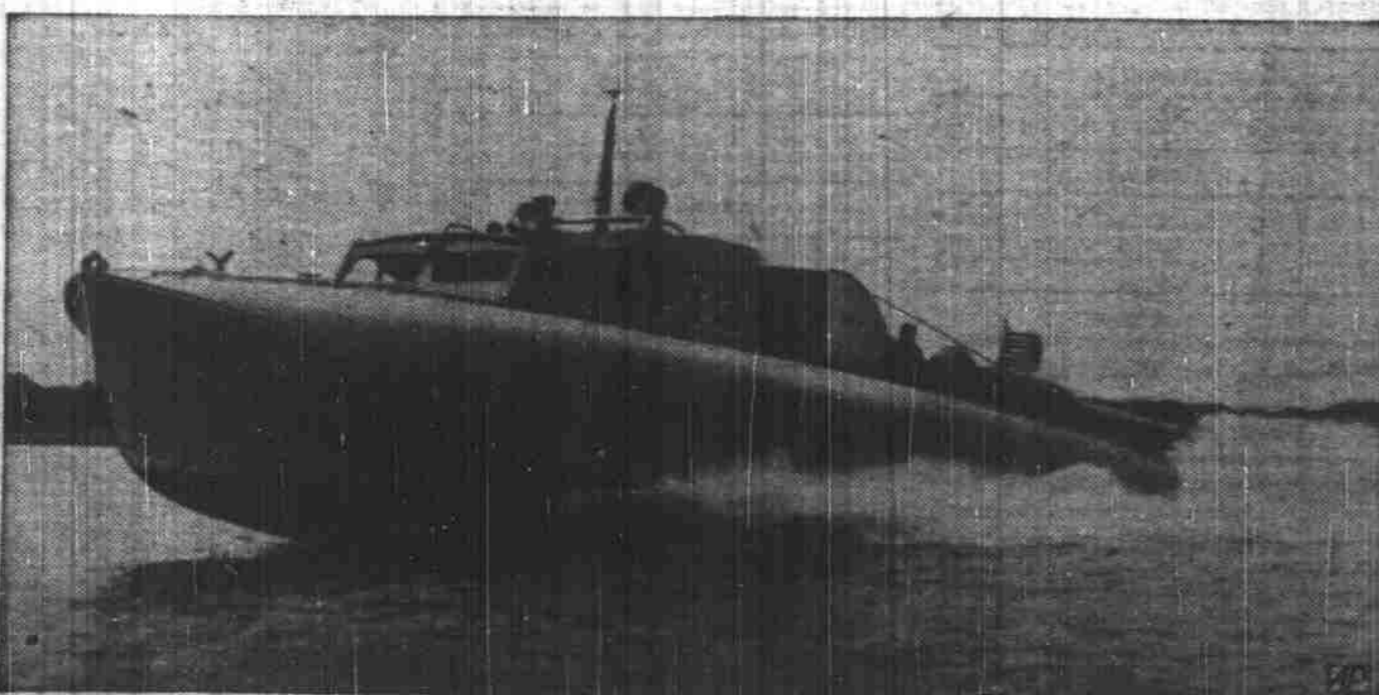
YOUNG IOWAN FINGER-PAINTS—Ice skaters and a hockey game are sweepingly treated in this finger painting by Dick Combs, 11, of Mason City, Ia. Dick is one of the more than 1,500 children in some 500 public, private and parochial schools in U. S. and Canada whose paintings will be seen in annual "Young America Paints" art show in New York, April 27 to May 12.



HORSE SHOWS WAY—AWAY FROM JUMP—Jumping in Grand National steeplechase at Baltimore, Golden Satin (riderless) knocked down barrier, clearing way for Blockade, the favorite. The winner was Myrmdon (extreme right).



WAR STYLE—With her usual "dash," the Duchess of Kent, who's Britain's style-director, wears hat as Lady Superintendent-in-Chief for Wales of St. John Ambulance brigade.



TRIAL RUN FOR 'MOSQUITO BOAT'—The PT2, one of two U. S. torpedo boats nearing completion at a Detroit boat works, sets a test run. Its cost: about \$100,000.



FAR CRY FROM THE WAR—While British authorities tackle the problem of what to do with the children who returned to crowded London as a result of the winter's war "inactivity," these little evencees enjoy the hospitality of Lady Dorothy MacMillan at Chelwoodgate, England. Thousands of youngsters returned home, when air raids failed to materialize.



WILLING GIVER—To replace energy possibly lost when she gave half a pint of blood to Mrs. Robert Manker in Atlanta, Ga., Ann Stewart, 7, stores away lots of food. She recovered four years ago from rare staphylococci meningitis.