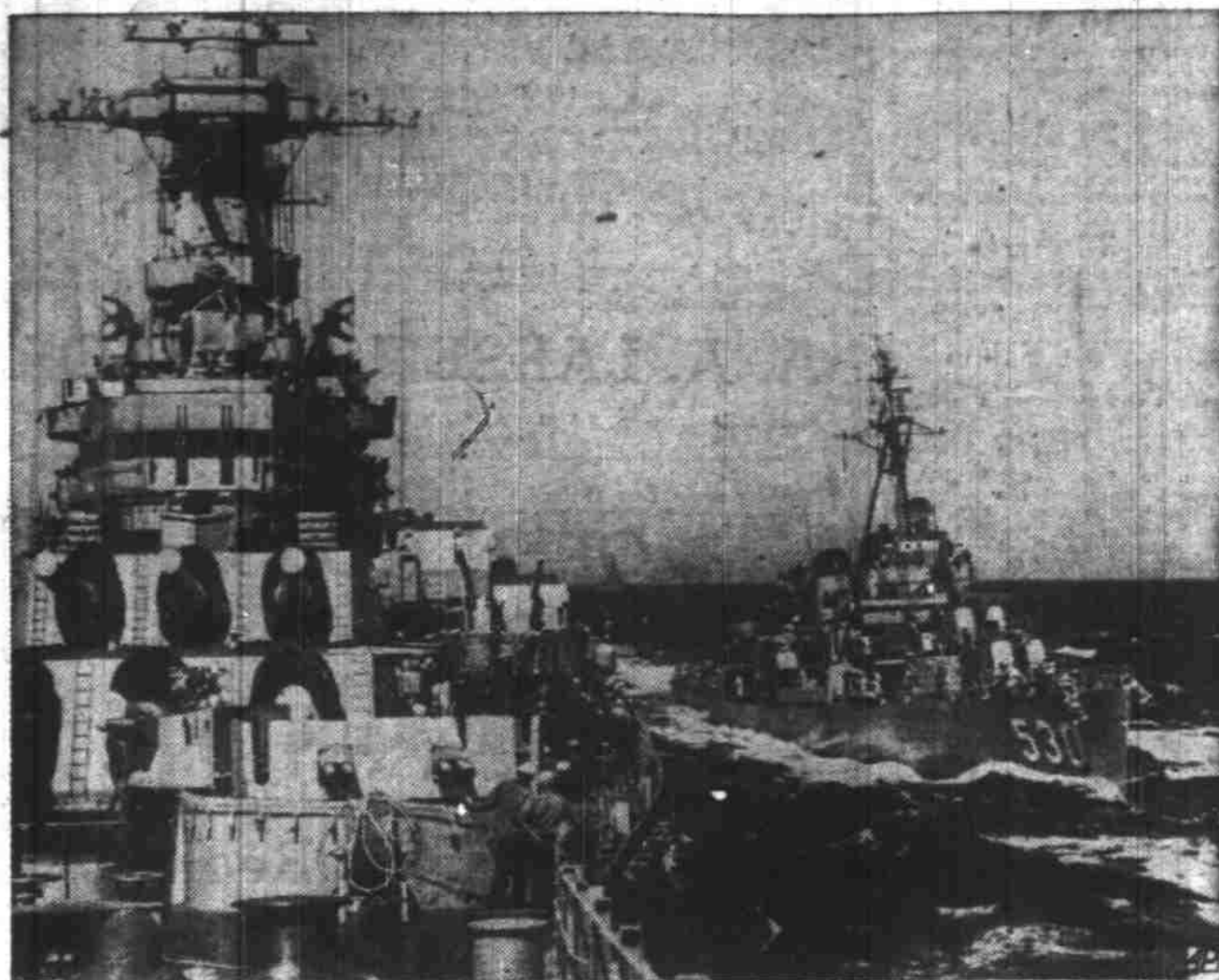


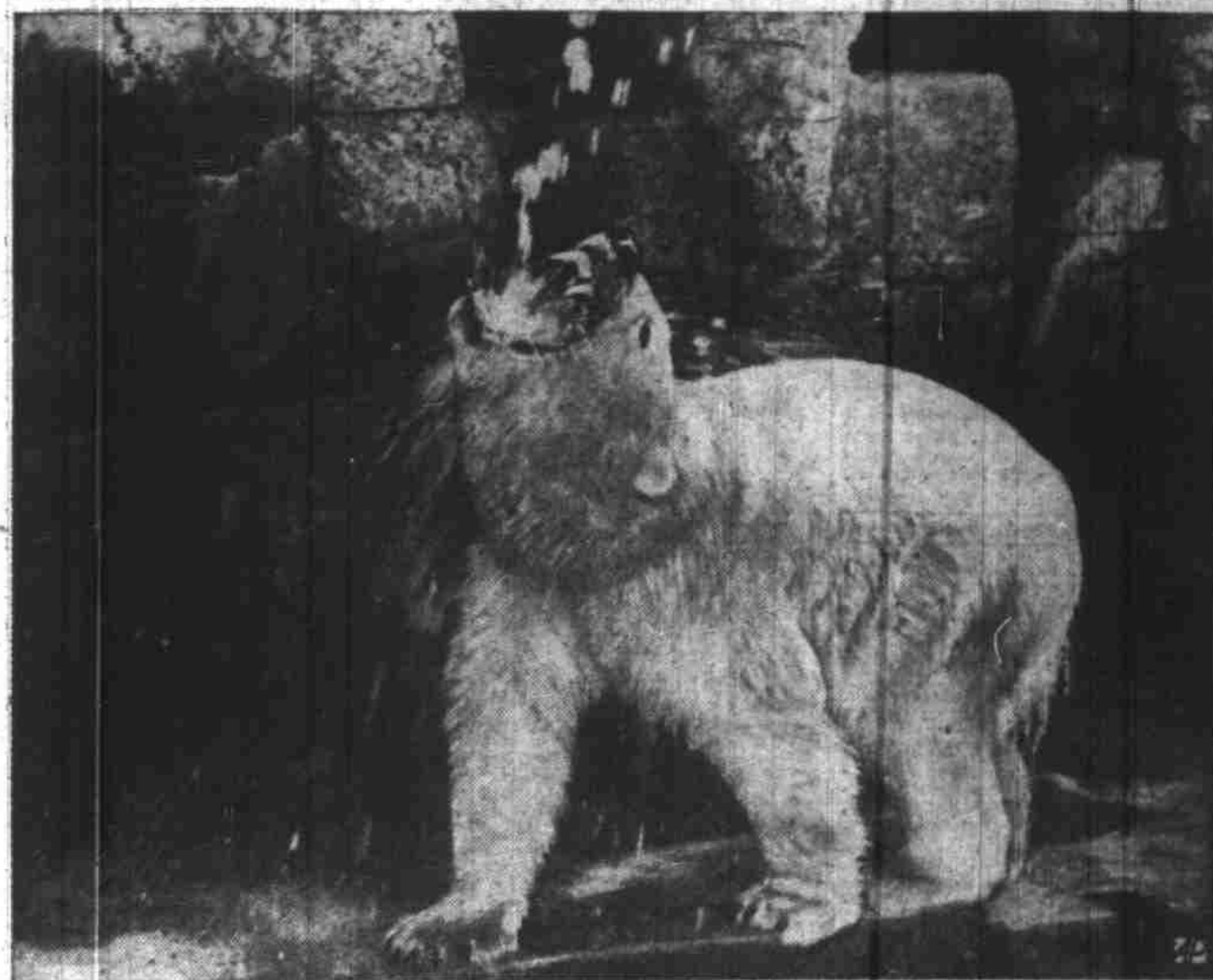
# ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS IN PICTURES



**TAKES 'GIANT STEP'**—Max Otter, Austrian ski instructor, makes a long jump from roof of Ivor Whittaker Lodge, Mt. Buller, Australia. Roof top was jump-off point for skiers.



**MAIL STARTS HOME**—A destroyer comes alongside the battleship New Jersey off Korea to pick up mail from the crew to folks at home. Mailbag is on line between ships.



**A HOT AND THIRSTY BEAR**—Ivan, a polar bear at the Griffith Park Zoo, Los Angeles, sweltering inside his fur coat during a hot spell, gets a drink via the Zoo hose.



**HUMAN FLAME-THROWER**—Tagora, performer in a London show, breathes a fireball during his act. Over eight years perfecting stunt, he's suffered internal burns five times.



**ON 'WINDS OF FREEDOM'**—A German student launches a balloon with messages to residents of Soviet-controlled Czechoslovakia, from a secluded farm near Czech border.



**ETHIOPIA BOUND**—Dr. Joseph Simonson, a Lutheran clergyman at Glen Cove, N. Y., has been nominated by President Eisenhower to be U. S. Ambassador to Ethiopia.



**'MISS AMERICA'**—Irene Joe Wesley, Toppenish, Wash., full-blooded Yakima, is "Miss America 1953" to those holding U. S. belongs to Indians, after winning 21-tribe contest.



**MISTAKES BUZZ**—Richard Gans of Chicago plays piano fitted with device that buzzes when he's made a mistake. Panel on keyboard indicates notes and their place on sheet music.



**NEW ENVOY**—Robert D. Coe, above, of Cody, Wyo., has been nominated by President Eisenhower to be new Ambassador to Denmark, succeeding Mrs. Eugenie Anderson.



**'MISS UNIVERSE'**—Christiane Mariel, a brunette with blue-gray eyes, shows her best smile after crowning as "Miss Universe" at Long Beach, Cal. She's working now in the movies.



**MASS BROIL**—A three-shift, 130-man crew at the barbecue pits during State of Maine's annual broiler festival at Belfast, turns out enough chicken to feed 3,000 an hour.



**BENGAL LANCER, REALLY!**—Paris youngsters see a real, live Bengal Lancer, one of a Pakistani detachment who placed a wreath on Tomb of Unknown Soldier at Arch of Triumph.



**POM-PONS**—Knitted hat and accompanying scarf trimmed with pom-poms and worn above a jumper with rows of knitwear flowers, seen at a showing of knitwear in London.



**FRECKLE CHAMP**—Patricia Braasch, 11, displays evidence of her victory and right to reign as freckles champion at a Chicago fair. Patricia boasts 169 freckles to square inch.



**GYMNASTRADA**—Dutch women provide the final display in Feyenoord Stadium, Rotterdam, on last day of Gymnastrada in which gymnasts from 14 European countries appeared.