



**Gar Wood Unveils 'No Roll' Ship**—Gar Wood, inventor and speedboat racer, revealed (July 31) that he has designed and built a high-speed, twin-hulled ship at his estate, Fisher's Island, Fla. The ship, named the "Venturi" and shown here in side and head-on views, cruises at 26 knots on completely even keel. The "Venturi" is 188 feet long and 40 feet wide with the twin hulls connected by a deck 22 feet above the waterline. Wood says air rushing through the "tunnel" buoys up the ship. (AP Wirephoto.)

**INTERNATIONAL ROMANCE**

**Lovesick Couple, Separated By Ocean, Get \$ Help**

Fresno, Calif., Aug. 3 (U.P.)—Touched by the plight of a jobless, disabled Fresno war veteran and his pretty German fraulein, involved in an international romance, California residents poured dollars into the "Charles Eller fund" as fellow veterans made elaborate wedding preparations for the lovesick couple.

Art Selland, chairman of the fund, reported time was running out for ex-army Sgt. Charles Eller, 28, and Ly Elyse Beckman, 27, a dentist from Ober Ramstadt, Germany.

The couple now have only \$805 of \$1,100 needed by Aug. 4, to bring the raven-haired beauty to the states.

Last week, Eller, discharged in July as an "arrested" tuberculosis case, offered "either of my blue eyes, to anyone who would donate the money for Ly's travelling expenses and immigration bond."

"No, no," the brown-eyed fraulein said when told of Eller's strange offer. "I'll take both my eyes instead."

The citizens' committee, determined Eller would not have to sell his eyes, set Aug. 4 as the deadline for the \$1,100 to be wired to Ly. Miss Beckmann's last plane reservation expires Aug. 8. Her visa terminates Aug. 31, but Eller feels she will not

be able to get another chance to come here.

"We still need \$295 before we can go ahead with the wedding arrangements," Selland said.

Meanwhile, Legionnaires from Post No. 4 here, after contributing the \$500 refundable bond to immigration authorities, announced tentative wedding plans have been completed for a public wedding for the couple.

Police Judge Milo Popovich said, "I will be delighted to perform the ceremony." Legion members said it would be "open house" for everyone at the swank Legion canteen.

Eller, who met and fell in love with his German fiancee when he visited her office to have a tooth filled three years ago, said, "Gosh, the wedding plans sound

**A NAME HELPS PERSONALITY**

**Man Goes Into the Business Of Picking Babies' Names**

Muncie, Ind. (U.P.)—R. H. Gifford says he's in the new business of solving an old handicap.

**Final Lecture By Bohus Benes**

Bohus Benes, visiting professor of political science at Willamette university this summer, will give the third of his series of three evening lectures in Waller hall Wednesday evening at 8 p.m.

As the basis for the three lectures Mr. Benes has drawn upon his personal experiences in the consular service in Czechoslovakia, and upon his close relationship with his late uncle, the former president of Czechoslovakia, Doctor Edward Benes.

The first two lectures covered the present state of international relationships, recalling Czechoslovakia's friendship and cooperation with France, England and the Soviet Union during the past 25 years. Professor Benes dramatically described the failure of the French, English and Russian leaders to impress the Czechoslovak people with their policy and leadership.

The final lecture of the series will present a picture of the United States and the American people in their international relations. In this Mr. Benes proposes to discuss some of the shortcomings of the American policy and also will present pertinent facts on which he bases his belief that the 20th century depends on the leadership of America. Mr. Benes has stated that while the French, English and Russian leaders have failed to grow into great leaders of a modern world, there is evidence that the American people have matured enough to give humanity the leadership it needs at this crucial moment in history.

As a summary of the three lectures, Mr. Benes will venture his opinion about the present world situation, and the mandate that the American people take world leadership in this time of crises. The lectures are open to the public and those in attendance will have an opportunity to participate in the question program at the close of the lecture.

fine, but shouldn't we wait until Ly gets here?"

The ex-G.I. hasn't seen her since being flown to the states in an ambulance plane last year.

He names babies. Gifford, blind and aging, set up an office and went into the baby-naming business because he believes there are too many people with odd names. He uses science and common sense, he said.

For 25 cents, Gifford offers parents a name for their baby. If they accept his suggestion, he said, he expects them to send him 75 more cents.

"That's a pretty inexpensive way to assure a youngster a good name," he said.

He said he has been analyzing people and their problems all his life. He describes himself as a "humanologist."

"A person with an off-sounding name often gets off on the wrong foot," he said. "Some first names don't fit the last names. Take Oswald and Lemuel. I've met dozens of men with those names and they don't pair with any surname, not even Smith."

He said off-spelling of common names were impractical, also names used for either boy or girl, such as Francis and Frances.

"If everyone had a name as well chosen as the movie stars, I wouldn't be in business," he said.

As a general rule, he explained, short first names go best with long names, and vice versa. He detests the word "Junior."

"A good name helps your personality," said Gifford.

Gifford's own name?

He insists that the "H" is an initial only. Under pressure, he admitted that his first name is "Roman."

"Horrible sounding, isn't it," he said. "But I'm stuck with it."

**Franks Grandparents**

Silverton—Mr. and Mrs. Nick Frank of 715 Pine street received a message of the birth August 1 of their first grandchild, a son, weight ten pounds, to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Oreliski (Romona Frank) at a hospital in their home town, Owatonna, Minn.

A house guest at the local home of the Franks is a niece, Miss Elizabeth Frank, a high school teacher in the Royal, Iowa, schools, and who has recently completed a refresher course in Montana. Miss Frank will also visit in California enroute home for her autumn school work.



Blanche Lane, 28 (above), former showgirl, was shot and killed (July 31) by her estranged policeman husband, William R. Lane, 30, in triple tragedy. Police said Lane killed his wife and Arnold Myers, 37, in a bed in his wife's Brooklyn, N. Y., home and then put a bullet through his own head. (AP Wirephoto.)

**Mrs. Hatch Hostess**

Falls City—Mrs. Mabel Hatch was hostess to the Needle Craft club members for a dessert luncheon served to Mrs. Fred Hughes, Mrs. James Royer, Mrs. Laura Horn, Mrs. Maude Brown, Mrs. M. L. Thompson, Mrs. E. G. White, Mrs. Eva Teal, Mrs. Mabel Taylor and Mrs. Rheta Strauss. The invited guests were Mrs. Fred Lukde and Miss Flossie Broughton of Boston.

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**Flagstad Gets Right to Sing**

San Francisco, Aug. 3 (U.P.)—Norwegian soprano Kirsten Flagstad finally held permission today to sing on the San Francisco opera house stage.

The opera association, which had threatened to call off its season unless she was permitted to sing, rushed plans for the fall program.

The opera house board of trustees voted 6 to 5 last night to lift its ban against the Wagnerian singer. On two previous occasions, the trustees had voted 10 to 0 and 6 to 4 against her.

Acting mayor George J. Christopher complimented the trustees for their "manifestation of fair play, justice and due regard for the reputation of San Francisco."

The ban was imposed after county councils of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars protested against letting Mme. Flagstad appear.

The veterans charged that Mme. Flagstad's loyalty to democracy was open to doubt because she chose to fly to Norway to join her husband, a member of the collaborationist Quisling party, during the war.

**World's Tallest Man To Settle in Portland**

Portland, Ore., Aug. 3 (U.P.)—The world's tallest man took a long view of Portland today and said he would settle down.

Clifford Thompson, Wapuna, Wis., attorney, who stands eight feet, seven inches and sleeps in two beds, said "I am here to live. I like the climate, the people and the greenery."

He has toured the west in circuses billed as "the tallest man who walks the face of the earth today." Thompson was born 44 years ago on a North Dakota homestead near Silva. His parents were of normal height.

He said he stopped growing at 27 and now weighs 460 pounds, wears a size 22 shoe, size nine hat and a 19½ collar.

**Watermelon Boy Loses Fight**

Woodland, Wash., Aug. 3 (U.P.)—Little Albert Wyman, 6, whose battle against dread lymphatic leukemia touched the nation's heart, died quietly at 5:15 a.m. Tuesday in Vancouver, Wash., Memorial hospital.

Doctors said it was apparent for the past two weeks that Albert wouldn't rally again. He no longer yearned for watermelon, nor for presents which his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wyman, showered on him in an effort to make every day of his limited life one of happiness.

Last week the family put up a Christmas tree in the living room of their Woodland home, but Albert didn't respond to it and he was removed to the hospital where he finally succumbed to the disease which always is fatal.

**Dr. Santee Teaches**

Monmouth — Dr. Joseph F. Santee, who retired last June, is now a member of the elementary education faculty of Portland university. He will of-

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for courses in child development and thesis writing. Dr. Santee for years was a member of the faculty of Oregon College of Education and with his wife lived in Monmouth.

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