



Digging Out the Dead—Survivors of the Ecuadorean earthquake dig out their dead from the ruins of the town of Pelileo. Hundreds died amid such desolation. Violent earth movement shook off plastered walls and tiled roofs and collapsed the homes. (AP Wirephoto)

Widow to Be Guest Of Barkley Sunday

St. Louis, Aug. 12 (AP)—Mrs. Carleton S. Hagley of St. Louis will be the guest of Vice President Barkley Sunday at Paducah, Ky., at a hometown celebration in his honor.

She will be accompanied by her 17-year-old daughter, Anne. The vice-president's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Max Truitt, are to come with him from Washington.

Their plans for the week-end were reported in Washington yesterday and confirmed here by friends of Mrs. Hagley.

The Paducah airport will be rededicated and renamed for the city's favorite son.

Hares run faster up hill than down because their hind legs are longer than their forelegs.



The Plaster Casts on 10-year-old Girard Parker's legs are a temporary inconvenience, but soon will be discarded. The corrective surgery was made possible through Catholic Charities, a Red Feather agency of the Oregon Chest. (Courtesy, The Oregonian)

Catholic Charities Gives Red Feather Service to Boy

Girard Parker, like other 10-year-old boys, wants to run about, play games. But Girard has been content to watch—up to now. Now he is waiting, looking forward to active participation in the fun of his schoolfellows. Toes, bent backward toward the arches of his feet, are straightening out.

Girard doesn't object to these plaster casts from his knees down. He realizes they are but temporary inconveniences. Girard is a vivacious, chubby youngster with reddish-blond hair. He has freckles on a nose that wrinkles when he smiles. He has blue, expressive eyes that sparkle with imagination—and hope. Girard is planning to play games, not just watch.

Currently he is in a convalescent home, soon to return to his foster family. His condition, usually described as "claw foot," is congenital. As he grew older, special orthopedic shoes were provided. These helped but were not enough.

Under the supervision of Catholic charities, offering Red Feather services as a member of the Oregon Chest, Girard was afforded expert care at Doernbecher hospital. Through surgery, a tendon was transplanted from one attachment to another

Hop Picking Starts

Aurora—Bud Wormdahl and Earl Owen of Needy, began picking their 90 acres of early and late hops August 10. In the Macksburg area, Carl E. Kalb will start picking around August 15. H. H. Hansen will start picking about August 15 also. Eilers' peach orchard, Road 217 from Aurora, have announced Rochester and Jubilees now ripe.

FROM RIFLES TO WATCHMAKING

Johnny Pipkin's Sharp Eye Still Lets Him Shoot Straight

Warrenton, N.C. (AP)—Johnny Pipkin uses his sharp eyes and steady hands for precision watchmaking now, but those qualities once ranked him among the nation's top military sharpshooters. Born in Virginia during the Civil War, Pipkin became a regular in the Virginia Volunteers when he was 12 years old.

In 26 years of service he advanced from private to captain and retired as a major.

Rolls Over in Bed, Falls Five Stories

New York, Aug. 12 (AP)—Samuel Goppelberg, 24, one of the millions suffering from New York's heat wave, moved his bed over near a window last night to get a bit of air.

His shrieks woke the neighbors at 4 a.m. today.

Rolling over in his sleep, he fell out the window to death in a rear yard five floors below.

At 12 he joined the Suffolk Greys as a "marker"—one of two boys who held flags at corners along the line of march. One day when his company was on the rifle range a corporal jokingly suggested that they see what the little "marker" could do with a gun.

But the joke was on the regular riflemen. Offhand, kneeling and prone, Pipkin nailed the target dead center and walked off with the prize intended for the best shot in the company.

"Any man who can shoot like that belongs in the company," said the captain. "Swear him in."

For the next 26 years Pipkin won or placed in every state shooting match and competed against the country's best military marksmen at Camp Perry, Ohio. In a small chest of memoirs he has several gold medals as proof of his shooting ability.

He also has one of the best gun collections in this part of the country.

The collection includes an "assassin's cane" which shoots a 20-gauge shell, a Revolutionary piece used in the battle of Great Bridge, a pair of 14-inch French-made pistols which double as shotguns, an 1856 muzzle-loading revolver, a pen pistol and a knife pistol, and a French pinfire gun, 16 gauge with cheek rest.

Most valuable is a "Capt. John Smith" type deuling pistol, heavily inlaid with silver and sporting a 10-inch brass barrel.

Pipkin has no children to carry on his hobby, so he thinks he may donate his valuable guns to the William and Mary university shrine.

During that quarter-century he was famous on every rifle range in the south and even today he can puncture bulletseyes when he takes time off from his jewelry business.

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Earthquake Survivors—Makeshift tents and cots in a square at Ambato, Ecuador, serve as a temporary shelter for survivors of the earthquake which devastated a large portion of this small South American country. Ambato, city of 20,000 population, was in the center of the 4,000-square mile area rocked by the quake. An accurate death toll may never be known because many of the victims are buried beneath tons of rubble and most survivors have scattered. (Acme Telephoto)

1948 FIGURES SHOWED:

National Conventions Failed To 'Represent' the People

Lincoln, Neb. (AP)—The average American was not represented at the 1948 political conventions, according to Charles L. Braucher, University of Nebraska student.

Braucher made a study of who represents the voters at national conventions, where presidential candidates are nominated. He wrote a thesis for his master's degree in sociology on results of his investigation, made with the help of Dr. Paul Meadows, faculty member.

Conclusions were based on responses from slightly less than half of the 3,734 delegates to whom questionnaires were sent, Braucher said.

He found none of the three conventions held last year accurately represented the age groups of the general population, the number of women voters, rural people, or the educational level or occupational group of the nation.

Braucher decided the average convention delegate is married and a father, 45 to 50 years old, a white-collar worker in the city, has some college education, and accepts his parent's political philosophy. He most likely is a lawyer or businessman, the student said.

Delegates to the Republican gathering were slightly older than their Democratic counterparts, but Progressives were junior to both.

Mean age for the GOP was 51.7, compared to 49.7 for Democrats, and 36.8 for Progressives. The median age of the United States is 30 years, Braucher said.

The highest percentage of women delegates attending the Republican convention came from South Atlantic states, followed closely by North Central states. The latter area sent the

Acreege Alloted For Linn Wheat

Albany—Linn county's wheat allotment for 1950 is 9,584 acres, representing the county's proportionate share of the 68,900,000 acres allotted nationally to be harvested in 1950, according to George L. Koo, county AAA chairman.

Linn county's 9,584 acre allotment has been distributed in individual farms based on acreage and production information furnished by farmers who normally grow wheat. Notices to growers will be mailed from the county AAA office on August 15. Any grower who is not satisfied with his allotment may appeal to the County Committee within 15 days or by August 30.

Brothers Break Legs

Silverton—Don Thomas was reported as having sustained a fractured leg Wednesday while at work in the woods. A brother of Thomas, George Thomas, has been under treatment at the local hospital since May 9, for similar injuries, though more serious than apparently has been suffered by his brother.

HURRICANE BLAMED

Big Wind Cut Short Methuselah's 969 Years

By E. V. W. Jones (AP Newsfeatures Writer)

Miami, Fla. — Grady Norton can prove to you by scriptural authority that Methuselah, who died at 969 years of age, actually lost his life in a hurricane.

Since that ancient day, people have learned to heed hurricane warnings and the death toll from these tropical storms has been reduced by 98 per cent. That reduction has come only in the last 20 years said Norton.

"We feel it is entirely possible to take the death sting entirely out of hurricanes," said Norton, who is chief forecaster in the Federal Storm Warning Service here.

"But there is one factor that worries us. As the death toll comes down due to adequate warnings, and as physical destruction diminishes because of building codes, a feeling is beginning to develop among persons inexperienced with these storms that the hurricanes have lost their punch.

"They begin to grow careless, and that will send the death toll up again."

Norton pointed out that a hurricane is a vast, natural engine which draws its power from heat energy released by rain. An average hurricane will pour 10 inches of rain over hundreds of square miles.

Ten inches of rain weighs 723,200 tons per square mile. This jumps to astronomical figures when the entire path of a hurricane is measured. One storm that swept over Puerto Rico was estimated to have dumped 2,600,000,000 tons of water on that island alone.

With the rain come roaring pounding winds. The wind velocity must reach 75 miles an hour to be of hurricane force. Frequently these storms reach a force of 150 miles an hour and sometimes more.

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