

Close Call—Chet Derby, in an aerobatic exhibition at an air show held in Oakland, Calif., flies his smoke-trailing plane through the air barely missing a B-29. This unscheduled event occurred when a flight of low flying air force B-29s passed over the field. Derby, flying upside down and unable to see what was above, came within about five feet of colliding with the B-29. This outstanding picture was made by Oakland Tribune Photographer Bill Crouch. (AP Wirephoto)

CLIMATE AFFECTS PATH TO FAME

Month Baby Conceived Said to Influence Success

By PAUL F. ELLIS  
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New York, Oct. 5 (AP)—Research by an Ohio scientist disclosed today that babies conceived in the winter or cool months have a better chance to become famous.

The report comes from Dr. Clarence A. Mills, professor of experimental medicine at the University of Cincinnati, in the magazine Science, official publication of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Mills said that temperature bears "an importance to man far beyond the mere matter of his hour-to-hour comfort."

"In some places," he said, "it lays a heavy hand, stagnating hand over his life and holds him to a vegetative existence; in others, it generates an energy and progressiveness which drives him forward with irresistible impetus."

The hot months of July and August—even in the temperate zone—can affect the future of the child, according to Mills.

He said that babies "planned" in those two hot months have a "low likelihood" of ever making "who's who," or becoming president.

It's because hot temperature causes physiological changes in the parents that affect their offspring, according to Mills.

In reviewing the birthdates of the country's presidents, Mills found an exception—President Harry S. Truman, who was born on May 8.

Eleven presidents, he said, were born of "planning" in the

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What Makes Johnny Stutter? Some Answers Given

By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE  
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We hear much nowadays of speech defects in children. Stuttering is commonly included among them, but not accurately so.

As Professor Amy Bishop Chapin points out in the National Parent-Teacher magazine, the stuttering child usually has a deeper trouble of which his stuttering is a symbol and symptom.

What can his parents and teachers do to help him? Is there any known formula that will work for all?

Dr. Chapin, who is assistant professor of speech at Western Reserve university; assistant chief of the hearing and speech therapy division of the Cleveland Hearing and Speech center and consultant to the Cleveland Heights board of education, in an article entitled, "When a School Child Stutters," undertakes to answer these questions.

Much can be done to eliminate the irritations that make stuttering worse, she says. An environment can be arranged, both in the home and the school, that will help to prevent stuttering.

Finally, the child can be helped to make a better personal adjustment. This usually aids in reducing the tendency to stutter, which is only a symptom of some deeper trouble within.

The child most frequently begins to stutter in the second or third year. It is a time when most children are greatly concerned with language and when they are probably more often criticized for their speech than at any other age.

If they are concerned too much, they find themselves very conscious of their errors, even ashamed of them.

Here are some Do's and Don'ts for parents and teachers, says Dr. Chapin:

Don't try to correct the child by asking him to "say it over" and so forth.

Don't tell all the children to stop teasing him.

Don't be afraid to let the child confide his problems to you.

Don't shield him from his father or other critical relatives.

Don't worry about his speech without doing anything constructive.

Don't call too much attention to his speech difficulty.

Don't be too critical of his little childish imperfections.

Don't swamp him with sympathy and emotional responses.

Don't ask the teacher to treat the stuttering child as if he were sick.

Do ignore the stuttering as such but look for undue tension

by praising his strengths and understanding his weaknesses.

Do let him see that you regard his problem without fear.

Do urge everyone to accept him as he is—including his stuttering.

Recognize stuttering for what it is, urges Dr. Chapin.

It may be brought about when a child enters kindergarten or first grade and must suddenly adjust himself to the increased complications of school life.

Tensions that arise at the beginning of adolescence may also play an important role. Sudden tensions at home, such as a serious illness in the family, the coming of another baby, or a sudden frightening incident, may cause it.

Anything in the home situation that increases tension and pressure on a sensitive child is likely to increase his difficulty.

Arguments at home, inconsistencies between grandmother's methods of discipline and moth-

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Do discuss stuttering calmly with the child if he brings it up, and let him do his own explaining.

Do help him to solve his social difficulties as you would help any other child.

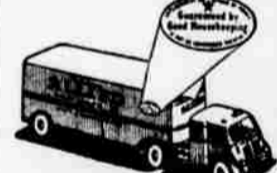
Do help him to become a pal to his father.

Do teach him how to accept criticism without despair.

Do try to build his confidence

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The corps of engineers reported all the work was within Clackamas county. The low of five bids yesterday was \$15,370 compared with a government estimate of \$20,565.

The work is on the left bank of the Molalla river southeast of Canby and on both banks of the Clackamas river east of Carver and northwest of Estacada.

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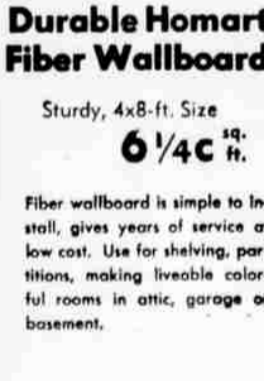
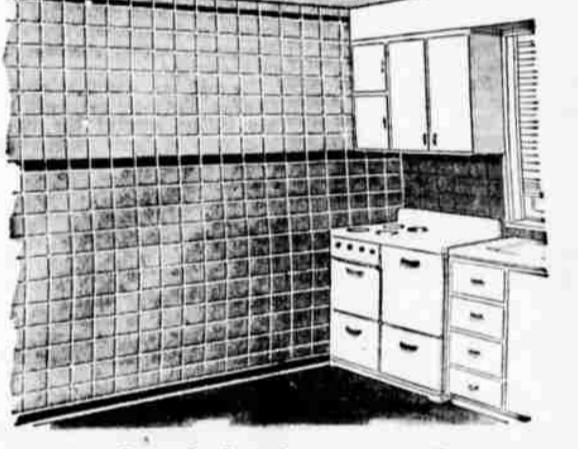
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