



It's Cold Inside—A completed car undergoes an extreme weather test at Morris Motors plant, Oxford, England, where it is prepared for export by that dollar low country.

How Many Remembered What Happened on Dec. 7?

By JAMES MARLOW

Washington, Dec. 8 (AP)—Eight years ago yesterday I went fishing with an elegant gentleman named Cleveland Sessums. He had a black mustache, a gentle manner, and a wonderful knowledge of music and Elizabethan literature.

We were both working in Louisiana then. Twice a week we went fishing together, summer, fall and winter. We knew the bayou around New Orleans the way some people know their way around their living rooms.



It was beautiful back in the bayou country in the winter. The grass was down to a nub, and we could see the muskrat mounds that had been hidden by the tall grass in the summer. And once in a while, miles up a bayou with no house in sight, we came across the broken and abandoned hut of a trapper.

The ducks were down in winter and lay like a dark carpet, thousands of them, on the quiet waters of the lagoons. But it was black bass we liked and we let the ducks alone, although sometimes we kicked over the outboard motor just to see them rise and go.

It was cold on that day eight years ago yesterday, down to around 35 degrees, as I remember. Around 4:30 in the afternoon we went back to the fishing camp and tied the boat to the dock.

The little man — we never knew his name and all we knew about him was that he worked for Sam, the fat man who owned the camp and rented the boats—came down to meet us. We had no fish.

The little man pointed to the clear water around the boats. "Perch," he said. "You didn't get any bass. You might get some perch." He had a pole with him. He and Cleveland and I fished till dark in the cold water. Then we walked up the road to the camp to get coffee.

A radio was going on the shelf beside the counter. Two other fishermen, strangers, were facing the radio, standing still. Sam was behind the counter, watching the radio. "A couple of coffees," we said.

Sam put up his hand, palm out, to keep quiet. He pointed with this thumb to the radio.

The announcer was saying something about the battleship Arizona being sunk. He said some more things. He said something about the Japanese attacking Pearl Harbor.

"Coffee," I told Sam. "What's that business about the Japanese?" Cleveland and I weren't listening to the radio any more. We were taking off our sweaters. "What's that stuff?" I said. "Without looking at us, Sam said, 'That's facts he's telling us. The Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.' One of the strangers turned around and looked at us. "That's the truth, Jack," he said. Suddenly we saw the tenseness in Sam and the strangers. And suddenly Cleveland and I knew

15 States Act to Curb Sex Fiends; 33 States Do Nothing

(By the Associated Press) Fifteen states and the District of Columbia have acted recently to crack down on sex fiends. A congressman wants the FBI to help protect children from sex crimes.

Thirty-three states have not done anything of late to deal with sex slayers, perverts, and other sexual abnormalities.

An Associated Press survey of the 48 states and the District of Columbia followed a recent wave of rape, sex murders, and weird sexual crimes. It showed that of the 33 states which have taken no recent action, at least 12 plan no steps in the immediate future.

Other states, initial or further action to fight sex crime is expected.

During a single week-end last month, police were facing sexual outrages in New York, Pittsburgh, Detroit (where The News has offered \$40,000 in rewards for solving eight Michigan sex killings), Los Angeles, Twin Falls, Ida., and Huron, Calif. The federal bureau of investi-

gation has reported an increase of 1.3 per cent in rape throughout the nation for the first half of 1949, compared with the same period last year.

The bureau added that their statistics deal only with "rapes known to police," and show that such crimes shot up 50 per cent in 10 years.

Many of the recent crimes involve little children as victims. Rep. Chelf (D., Ky.), said that he will try to make it a federal offense to molest a child. He said that he believed such action would be as effective at curbing degenerates who prey on children as the Lindbergh anti-kidnapping law has been in controlling kidnapping. The congressman said he had

been shocked to read "horrible accounts of the ever-increasing brutal slayings of this nation's children."

Gov. G. Mennen Williams of Michigan has said that the sex crime situation must be solved; "it is not a problem that can wait."

In several states efforts are being made to have the sex offender treated as a mental case, subject to care by physicians, rather than to cold, impersonal, penal sentence with no rehabilitation chances.

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