

Reporter Tests Berlin Blockade; Misses Being Stopped by Russ

By JOHN B. McDERMOTT

Berlin, Feb. 8 (U.P.)—The Russian slowdown of traffic between Berlin and west Germany is a strange sort of blockade. Nobody seems to know when, or why, it's going to be on or off. Some Americans here think the uncertainty of it is calculated to add just that much aggravation.

Bergman, Son In Weak Condition

Rome, Feb. 8 (U.P.)—Swedish actress Ingrid Bergman and her five-day old son are in a "weak condition," according to an acquaintance of Italian Film Director Roberto Rossellini.

The acquaintance, Uga Zatterin, said the condition of the actress and her son made it impossible for them to be photographed now. Zatterin, employed by a magazine owned by one of Rossellini's film backers, spoke at a meeting of newsmen and photographers which Rossellini was scheduled to attend. However, Rossellini was not there.

Zatterin said the baby was weak because it had been born ahead of schedule.

"You understand that a premature birth affects the condition of health," he said. "It is impossible at this time because of the weak condition of both mother and child, to permit photographers to enter the room, but I have been authorized to say that all press photographers will be admitted as soon as possible."

Reports from Bad Gastein, Austria, said the manager of the swank Bellevue hotel there was trying to find out if birth of the baby had changed the plans of Miss Bergman and Rossellini to spend several weeks there.

Reservations for the Swedish star and the director were made by an Italian travel agency which said they would arrive Feb. 20. Bad Gastein is a popular ski resort.

The hotel director said he has asked the agency whether the reservations still are valid, but has received no reply.

Father Dies Saving Life of Young Son

Sterling, Colo., Feb. 8 (U.P.)—Adam Steinbach, 50, of Iliif, Colo., died here early Tuesday from injuries received as he saved the life of his three-and-one-half year old son.

State patrolmen said Steinbach was driving his car on U.S. highway 6, about three miles out of Sterling, when his wife suddenly screamed that their son, Richard, had fallen out of the car.

Steinbach stopped the car and ran back to where his boy lay at the side of the road. But before he reached him, the youngster stood up and began running blindly across the highway.

Steinbach made a frantic dive to prevent the boy from being hit by an oncoming car. Steinbach knocked his son clear, but the approaching car, driven by Allen Carse, 50, of Fallsades, Neb., struck him, almost severing his left leg and injuring him internally.

Steinbach died about five hours after the accident. Officers said his son escaped with minor bruises.

Ames Enjoying Vacation

Silverton—Mr. and Mrs. Norris Ames are spending the winter months vacationing at Cathedral City, a suburb of Palm Springs, Calif. Speaking of the weather at the well known resort, the Ames have written friends that though summer has not yet arrived, the days are warm and the nights cold.

Jane Russell Joins Revival

Hollywood, Feb. 8 (U.P.)—A group of movie celebrities, including Jane Russell, have banded together to bring "God and religion" to show business.

The actors met Monday night, as they do every Monday night, in a private home for prayer, Bible reading and hymn singing. "Our purpose is to have a place where people in the entertainment world who are interested in religion can get together and help their friends in show business who are searching for some spiritual life," said Miss Russell, a charter member.

Others among the 25 members are Colleen Townsend, songstress Connie Haines, and character actor Porter Hall.

"There is quite a hunger in the entertainment world for God," Hall said. "Some lives in show business are empty. They try to find happiness in dissipation and carousing."

"We have no holier-than-thou attitude. We want to get people interested in going to church, any church. This isn't a tent revival."

"Ladies Aid Meets" Hubbard—The Ladies Aid of the Hubbard Community Church (Congregational) met for all day at the home of Mrs. J. J. Van Lieu, Wednesday.

Their German police henchmen made a quick inspection of the truck papers, glanced at my travel papers and then lifted the wooden gate. Three minutes later we were inside the American military police checkpoint on the edge of the U. S. sector of Berlin.

"We had it easy this time," Willi said, grinning. "But who knows how it will be when I come back again Wednesday?"

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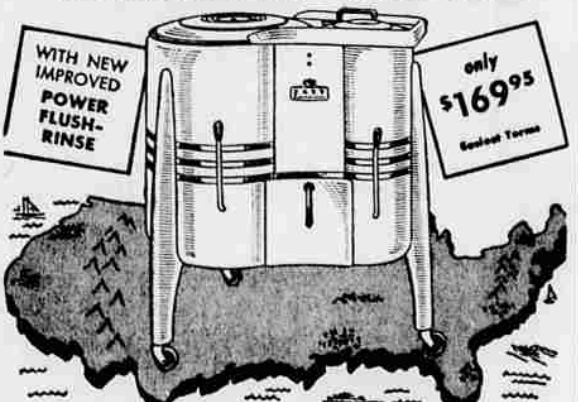
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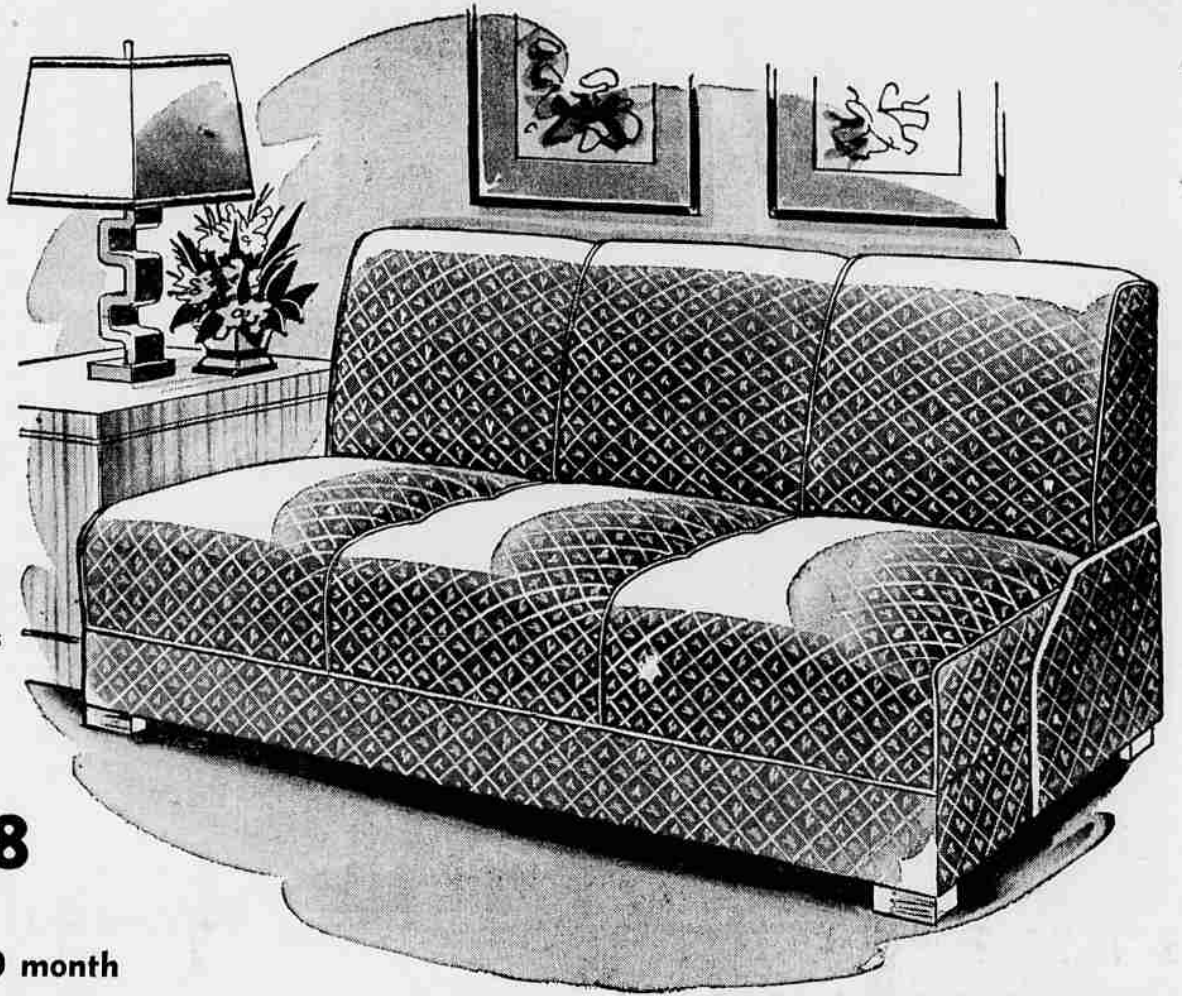
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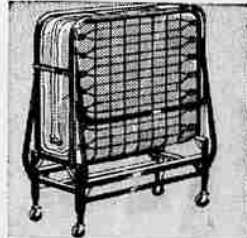
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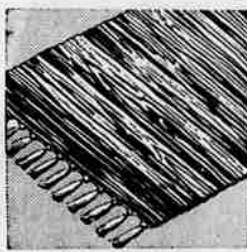
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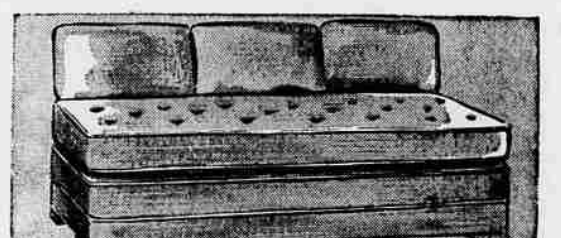
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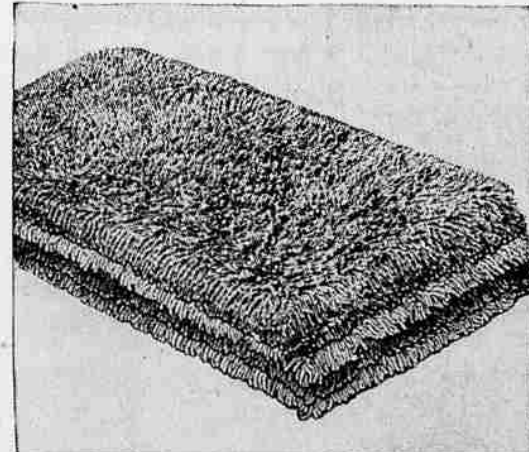
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