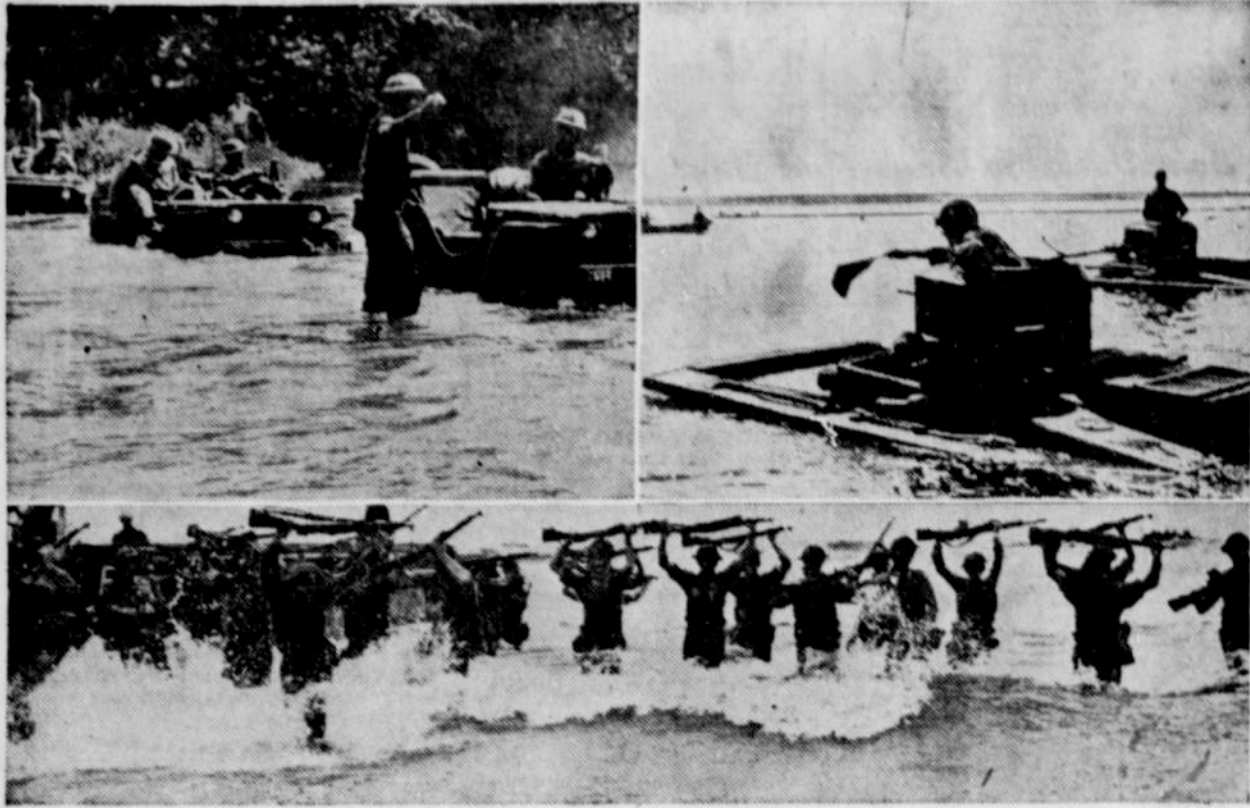


### 'Like Ducks Take to Water'



Picture in upper left shows reconnaissance cars at Fort Benning, Ga., being towed across a stream by an armored scout car during maneuvers. Upper right: Radio picture showing Red army's amphibian tanks crossing an unnamed river near the German-Russo war front. Below: United States marines leave landing barges near Jacksonville, N. C., and splash ashore to establish a beachhead during "invasion" maneuvers.

### With the First Cavalry Maneuvers



Shown above are two scenes in the Texas-New Mexico war maneuvers, where 17,000 men and officers engaged in cavalry maneuvers, in the broiling heat of the arid Southwest. In the upper picture cavalrymen are shown on the march across the desert. The picture below shows one of the army's light tanks participating in the maneuvers.

### Women Lend a Hand in Russia



Russian Red Cross nurses ride a truck to their posts during an anti-air raid drill in Moscow, U.S.S.R. Recently these nurses have been working under fire, as the Nazi Luftwaffe attempted again and again to burn out this camouflaged capital of painted spires and teeming millions. Moscow's citizens took the raids stoically.

### New Blood for U. S. Navy



Thousands of Americans who have never set foot on a warship have shed their blood for the U. S. navy. A shipment of that blood, dried and processed, is shown being taken aboard a man-o-war at Philadelphia navy yard. The blood was collected by the American Red Cross. It keeps indefinitely under proper conditions.

### Youthful Patriot



Bill Stahl Jr. is only 20 months old, but he is giving his toy autos to Fire Lieut. Edward McLaughlin of New York. The toys contain aluminum, which is needed for defense. It was Junior's contribution during National Aluminum week.

### Freed by Spain



Josephine Winter, 25, American ambulance driver, who was held in jail at Figueras, Spain, for 11 days on suspicion of being a spy, shown on her return to the U. S.

## The Washington MERRY-GO-ROUND

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### BIG DAY FOR NEWS MEN

Twenty newspaper men leaned forward around the long blue baize table in the ante-room of the secretary of state. At the extreme end stood tall, austere acting secretary, Sumner Welles. On his face was an expression of grim-lipped intensity. In his hand was a typewritten statement. He read it aloud. It was a scathing, carefully worded blast against Japan.

At the opposite end of the table stood three Japanese news men, short, affable, eager. For months and years they had been attending press conferences, given the same privileges as any American news men. For months also they had waited for some such bombshell. Now it came.

One split second after Welles finished reading his statement, the Japanese were out the door, pattering down the marble corridor to the press room telephones. It was a big day for Japanese news men.

### Finally Ickes Wins.

It was also a big day for certain members of the Roosevelt cabinet. For months and years they also had been waiting. For months and years also they had been urging Roosevelt to embargo oil shipments to Japan.

At a cabinet meeting just before Japan moved, Secretary Ickes, as new oil administrator, raised the embargo question again. He proposed to stop oil shipments to Japan. But the acting secretary of state said no. Japan, he said, was going to make a move toward Indo-China and it would be wiser to wait.

Once before, Ickes had stopped a shipment of oil to Japan and aroused the wrath of the state department. Last June a Philadelphia manufacturer complained to him that a Japanese ship was loading 240,000 gallons of lubricating oil.

"I can't get oil myself to speed up my own defense orders," wrote the manufacturer, "and yet I see in front of my nose this shipment of oil going to Japan. To hell with defense, if the government is as screwy as that."

So Ickes called the coast guard and asked them to act before the oil was loaded. They did.

Then things began to boil. It did not leak out at the time, but the state department complained to the White House that Ickes' action had interfered with the policy of appeasing Japan so she would not go south to the Dutch East Indies.

However, Ickes held his ground. He insisted that he was not meddling in foreign policy, but that it was nonsense to ration oil and gas on the Atlantic seaboard and at the same time let Japan ship oil away from the Atlantic seaboard.

### Bombard Tokyo.

Naval strategists make no secret as to what they would do to curb Japan. They consider it foolhardy and suicide to send a lot of U. S. warships across the vast expanse of ocean to Singapore or the Dutch East Indies.

They figure we are going to get into the war anyway, and it is good strategy to deal knockout blows in the very first round. They favor sending waves of U. S. bombers from the Philippines to raze the paper and bamboo cities of Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe and Osaka. They also favor sending the fleet, plus airplane carriers to the coast of Japan.

They favor doing this immediately. There is no use, say the navy men, of punching at a man's legs when you can strike for his heart.

### CLOSING PANAMA TO JAPAN

Secretary Stimson was telling the absolute truth when he denied that the discovery of a time-bomb was responsible for keeping 10 Japanese ships out of the Panama canal. For this was not the reason.

Real reason why the canal was barred to the Japanese was the discovery that two of their ships were floating bazars being rushed to the east coast of South America to grab off the trade which Axis operators were forced to abandon as a result of the U. S. blacklist.

Apparently the Japs had a tip that the blacklist was going to be issued, because the two ships hastily left the west coast and were waiting to go through the canal, when suddenly the blacklist was published. Equipped with elaborate merchandizing displays, and carrying high-powered, Spanish-speaking salesmen, the ships were literal arsenals of economic warfare. With them, the Japanese would have invaded the most lucrative markets in Latin America before either the U. S. or the Latin Americans could have moved to block them.

### MERRY-GO-ROUND

U. S. authorities are quietly keeping an eye on Andre Maurois, well-known French writer, who has departed on a mysterious "private mission" to South America. Maurois is strongly pro-Vichy and is suspected of going south for the purpose of plugging the Nazi-controlled French regime.

The army's new heavy tank is equipped not only with machine guns and a 75-mm. gun, but also with a nice shiny horn to keep soldiers themselves from getting in the way.

## A Bit on the Humorous Side

### Getting Nowhere

The circus and fun fair was visiting a small town, and one old Negro had taken a fancy to the merry-go-round.

Round and round he went, never seeming to tire, until all his money was gone. Then only did he dismount to rejoin his wife, who had been watching him with impatient eyes.

"Well, Ebenezer," she said, "you sure have spent your money and had a good ride. But where you been, Ebenezer, where you been?"

Platonic friendship, says a wise man, is the gun you didn't know was loaded.

### If That's Expression

Evelyn—Helen sings with a great deal of expression, doesn't she?

Joy—Well, she makes awful faces when she does it.

### Something About Him

"My dear, I never imagined you would marry the man you did," said Gladys.

"Neither did I, my dear," replied her friend. "I disliked his ways, but I adored his means."

### Flush—Not Blush

Boogy—See how the bride is blushing?

Woogy—Go on, man. That's not a blush. That's the first flush of victory.

The man who counts in this world is the cashier.

### Quite at Home

"Did Freda regret leaving the stage when she married?"

"Not in the least. She feels she's still in the profession."

"How is that?"

"One scene after another."

### Get-Together Day

Bitters—How would you define a picnic?

Jitters—To me, my friend, a picnic is a day set apart to get better acquainted with ants, bugs, worms, mosquitoes, chiggers, ticks and poison ivy.

### That's Her Count

"Bobby, how old is your sister?"

"Twenty-five."

"Twenty-five? She told me she was just twenty."

"Oh, I expect that's because she was five before she learned to count."

## ASK ME ANOTHER?

A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

### The Questions

1. What South American country has a Colorado river?
2. What writer described the Brobdingnagians?
3. What is the weight of a gallon of pure water?
4. What is believed the world's oldest city still inhabited?
5. The bundle of rods on the back of a dime is called what?
6. What is the largest star known?
7. Is a pound of feathers heavier than a pound of gold?
8. How many names of U. S. Presidents begin with A?
9. If a boat is clinker-built, what is its distinguishing feature?
10. What is a canon in music?

### The Answers

1. Argentina.
2. Swift (in "Gulliver's Travels," people of a country where everything is of enormous size).
3. One gallon of water weighs 8.355 pounds.
4. Damascus.
5. Fasces.
6. Antares (90,000,000 times larger than our sun).
7. Yes. Gold is weighed by the troy system, 12 ounces to the pound, while feathers are weighed by the avoirdupois measure.
8. Three — John Adams, John Quincy Adams and Chester Arthur.

### Our Gold and Silver

Since 1918 the U. S. mints have coined \$1,574,809,146 in silver, and since 1920 they have coined \$4,526,218,478 in gold. The United States stock in gold at the end of the fiscal year in 1940 was \$19,963,090,869 in gold coin and bullion, and \$547,078,371 in silver dollars and \$402,260,615 in subsidiary coins.

9. Its planks or plates overlap.
10. A canon is a piece of music (usually religious) in two or more parts, echoing each other. An early specimen is "Non nobis, Domine," composed by Birde in the Fourteenth century.

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