



DEATH OF A HIPPO HERD—When nature's cycle of weather is disrupted, man builds dams, constructs irrigation projects and calls on scientists for rain-making experiments. But lower creatures are helpless before the whims of clouds and wind and heat. In the Rift Valley of East Africa, a herd of hippos, like Lake Rukwa, where life became a desperate struggle for a herd of hippopotami when for two years the rains didn't fall and the lake's 12 feet of water gradually dried. Here, trapped in muddy ooze, the living hippos huddled with dead mates, too weak to struggle from the muddy trap. The rains came this winter and covered the skeletons of the dead.

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On the Side—By E. V. Durling

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You ask how long my love shall stay
When all that's new is past?
How long? Ah, darling, can I say
How long my life shall last?
Dry he that tear, my gentlest love,
He hushed that struggling sigh,
Nor seasons, day, nor late shall prove
More fixed, more true than I.—Sheridan.

Texas appears to have come through with something that has silenced both California and Brooklyn. I am referring to the case of 71 year old Edgar Torres, of Lamesa, Tex., who is the father of thirty-nine children by seven different wives! His seventh wife recently presented him with triplets.

Patricia Thorpe, charming wife of the great Jim Thorpe, takes issue with my claim that George Gipp was a greater football player than her husband. She says there wasn't sufficient basis for comparison. As for Pop Warner stating that he considered Ernie Nevers a better player than Jim, Mrs. Thorpe says that isn't so. What Pop did say was that Ernie was more co-operative than Jim and always played to the best of his ability, while Thorpe often did not play one-fourth as well as he could have. Mrs. Thorpe points out that Jim was still playing football at the age of 42. She also says he has agreed to appear in an exhibition in Philadelphia next fall in which he guarantees he will make ten yards against any line he faces in four downs. Jim is now 62 years old.

There are over 300,000 dogs in New York City. It seems difficult to believe, but on the average city dogs are much healthier than country dogs, and live longer. . . . Peter Lawford, the film star, speaks five languages. A subscriber recently asked me: "What is the hardest major language in the world to learn?" The query baffled me. What do you say?

Asking. Queries from clients. Q. What is the national sport of England? A. Horse racing. That is why the king and members of the royal family own and race thoroughbreds. Q. Was it Marcus Loew or Adolph Zukor who started the first nickelodeon in this country? A. Don't know about the whole country, but the first nickelodeon in New York City was started by the late Arthur Hopkins at Eighth Avenue and Thirty-second street around 1905. Zukor later opened a nickelodeon on East Fourteenth street.

Asides. Among the innumerable privileges enjoyed by Congressmen is that each gets sixteen free seats annually to the Army-Navy football game. . . . Now I have a reader in Prophetstown, Ill. He says the farmers around there used tattooing for chicken identification and protection against theft many years ago, but have since given up the practice owing to the chicken thieves turning honest and switching to holding up banks and filling stations.

Sidelights. In the United States congress there are 435 representatives and ninety-six senators, and over 50 per cent of them are lawyers. Jack Doyle, the Irish heavy-weight, who was flattened so frequently during his boxing career, has become a wrestler in England and is doing all right financially. The British sportsman refers to him as the "Gorgeous Gael." He is to be matched to meet "Two Ton" Tony Galento in London shortly.

Literary Note. Note it reported that a French novel titled "Caroline" has startled Paris as "Forever Amber" startled the United States. It must be quite a startler to arouse the extremely sophisticated French reading public. I understand "Caroline" is to be translated into English. So if you

Bergman, Lindstrom Attorneys To Confer

Hollywood, Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—Attorneys for Ingrid Bergman and Dr. Peter Lindstrom make another attempt to settle their marital tangle in a round of conferences this week.

Miss Bergman's lawyer, Gregson Bautzer, and Lindstrom's attorney, former Judge Isaac Paehl, will resume conferences that started last Thursday in an effort to avoid a bitter court fight.

Chief stumbling blocks involve custody of the couple's 12-year-old daughter, Pia, and an accounting of their community property.

Lindstrom refused to recognize a Mexican divorce Miss Bergman got a week after the birth of her son, fathered by Italian Screen Director Roberto Rossellini. He threatened to file a divorce suit and custody action here.

Lindstrom has until April 15 to answer his wife's suit seeking Pia's custody and an accounting. He is expected to give a deposition April 12 regarding property that Miss Bergman claimed.

Cajon Pass Clogged By Rail Rerailment

San Bernardino, Cal., Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—Emergency crews worked today to clear a railway track in nearby Cajon pass where six cars of a 90-car Union Pacific freight train were derailed.

No injuries were reported when the west-bound freight left the tracks last night. Cause of the accident was undetermined but damage was slight.

The 11th car behind the engine left the tracks first, dragging five more with it. Limited traffic moved over one of the double-tracks within a few hours and the other track was expected to be cleared today.

St. Louis Squirrel Tested For Rabies

St. Louis, Mo., Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—A squirrel which was believed to have bitten four persons was tested for rabies today after 300 persons joined firemen and humane society agents in capturing him.

Agent Lee J. Potter, who had urged that the animal be taken alive, so the tests could be made, finally cornered the animal yesterday after it had been "winged" by an air rifle.

He reached under the eave of a house, seized the squirrel and hung on despite the fact that the animal bit through his heavy glove.

Automobile, Airplane Collide On Runway

Concord, Cal., Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—An automobile and an airplane collided yesterday when a commuter motorist drove onto an airport runway in front of a speeding plane. No one was injured in the freak crash.

Sunday driver Joe Dambrosio, Los Baños, Cal., drove into the path of a plane piloted by Dr. Charles H. Gray, 28, Berkeley. The plane's wheels ripped through the roof of the car, but the plane staggered into the air.

TO REPRESENT SALEM. Salem, Ore., Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—Robert Lett, Jones, assistant publisher of the Capital Journal, will represent the city of Salem and the Salem Chamber of Commerce at a CAB hearing opening in Washington, D. C. today. He left Salem by plane Sunday.

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Jackson County Farm Notes

Compiled by County Office O. S. C. Extension Service

Fresh Sawdust Should Be Used On Gardens

Sometime ago we suggested the use of sawdust on gardens and as mulches around shrubs. Since then we have had a report that the sawdust burned off the lawn and the herbaceous plants around which it was put.

On investigation it was found that the sawdust had been in the pile about six years and had heated. During this heating process some chemicals had apparently been liberated which were toxic to plants.

This is the first condition like this that has ever come to our attention, but it would be well to be on the lookout for it in the future.

If fresh sawdust were used this danger would be avoided. Many people prefer to use the old sawdust, thinking it would be more beneficial. This is not the case, but it would be suitable for use provided the pile had not heated.

In this particular case the sawdust had a rather strong and unusual color which would serve as a warning. We are still recommending the use of sawdust, but if old sawdust is used this caution should be observed.

C. B. Cordy, County Extension Agent, Horticulture.

Eggs Must Be Imported To Supply Oregonians

Oregon's population is consuming about two per cent more eggs than are produced in the state. California is consuming 40 per cent more than that state produces. Oregon producers have the ability to produce as good quality and as large a production per hen as poultrymen in other areas.

There is one limiting factor that favors the midwest producer at this time. It is the feed cost differential. Oregon poultry feeds cost approximately \$1 per 100 pounds more than the same feed in the midwest states. Oregon growers believe this price differential may be narrowed or equalized if a federal two-price program on wheat should be adopted. It is suggested that the parity support price for wheat be applied only on that wheat used for human consumption and that all surplus wheat be on a non-support basis or on the same basis as corn, barley, oats and other feed grains.

Since a dozen eggs will purchase less feed than in any recent year, poultrymen must adopt measures that tend toward lower costs in production. The 100 per cent flock replacement each year with chicks is one such step. Rigid day to day culling is another. Maximum size flocks to the limit of available labor and equipment is a third. Sanitation and disease prevention is a fourth. There are many others that the experienced poultryman will recognize.

The poultry program planning committee last week advised experienced or new poultry producers to investigate carefully the market outlets, feed costs and the yearly cost of operations prior to starting a poultry program.

W. B. Tucker, County Extension Agent.

Clear Weather Waited In Airplane Search

Williams Air Force Base, Ariz., Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—Air force planes awaited clearing weather today to search for a missing F-47 Thunderbolt fighter plane.

The plane, a Rhode Island national guard ship piloted by Lt. Col. James G. Thorsen, 32, of Portland, Ore., disappeared Friday after Thorsen radioed that he had hit bad weather.

Search planes criss-crossed the mountains near Prescott, Ariz., until rain and snow forced postponement of the hunt. The reserve crews hoped to search between Prescott and Kingman, Ariz., today.

Thorsen was last heard from when he radioed that bad weather prevented him from landing at Las Vegas, Nev. He had two hours' gas supply and said he would fly to Phoenix, Ariz.

A veteran of more than 200 fighter missions in the European theater during World War II, Thorsen was on a flight from Providence, R. I., to San Luis Obispo, Cal.

Considerate Bandit Notifies Police

El Cerrito, Cal., Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—A considerate bandit held up a night club yesterday, locked Bandleader Lu Watters and two club employees in a refrigerator and then called police so they wouldn't "smother."

After escaping with \$2,500 in cash, the holdup man called officers and said, "You'd better hurry or they'll smother in there." Police arrived just as the men escaped through an emergency door.

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Efforts Made To Save Astoria Dwellings

Astoria, Ore., Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—A Portland house-moving firm will begin operations today to have four of the dozen dwellings being carried slowly to destruction by a two-block section of Coxcomb hill here.

The hillside began its uneven downward march three weeks ago at an average rate of a foot a day.

Almost continuous rains during the period have increased the job's difficulty. If measures to stop it are ineffective, the sliding earth may endanger buildings below.

The dwellings presented a nightmarish sight as they twisted and appeared to writhe on the mobile hillside. Residents have moved belongings and all detachable fixtures to prevent their destruction.

Approximately 145,000 members of 3,152 farm youth clubs in new Japan are now actively engaged in pursuits similar to those of American 4-H club members.

Renewed Air Search In Canada Called Off

Vancouver, B. C., Mar. 27.—(U.P.)—The Royal Canadian air force today called off a renewed search for a United States C-54 transport missing since January 26 with 44 persons aboard.

Hope that some of the 44 still were alive was raised last week when crewmen of an American C-47 transport reported what looked like an international distress signal marked in snow southeast of Fort St. John, B. C.

The RCAF and members of a ground party searched the area without success. Similarly negative reports were relayed here by members of a ground party.

Sulfur is said to modify bacteria in the soil.



CRUSADE FAVORED—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R., Wis.) poses in Washington with some of the letters he has received from all over the country favoring his crusade against bad security risks in the State Department. He has received an average of 5,000 to 6,000 letters a day.

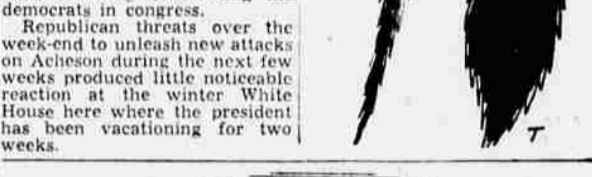
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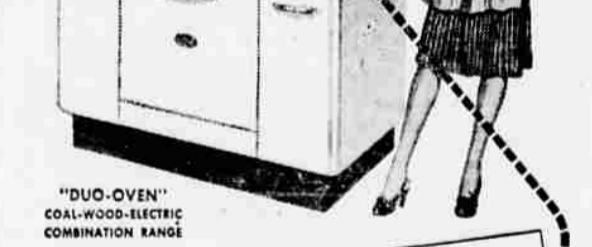
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