

## Blind Man Uses Substitute Tools In Building Home

Darlington, Pa. — (UP) — Lev Carlisle, sightless for 10 years, never will be able to see the five-room brick home he is building.

But he will know the feel of every brick, every piece of wood that has gone into the construction. And he will remember the sound that told him the mortar was mixed to the right consistency.

Carlisle has been building his home for the past two years with the help of his wife, Leona, on a one-acre site near here about five miles from the Pennsylvania-Ohio border.

The 45-year-old one-time musician, blinded by a progressive eye ailment, devised tools to substitute for vision. He constructed a level by attaching a free-swinging metal pointer to a block of wood. When the pointer comes over a fixed nailhead, his block is at a true level, and he is able to lay his bricks with the accuracy of a professional.

Carlisle operates a power saw using an etched six-foot rule as his guide. He can hand-draw and mix with the same nickel-plated rule.

His "eye" with a hammer is working. Only once, he confesses, did he hit his thumb.

Carlisle's assistant on two-man jobs is his pretty wife, a secretary for the school board of Northwestern Beaver County. Mrs. Carlisle is at the other end of such tasks as framing rafters, joints and studding.

Together they have mixed and laid 50 tons of mortar and cement, laid 1,800 feet of shingles and twice that area of sheathing.

Carlisle has been good to his wife. "But his greatest goodness was giving this wife to me. Search the world and you'll never find one like her."

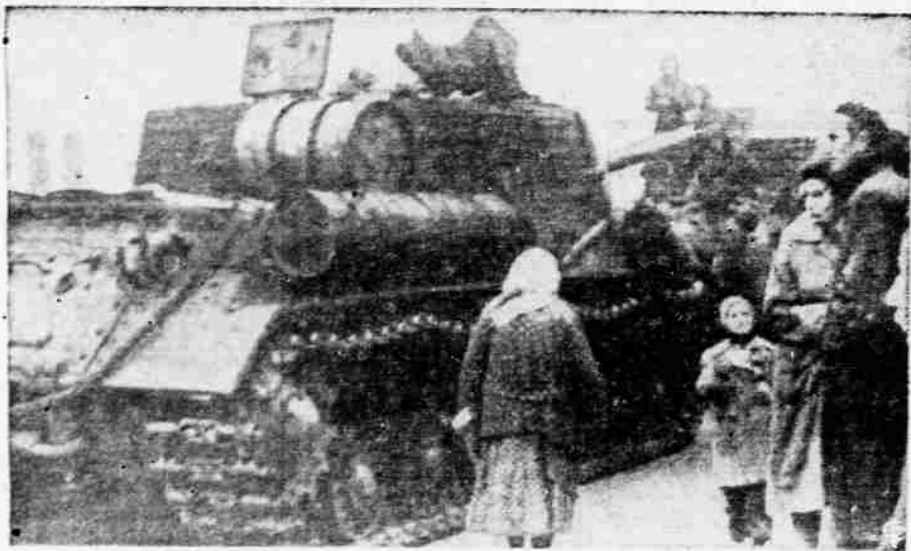
Carlisle knew blindness would darken the world for him while still in elementary school. He was able to complete grade school, but he had to discontinue normal studies after the first year of high school.

He taught himself to play the trumpet and for 20 years was featured in western Pennsylvania orchestras. As the years passed he prepared himself for the eventual darkness.

Carlisle learned braille. He numbered survival as a sightless member of a society based on vision.

"God has been good to me," he said. "This is a good life. I am a fortunate man."

Silverton — (UP) — Burglar stole \$1,000 from a sale at the Silverton drug company here Monday.



NEW FIGHTING ERUPTS in Budapest in wake of general strike. These grim-faced Hungarians with child are watching Russian tanks stationed on main street. (International)

## Cutting Apron Strings Difficult Problem

Santa Barbara, Calif. — (UP) — Young collegians' most difficult adjustment problem is cutting the apron strings.

Dr. Joseph E. Lantagne of the University of California here said this problem is reflected in a survey of 4,600 men and women students in eight California junior and 12 senior colleges and universities.

Dr. Lantagne teaches preparation for marriage. The rise in undergraduate marriages since 1940 has brought today's college student to a difficult situation, Lantagne believes. He wants to get married, but he still has tremendous home ties that are difficult to break.

## Largest Mormon Church Dedicated

Cambridge, Mass. — (UP) — The largest Mormon church ever built in New England was dedicated in historic Cambridge this fall.

David O. McKay, president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, came here from the faith's headquarters in Salt Lake City to dedicate the \$350,000 edifice.

Of Georgian Colonial design, the building includes a chapel, classrooms, recreation facilities and offices for the Mormon faith in this area.

The new church has some 600 members in Boston, Cambridge and other neighboring communities.

Joseph Smith, founder of the Mormon faith, was a native of New England, as was his successor, Brigham Young.

## A Nichol's Worth of Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS  
United Press Feature Writer

Washington — (UP) — What's new in Washington: The committee handling Ike's inauguration, headed by Sen. Styles Bridges, the Republican from New Hampshire, is having a time of it.

There are 96 senators, 435 representatives. Each senator gets 12 tickets, representatives eight. That adds up to 4,532 tickets right there. But the senators and representatives have the heat on for extra tickets to tickle the ego of travelers from the bush. The law makers aren't getting very far. There are only 15,000 seats. Standing room only likely will gather in 100,000.

A little while back the National Housing center showed off a bunch of old time bathtubs—some of them dating way, way back. Since then letters have been coming in asking for a lend-lease on the tubs. I have had a lot of letters wanting to know where the tubs can be bought. They aren't for sale.

When Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Benson is in his sanctum, his big official Cadillac is parked outside, license 126—blocking other cars. It stands there until the secretary is off.

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### On The Side

By E. V. Durling  
(Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

Note the shape of Marilyn Monroe referred to as the "ideal figure." It may be ideal for the activity in which Miss Monroe is now engaged. However, it is not a fashionable figure. Marilyn could not get a job as a model at Christian Dior's, Balenciaga's or any other high fashion house in Paris. Insofar as style is concerned, the Monroe figure is out of proportion. The same goes for the shapes of Jayne Mansfield, Marie Wilson and Jane Russell. No woman with a bosomy type figure has ever been named on the list of the world's 10 best dressed women.

**Asides**

Ever have an x-ray shoe fitting? Some men of science say too many such fittings are dangerous. Better talk it over with your family physician if you plan having another one. . . . The originating of devices to prevent or cure snoring continues. Now a Detroit is reported to have an effective anti-snoring gadget. I am going to try to have these various devices checked. This, of course, is in the interests of those of our subscribers who are suffering from the loss of sleep because of matrimonial mates who snore.

**Food Rush**

The war scare started a terrific rush on the food shops in Paris. The Parisians really prepared for the future. One housewife purchased \$500 worth of spaghetti. That's really a lot of spaghetti. She must have had to hire a truck to get it home. Incidentally, as I reported from Paris, the French have been going wild over Italian food. Paris restaurants featuring an Italian cuisine are always packed with customers.

**Asking**

Queries from clients. Q. Who do you say were the best 12 heavyweight boxers of those who fought under the Queensbury rules? A. Do not feel qualified to answer your question. I never saw Corbett, Sullivan, Fitzsimmons, Johnson or Jeffries fight. Of the heavyweights I have seen I would rate the first four as follows: 1. Tunney, 2. Dempsey, 3. Marciano, 4. Louis. Dempsey is generally rated above Tunney by the alleged experts. That despite the fact that Gene twice beat Jack. It's like rating the thoroughbred Citation above Noor. Although Noor soundly trounced Citation on four different occasions. That is to say, it is ridiculous.

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