

Bradley May Take Ike's Command

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who led allied armies to victory in North Africa and Europe, will become president of Columbia university when he is relieved as army chief of staff, probably early next year.

Gen. Omar N. Bradley, the veterans administrator, was regarded today as Eisenhower's likely successor in the army's top job.

Eisenhower also has been elected a member of the university's board of trustees. As president he succeeds Nicholas Murray Butler, who retired in 1945.

Associates of the five-star general said last night he has discussed his departure from the service with President Truman and Secretary of War Patterson, but without submitting a formal request for release.

Truman's Okay

A war department announcement of Eisenhower's plans said, however, that he has taken the Columbia post "with the approval of the president of the United States and secretary of war" effective "at such time as his superiors may release him from active duty in the army."

The statement added that "with no radical change in the current outlook it should be some time during the first half of 1948."

Under a congressional act, Eisenhower will continue as a five-star general for life with pay of around \$15,000 a year. Columbia is expected to pay him additional compensation running into five figures annually.

Of the university's 29,000 students approximately half are ex-GI's.

General Clark To Visit Fort Lewis

PORT LEWIS, June 25 (AP)—Gen. Mark W. Clark, famed wartime commander of African and European battle forces and new commanding general of the sixth army, will pay a two-day visit to this post and the surrounding area July 2-3, it was announced here today.

A full review of Fort Lewis troops is scheduled for the afternoon of July 3, to honor the men who served here in 1939-40 as a public relations officer with the rank of major. A reception at the officers' club will follow.

General Clark will hold a press conference at 10 a.m. on July 2.

DORM NAMED

SALEM, June 25 (AP)—The new men's dormitory at Willamette university will be named for the late Methodist Bishop Henry R. Baxter, former president of the school, university officials said here today.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"You're just being silly! You gave me twenty checks, I wrote eleven and have nine left—if that doesn't balance, what does?"

Americans Drinking Less And Less Whiskey, Gin

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP)—The distilled spirits institute reported today that Americans drank 30 per cent less whiskey, gin, rum and brandy during the first four months of this year than they did in the same months of 1946.

The institute attributed the drop principally to "consumer resistance to prices which have not been substantially reduced since the war."

Consumption for the January-April period this year totaled 53,680,176 gallons of whiskey and other distilled spirits as compared to 77,325,122 in corresponding months last year, the institute said.

The biggest drop among the states was reported in Louisiana, where consumption fell off 51.8 per cent.

Generally, the institute said, the declines were greater in states where private dealers are licensed to sell whiskey than in the 17 states where the state governments maintain monopolies.

The institute, a trade organization representing the distilling industry, said prices have not been cut because production costs have gone up since the war and the emergency federal excise tax of \$3 a gallon has been continued. Including all state and federal levies, it calculated the average tax on a fifth of whiskey at \$2.04.

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Last year demon divorce had Dan Cupid almost on the ropes. There were 456 divorce decrees granted in the year 1946. There were only 413 marriage licenses issued—and some of these weren't used. Of the 456 divorces, 224 were issued in the period January 1 to June 24. In the corresponding period for 1947 only 127 decrees have been issued.

This decrease in the divorce rate shows a very healthy trend. Even better are the marriage statistics for this year compared with a corresponding period last year. From January 1 to June 21 of 1946, 201 couples had decided to tie the knot. In the same period of 1947, 159 couples had reached the same conclusion. This is a decrease over last year, to be sure, but it shows an improvement for two reasons: the marriage rate is now greater than the divorce rate, while the divorce rate was dropping more than 43 per cent the marriage rate had only taken a 23 per cent cut.

Perhaps the most notable change indicated by the records is the precipitous drop in the divorce rate right from the first of the year. The rate for the latter half of 1946 was considerably above the rate for the first six months of that year. It suddenly dropped. Maybe the new year had something to do with it. Perhaps the weather improved.

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31-Year-Old Fined On Traffic Count

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Hielscher and his 81-year-old wife were involved in a minor collision last night enroute to a 56th wedding anniversary celebration in Minneapolis.

"I was willing to let him go," State Patrolman James English told the court, "but Hielscher and the other driver couldn't settle their argument as to which was at fault. My only recourse was to make an arrest."

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Thrill Slayer Given Life

LAPEER, Mich., June 25 (AP)—Sixteen-year-old Oliver Terpening Jr., was sentenced to life imprisonment Tuesday a few minutes after he pleaded guilty to first degree murder in the flower-patch "thrill" slaying of four neighbor children.

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sentence shortly after the slender farm boy entered a guilty plea. Earlier, he had been found sane in a public hearing before the court.

In his original statement to state police, the boy said he shot his four young companions to death during a flower hunting expedition near Imlay City May 26 "because I always wanted to know what it would feel like to kill somebody."

The victims were Barbara Smith, 16, her brother, Stanley, 14, and sisters, Gladys, 13, and Janet, 2.

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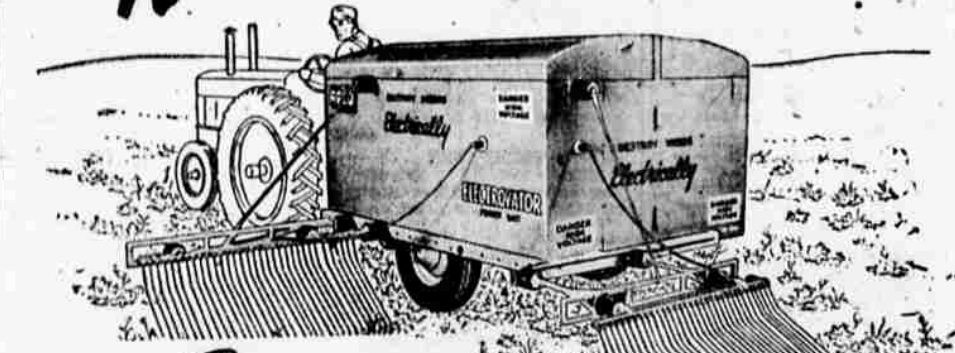
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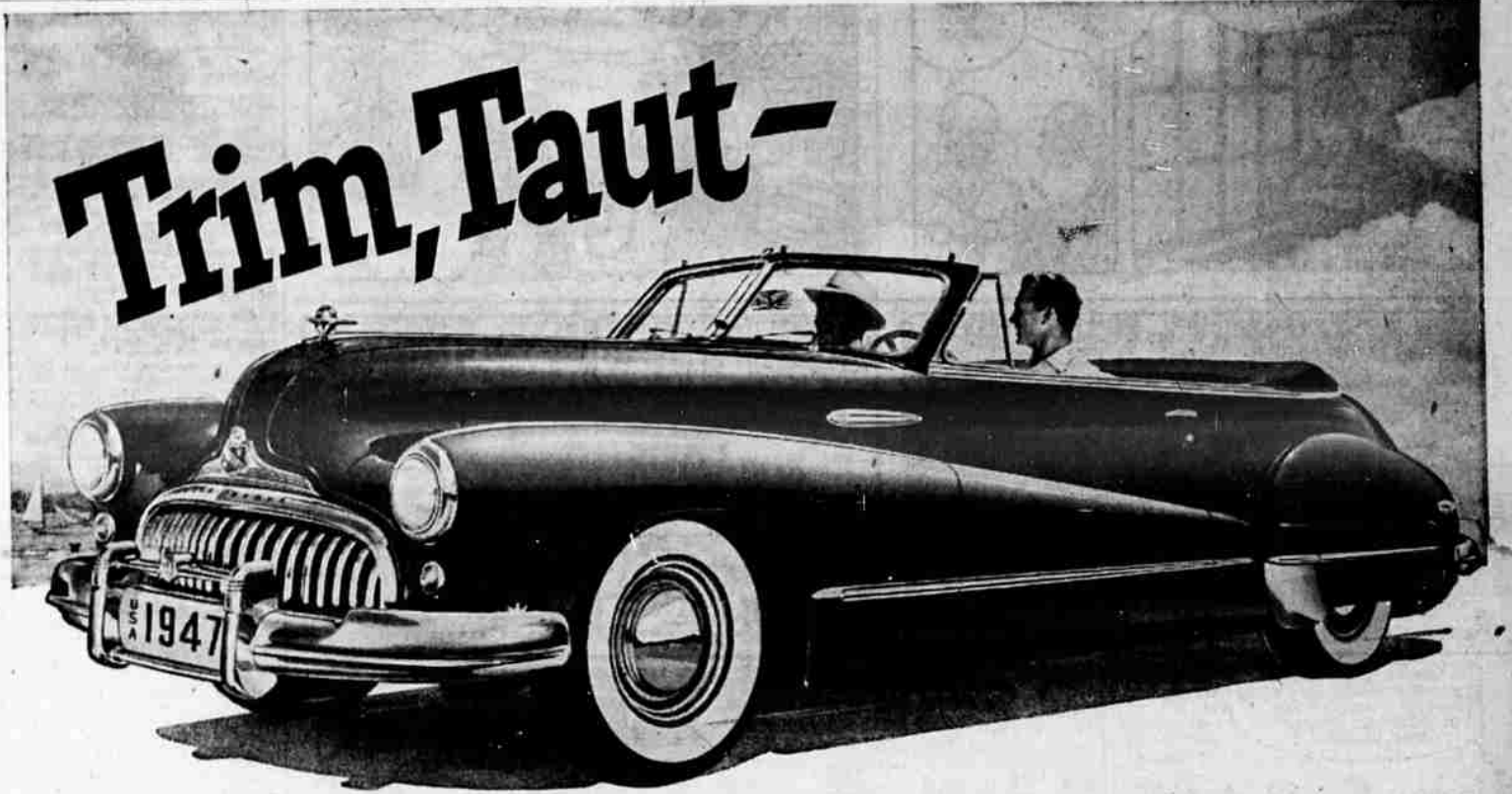


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