

Scenes and Persons in the Current News



1—Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia of New York shaking hands with Thomas E. Dewey, the young racket-smashing special prosecutor who is running-mate as candidate for district attorney on the Republican ticket with the mayor. 2—Panoramic view of Shanghai's famous Bund which was rocked by explosions of bombs during the attack on the city by Japanese troops. 3—James Mattern (left), famed aviator who flew from California to Alaska to join in the search for lost Russian polar flyers, shown conferring with his navigator.

Western Farm Sinks 200 Feet Into the Earth



H. A. Robertson is shown viewing the destruction wrought on the land he is farming near Buhl, Idaho, by the sinking of thousands of square feet of rich soil into the bowels of the earth. More than five acres has already sunk 125 to 200 feet below its normal level, forming a canyon. This phenomenon of nature, experts say, is due to a great fissure beneath much of southern Idaho and may doom a considerable area.

Colds Due to Allergy

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SOMETIMES you find yourself sneezing and coughing, with a "running" nose and naturally you believe you have caught a cold and are in for a few days' misery. However, in a very short time, hours at most, the sneezing, coughing, and stuffiness of the nose disappear, much to your surprise.

The truth of the matter is that instead of having the usual "infectious" cold, due to the "cold," flu, or other organisms getting into the system, you really had an "allergic" cold in the head due to some substance you breathed in from the air, or some substance you had eaten.

The usual or common cold in the head is due to overheated rooms, lack of ventilation, not enough moisture in the room, exposure to wet and cold, inhaling dust or irritating substances, infected tonsils, and adenoid growths. All these interfere with the mucous membrane of the nose so that it is unable to fight off the organisms that cause the cold. With the usual or common head cold there is a feeling of tiredness, chilliness, slight headache. The symptoms last from two or three days to several weeks.

Not Like Common Colds. However, in the "cold" due to allergy—sensitiveness to various substances—the history, the onset, the symptoms themselves are considerably different from those of the common cold.

Dr. Norman W. Celin, Seattle, Wash., in Northwest Medicine, says: "Frequent colds at any season or at special seasons of the year are often manifestations or symptoms of allergy. To diagnose that the condition is allergic there must be an investigation of (1) a family history of allergy, (2) previous allergic history of the patient (asthma, hay fever, eczema, stomach and intestinal upsets) and (3) a present history of allergic symptoms. All foods, plants, substances handled in industry and other substances should be tested by the scratch method or injection into the skin. The most constant symptom of nasal or nose allergy is a "stuffy" nose which is always worse in the morning; chronic cough occurring especially during the early morning hours is likewise a symptom." I believe that these simple methods of learning the difference between the usual head cold due to infections, and colds due to allergy (sensitiveness to substances) will enable us to treat either type intelligently.

Use of Dinitrophenol. There are cases where the body processes are working at the normal rate, the individual does not eat much food and yet the body weight is much above normal. It is in these cases that the new drug dinitrophenol has been used with much success.

From San Francisco, where a great amount of research work has been done on dinitrophenol, come some interesting findings. In using thyroid extract to make the body processes work faster and so burn up fat, care must be taken where there is any heart ailment as the thyroid extract throws extra work on the heart.

However when Dr. M. L. Tainter used dinitrophenol in three cases of overweight suffering with angina pectoris, without any heart symptoms occurring, Dr. Harold Rosenblum, San Francisco, determined to find whether the dinitrophenol increased the rate of the heart beat, whether it increased the amount of blood the heart pumped and whether it increased the blood pressure.

Accordingly the rate at which the blood was flowing was observed before, during, and after the use of dinitrophenol in patients who were being treated for overweight. The blood travels completely around the body in from ten to sixteen seconds. The tests were made in the morning, no food having been taken since the last meal of the previous day—fourteen hours or thereabouts, the patient lying quietly at rest. A record was also kept of the weight, the pulse rate before and during the period during which dinitrophenol was given.

The results showed that although the rate at which the body processes were working was greatly increased, nevertheless the heart did not beat faster and the amount of blood pumped by the heart was not increased. The blood pressure also was not increased by the dinitrophenol. The reason that dinitrophenol should only be used under a physician's supervision is that so many are so "sensitive" to this drug just as so many are sensitive to pollens, furs, hairs and other substances which cause hay fever, asthma, and eczema.

Robert Ballard Is Soapbox Derby Champ

POWER PLUS



Robert Ballard, twelve, of White Plains, N. Y., smiles as he receives the International Soapbox Derby championship trophy from Felix Doran, an official of the race. The contest, held at Akron, Ohio, was attended by a record crowd of more than 100,000. A handsome cash prize and a scholarship to college when he is old enough were the rewards for Robert's skill in piloting his soapbox vehicle.



Although her skill and technique deserve full credit for Jadwiga Jadrowska's recent victory over Alice Marble, American tennis champion, in the tennis finals at Rye, N. Y., the power and determination of the Polish star, demonstrated graphically in this picture, were the major weapons in her armament. Here, too, is evidence of the great stamina that enables Jadwiga to maintain a killing pace in the pinches.

Devout Immersed in Mass Baptism



By ones, twos, threes—even by entire families—87 believers were baptized in a mass immersion at the non-denominational Immanuel temple at Los Angeles. An elderly convert, wringing wet but happy in her religious fervor, is pictured above. The believers were baptized by Rev. A. Earl Lee (right), pastor of the church.

Nathaniel Rubin Is Checker Champ

Nathaniel Rubin, twenty-five, of Detroit who was crowned new national checker champion of the United States at the annual tourna-



ment sponsored by the National Checker association at Providence, R. I. He defeated William Ryan of New York, winning two out of six games. The other four were draws.

ASTOR KIN BANKRUPT



Francis Ormond French, father-in-law of John Jacob Astor III, who filed a bill of bankruptcy. One of the liabilities was a bill to a Chinese laundryman totaling \$1.48. Mr. French refused an offer of his daughter, Ellen Tuck French, to get him out of his financial difficulties, saying: "I'll always stand on my own feet."

Royal Family Visits Crathie Church



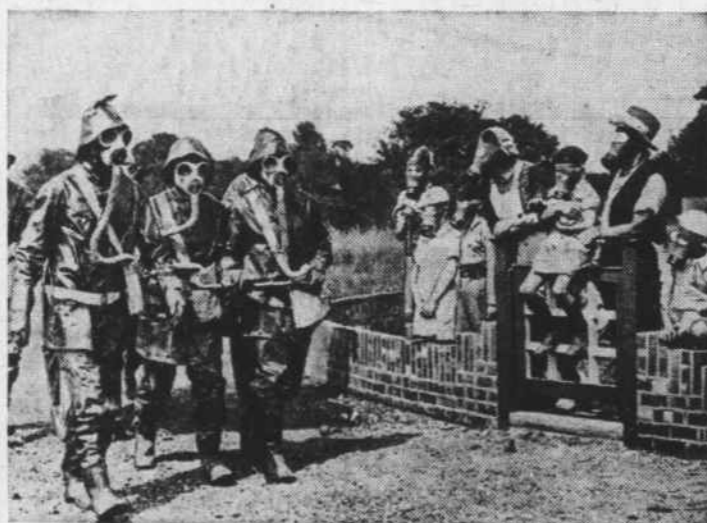
King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, with their two daughters, Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose, are shown in a carriage drawn by the famous Windsor grays on their way to attend services in the Crathie church in Aberdeenshire, Scotland.

ENVOY TO ERIN



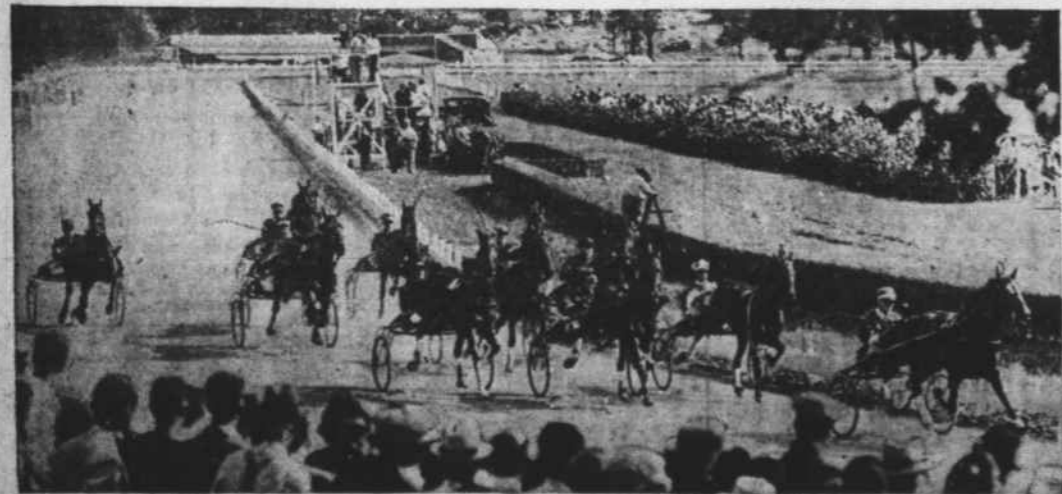
John Cudahy, newly appointed minister to the Irish Free State, is shown as he sailed aboard the liner Manhattan to take up his ministerial duties. Until recently he was the minister to Poland.

Here's a Brand New English Custom



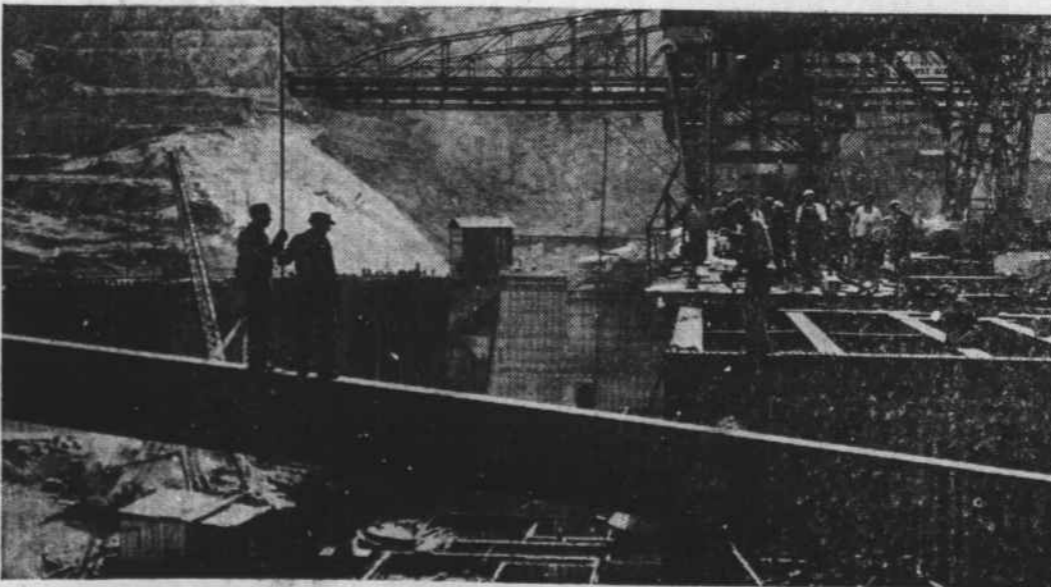
A sign of the times in Old England is this photograph, made during Chatham Navy week, which gives you an idea of the extent to which Europe is suffering from war jitters. The oilskinned gents at left are members of a "decontamination squad," who are rehearsing the duty they hope they'll never have to do—mopping up after a gas attack.

\$40,000 Hambletonian Stakes to "Shirley Hanover"



First heat of the \$40,000 Hambletonian stakes run recently at Goshen, N. Y., is pictured above with Twilight Song leading the field around one of the turns. An outsider, Shirley Hanover, owned by Lawrence Sheppard, upset the dope and won both heats to capture the coveted prize.

This Unique Bridge Has World's Shortest Life



Swinging a steel beam into place to close the last gap in one of the most unique bridges ever built. Three thousand feet long, one hundred seventy-five feet high, this half-million dollar structure will be swallowed up in six months by the rising concrete of Grand Coulee dam, being built by the bureau of reclamation on the Columbia river in Washington. The bridge was constructed as the most economical means of moving concrete from two great mixing plants, one at either side of the river, over the foundation area of the dam, 500 feet wide by 3,000 feet long. A part of the west section of the dam can be seen in the background.