

CROSSWORD

ACROSS
 1. Bang
 2. Stoop
 3. Rugged rock
 4. Lifted with effort
 5. Period of time
 6. Hugh —, a French king
 7. Beasts of burden
 8. Public notice
 9. Soak flax
 10. One of Aleutian islands
 11. Girl's nickname
 12. Free
 13. Remnant
 14. Paradise
 15. A fine, cotton fabric
 16. At the present time
 17. Hawaiian food
 18. Removed worthless plants
 19. Spirit lamp
 20. Blunder
 21. Confer knighthood upon
 22. Longing
 23. Boast
 24. Unit of work
 25. And (L.)
 26. Glossy silk fabric
 27. Sultan's decree
 28. Weight unit of India
 29. Back of the neck

DOWN
 1. Blended, as colors
 2. Cut off, as the tops
 3. Affirm
 4. Measure of length
 5. Mandarin tea
 6. Girl's name
 7. Severity
 8. Famous Scotch village, — Green
 9. Arrived
 10. Soapy water
 11. Boy's nickname
 12. A dynamo
 13. Dibble
 14. Bend the head in greeting
 15. Female deer
 16. Marry
 17. Networks
 18. Errors in printing
 19. Owing
 20. Required
 21. Poker stake
 22. Salt solution

ANSWER
 41. Black and orange lizard (Ariz.)
 43. Black and white, mixed
 46. Seize
 48. Simian

Fire Losses, At Record High, Total \$903 Million In 1953

Fire damaged or destroyed an estimated \$903,400,000 worth of property in the United States last year (1953), the National Board of Fire Underwriters has reported. This is 15.1 per cent higher than the year previous (1952), when monthly losses totalled \$784,953,000.

According to Lewis A. Vincent, NBFU's general manager, 1953's fire losses are the highest on record for the third consecutive year. He said the losses reflect to a large degree the nation's expanding economy, particularly those insurable values exposed to fire that have increased proportionately and include the result of the disastrous fire last August at the Livonia plant of the General Motors Corp.

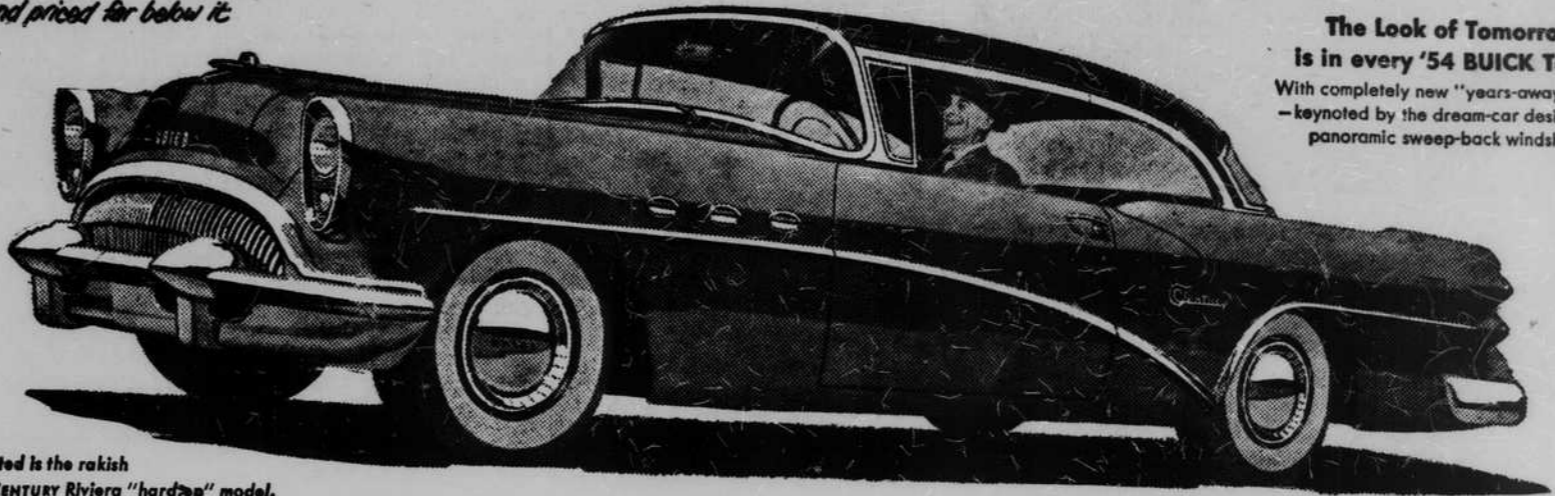
Mr. Vincent noted also that losses for the month of December were particularly heavy, amounting to \$83,440,000 an increase of 22.6 per cent over losses of \$68,064,000 for the preceding month (November) and an increase of 12.6 per cent over losses for December, 1952, when they amounted to \$74,127,000.

These estimated losses include an allowance for uninsured and unreported losses.

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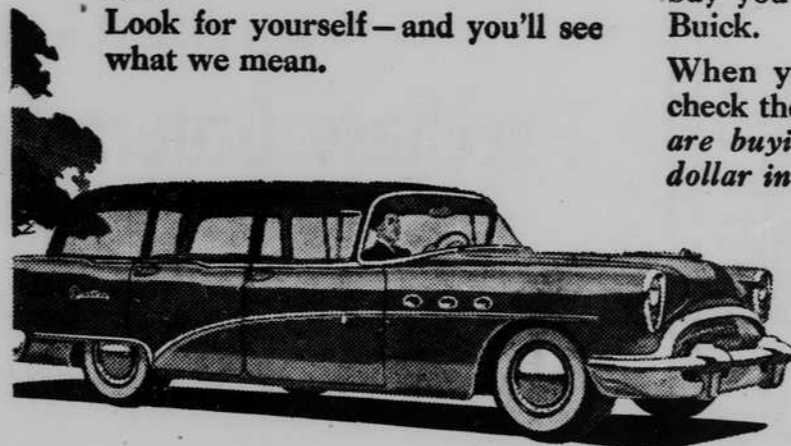
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Oddities In The News

NO-BILL DOCTOR QUITS

At the age of 80, Dr. Anthony L. Rettalata, of Baltimore, has finally retired. He proudly boasts that he never sent a bill to a patient. He said he quit because his heart was getting tired.

CRIME REALLY DOESN'T PAY

Crime really doesn't pay in Salem, Ind. Criminals broke into nine business establishments in one day. The total loss reported to police was \$16 in change.

"MAN IN THE WINDOW"

"The man in the window" in Hartford, Conn., is learning how many friends a person can make with a cheery wave of the hand.

Cortland F. Luce, 77, suffered a stroke and became an invalid. He had a mirror installed outside a front bedroom window so that he could watch traffic. Passersby on

foot and in cars formed the habit of waving to him, and he always waved back.

Then recently he was missing from the window. His friends learned that he had suffered hemorrhages and needed blood transfusions. The friends provided the needed blood.

THUGS GIVE BACK DOLLAR

Victim of a hold-up, Dennis Dustin, 30, of San Diego, is convinced a dollar isn't what it used to be. Three men stopped him and demanded his money. They threw the dollar, all he had, in his face.

DRAW LOTS FOR ESTATE

Court approval has been given an extraordinary will left by the late Carl F. Clarke, of Detroit.

At a date to be specified, 51 friends will sit down to dinner at a hotel and draw lots for Clarke's personal effects. The deceased left a \$150,000 estate, and his will provided for the dinner and lot-drawing.

MODERN BLACKSMITH

Unlike the famous village smith, Gordon C. Crick, Denver blacksmith, doesn't do his work under a spreading chestnut tree. The retired army sergeant uses the back end of a pick-up truck.

Crick's mobile shop serves more than 600 horse owners within a 50-mile radius of Denver. The traveling smith says he does about 1,200 shoeing jobs a year, at \$5 to \$6 each.

SUNDAY SANTA CLAUS

A railroad engineer, Dan Cony, plays Santa Claus every Sunday without fail. Cony drops a bag of candy each week to a cluster of children who wait near the tracks at Richmond, Me., for his Pine Tree Limited to roar past.

General Motors has 118 plants in 33 cities in the United States, six plants in Canada, and assembly and manufacturing operations in 18 other countries.

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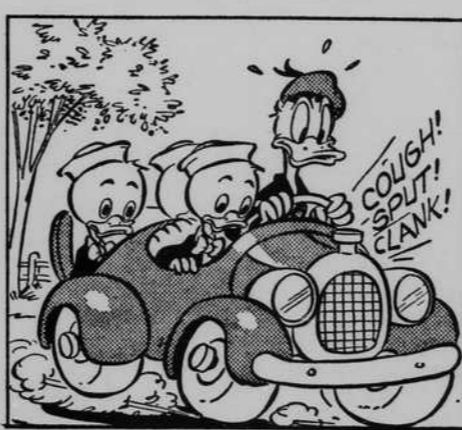
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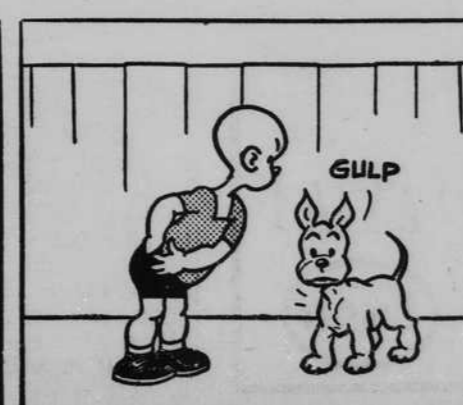
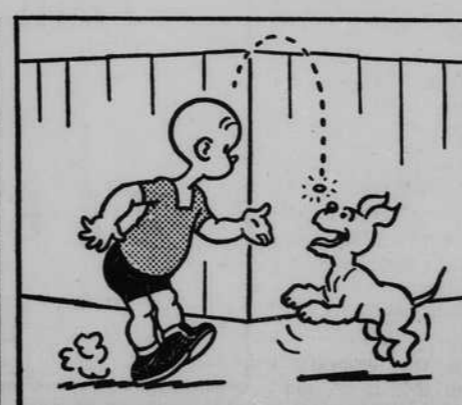
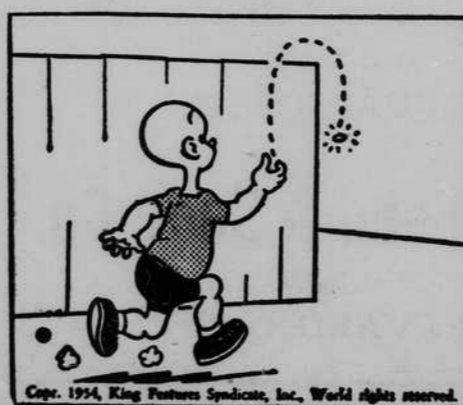
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