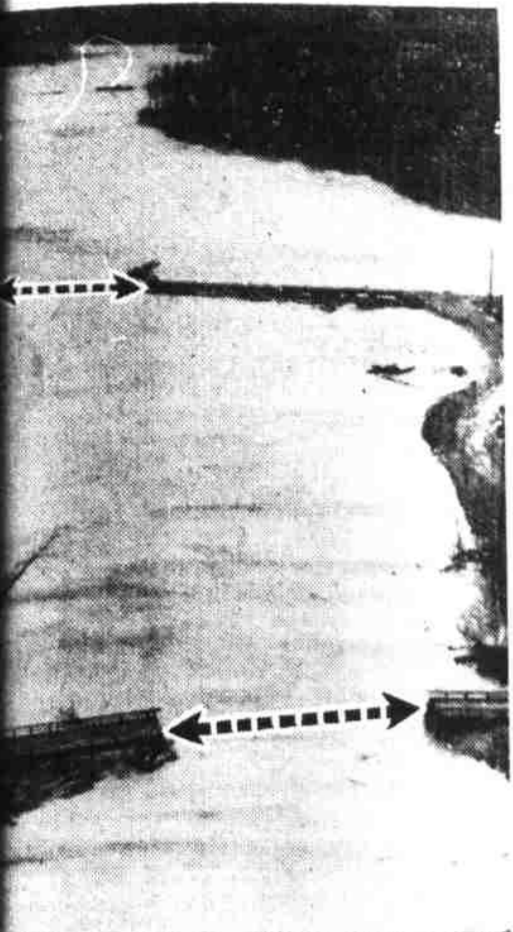


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our through the gaps (arrows) where two bridges in Columbia, were swept away in one of the worst storms in history. Winds of hurricane force, and torrential rain killed fourteen persons. (International)

L And M Drivers Have 3 Weeks To Renew Licenses

Only 50,000 motorists whose licenses began with L or M have taken their examinations so far to renew their driver's licenses. That leaves about 130,000 in that class who haven't taken the required tests, and there are less than three weeks to go before the deadline, December 31. After that date, those driving without proper licenses will be subject to the penalties of the law. L and M drivers started getting their licenses renewed July 1. The State Motor Vehicles Department urged motorists in this category who have not renewed their licenses to go to the nearest examination station at once to avoid the last-minute rush. The office in Waynesville is in the basement of the Haywood County Court House.

Sales Of New Cars, Trucks Rise In State

Motorists bought 8,772 new cars in North Carolina during October alone. That means 74,000 new cars have been sold in this state since the first of the year. The figures were contained in a State Department of Motor Vehicles announcement which was released today. The October sales topped those for October 1948 by more than 3,000 new cars. During October also, 2,866 trucks were sold—nearly 500 more than the number sold during October 1948. Of the October auto sales, motorists bought 1,965 Chevrolets and 1,864 Fords. Chevrolet also led the October truck sales, with 1,017 vehicles sold, and Ford also was second in this division with 774 sales. Motorists bought more new cars and trucks in Wake County than in any other county in the state. A total 542 cars and 317 trucks were sold in that county. Mecklenburg was second in auto sales, with 539, and in truck sales with 130. Guilford was third in both departments, with 120 truck and 503 autos sold.

FIGURE IN HOLLYWOOD HAIRPULLING



DESCRIBING HERSELF as the former Countess Ograbyzewska of Lithuania, Mrs. Rella Fowler (right) was released on \$250 bail in Hollywood following her arrest on a charge of battery brought by lovely model Ariel Ames (left). The two women engaged in a hairpulling match on Sunset Strip reportedly after an argument over the affections of the Countess' estranged husband, wealthy Edward H. Fowler. (International)

Radios Added To Help Fight Forest Fires

Forest fires won't have much time to get anywhere in Haywood, Buncombe and Transylvania counties. Pisgah District Ranger W. R. Duncan recently reported that short wave radios have been installed in all four forest towers in his area—High Top in Haywood, Ferrin Knob in Buncombe, and Pilot and Frying Pan in Transylvania. This means that the lookouts at these points now can get word out almost immediately after they spot a spiral of smoke or the least sign of a blaze. Portable sets also have been added so that men can carry them to the scene of the fire. Thus, one man from a vantage point of view of a blaze can quickly instruct the firefighters about the best ways to battle it and inform them how the fight is going. A radio also has been installed in the ranger's pick-up truck. He can now contact any one of the towers quickly though he may be far from the nearest telephone. Mr. Duncan expressed satisfaction over the installation of the new equipment. He warned, however, that though these new radios make fire fighting easier, they won't prevent the fires. He pleaded with hunters to be particularly careful during this dry season, pointing out that carelessness on the part of hunters have already caused two dangerous blazes in the Pisgah district recently.

BRITISH TROOPS LEAVE GREECE



THE FIRST CONTINGENT of British forces to leave Greece marches past the tomb of the unknown soldier in Athens. They are members of the East Surrey regiment. Collapse of effective guerrilla activities made it possible for the British to withdraw many soldiers. (International)

Amateur Show Set As Benefit For Cagers

Talented performers from Haywood and other counties are scheduled to take the stage Wednesday night at the Crabtree-Iron Duff School. The amateur program, sponsored by the school's Student Council, is being held to help pay the expenses of the Crabtree-Iron Duff boys' and girls' basketball teams. The show will open at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Oral Yates urged all singers and quartets to enter the program. The best performers will be awarded with prizes. The oldest radio network is the National Broadcasting Co., which opened in November, 1926.

Missing Milk Mystery: Cartons Gone, Dog Gone

SUMMER'S CUP The mystery of the missing milk was solved when officers followed a white trail and caught the culprit in the act of putting away his loot. Police tried for days to catch the thief who made front-door steps unsafe for the morning milk. The paper cartons disappeared almost as soon as the milkman turned his back. Detectives spotted a trail of milk drops and followed it. They found a dog chewing the tops off the cartons and lapping up the milk.

Sgt. Bradley On Maneuvers In Japan

Sergeant Richard Bradley of Macon, is on six weeks' maneuvers with the 24th Infantry near Beppu on Kyushu Island, Japan. Bradley has been acting first sergeant of the 63rd Field Artillery Battalion (105 mm howitzers) for the last eight months. He's battalion communications chief and is teaching the men of his section the methods of establishing telephone and radio contact. A graduate of Waynesville Township High School, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Bradley.

Junaluska PTA Will Meet On Thursday

The Junaluska Parent Teachers Association will meet on Thursday at the school auditorium at 7:30. This is the regular meeting of the organization, and Mrs. Lee Evans is president, and Mrs. Flora Ballinger, reporter.

Absent-Minded People

Chicago transit riders leave more than \$300,000 worth of goods on streetcars, buses and elevated lines every year, American Municipal association reports. One of the largest sums ever lost was one million dollars in negotiable bonds left on "L" train by a South American banker. Most unusual item forgotten was a box of white mice.

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Veteran Film Operator Resigns

HARRY W. EVANS, Sr., resigned recently after serving 21 years as motion picture operator here, first at the old Wayneswood, then at the Park Theatre. He left after accepting a Civil Service job as film projectionist at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Otter.

Friend ants, eaten by some people in South Africa, are said to taste like bacon.

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