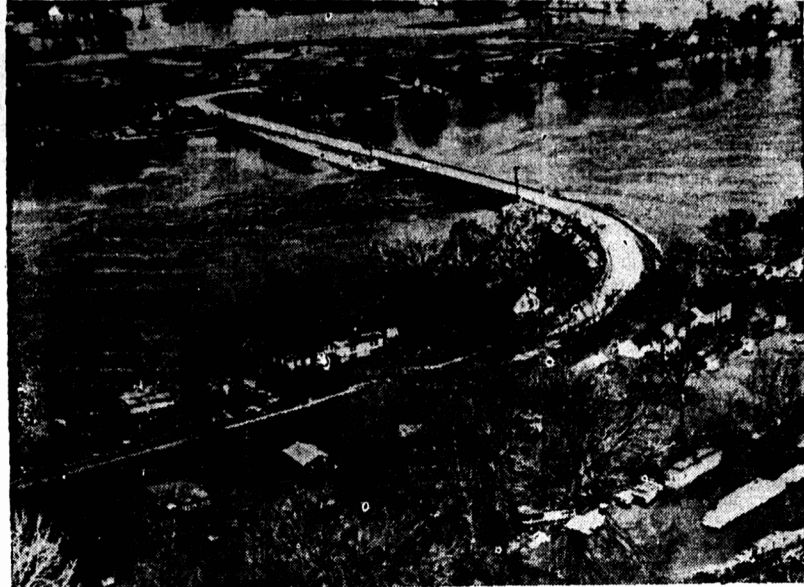


NEWS of the WORLD in PICTURES



Heroine of fire that swept through her home, six miles south of Barrie, Ont., claiming the life of her father, was 14-year-old Florence Carr, seen above with Bobby Coull. Believing that his 10-month-old granddaughter Bonnie had been caught in the blaze resulting when a gas lamp he was filling exploded and burned him, Thomas Carr groped through the blazing kitchen in search of youngster, later to be pulled out by his daughter, suffering serious burns. He died later in hospital. Seven of his other nine children, home at the time of outbreak, all escaped serious injury.



The mighty Mississippi, on its spring rampage, is spreading watery misery throughout many areas of Iowa and Illinois. Hundreds of acres have been flooded and 6,000 people have been forced to evacuate their homes due to rising spring waters. Seen above, Campbell's Island (across bridge), in East Moline, Ill., is growing smaller by the hour as the swollen, steadily rising Mississippi river seeks to engulf it. In foreground is portion of East Moline already inundated as the bridge spanning the river is slowly being covered by the flood.



Conservation, a subject which is being given increased attention in many Ontario schools, is being taught to 44 city-bred boys between the ages of 12 and 44 at Huntsville. The week-long experiment, if it is a success, may become a part of the public school curriculum for the Province course consists of wild-life study, meteorology and planting trees, which Alan Weinstein, left, and Ricky Coward, both of Toronto, are seen doing.



KOREA-BOUND CANADIANS — Four members of the 25th Canadian Infantry Brigade sport Iroquois haircuts and a "commandeered" U.S. military poster as they prepare to leave Seattle, Wash., for the Korean battlefield. They are, left to right: J. Merowski of Winnipeg, G. Gagne of Sherbrooke, Dr. Prudhome of Hull and M. Juteau of Montreal.



DISASTER SCENE—U. S. Navy rescue boats, moving through the debris of the wreckage, examine the area off Key West, Fla., where a Cuban DC-4 airliner went down after colliding in mid-air with a Navy training plane. At least 39 persons aboard the passenger plane and 4 others aboard the Navy craft were killed. Debris (light colored objects) floats in area at bottom of photo.

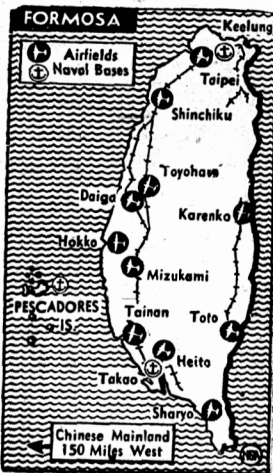


Proof positive that a steady diet of milk and water will extend longevity is Louis Soucie of Ottawa, who is 103 years young. The veteran of the Riel rebellion, who claims he eats enough for two men, has outlived his wife and 14 children, due to the fact that longevity is a characteristic of the Soucie family. His mother lived to be 106, his father to 97, and his sister died at 99.

A job that includes regular work required of a nurse plus numerous air trips keeps F.O. Jane Drummond of Ottawa pretty busy these days. For she is one of two R.C.A.F. members training as flight nurses in the U. S. military air transport at Travis airfield, Calif., to take charge of casualties from the Korean battlefield over an airlift that covers 7,000 miles. Following completion of her training she will return to the Dominion for possible duty in Canadian nationwide airlift.

Policy Reversal Puts Formosa In Limelight Again

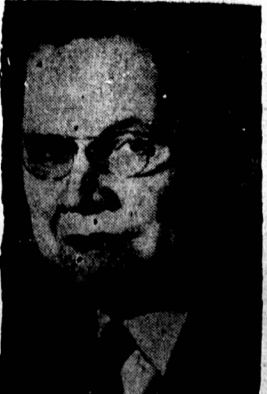
The Defense Department announcement that Maj.-Gen. William C. Chase would lead a 100-man military mission (eventually to number 600) to Formosa is a reversal of U.S. policy toward Chiang Kai-shek. Two years ago, the U.S. removed its military mission to the Chinese Nationalists and denounced Chiang's Government as corrupt. But the change of attitude falls far short of General MacArthur's demand that Nationalist forces be allowed to attack the Chinese mainland. Government spokesmen emphasized that the Chase mission would help Chiang's forces prepare Formosa's defenses against possible Red attack rather than help the Nationalists mount an attack on the mainland.



A 100-man U.S. military mission leaves soon for Formosa to help bolster it against possible Communist attack. Island is not now considered secure, even with U.S. 7th Fleet to protect it from threatened Red invasion.



Key to Formosa as an active anti-Communist bulwark of our Pacific defense line is Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek—a controversial personality loved and hated, respected and despised, trusted and doubted.



Suppression of Buenos Aires' independent newspaper La Prensa by the Peron government of Argentina has been condemned by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor as a threat to free speech everywhere in an editorial written by Mr. Green in official A. F. of L. magazine. Editorial further stated that steps to silence the famous paper because of its frequent attacks on Peron government demonstrated the inevitable development of a dictatorship.

R.C.A.F. and civilian rescue squads are combing the ice-clogged waters of the St. Lawrence near St. Joseph de Sorel, Que., for the bodies of two veteran jet pilots who lost their lives when their planes collided in mid-air during routine sweep down the river with two other jets. Although there were no witnesses to the crash, R.C.A.F. officials believe the planes collided while coming out of a fog bank. Dead are Sgt.-Ldr. Guy Hackett, 32, prominent in local legal circles, and Flt.-Lieut. Robert Leaper of Lachine. Both were members of No. 438 (City of Montreal) reserve squadron.



His army's strength is estimated by Gen. MacArthur at 600,000, of which not all are combat troops. Leadership is weak. Morale of some units is suspect. Little armor, nearly all old, and very little artillery.



Nationalist air force has 300 to 600 World War II planes, including fighters, transports and a few bombers. Only one-third operational because of parts and fuel shortages. Pilots good but lack flying practice.



Navy is very weak, with only about 70 major vessels of LST and destroyer-escort type plus smaller craft. Combat efficiency of its 43,000 officers and men is considered very low. Navy is no defense against Red attack.



Three-year-old Alex McGillis, of St. Catharines, seen with sister, who was to celebrate his birthday with a party this week, died under the wheels of an ice truck backing up in a driveway.



Canon Henry J. Cody, at various times president, chancellor and chairman of the board of governors of the University of Toronto, one-time Minister of Education for Ontario and twice elected to bishoprics in the Church of England which he declined to accept, passed away recently in his 83rd year at his home in Toronto, following a long illness. Dr. Cody's long public career ended in 1947 when he resigned as chancellor of the university. Since then he has lived quietly in retirement, away from the acclaim and the controversy that had marked his extraordinary career... a career that saw him preach before the King and Queen of England and to the League of Nations assembly in Geneva.



BACK HOME FROM VACATION IN ROME

Upon her arrival in London from a vacation in Rome with her husband, Duke of Edinburgh, Princess Elizabeth was greeted by her son, Prince Charles, whom she is seen helping down the steps from the plane, with a governess bringing up the rear. When in Holy City, the Princess and Duke were given private audience with Pope Plus.



John Cuillerier seen above, of Maxwell, Ont., was killed in crash between his milk truck and C. N. R. flyer at level crossing 25 miles northeast of Cornwall. Impact of crash was so great that rear portion of truck was hurled 100 feet down the track. Father of victim, who survived crash, was pulled from cab in a dazed condition and bleeding from numerous cuts on body.



SITUATION WELL IN HAND — Sculptor Willie Soukup places a huge stalk of grain into the giant hands he created for the Festival of Britain in London. The work of art, depicting human effort in agriculture, will be on display in the festival's "Natural Scene and the Country" pavilion.