

FLASHES OF LIFE:

Dive-Bombing Kites, Newest Air Menace To Terrorize Pedestrians, Sold as Surplus

By Gannett News Service Washington — "Dive-bombing" kites—fully capable of terrorizing pedestrians and housewives when properly maneuvered—are being offered for sale to U. S. schoolboys by the Federal Government.

The kites can be made to "dive like airplanes." War Assets Corp. reported, gleefully, in announcing sale of 130,000 of the sailplanes. Anti-aircraft crews used 'em for aerial targets in wartime training.

The kites are two-stick, diamond-shaped affairs measuring five by five feet. They are covered with water-repellent fabric, so that even rain won't keep the kids from "buzzing" each other.

Even in the Rain They are covered with water-repellent fabric, so that even rain won't keep the kids from "buzzing" each other.

An experienced operator can make them do many of the maneuvers that piloted aircraft can perform, says the War Assets Corp. sales announcement.

The designer of the kite dived one of them from altitudes of 100 feet or more to within a few feet of the ground and then made it climb again.

The price is \$2.65 per kite, in lots of 750 or more, and \$2.79 each in smaller lots.

SAD SACKS OUT

Washington — Pin back your ears, supply sergeants, and listen to the secretary of war.

He says no more of this business of outfitting a size 36 Sad Sack in a size 42 uniform, or draping a flyweight G. I. in an overcoat that would do Cooring.

From now on, Secretary Patterson ordered today, the army man is to be a trim, well-tailored soldier, with a uniform of the proper size.

FORESIGHT

Bloomington, Ill. — Myers Smith anticipated a parts shortage back home before he left Okinawa as a marine.

Piece by piece, he sent home parts of a Japanese made automobile engine—a two cylinder, air cooled, cast aluminum job.

Now out of service and back home he's got it all back together again and is mounting it in a home-made car for his four sons.

THIEVES MISS SUGAR

Springfield, Ill. — Burglars broke into the OPA office and drilled the combination locks off two steel doors to the vault in an apparent attempt to obtain sugar stamps.

But officials said the rationing stamps for sugar are kept in a bank.

The thieves, however, passed up 100 pounds of sugar—in a potato sack—which is being held for evidence in a pending court case.

THEY CALL HER 'MISS EVERYTHING'



HOLLYWOOD DISCOVERS HOLLYWOOD GIRL—Audrey Young, native of Los Angeles and a graduate of Hollywood High School, has been signed to a movie contract and is hailed by Paramount as a "real find." After she appeared in "O. S. S.," studio directors said she has everything and titled the starlet just that—"Miss Everything."

DOUBLE EXPOSURE

Tacoma, Wash. — This is Bob Firch's fish story:

He saw two catfish thrashing about in shallow water. He dipped his hook beneath one; snagged it by the jaw, and when he jerked the line—

The other fish came out, too; caught in the mouth by the first.

SCARED PAIR

Auburn — An Auburn-Watertown Border Baseball League game wasn't delayed long when a frightened beagle hound ran out across the diamond.

Twelve hundred fans sat goggle-eyed as they watched the hound being chased by a rabbit, also frightened.

COLLEGE 50 P. C. VETERANS

Corvallis — Oregon State College officials reported that 2,005 of the 4,205 students enrolled for the spring term are war veterans. Approximately 30 per cent of the veterans are married.

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G. O. P. Battle Is Watched in Pa. Primaries

Insurgents Out to Beat Party's Regular Organization

Harrisburg — (INS) — Interest focused on the Republican primary election today and the insurgent new guard's battle to defeat the regular organization's candidates for governor and secretary of internal affairs.

The polls will be open from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m. E. D. T. Should former Highways Secretary John U. Shroyer, of Shmokin, gubernatorial hopeful, and ex-Harrisburg Councilman J. Calvin Frank overturn their opponents it would be the first time the regular slate was broken since ex-Governor Pinchot did it in 1930.

A light turnout was expected to hurt Mr. Shroyer's chances because most of the voters could be expected to be organization-minded.

The State Elections Bureau has reported that 2,568,178 Republicans and 1,753,879 Democrats will be eligible to vote.

Republican organization leaders, however, were confident that Attorney General James H. Duff, of Carnegie, would capture the gubernatorial nomination by "an overwhelming majority of votes."

Mr. Duff also has opposition from ex-Sgt. Carl E. Mau, of Marcus Hook, self-styled "G. I. candidate."

Minor Opposition

The regular G. O. P.'s candidates for U. S. senator and lieutenant governor have minor opposition.

Gov. Edward Martin, titular head of Pennsylvania Republicans, was opposed by Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan, of Pittsburgh, while Brig. Gen. Daniel B. Strickler, of Lancaster, has John R. Cadwallader, of Meadville, as an opponent.

The Democratic primary will be devoid of any fireworks because only former State Senator John S. Rice, of Gettysburg, endorsed by leaders for governor, has opposition.

U. S. Taking Half of Butter At Big Marts

Chicago — (AP) — Purchases by the government are taking as much as one-half of all butter arriving at big city markets, the Department of Agriculture said today.

Government buying during May for the armed forces equals 20 per cent of production. However, many creameries sell a large part of their output to the local country trade.

Thus, the government's "take" at major terminals, where it does its buying, is much greater than 20 per cent of receipts.

Government supplies for a full year are being purchased in May and June, peak production months. The percentage wanted "during June has not been announced yet.

But trade sources predict the domestic supply situation will get worse before it gets better.

POWERFUL STUFF

Boston — (AP) — Leslie E. Dennison, 80, formerly an itinerant printer, recalls that in the days of the Old West barrooms featured a potent beverage called "Forty Rod Whisky"—so named "because it would kill at that distance."

Dewey's Veteran Aid Efforts to Be Plugged

By Gannett News Service Albany — Republican Party campaigners this fall will concentrate on Governor Dewey's veteran-aid program, it was indicated today. G. O. P. State Chairman Glen R. Bedenkapp issued a special bulletin on the subject for use of party workers. It is the first of a series of such informative articles which will be distributed by the state committee as campaign "guides."

Meanwhile many of the Governor's close advisers and staff members in Albany are on vacation, getting ready for the strenuous days ahead. Mr. Dewey and his secretary, Paul E. Lockwood, are in New York City. They will leave on Wednesday for Oklahoma City where the Governor will take part in the annual nationwide conference of governors, May 26 to May 29, with the Governor due back in Albany early in June.

The Bedenkapp bulletin on veteran aid begins: "Under the brilliant leadership of Governor Dewey, New York State has led the nation in providing veterans every possible assistance."

Then, by subject, the article develops the program.

FRANCO CITES STRENGTH

Oviedo — (AP) — Generalissimo Francisco Franco wound up a 45-mile tour of the rich coal and iron mining area near Oviedo yesterday by assuring a crowd of 6,000 miners at Sama that they had "a strong, united government able to provide" them with housing, health insurance and other benefits.

The first airplane takeoff from shipboard was made by Eugene Ely flying a biplane in November, 1910.

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Reds Crossing Czechoslovakia

Prague — (AP) — An official announcement today said that Russian troops bound for Germany had begun moving across Czechoslovakia from the south in connection with "the reorganization of Russian occupation forces in Germany."

The announcement indicated that the movement would continue through May 26, date of the Czechoslovakian general election.

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WALTER BOLAND

Maj. Gen. E. C. Shannon Dead in Pa.

Columbia, Pa. — (AP) — Maj. Gen. Edward C. Shannon, Pennsylvania's lieutenant governor during the 1931-35 Gifford Pinchot administration and former commander of the 28th Division National Guard, died yesterday at his home here. He was 75.

Ill for several years, General Shannon had been confined to his home since last Christmas. He retired as chief of the Keystone State's National Guard in 1939 after 50 years of military service.

A native of Phoenixville, Pa., General Shannon saw service in the Spanish-American and the first world wars. He won the nickname of "Two Yard" while a colonel in command of the 11th Infantry of the 28th Division in

France. He was noted for keeping "two yards" in front of his troops.

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TILO advertisement featuring a large headline "Just like getting a new house," a testimonial from Mr. Alexander Pate, a photograph of a house, and detailed text about the benefits of TILO Insulating Sidewalls. It includes a list of services and a call to action to contact TILO Roofing Company, Inc.