

Glorified Air Force Technicolor Film Goes Up in Smoke: \$86,000 Worth

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Famous Sons Arrested

Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson is not going to Moscow and his name, therefore, will not become a byword with the Russian people. Down in Virginia, however, his name is so well known that it caused a Virginia traffic cop to rub his eyes.

Among the students at Washington and Lee university happen to be the grandson of a late famous Virginia senator, the great grandson of a famed Civil war hero, and the son of a chief justice. All three were riding together near Lexington, Va., when arrested for speeding.

The policeman, proceeding to book them, asked their names.

"Robert E. Lee, IV," replied the first student.

It happened that he was telling the truth. The traffic cop looked up quizzically, but wrote the name down, but asked for the next name.

"Carter Glass III," was the reply.

The cop wrote the name down, then queried the third student.

"Fred M. Vinson, jr.," replied young Vinson.

"Then my name's Napoleon," exclaimed the flustered cop, and let all three boys go.

(Note: Mrs. Vinson, wife of the chief justice, suggested to her son that after graduating at Washington and Lee he might want to take his law degree at Yale. A Yale degree,

she intimated, might give him a better springboard into the legal fraternity. Replied her son: "Little Old Center college (Kentucky) was good enough for dad, wasn't it?"

Taxes Go Up in Smoke

Brass hats have kept it hushed up, but the Air Force wasted thousands of dollars taking worthless movies of the Bikini atomic-bomb tests. For some unexplained reason, the job was turned over to inexperienced officers.

Brig. Gen. Paul Cullen, then a colonel, had charge of the Air Force camera crews at Bikini. His masterpiece was a glorified, technicolor training film called "Able Baker Day," which he sent over to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer to be edited. But even after the Hollywood experts added their touches, the picture was such a flop and so hostile to the Army and Navy that it couldn't be shown.

Instead the top brass ordered all the extra prints burned, and only two copies kept for the files. Since Cullen had gone ahead and ordered 48 prints, this made an expensive bonfire — paid for out of the taxpayers' pocket. Cost of the film alone that went up in smoke: \$86,000.

Since the atomic energy commission had called upon all the armed services to cooperate in filming the Bikini explosions, the Navy was working on a similar picture at the same time Cullen was

making "Able Baker Day." But Cullen was in such a hurry to finish the Air Force picture first and scoop the Navy that he sent an Air Force technical adviser under the pretense of helping the Navy, though with secret instructions to obstruct and delay the Navy picture.

The Air Force also made another \$50,000 technicolor extravaganza of Bikini, called "Phantom Wings." This smelted so that it also was never shown again.

It was produced by Maj. James L. Gaylord whose iotal photographic background, up to that time, had been as a personnel officer.

And here is how the Air Force has rewarded the two officers who wasted so much of the taxpayers' money: Cullen was promoted from colonel to brigadier general, and Gaylord—in spite of his first flop—was placed in charge of filming the recent super-secret tests at Eniwetok for the atomic energy commission. He was supposed to have finished 24 films by October 1; so far, has delivered only five.

U. S. Army's Prisoners

Unfortunately, several thousand U. S. prisoners still remain in U. S. prisons for desertion, crime, or violation of discipline during the recent war. Even more tragic, some prisoners have suffered "permanent physical impairment" in solitary confinement. This was confessed in a recent circular issued by the Air Force inspector general.

Meant only for the eyes of the top brass, the circular warned grimly that regulations governing the treatment of these prisoners were "not being complied with."

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Weekly Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

1,8 Pictured naturalist
14 Repair
15 Rabbit
16 Symbol for erbium
17 Giant king of Bashan
18 Year (abbr.)
19 — was English
20 Daybreak (comb. form)
21 Steamship (abbr.)
22 Symbol for illinium
24 Upon
26 Paid publicity
27 Jumbled type
28 Noticed
31 Symbol for cerium
32 Descendants
34 Organized (abbr.)
36 Cushion
37 Egyptian goddess
38 Genus of plants
40 Girl's name
42 Cathedral church
44 Went by
45 Music note
47 Peeled
49 Size of shot
50 Of the thing
52 The gods
53 East Indies (abbr.)
54 From
56 Exist
57 Played boisterously

Answer to Previous Puzzle

VAUGHN MONROE
BISPREE IDEALS
US SEATS DEBIT
TILP ARSON DIG
ILTS MY AT
BELLIE VAUGHN MONROE
AMEN LACE
NODIM MONROE PATHS
OTILA OWE
ICE PLAYS IN IP
BOOMS BROTH NO
ENAMEL AREAS ND
ESTATE BERTHS

13 Required
21 Store
22 Fish
23 Lion
25 Negative
29 Bar by estoppel
30 Hang in folds
33 John (Gaelic)
35 Makes happy
36 Footlike part
39 Bone
40 Changes
41 People
43 Insane
46 Area measure
48 Rhode Island (abbr.)
51 German river
55 Editors (abbr.)
56 Prohibit
58 Myself
59 Measure
60 Symbol for tellurium

VERTICAL

1 Crawls
2 Intrepid
3 Like
4 Right (abbr.)
5 Released
6 Unit of energy
7 Compass point
8 Arid
9 Air (comb. form)
10 Symbol for rubidium
11 Indo-Chinese language
12 City in New York state

When You and I Were Young —

Irrigation District Formed at Ewing; Intended to Serve About 10,000 Acres

64 YEARS AGO
November 6, 1884

Although Atkinson precinct polled more votes than Centre, we have no doubt that there are 500 votes in this precinct had they all been brought out, and probably 25 more who have not been here long enough to vote.

The stage in McCafferty's hall, being erected by the band boys, will be, when completed, a very fine affair, and a credit to the hall, and all together a credit to our town. Fred Herre was the designer, Mr. Borroughs and Sam Schram the painters. They have all done good work.

The biggest beet yet reported in North Nebraska is now on exhibition at this office. It weighs nearly 22 pounds and was raised by D. M. Lemon, who lives near Inman. Mrs. Lemon has main charge of the garden and has met with universal success this year.

H. C. Zulauf, whom we mentioned last week as living in the creamery, giving his name as Rudolph, has decided to remain in O'Neill and is building a residence just south of J. C. McWilliams' home, east of the creamery. Mr. Zulauf has made arrangements for renting the engine of the creamery for six months and will erect a temporary building next to the engine house, on the north side, put in one run of stone and grind feed this winter. In the Spring, he expects to begin the erection of a first-class flouring mill, which we hope he will do, and put up one which will be a credit to himself and the town. The Frontier welcomes Mr. Zulauf to O'Neill and wishes him unlimited success in his milling scheme.

54 YEARS AGO
November 15, 1884

H. Heinerickson has quit the grocery business in this city and removed his stock to Sioux City where he expects to re-engage in the grocery business. Mr. Heinerickson and his estimable family have resided among us about eight years and have made many warm friends who regret to see them leave, but wish them success in their new home.

Now that the general election is over, municipal politics will soon begin to agitate the minds of our citizens. In fact, we have already heard the names of two of our most prominent citizens mentioned as probable candidates for mayor.

Several of the sports of this city are making arrangements to attend the wolf hunt in Willowdale township next Saturday. There are several good hounds in this city and the wolves will have to be good runners in order to have a show for their "white alley."

Last Saturday morning the 10-year-old daughter of John Berger, who lives about 10 miles north of this city, while playing near the stove, accidentally set her clothing on fire. When she noticed her clothing burning she rushed outside and before her parents could extinguish the flames she was so badly burned that she died in a few hours.

Our sister city of Ewing, not to be behind the times, has organized an irrigation company. The purpose of the company is to tap the South Fork about five miles west of Ewing and run in a southeasterly course along the foot hills to Cache Creek. The main ditch will be in the neighborhood of 10 miles long and capable of irrigating 10,000 acres. The incorporators are: John Drayton, A. Ege, William Ferris, J. D. Selah, J. A. Trommershauser, G. H. Benson, O. C. Wallace, L. A. Combs and W. E. Bailey.

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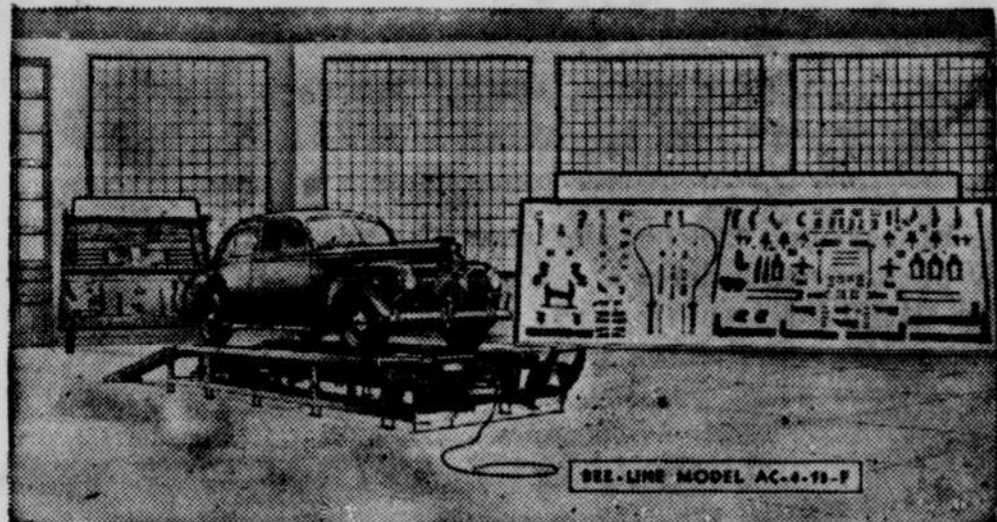
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