

Navy Announces Examinations

The Navy announced recently that the second nationwide competitive examination for its College Training Program has been scheduled for December 13, 1947, and will be open to high school seniors or graduates within the age requirements. Successful candidates will be given a four-year college education at government expense and will be commissioned as officers of the Navy or Marine Corps upon graduation.

The program is open to male citizens of the United States between the ages of 17 and 21, and quotas have been assigned to each state and territory on the basis of its high school population. Those who are successful in passing the aptitude test will be interviewed and given physical examinations; then, if found in all respects qualified, their names will be submitted to state and territorial Selection Committees composed of prominent citizens and naval officers. The Navy expects to enter about 2,500 students into the program commencing with the fall term of college, 1948.

The students selected by these competitive examinations will be assigned to the 52 Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps units which are located in various universities and colleges in the United States. If accepted by the college, they will be appointed Midshipmen, U.S.N.R., and will have their tuition, books, and normal fees paid for by the government. In addition they will receive pay at the rate of \$50.00 a month for the four-year period. Upon graduation they may be commissioned as officers in the Regular Navy or Marine Corps and required to serve on active duty for two years. At the end of this time they may apply for retention in the Regular Navy or Marine Corps, or transfer to the Reserve and return to civilian life.

Applications are available at high schools, colleges, Offices of Naval Officer Procurement and Navy Recruiting Stations.

Mr. Miles Eloe, Principal of Plattsmouth High School will be pleased to provide specific information about the program, including the time and place of the competitive examination, the method of making application, and the specific age and scholastic qualifications.

Doukhor Sects Shatter Peace In Canadian Valley

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NELSON, B. C. (U.P.)—The peaceful Kootney Valley in British Columbia is rapidly becoming a land divided like Caesar's Gaul into three parts.

On one side are the normal residents — farmers, miners, and cattlemen. In the middle are the orthodox and independent Doukhobors—and to the left, the extremist "Sons of Freedom."

Two peaceful towns guard this valley of luxury. To the north, Nelson. South near the border, Grand Forks. In between are some 7,000 Russian-Canadian Doukhobors — living their communal lives, singing their native songs, speaking their native language and living their native ways.

Towering mountains guard the valley from "outside civilization," and the people here bask in sunshine, untroubled by the worries of the rest of the world.

But all is not well within the valley — for the fanatical Sons of Freedom, close to 2,500 strong—



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are virtually taking the law into their hands. Not since 1932 have residents seen anything comparable to the recent outbreaks.

Torch Replaces Dynamite

Fifteen years ago the extremists went on the rampage — but not carrying the torch. They confined their demonstrations to nude parades and an odd dynamiting of a school, bridge or tomb. They were protesting the coming of the second World War, but their protests went in vain.

Now, in an effort to unite all Doukhobors under the one banner of the Freedomites, they are striking terror into the hearts of the orthodox sect by their firing of buildings and homes. Those independent suspected by the Freedomites of profiteering from the war are being marked for demonstrations.

Already close to 35 buildings have been set to the torch in the current outbreak of frenzy, and their number will reach close to 100 before the Sons relent in their drive.

This is not the first time in the history of the Doukhobor uprising that fire has been used. In 1932, dynamite, believed stolen from a dam under construction near Nelson at that time, was used to blow up some 20 schools and bridges. But since that source of supply was removed the flaming torch has wreaked havoc and wrought fear.

The history of the Doukhobor sect in Canada is one of continual resistance against Canadian ways. Ever since their arrival in 1899, they have been a source of trouble to one government after another.

They were evacuated from Russia towards the end of the last century for refusal to fight against the czars. It was part of their religion not to bear arms, and ever since their first demonstration there during the Turkish War of 1814, they have absolutely refused to have anything to do with guns.

The Doukhobors were not long in Canada before they began to divide among themselves. The burning of schools began in 1923, and since then it is estimated that more than 500 buildings have been put to the torch.

4-H Clubs Hold Achievement Day

The Early Bird Poultry Club, the Plane Pushers, and the Cass County Kilowatts held their achievement and picnic at the home of James Pollard Monday evening, October 6. A short program was given as follows: Pledge to the flag and the 4-H pledge, led by Richard Johnson and James Pollard; Demonstration, Toy Electric Motors, Larry Pollard and James Pollard; Talks by Mr. Schmadeke and Miss Wintemote; Demonstration, Judging Poultry for Production, Lois Wilson, Richard Johnson, James Pollard, State Poultry Judging Team, Richard Johnson and James Pollard gave a practical demonstration and installed a floodlight for the picnic ground. On display were the bench vise made by James Pollard in Farm Shop Club and the toy electric motors made by Larry and James Pollard in Rural Electrification, Richard Berner attends the Lincoln School of Commerce and was the only club member unable to attend. He is the leader of the Farm Shop Club and Assistant Leader of Rural Electrification Club. Larry Pollard is the leader of the Rural Electrification club, Richard Johnson is the Poultry Club leader, and James Pollard is assistant in Farm Shop and Poultry. Present at the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Schmadeke and daughter, Miss Eula D. Wintemote, Weeping Water; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wolph and Billy, Arthur Norris, Avoca; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Baller, Jimmy and Neal; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wilson, Lois, Richard and Ted; Mrs. Henning Johnson, Tommy and Richard, Mr. and Mrs. George Pollard and Larry; Mr. and Mrs. Hall Pollard and James.

Windjammer Age Ends With Death Of Capt. Erikson

By Dan L. Thrapp
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LONDON. (U.P.)—Many an adventurer, armchair and otherwise, has felt the lure of tall ships, crowned with a halo of billowing white canvas, making their way with the wind to the adventure-draped ports of all the world.

The age of sail reached its climax with the American clippers and began its decline with the advent of the steamer. It has died with Capt. Gustaf Erikson.

Capt. Erikson was the last large-scale windjammer-owner in the world. Although at one time he owned more than 40 of them, his fleet was whittled by war, age, foggy nights and sharp rocks to only five of the great vessels at the time of his death this summer.

As he lay on his deathbed, the 74-year-old captain followed on a wall map the course of his four-masted steel bark Passat, 3137 tons, "running her easting down" from the Cape of Good Hope to Freemantle. Another of his ships, also a four-masted steel bark, the 2670-ton Viking, was loading at Santos, Brazil.

Grain Ships Recalled
Those were the only two of his once great white squadron, the "grain ships" whose annual race with wheat from Australia around the Horn to Europe caught the imagination of the world, to be in "commission."

The other three all-steel, four-masted barks were awaiting refits: the 2376-ton Pommern at Capt. Erikson's home port of Mariehamn, in Finland's Aaland Islands; the 3121-ton Moshulu, in Norway, where the Germans caught her during the war, and

the 2345-ton Archibald Russell, undergoing refit in the Tyne. In addition, Capt. Erikson owned eight steamers and four motorships. But his heart was always with the magnificent square-rigged sailing ships.

Two of his windjammers were taken over by foreign governments during the war—the 2816-ton Lawhill by the Union of South Africa, and the 2796-ton Pamir by New Zealand. The captain had hoped to get them back under his own flag before he died.

Sailor at 10
"I worked with sailing ships since 1913," he wrote a correspondent, "and I began my life as a sailor under sail at the age of 10. As a skipper I have commanded many sailing ships. And now, I am an old man, and it is hard to think that my last sailing vessels will not come again under my command."

He became a captain at 20, taking over the three-master Adele. Subsequently he commanded the barkentine Southern Belle, in the North Sea trade, and the full-rigged ship Albania. For four years he was master of the barkentine Lochee. In 1913 he became a ship owner, buying the barks Tjermai and Aland.

Thirteen of his ships were sunk in the First World War and three of his barks were lost in the second. But his heaviest loss was his son, Gustaf Adolf Erikson, who was to have been his successor.

Gustaf was lost with eight others when the Argo, of which he was mate, was sunk in the Baltic.

Capt. Erikson was given a quiet funeral in Mariehamn, alongside the quiet port where his ships once presented a forest of masts and spars.

Eggs at \$2.40 a Doz. No Butter Ushers In Hard Winter in Paris

By DUDLEY HARMON
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PARIS (U.P.)—Three years after liberation, Parisians are looking ahead to a bad winter.

Prices were high enough when this reporter was last in Paris a year ago. During the past few months they have shot up still more in many categories.

Parisians tell the newly arrived American that they now spend from two-thirds to three-quarters of their income for food alone.

Yet, they say ironically, their annual rent often costs only a little more than the sums they spend on newspapers and magazines.

A strict control on unfurnished apartments holds rent down to a sum, which would buy only ten meals in first class restaurant.

"It's typical of the lack of balance in France today," one woman told the United Press. "Take clothing, also. Materials are more plentiful and much cheaper than a year ago. But wages have increased and a dress still costs the

same as last year."

Eggs \$2.40 a Dozen
A tour through the Latin Quarter, not a wealthy section of the city, shows eggs for sale at 22 francs apiece, or about \$2.40 a dozen. Inferior hamburger costs the equivalent of \$1.50 a pound. A dry cleaner who charged 130 francs a year ago asks 250 today.

Because of the summer's drought, many children cannot get milk. Butter was 500 francs a pound, or about \$4, when last seen on the market. But the waiter on the boat train from Cherbourg said with a shrug that "you can't find butter today in all France."

Much of the price increase occurred within the past two months. Bread increased 24 per cent during September. Milk went up 91 per cent. Meat is anywhere from 40 to 80 per cent higher than it was in July.

Parisians blame had administration, the ever-present black market, the rightists, or the communists, depending on their political point of view.

Trusty Untrustworthy

OKLAHOMA CITY. (U.P.)—County Commissioner Mike Donnelly drove his car into the courthouse garage, tipped the young trusty on duty and left the keys with him so he could move it out of the way of other cars. Later in the day, the trusty moved the car—right out of the garage and the city to his freedom.

She's Outnumbered

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. (U.P.)—The stork brought a football team with one member to spare before a baby girl arrived at Redman Village, 64-unit apartment addition for married veterans attending school at Northeastern State college here. Pamela Ann Griffin is the only girl among 13 babies born to veterans' wives since the addition was opened about one year ago.

Done by Hand

BOSTON (U.P.)—Laurence Curtis, Massachusetts state treasurer, had to sign his name 50,000 times in connection with a \$50,000,000 bond issue.

Mark Twain, who wrote many

of his famous stories at Old Quarry Farm near Elmira, N. Y., is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery nearby.

Only a small part of the total energy going into an electric lamp is transformed into visible light. Most of the energy is converted into heat.

New York state maintains more than 574 miles of foot trails in the Adirondack Forest Preserve for hikers and mountain climbers.

The electric fan, developed in the early 1880s, was one of the earliest uses of the electric motor.

At one time it was the custom for engaged couples to wear a

favorite flower as a mark of their engagement.

Mauna Loa in Hawaii is the largest volcano in the world and also the largest mountain in cubic content.

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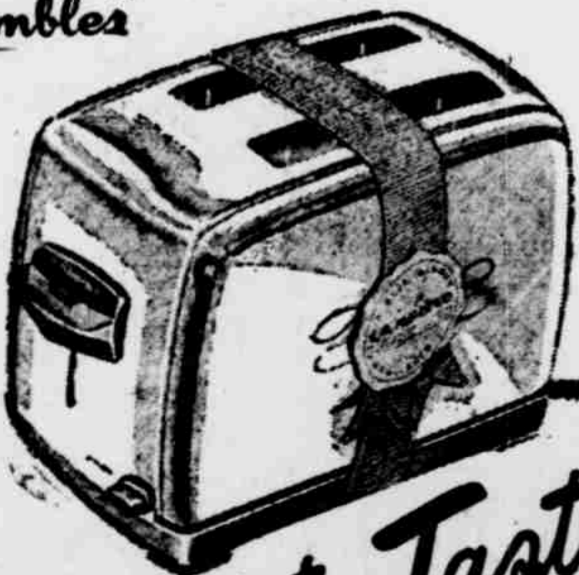
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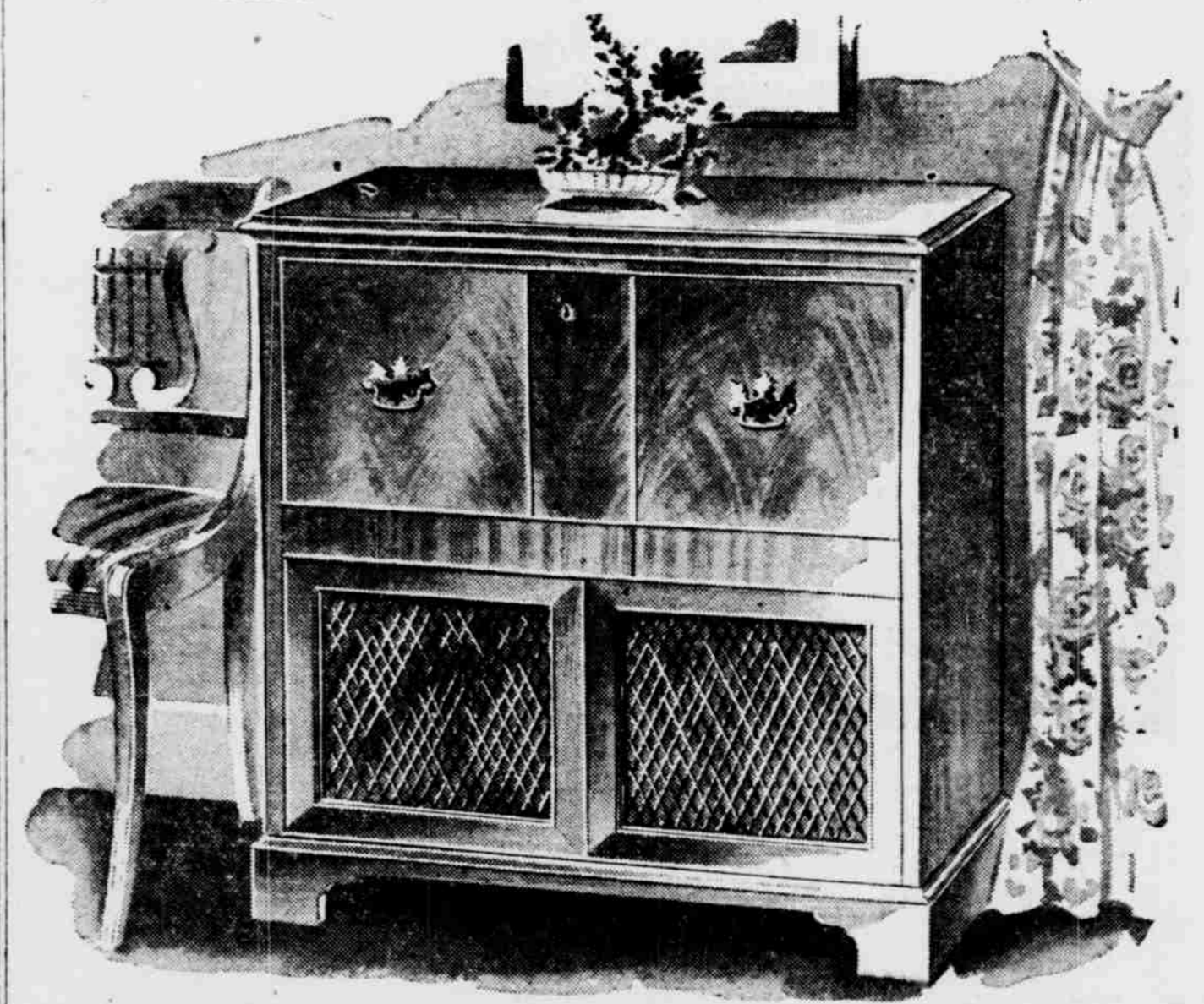
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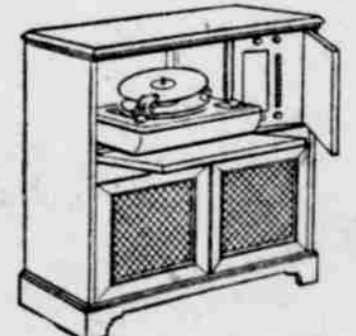
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