

**DEATH MARCHER**



Charged with condoning the notorious death march on Bataan and with other atrocious war crimes, Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, above, is on trial for his life in Manila. The Jap conqueror of Bataan and Corregidor is pictured, above, behind the bars in Manila.

**\$10,000 NOVELIST**



Ruth Seid, above, 32-year-old Cleveland, O., novelist, has won the annual \$10,000 Harper & Bros. prize with her first book, "Wasteland." Miss Seid, writing under pen name of Jo Sinclair, won over an entry list of almost 700 competitors. Her book will be published February 13.

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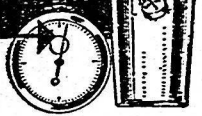
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**HALSEY GETS HIS GAL**



Adm. William F. (Bull) Halsey kisses actress Myrna Loy after serving as best man to her marriage with Commodore Gene Markey at the chapel of the Roosevelt Naval Operating Base, San Pedro, Calif. Movie producer Markey served as assistant intelligence officer on Halsey's Third Fleet staff.

**Highlights of the News**

In an address to the nation last week President Truman uttered these words of warning: "Unless we can soon meet the need of obtaining full production and full employment at home, we shall face serious consequences. . . . As industrial strife has increased. . . . I have been deeply concerned about the future."

Across the United States 400,000 persons are idle because of strikes and another 1,500,000 workers, most of them in basic industries on which the nation's economy rests, may walk out this month.

**The UNO Meets**

Delegates of fifty-one countries are meeting in London in an effort to form a "Parliament of Man." The occasion marks the opening of the General Assembly of the United Nations Organization, whose charter last June in San Francisco brought hope of a collective effort to "maintain peace and international security."

The time has now come to establish the international machinery for peace-keeping. The question in all minds is, can the nations now, in the light of their bitter experience, learn at last to work together in mutual faith and good-will?

**Hirohito De-deified**

Emperor Hirohito, in an imperial rescript (a document which is the most binding of all law for a Japanese), has renounced all claims to divinity. The rescript ordered the people to forget the "false conception that the Emperor is divine and that the Japanese people are superior to other races and fated to rule the world." The people were promised a Japanese New Deal—"elimination of misguided practices of the past," free assembly

and a Government based on public opinion.

**Peace Treaty with Siam**

Siam, an independent nation, lies between the colonial empires of Britain in Burma and France in Indo-China. It long preserved its freedom by playing on Britain and French rivalry. After Pearl Harbor Japan hurried to take possession of Siam's wealth—rice, tin and rubber—and the Thai Government, against the opposition of many of its people, declared war on Britain and the United States.

Last week Siam signed a peace treaty with Great Britain and India. The Siamese are to get rid of all Japanese in their country, pay for the physical damage they have done in British territories, and help to contribute towards the economic recovery of south-east Asia.

Siam is to be restored to full sovereign independence. No rights nor territories of hers are sought by Britain which is not "imposing" peace terms but freely negotiating them without threat of force.

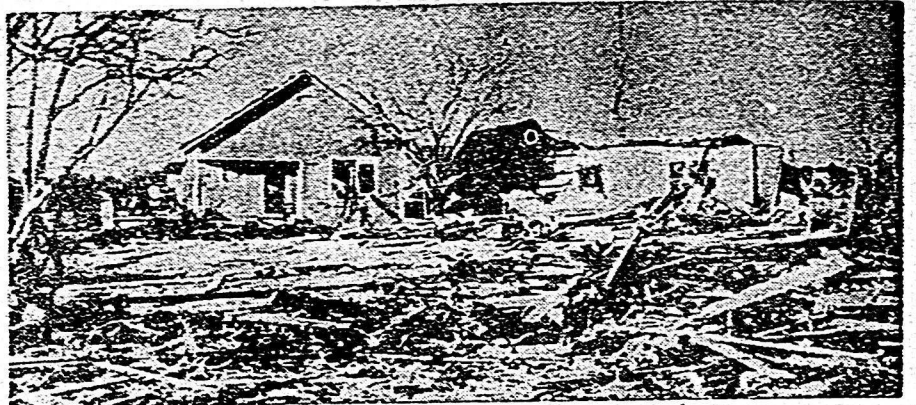
**Record Price Paid For Hereford Bull**

What was believed to be a world record price for a bull was paid by a Toronto breeder when he bought Del Zento the First for \$51,000 at Ada, Okla., last week.

The purchaser was George Rodenz who will add the animal to his Hereford herd at Stouffville, Ont.

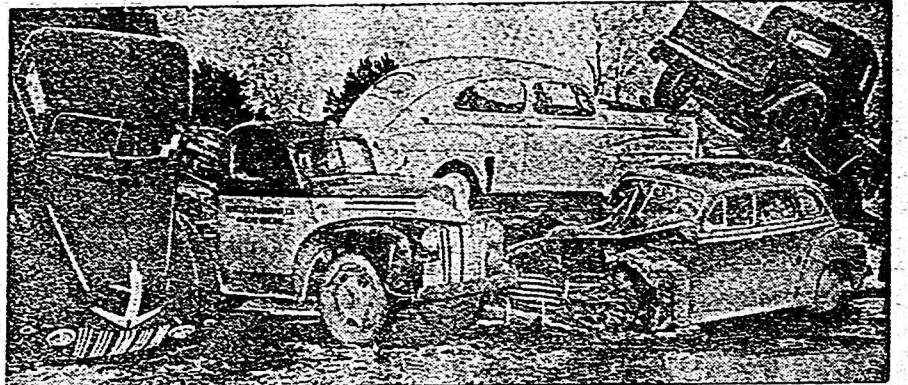
Rodenz, president of Central Ontario Transport, has been breeding Hereford cattle for the last 11 years as a hobby, which Mrs. Rodenz says is also "a paying proposition."

**TEXAS TOWN DESTROYED BY TORNADO**



Wreckage is strewn over a wide area in Palestine, Tex., hard hit by a tornado which swept East Texas, killing 28 and injuring 150. Remains of two frame houses are all that can be seen. Nacogdoches, Lufkin, and Shiloh St. Paul were other communities in which heavy damage was reported.

**COPS CALL DRIVER WHO DID THIS 'RECKLESS'**



For causing this cute little pile-up, a Terre Haute, Ind., driver was arrested for reckless driving—and the picture indicates that the cops had something there. His car (right, foreground) hit an auto transport on highway between Ottawa and Lawrence, Kan., knocked off two trucks and a passenger car the transport was carrying. Wrecking cranes spent nearly five hours clearing the road.

**MACDONALD BRIER TANKARD**



**THOMAS RENNIE**  
(Chairman) Toronto, Ont.

**SENATOR JOHN T. HAIG, K.C.**  
Winnipeg, Man.

Picture here is the Macdonald Brier Tankard and Trustees for this emblem of the Canadian single rink curling Championship. Chairman Thomas Rennie of Toronto, and Senator John T. Haig, Winnipeg, are original board members. Hon. Thane A. Campbell, P.E.I., replaces the late Col. Peter D. Lyall, Montreal. Cancelled late in 1942 to comply with Government requests for reduced war-time travel, the Brier playdowns will be resumed in Saskatoon March 4 to 7, 1946.

Play for the Brier will be preceded by the regular British Consols playdowns which determine the 10 sectional representatives. These will be staged by the various provincial curling associations, commencing late in January and continuing through the greater part of February. Without question, competition for the Macdonald Brier Tankard and the British Consols trophies has done more to foster curling in the Dominion than any other single factor. Ambition to win a provincial title and gain a berth in the Brier playdown, has spurred hundreds of curlers throughout the country to improve their curling technique. Today, Canadian curlers are generally recognized as the world's best.

**GIFT OF FARM GIVES NIAGARA HUMANE SOCIETY MORE SCOPE FOR WORK OF MERCY**



Recipient recently of a seven-acre farm, the Niagara Frontier Humane Society in Niagara Falls, Ont., has greatly expanded its facilities. Here's Gloria Raybould feeding a puppy on the new estate.

Six members of the society recently braved snowdrifts and a blizzard to rescue six horses abandoned in the Lake Erie marshes. They are now being cared for and Benjamin Schultz, head of the society, and Mrs. Ruth Simpson, a member, are feeding one of them.