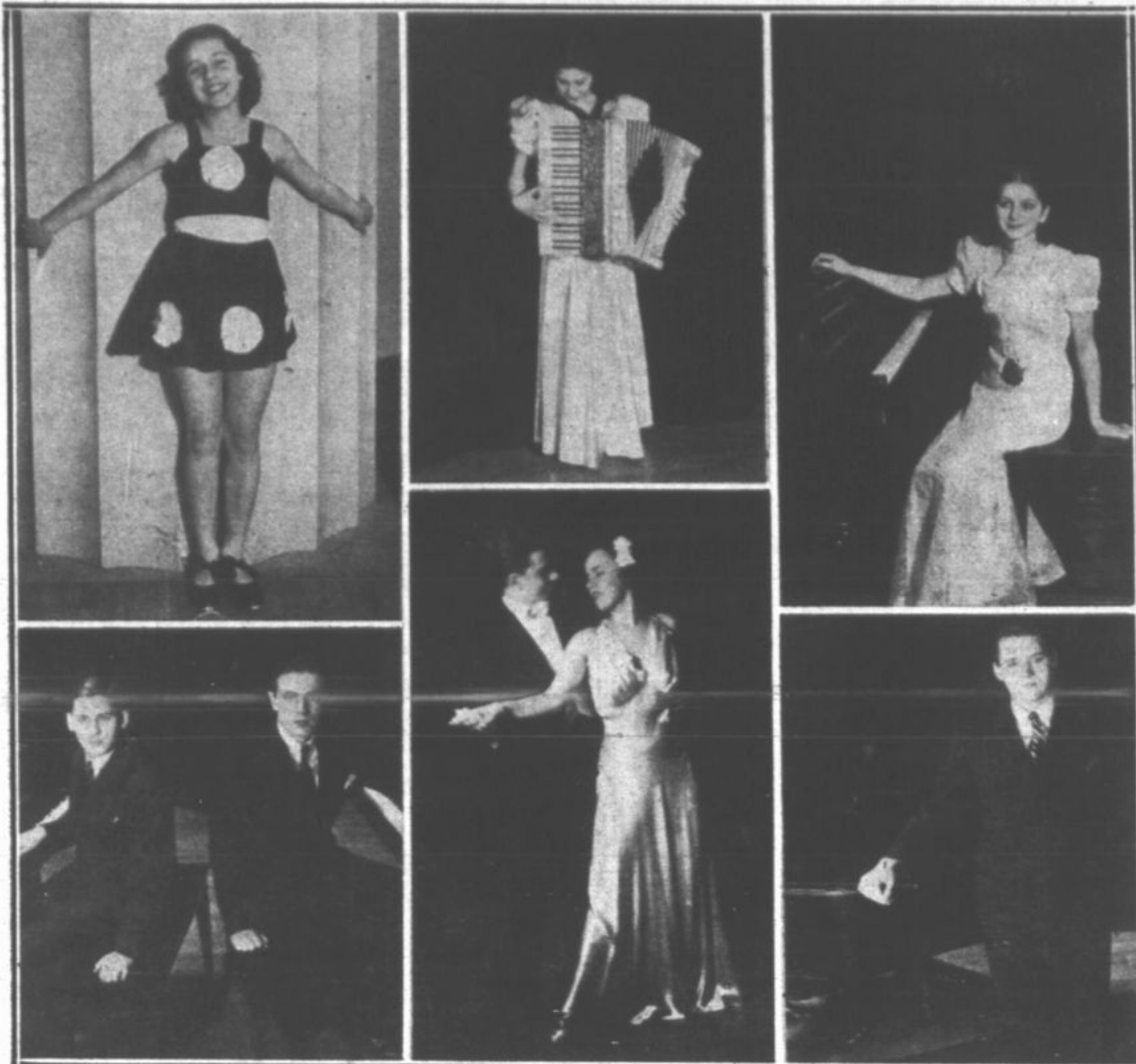


**"Stunts" in Pictures**



In the upper left hand corner, the best little tap dancer around town, Mary Cassario, is shown; in top center, Jasmine Sesso, is shown with her "Stunts" companion, her accordion; while in top left corner Eva Dinelli sits beside her musical ac-

complice, the piano. In the lower left hand corner, two talented young musicians, Bob Lundin and Newton Hoffman are shown seated for a duet; in the lower center are Shirley and Bud Pfister, who

are really going to swing out with a "Big Apple" interpretation of "Bei Mir Bist Du Schon;" and in lower right corner is Daniel Cobb who will rock the house with his "I Love Life."

**LIBRARY**

"The time has come, the walrus said, to speak of many things." The walrus spoke "of cabbages and kings" but garden enthusiasts speak of spading and planting and planning. The Highland Park Public Library is featuring a display of garden books in the cases near the library entrance. Additional books on both the vegetable and the flower garden will be found on the shelves of the library. The following list is representative of the many volumes on the subject which may be borrowed from the Library:

*Garden in Color*, by Wilder.  
*Week-End Gardening*, by Patter-son.  
*Garden Design*, by Cautley.  
*Four Seasons in Your Garden*, by Wister.  
*Garden Flowers in Color*, by Stev-ens.  
*Practical Vegetable Culture*, by Wilkin-son.

*Victoria Panorama*, by Peter Quennell.  
 This book is the first pictorial survey of the Victorian age to be compiled solely through the medium of photography. The illustrations, the collection of which has covered several years, present in clear and incontestable detail a panorama of sixty years of Victorian modes and manners in high life and low, in the home and in the county, and against the slightly sinister background of the London of Dickens and Besant. Mr. Quennell provides a brilliant literary accompaniment to these illustrations. Under such headings as Family Life, Low Life and Fashion he analyzes the moral and social background to the photographs, while his chapter on London is a little masterpiece of reconstruction.

*Romance of Textiles*, by Ethel Lewis.  
 Ethel Lewis, who had one year

of research on the subject, has written "The Romance of Textiles" because there isn't any other such book available. She has found that a great many people want to know about textiles, and so she has re-corded their romantic history from the earliest days of Egypt down to the present.

*Our G-Men*, by Irving Crump and John W. Newton.

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**THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON**

By  
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 Representative 10th Congressional (North Shore) District

Washington, D. C., March 12.—In passing judgment upon the President's pending naval expansion bill we should be guided by three fundamental truths; (1) the American people do not want war, (2) the American people believe the best way to avoid war is not to become involved in foreign entanglements and conflicts, and (3) the American people believe in preparedness by maintaining an adequate national defense. Every Member of Congress should analyze the armament situation and the proposed expansion with those three principles uppermost in his mind.

It would be folly for the American people to permit her armed forces to become obsolete and inadequate. We must at all times take care that we are sufficiently prepared to defend ourselves against foreign aggression. We must be realists and not be carried away by any ideologies.

But it would also be folly for the American people to set about constructing a naval force beyond our defensive needs. Excessive armaments not only represent an economic loss but also become instruments of aggression. A naval force too large can be as dangerous as a naval force too small. The former encourages unnecessary activity in foreign waters and the latter invites activity in home waters.

The question is, where is the line to be drawn between "necessary" and "excessive." Where is the point at which a navy becomes, by virtue of its nature and size, an instrument for aggression rather than solely an instrument for defense? It is by no means an easy question to answer. Yet it is precisely the question raised by the pending naval expansion bill.

Whenever the heads of any Government propose to enlarge their armed forces they invariably try to convince the people that the enlargement is necessary for the maintenance of an adequate national defense. Time and again that argument has been employed in practically every legislature throughout the world in getting larger and larger appropriations. And the necessity is shown by building up in the minds of the people fears, suspicions, mistrust and visions of attacks upon them.

As a matter of fact, the same argument is employed in every war that has ever been fought. Is it not true that Germany claimed she was fighting a "defensive war"? Was not the same contention made by the Allied Powers? Is it not true that Japan insisted that her taking of Manchuria and subsequent entrance into China proper has been for "self-defense"?

And so, when the Administration proposes an enlargement of our armed forces on the ground of "self-defense," the proposal is not to be accepted at its face value. Rather it behooves us to make a painstaking analysis of the bill itself, together with the events and circum-

stances leading up to the recommendation. We must exercise care not to be carried away by "idealism" or by unfounded visions of an attack upon us.

This is the attitude I would urge the American people to take in reaching an opinion on the proposed \$1,121,000,000 addition to our navy. I am personally convinced that if such an approach is made to the subject the conclusion will inevitably be that the pending bill was not proposed for the alleged purpose of "self-defense." That is a deliberate camouflage! On the contrary, this proposed addition to the navy is designed as an instrument of power diplomacy to be exercised in cooperation with Great Britain on the Wilsonian theory of "collective security."

It is impossible here to enumerate all the facts and circumstances that make this clear as the undisclosed purpose of the President. Perhaps a few questions will provoke thought on what really lies behind the bill.

1. Under the Vinson-Trammell Act of 1924 a \$4 billion naval program was authorized, which has not been completed. Why should another billion dollars be added at this time?
2. Eleven new battleships have already been authorized, and why does the President desire authorization for three more when a battleship is designed for operation in foreign waters?
3. Why does the bill emphasize the battleship, which is essentially an instrument of aggression, over aircraft, which is essentially an instrument of defense?
4. Why does the President always refuse to explain what he meant by speaking of "quarantines" through cooperation?
5. Why does the President refuse to deny categorically that he has an "understanding" with Great Britain? Why the secrecy?
6. Why did the President recommend this bill because of a "threat to world peace and security" rather than because of a "threat" to our own peace and security?
7. Does the President, who was Assistant Secretary of Navy under Woodrow Wilson, have the same foreign policy in mind that President Wilson advanced?

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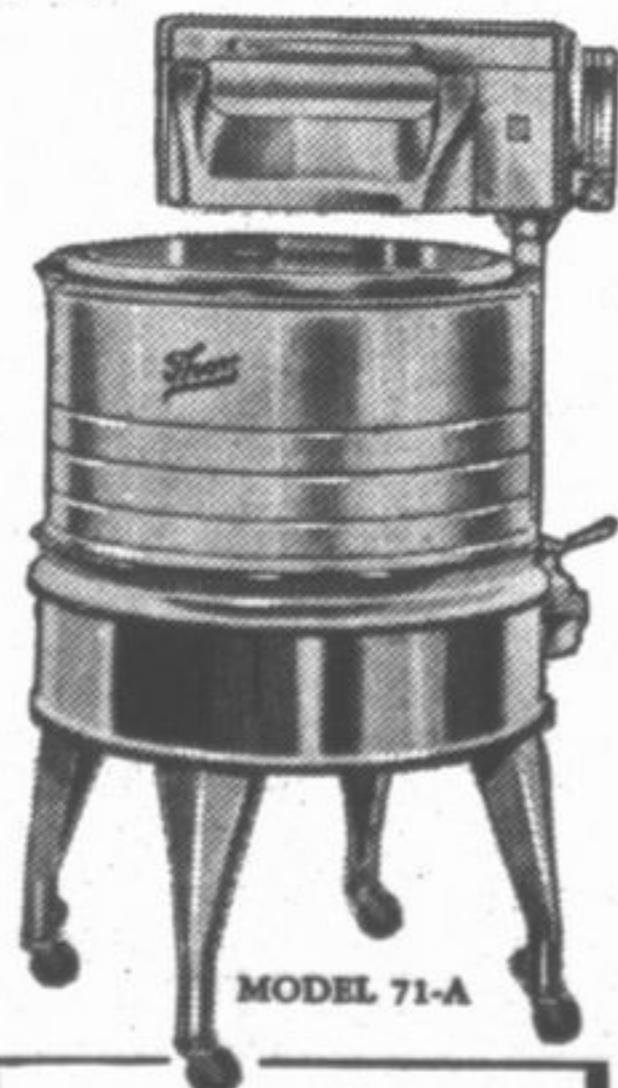
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