

U. S. TO GUARD ARMY'S HEALTH

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By DAVID DIETZ
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His Ship Sunk

Power & Light Foreman Served on Frank In World War I.

NEWS OF THE sinking of the Royal T. Frank, an Army transport, comes as a personal loss to Morris Weber.

Mr. Weber served aboard the ship in the First World War. It was then used as a mine planter, and Mr. Weber, a fireman, helped keep the steam up in its boilers for 15 months.

Loss of the Royal T. Frank after an encounter with a Japanese submarine in Hawaiian waters, and the consequent loss of 29 American lives, was announced recently by the War Department.

A fireman before 1917, Mr. Weber became a soldier and went to sea as a fireman. The Royal T. Frank was under the jurisdiction of the Coast Artillery Corps. It was named by six Coast Artillery officers and a crew of 42 enlisted men—all soldiers.

Mr. Weber, still a fireman, works for the Indianapolis Power & Light Co.

"I have been a fireman for more than 30 years," he says. "Yes, I guess I have developed muscles on my arms by pitching coal."

"But the work isn't so hard these days. We use automatic stokers."

Mr. Weber, a member of American Legion Post 300, lives at 1326 N. Alabama St.

SUBS IN NORWAY HAMPER BRITISH

U-Boat Bases in Path of Ships Carrying Supplies For Russia.

By WILLIAM H. STONEMAN
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LONDON, Feb. 12.—The failure of the Allies to do anything about northern Norway during the dark winter months has raised a serious problem with regard to shipments of war materials to Russia this coming spring.

With U-boat and air bases in northern Norway, the Germans are able to maintain a strangle hold on the sea routes leading into Archangel and Murmansk when the long days begin.

The inability of the Allies to drive the Germans out during the winter months was due largely to lack of shipping, a large amount of which would probably be lost in any expedition northward.

2-Year Delay Possible

The shipping situation is now so serious and Allied commitments elsewhere so great that a really serious attempt to drive the Germans from Norway may be delayed a year or even two years.

Unofficial experts suggest that this interval should be employed to train a specialized striking force of Alpine, Commando and parachute troops and that this should be done in the United States. Norwegian forces in the United Kingdom contain hundreds of expert skiers intimately acquainted with the Norwegian terrain and capable of training others.

It is suggested that these men should immediately be shipped to the United States where they could form a nucleus of several shock divisions.

OFFICERS RENAMED BY CITY PARK BOARD

Jackie W. Joseph was re-elected Park Board president, Albert Gisler was renamed vice president and Miss Mary E. Griffin was re-elected secretary at the annual meeting yesterday.

The measure provides for enlistment of a paid uniformed, volunteer force composed of women between the ages of 21 and 45.

DISTRICT 8 MINING LEADERS SCAN PACT

BRAZIL, Ind., Feb. 12 (U. P.)—A joint scale committee of block coal operators and officials of the United Mine Workers (C. I. O.) District Eight, conferred here today preparatory to application of the Appalachian contract on a permanent basis to the district field.

The district has been operating since last April under a temporary agreement, which, however, granted the same increases provided in the Appalachian contract.

Representing the union were District Eight officials Thomas Rae, president; Rainey Williams, vice president; Jacob Luther, secretary, and delegates from each local. Operators on the committee included David Aten, James Cunningham, Leo Girtin, Hampton Rockhill and Michael Scollard, secretary of the Indiana Truck Mine Operators.

She is Mrs. D. E. Dunbar, wife of a crippled veteran of World War I and mother of two sons—one of whom will be eligible for the next draft.

"So you see, I've got plenty to interest me in war—and incendiary bombs," she smiled.

Mrs. Dunbar is war-worried.

Sometimes, she said, it gets so bad she's can't sleep from thinking about all the killing and

Housewife Seeks Patent on Bomb-Snuffer: Brooms, Bailing Wire Among Ingredients

By NED ROBERTS
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ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 12.—A white-haired, plump and pleasant Atlanta housewife tucked her "dream invention"—a bomb-snuffer built of broomsticks, baling wire, sheet iron and rock wool—under her arm and set out for Washington today.

She is Mrs. D. E. Dunbar, wife of a crippled veteran of World War I and mother of two sons—one of whom will be eligible for the next draft.

"I only had one old broom in the house. I had to buy another so I'd have two like I needed.

Then my boys got me some sheet iron and some wire and that rock wool stuff.

"That rock wool stuff. That's not going to do though, except for a working model. You see,

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find something else."

bloodshed and destruction. And when she does sleep, she dreams about it.

One night, about a month ago, she awoke with a start out of one of those dreams—"and there was the idea for the bomb-snuffer, right in my head," she said.

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George, 13, and Edward, 20, will be "a big help when we get the snuffer all patented and into production," Mrs. Dunbar said. She asked that details of her device be kept secret, because "the patent isn't all fixed yet."

"That's why I'm going to Washington, partly," she said, "and some other ideas."

She wouldn't discuss her other ideas, save to reveal that one concerned another device for combating bombs—this one made from a mixing bowl.

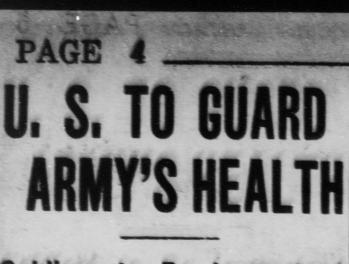
"If we've got to fight this war on the home front," she pointed out, "we might as well use home materials. Maybe us women-folk can win the war with our kitchen ware."

HALIFAX PLEADS FOR LONG PARTNERSHIP

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 12. (U. P.)—Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to Washington, memorialized Lincoln's birthday today with the declaration that the partnership between Great Britain and the United States is "too precious to each of us and to the whole world to be dissolved again as it once was before."

"If this belief is in the thought of the American people, as I am sure it is in the thought of the British Commonwealth," Lord Halifax said, "then I do not hesitate to say that an even greater good is in the making than that which Lincoln secured by his fight to save the Union."

"If we can hold together, as I trust we shall, the world can take fresh heart."



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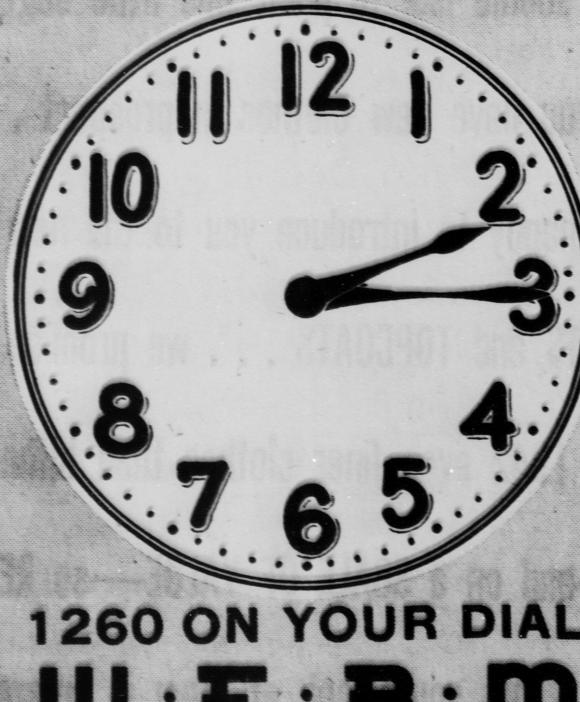
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