

BERGT. HILL DEFENDS HIMSELF RESENTS BENSON'S CENSURE

Uticans Are Saved When Ships Collide And One Goes Down

Mr. and Mrs. Fordyce M. Clark Have Thrilling Experience in New York Bay—Spend Eight Hours in Small Boat—Lose Their Baggage—Will Return Home at Once.

Safe in a New York City hotel... The Algonquin, bound for Miami and Galveston, Texas, with 198 passengers and 165 sailors, anchored for the night near Ambrose light-ship. It was not seriously damaged.

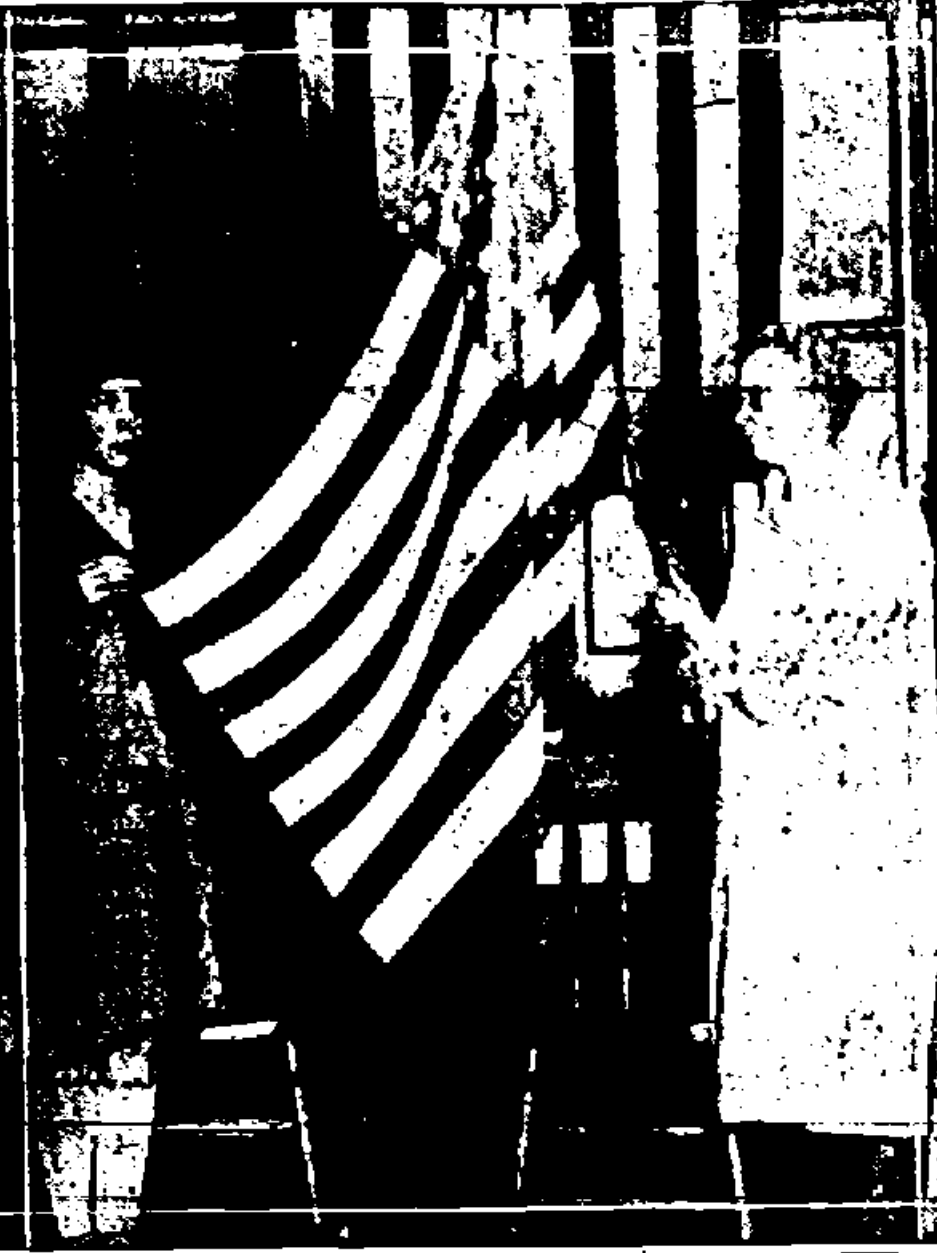
Deaths and Funerals Mrs. Joseph Inhoff Mrs. Louise Inhoff, 75, wife of Joseph Inhoff, died suddenly at 12:01 last night at her home at 1211 Erie Street.

CROSSING PLAN TO BE PUT UP TO RAIL MEN

City Engineer Goes to Albany and New York to Urge Construction at Park Avenue.

City Engineer R. R. Cookinham left this afternoon for Albany and New York to endeavor to secure assurance that the Park Avenue overcrossing of the New York Central Railroad will be constructed during the coming year.

Thistle Troop Gets Flag



Mrs. Catherine Calhoun, right, patriotic instructor of H. H. Winchell Camp, No. 48, Sons of Union Veterans, Auxiliary, is shown presenting a flag to Miss Lois Herman, color sergeant of Thistle Troop of Girl Scouts, at Bethany Church, who accepts it for the troop.

WILL CONDUCT CROUSE HUNT FROM OFFICE

High Water Hampers Search of Mohawk River—Buffalo Police Asked to Investigate Tip.

Search for Mrs. Beecher M. Crouse, missing Uticana, which has been directed since her disappearance Nov. 15 from the Crouse home, 1418 Genesee Street, was being conducted today from a downtown office.

Detective Protests Attempt to 'Muzzle' Police Department

Hill Says Ban Upon Giving of Information Surpasses Anything He Has Known in His 31 Years Service—Denies He Intended to Criticize Bureau Unfavorably.

Resentment over the censure directed at him publicly by Richard T. Benson, commissioner of public safety, was expressed today by Detective Sergt. David Hill.

Nevada Bar Makes New Move Against Riccardi's License

Special to The Observer-Dispatch Reno—Another step has been taken in the complicated procedure to prevent C. Vincent Riccardi, former Utican, from practicing law in the State of Nevada.

FEDERAL MEN GIVEN STORY OF CAFE FIGHT

Because of a report that a fist fight followed an attempt of a young man to carry out a bet that he could drink seven bottles of home brew in seven minutes, local dry agents are now investigating the activities of a local cafe.

Girl and Man Get Slight Hurts in Auto Accidents

A 4-year-old girl and a man are among the latest Utica automobile accident casualties, according to reports to the police.

UTICA CO. IN MERGER WITH 19 CONCERNS

A Utica electrical supply company is part of a merger announced today involving 19 wholesale concerns in 60 cities during an annual business of \$50,000,000.

Driver and Truck Escape When Fence Prevents Accident

Cable fence on the state highway at the Bates Canal, near Cay's Corners, prevented an accident this morning.

St. Francis' Pupils Will Give Benson's Mystery Play Here

Tomorrow afternoon in the auditorium of St. Francis de Sales High School, pupils will stage Robert Hugh Benson's "Mystery Play."

Musical Program Given at Meeting of C-Y Club Today

A musical program featured the Christmas meeting of the C. Y. Club at the Y. M. C. A. this morning.

Boys' Bureau Director to Give Series of Addresses in Utica Starting Jan. 27

A series of talks on vocational, educational, and avocational guidance will be given here starting Jan. 27 by Adam Puffer, director of the Boston Boys' Bureau at Boston, Mass.

Social and Personal NAMES MASTER AT ELECTION IN MASONIC LODGE

Under unusually pleasant circumstances, Arthur I. Abelson became the master of Moriah Lodge, No. 111, F. & A. M. Nominating by his father, Barney Abelson, who was Moriah Lodge's master when it was chartered in 1842.

Alhambra Chapter of Utica to Hold Annual Christmas Tree Party

The annual Christmas tree party of Santa Fe Caravan No. 46, Order of Alhambra, will be held at Hotel Martin tonight.

Army of License Plates Waiting For Final Rush

License plates must be issued at the rate of 4,000 per day in this county if all motorists have their

BOYS TO FACE DELINQUENCY CHARGES HERE

Two boys held for taking pocket-books from downtown offices are scheduled to face charges of juvenile delinquency in Children's Court tomorrow afternoon.

Train Taking Army's Gridders to Coast Passes Through Here

A deluxe special train bearing 112 members and officials of the Army's football squad bound for California will pass through here tonight.

ALCOHOL 12% EX. MALT TONIC STILL AVAILABLE Sold Only at Drug Stores

Odd Fellows Pick William Dixon as New Noble Grand

William Dixon heads the staff of Schuyler Lodge, No. 141, I. O. O. F., as noble grand, having been chosen at the annual meeting of the lodge held last night in Odd Fellows' Temple.

Toys Repaired by Simpson Will Be Distributed Soon

Nearly 100 toys which have been repaired by the firm of O. S. Engler-House will be on display in one of the stores in the Stanley Block tomorrow.

Business Briefs Charles G. Brainerd Jr. as Peter W. Eyster of Utica has received word from home office of the Travelers Insurance Company, Hartford, Conn., which they represent here, of their great qualification for membership in the company's club.

An Excellent Christmas Gift

Why not give a year's subscription to both Daily and Sunday Observer in a daily reminder of your gift and a gift for your gift day in the year. Possibly there is a closer relative or friend who would appreciate such a gift more than you.