

PICCARDS PREPARE—Dr. Jean Piccard (left), stratosphere flier, and his wife examine at Minneapolis, Minn., a new window he has designed for a stratosphere gondola in which the two plan to make another stratosphere flight.

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Bumper Crops Predicted For U. S. This Year

WASHINGTON, (AP)—This country is well on its way toward its sixth consecutive bumper harvest.

In fact, the Agriculture Department, in its latest monthly crop report said the current outlook for total farm production has seldom been surpassed.

The report says that conditions prevailing July 1, indicated a record corn crop, near-record crops of wheat, oats, potatoes and rice, and large crops of vegetables and most fruits.

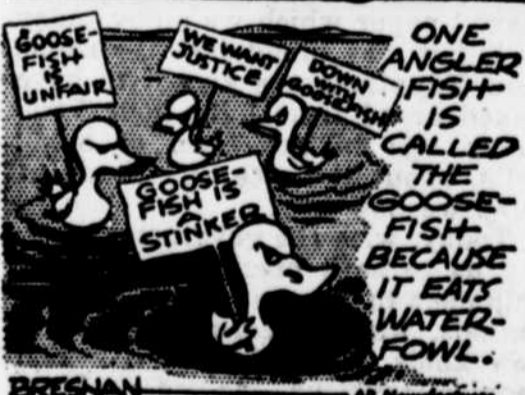
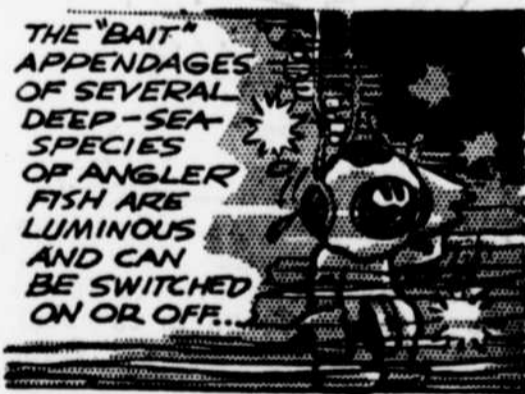
The outlook on grains was particularly gratifying to food officials, because supplies have been largely depleted in meeting foreign relief demands and in feeding a near-record livestock population.

If the grain crops turn out as now indicated, the nation will be in a position to carry out its commitments to send 250,000,000 bushels of wheat to shortage areas during the next 12 months and still maintain production of livestock products—meats, milk, eggs and poultry—at levels near those of the past year.

TRUE ENOUGH



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Lighter breath

Oxygen for high-flying aviators is kept under high pressure in heavy metal cylinders. In a new attempt to cut down the extra weight, experiments have been made at Toronto University with liquid oxygen, which needs no pressure, no heavy containers.

The trick is to keep the liquid oxygen from evaporation, since it boils at a temperature of -297° F.

"Ike," Nimitz Receive Degrees



CAMBRIDGE, MASS. — (Soundphoto) — Recipients of honorary degrees conferred by Pres. James B. Conant at the Harvard Commencement exercises are, left to right, Admiral Chester Nimitz, Doctor of Laws; Byron Price of Hollywood, Calif., War Time Censor Master of Arts; Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Doctor of Laws, and Pres. James B. Conant of Harvard.

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