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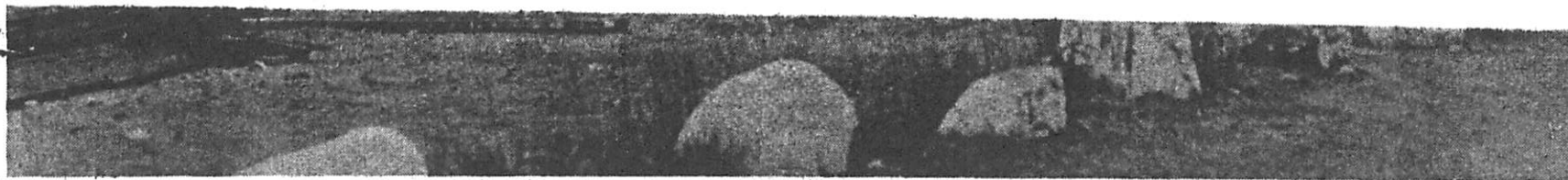
Templeton's offered two aluminum pans of one and two-quart capacities for 98 cents a set.

In a full-page ad, Ford Motor Co. announced reductions in its car prices of from \$5 to \$25, except for the Roadster and the Phaeton which would still sell for \$435 and \$440 respectively.

At the request of the Veterans' Memorial Day Committee, the Board of Aldermen appointed a committee to raise money for repairs to the World War honor roll.

Buffeted by head winds, Gus Graf, veteran pilot and parachutist, landed in Miami, Fla., after a 1,400 mile, non-stop flight from Bethany Airport in his homebuilt plane. The flight was one of the longest ever made in a small plane.

COVER: Asa Hopkins clock face, circa 1815, a painted tin tray and a red and gilt chest are among the items in the "Three Centuries of Connecticut Folk Art," exhibit that opens Wednesday at the Litchfield Historical Society and the nearby Oliver Wolcott Library. The exhibit will continue through July 12.—Joseph Dzaszfai photo



BARRACKS for Waterbury's unemployed, homeless men were constructed with federal funds near Brookside Home in August 1934. These carpenters stopped working to be photographed. Brookside Home, off Brookside Road, was called "Waterbury's poorhouse."

Yesterday's headlines

From the files of The Republican
From Sept. 24 through 30

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Informal ground-breaking ceremonies were held at Middlebury's Preston Hill for the new Uniroyal multi-million-dollar management and research center.

In an unprecedented move, Circuit Court Judge Rodney S. Eielson called about 140 cases listed for jury trials in Waterbury which resulted in the disposition of most cases and the arrest of nine defendants who failed to answer in court.

Waterbury's Board of Education approved a \$29-million bond issue to finance the construction of a controversial middle school system.

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Mayor Raymond E. Snyder appointed an eight-man tax committee to determine the advisability of a Waterbury property revaluation.

Speaking to the Purchasing Agents Association

of Connecticut in Waterbury, Herman W. Steinkraus, Bridgeport industrialist, predicted that American industry will be up against "terrific competition" from European manufacturers within five years.

William J. Pape, publisher, pressed the button to set off the publication of the first run of The Republican and The American in the old Railroad Station.

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Many New England cities are worse off than Waterbury in regard to slums, said Edward B. Murphy, housing survey director from Newtown, Mass., in an address to the Waterbury Real Estate Board.

More than 500 friends feted William P. (Hank) O'Donnell, sports editor of The Republican, at Waverly Inn, Cheshire, on his 25th year in newspaper work.

Emma L. Bailey, 96, of Cedar Mountain Home, Thomaston, was made a voter, having moved to Thomaston from Waterbury.

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Alice Day and Arthur Lubin, Hollywood actress and actor, began work with motion picture technicians on synchronization of sounds for a movie, "Times Square," at the Bristol Studios in Platts Mills.

A beautiful parkway through Chase Park to Highland Avenue from Riverside Drive was being built with funds from the Chase family, it was revealed at a Board of Works meeting.

Gus Graf, 25, pioneer pilot, established a new world's altitude record for aircraft with motors less than 100 horsepower by flying 17,500 feet over Long Island in his biplane which he built in his Waterbury home.

COVER: Though some rural scenes in Connecticut have remained fundamentally unchanged in centuries, drastic changes have been taking place in the state's agricultural picture. The consumer's diet and pocketbook have been directly affected.