

GODDARD AND CHAPLIN SPLIT . . . A. P. Wirephotos

PAULETTE IS MUM



IN NEW YORK LAST NIGHT Nightclubbing, Paulette Goddard, the motion picture actress, declined to talk about published reports that she had obtained a Mexican divorce from Charlie Chaplin. Miss Goddard said merely that she was celebrating her birthday. She didn't specify the birthday, either. Her escorts were Woolworth Donahue of the dime-store clan and Winston Guest, the polo player. Chaplin's whereabouts was not disclosed. A Mexico judge today confirmed the divorce reports.—A. P. wirephoto.

NYLON 'CHUTE TESTER



IN HARTFORD, CONN. Miss Adeline Gray, 24 years old, who rises parachutes for the Pioneer Parachute Company, was to jump 2,000 feet today in a test of a 'chute made of nylon. It is to be the first "live" jump, although dummy weights have been used by previous tests. Miss Gray plans to look her prettiest as she bails out.—A. P. wirephoto.

UTES IN MEXICO FOR TORPEDO VICTIM



IN MEXICO CITY YESTERDAY The mother of Seaman Rudolfo Chackon, who died after the Mexican ship Portrero Del Llano was torpedoed by a submarine, weeps at his funeral. The torpedoing was one of the chief causes for Mexico's declaration of war against the Axis.—A. P. wirephoto.

EL PASO, Tex., June 4.—(AP)—Paulette Goddard will be awarded a divorce decree late today from Charles Chaplin, Judge Javier Rosas Ceballos of the Mexican Civil Court at Juarez announced.

Judge Ceballos' announcement confirmed rumors of a parting of the ways between two of "movie-land's" best-known figures. Miss Goddard had been a visitor in El Paso last week, but refused to discuss reports that she had applied for a divorce.

The degree was to become final at noon.

The divorce petition, presented only yesterday afternoon, disclosed the couple were married early in June, 1936, in Canton, China, and stated they separated in February of 1940.

Miss Goddard stated as her grounds "incompatibility" and separation of more than a year.

Chaplin, in answer, denied the charges but consented to award of the decree.

Miss Goddard's petition, in stating the marriage took place in China, did not reveal the date other than "the first week in June, 1936." This was the first disclosure of the time and place of the ceremony.

Close secrecy surrounded the plans of the actress. Last week, while en route to New York, she stopped over in El Paso for several days. A "bad cold" was advanced as the reason.

Announcement of the impending divorce by Judge Ceballos indicated the stopoff was to establish legal residence in Mexico in order to prepare the divorce petition.

Juarez, just across the Rio Grande from El Paso, long has been a popular divorce spot.

Miss Goddard celebrated her birthday in New York last night with Woolworth Donahue and Winston Guest at a night club, but said she had no statement to make.

SIESTA IN THE DESERT



THRILL TIME Crew of a long-range desert group vehicle, which scouts the Libyan sands in reconnaissance for the British Africa Command, relaxes at siesta time with the latest in thrill and political literature. The chap in the foreground is a sub-lieutenant, son of a famed general, who is gunner and navigator of the unit. Weston Haynes, Associated Press photographer, who made the picture, said the officer is "crazy about American thrill stories."—A. P. wirephoto.

MEXICO CITY, June 4.—(AP)—President Manuel Avila Camacho promised last night that his government would leave nothing undone to hasten the triumph of the United Nations over the Axis powers but reiterated that Mexican troops would not be sent outside the Western Hemisphere.

In a nationwide broadcast, the chief executive warned his people that victory depended on absolute unity and emphasized the need of stepping up production in industry and agriculture.

The president declared that mobilization of civilian manpower would be necessary to win the "battle of production" and cautioned that interference with Mexico's all-out effort would not be tolerated.

Extreme measures, Avila Camacho said, may be needed in some cases to combat fifth columnists, but he promised that the extraordinary powers granted him by congress would be used only against enemies of the country and that loyal Mexicans need fear no infringement of their rights.

The president said that the nation's armed forces were ready, and added:

"I can affirm with enthusiasm that the Mexican army will do its whole duty."

Development of abandoned or mismanaged rubber plantations is the object of a Belgian agricultural mission which has headquarters at Leopoldville, Belgium Congo. The mission has the backing of an appeal by the Governor-General urging all possible support for this move.

The Confederation of Mexican Workers sent a protest to the President of Mexico against cornering by business men of the entire rice crop, consisting of 72,000 sacks, of the Yaqui Valley.

REPUBLIC TO AVENGE HER DEAD



IN MEXICO CITY Survivors of the Mexican ship Portrero Del Llano, torpedoed by a submarine, stand with President Avila Camacho (center) and Senora Avila Camacho (in dark dress) on the palace balcony during a demonstration protesting the offense against Mexican neutrality that led to a declaration of war Monday on the Axis.—A. P. wirephoto.

YANK TANK DRIVER GETS DRINK



IN NORTHERN IRELAND After roaring through the countryside on battle maneuvers, an American tank crew pulls up in front of a typical Northern Ireland farm house and the farmer's wife gives the driver a drink while the children loog bug-eyed at the big fighting machine. Blank spotches on the picture are official censor marks hiding technical details from the enemy.—A. P. wirephoto.

Police Recover Watch, Stolen 13 Years Ago

WILMINGTON, Del., June 4.—(AP)—Alvin Hubbard's watch was stolen 13 years ago. He just has recovered it via Detective Robert Wallace, who said a man who

pawned it had bought it from a paroled convict, who had acquired it from another prisoner, who died in a Columbus, Ohio, prison fire.

COLUMBUS, S. C.—"Please take my husband into the service. He wants to fight all the time and I am not able to..."

Richland County Selective Service Board No. 68, recipient of the plea, immediately began a review of the husband's case.

ALBUQUERQUE.—Two suspected Army deserters escaped from the Albuquerque Air Base guard house, taking an automatic shotgun and an Army truck.

A Santa Fe Railway guard spotted them on the railroad right of way. Slicing his dog onto the fugitives, the guard waited until the soldiers wasted their three shells on the animal, then took them prisoner.

SUN VALLEY, Idaho.—Dolores Hogstrom, fishing at Magic Dam, pulled in a trout and her hook had never touched the fish. It had swallowed a previous angler's hook, broken his line, and still had another hook and piece of leader dangling from its mouth.

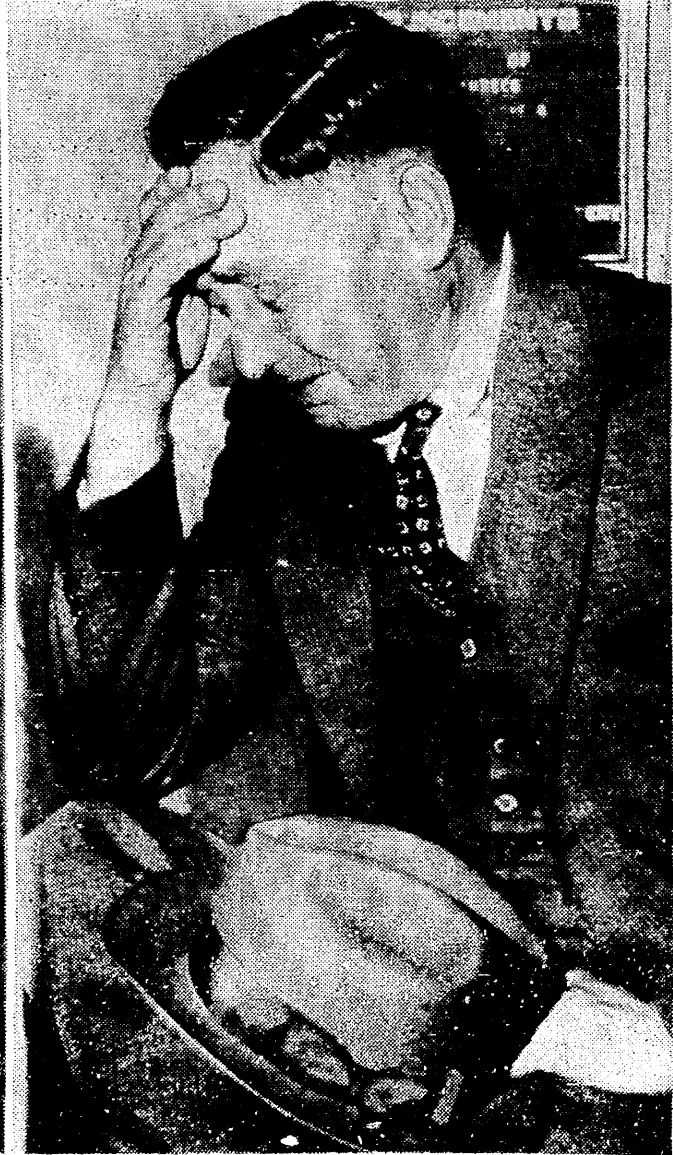
The free hook caught on the girl's hook, and the poor fish didn't have a chance.

ALDEN, Kas.—George Ross went out to his garden for some spinach. He came back with a 16-pound catfish.

The fish had been dumped in a low spot in the garden by the receding Arkansas River.



IN CHICAGO YESTERDAY Leonard Sokolowski, 10 years old (left), questioned about discharging the weapon which killed his 4-year-old neighbor, John



Nuter, weeps at the inquest. John Nuter (right), father of the victim, also gives way to emotion as coroner's jury decides shooting was accidental.—A. P. wirephoto.