



CHURCH AND STEEPLE ARE PARTED

A church steeple lays 60 feet from the church in Franklin, Louisiana. It was blown there by the winds of Hurricane Filda Sunday. Loss from the storm was estimated to be in millions of dollars. The storm was a blow for at least 30 deaths.

# Giant Industrial Empires In Japan Stage Comeback

By ARIO OGAWA

TOKYO (AP)—Japan's giant industrial empires, which the United States occupation forces disbanded as undemocratic after the Second World War, are staging a vigorous comeback.

The shadows they cast on Japanese industry are almost as huge as they were two decades ago, although minor industrial groups have emerged in the post-war years.

The two decades, however, have brought about some changes.

Managing systems at the top especially have undergone drastic changes—from "family dictatorship" to "consultations" among top executives.

Until the end of the war, a handful of families, merchants by origin, held tight control of Japanese industry.

Outstanding among them were names like Iwasaki, Matsui and Sumitomo. The Iwasakis were better known as "Mitsubishi" (three diamonds)—the brand carried by scores of corporations directed by the family.

In the latter part of the 1940s, each of the three families began to build up a cluster of corporations. Each covered almost every branch of business—banking, insurance, chemical, textile, electric, machinery, shipbuilding and shipping.

The government gave the families every aid in an effort to catch up with advanced Western nations, especially in heavy industry.

**COPIED WEST**

The government built factories copying those in Western countries and gave them to the privileged families for almost nothing.

These powerful families later came to be known as "Zaibatsu families" and the corporations gathered under their control were called "Zaibatsu corporations."

The Zaibatsu installed their members as the highest executives of other firms and held enough shares, in some cases up to 100 per cent, to control them.

By the time Japan bowed to the Allied forces in 1945, Mitsui controlled 200 firms, Sumitomo directed 120 and the Iwasakis

disbanded corporations have re-emerged.

The most conspicuous was the rebuilt last June of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries.

Three firms—Shin Mitsubishi Shipping and Engineering—merged into what they were before the war, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries.

The new firm enjoys 63 per cent of the market in paper-making machinery, 46 per cent in boilers for power plants, 40 per cent in boilers for factories, 28 per cent in shipbuilding, all the biggest shares in Japan.

Earlier this year, another disbanded firm, Mitsubishi Shoji (Trade), staged a spectacular comeback. Its annual sales total close to \$3,000,000,000, equivalent to one-third of Japan's national budget. The firm's branches are scattered the world over.

**FOLLOW LEADER**

The Mitsui and Sumitomo groups have also followed Mitsubishi's suit on a bit smaller scale and with a slower tempo.

Last May, the Japanese had an opportunity to see just how far the giant economic groups have come back.

Top executives of each group closeted themselves for trade talks with Soviet Deputy Premier A. I. Mikoyan who was here on a two week visit as a leader of a Soviet parliamentary delegation. One after another, each group sounded out the Kremlin official on trade opportunities in the Soviet Union.

Newspapers front-paged the meetings as epoch-making in that the big firms were showing their unity in public and also

# PROs To Be Dropped From Most Formations

By DAVE MCINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP)—Full-time armed forces public relations officers will be withdrawn from most commands, formations, stations and service colleges, defence department officials said here.

Public information officers will be maintained by the department at Halifax, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Edmonton, Vancouver, the Infantry Brigade in West Germany, RCAF Air Division in Europe, North American Air Defence Command at Colorado Springs, Colo., Northern NORAD region at North Bay, Ont., and with the Canadian contingents serving with the United Nations in Cyprus and Egypt.

The move by the department to integrate its public relations organization will reduce the number of personnel to 76 from 210. Of these 76, there will be 37 armed forces officers and five civilian officials.

# Girlie Strip Clubs Close London's Oldest Nude Act

LONDON (AP)—London's girlie strip clubs have succeeded where Adolf Hitler's bombers failed. They ransacked the curtain on the city's oldest nude show, the Windmill Theatre.

Its non-stop performances during the German air raids of the Second World War earned it the proud motto "we never closed."

But where the bombs failed rival strippers have won.

Sheila Van Damm, managing director of the 22-year-old theatre, told reporters that, due to falling attendances, she has been forced to sell out to a cinema firm.

The theatre, known to hundreds of thousands of Commonwealth and U.S. servicemen for its high-kicking chorus line and statuesque nudes, will show movies after Oct. 31.

"We began to lose business almost immediately after the strip clubs opened in London in 1956," Miss Van Damm told a press conference.

**MUST STAND STILL**

"The girls in the clubs can move. As a theatre our nudes were bound by law to stand still."

Asked by a reporter why she didn't try to compete by changing into a club, Miss Van Damm said:

"I never wanted. I have nothing against strip clubs—but I would not want to do it."

Miss Van Damm refused to say how much she had been paid for the theatre by the Compton Group Limited, British film producers.

She took over the family business of running the theatre when her father died four years ago.

The rhinoceros prefers to live alone and often travels for days seeking a mate during the mating season.

30 of its 100 beds occupied.

Dr. Crawford said the new Brunswick provincial command of the Royal Canadian Legion was informed of each step of the arrangement in Saint John.

# Little Progress Is Reported In Veterans Hospital Change

OTTAWA (CP)—Dr. J. N. Crawford, director-general of treatment services for the veterans affairs department, said here little progress has been made in transferring veterans hospitals to local administration.

Dr. Crawford told the Commons veterans affairs committee that some provinces have balked at the department's requirements for retaining control over admissions so sufficient beds for veterans would be ensured.

Others have said they might be able to meet the requirements with federal financial help be added.

The director defended the aim of the policy change. Veterans hospitals were becoming unattractive as medical-teaching institutions to young interns since only five per cent of cases call for active treatment.

He said a recent check showed 31 per cent of present patients could be cared for in ignoring U.S. disapproval in dealing with the Soviet Union. The reorganized industrial empires have begun to speak up again.

# YORK

Mrs. Harry Swan has returned to her home in York after being a patient in the P.E.I. Hospital.

Mrs. James Moore, Hunter River was a recent visitor to York the guest of her granddaughter Mrs. Donald Crockett.

Mrs. Arthur Johnson, has returned to her home in York after being a patient in the P.E.I. Hospital.

Mr. Frankie Lewis, York salesman of R.T. Holman's, left by plane Sunday on a business trip to Montreal.

Friends of Miss Linda Andrews are sorry to hear that she is confined to her home through pneumonia.

Miss Patty Simpson, has returned to her home after being a patient in the P.E.I. Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John McLeenan, Glen Valley were recent visitors to York, the guest of their daughter, Mrs. Laken Lewis and Mr. Lewis.

Friends of Mrs. Richard Vessey are sorry to hear she is confined to her home through pneumonia.

# Krupp Regains Lost Big Firm Of Old Empire

ESSEN, West Germany (AP)—Alfried Krupp, sole ruler over one of Germany's biggest industrial empires, has bought back the last major firm of which he had to divest himself after the Second World War on orders of the Allies. Krupp informants reported here.

Krupp regained control of Westfälische Draht Industrie (Westphalian Wire Industries) at Hamm, one of Germany's biggest wire-makers, the sources said.

Following the Second World War, the Krupp empire was ordered broken up. Alfred Krupp was sent to prison for his firm's war-time use of foreign slave labor.

He served only a few years of a 10-year term.

After his release, he took control of what was left of his old coal and steel holdings.

Since 1953, when he was forced to divest himself of large chunks of his huge coal and steel holdings, Krupp has slowly regained control of all the major branches of his old empire.

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Registration for night classes for some academic subjects will be held in the Alberton Regional High School on Friday evening, Oct. 9 at 7:30. Sufficient numbers must enroll so that classes may be held.

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