

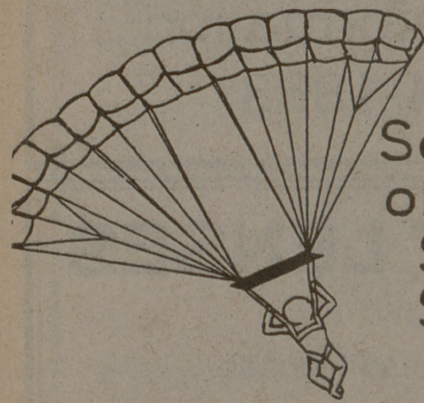
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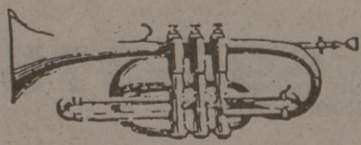
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Business managers learning from Titanic to plan for disasters

Associated Press
NEW YORK — Evidently inspired by the recent discovery of the Titanic on the Atlantic Ocean floor, many business managers and economic analysts are doing a lot of thinking about disasters, and how to avoid them.

Raymond F. DeVoe Jr., an analyst at the Wall Street firm of Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc., reported recently that he put a picture of the doomed ship in his office this summer.

It serves partly, he said, as a reminder to avoid complacency in his stock market forecasts and partly as a reminder to "beware of icebergs in the fog."

Many observers see some perilous

parallels to the 1920s in the state of the country today — problems on the farm, pressure for protectionism in international trade, the heavy debts of both the federal government and the consumer and more.

Of course, fears of an economic disaster of Titanic proportions seem always to be with us. Every recession since World War II has brought talk of something much worse, but the economy withstood the energy crisis of the 1970s, and survived a spell of severe inflation to boot.

So the ship's log attests that the American economy is indeed a formidable vessel. Nevertheless, when anyone suggests that it is unsinkable, it may be a good time to check on the lifeboats.

Mexico City quake-survivor search continues

Associated Press
MEXICO CITY — Thousands fled the city Tuesday, fearing disease from polluted water and decaying bodies. Others watched rescuers pull survivors from earthquake debris that had imprisoned them for days, praying to see relatives.

Workers dug and listened on ultra-sound equipment, specially

trained dogs sniffed and pawed in the desperate effort to find the estimated 1,500 people still buried before it is too late.

The latest official count put the death toll at 3,000 from the two major earthquakes that struck the heart of the city last Thursday and Friday.

The city government said 7,100

Faculties concerned about sick leave law

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cause, in his opinion, it can't save the state any money.

McDaniel's worry over future recruitment of professors is shared by both Wilson and Huber.

Huber said the sick leave restrictions have a negative effect on the recruiting efforts at the University of Houston and are especially serious for the young, relatively unexperienced professional universities want, most of whom have families to support.

"It doesn't seem to matter much when you first think about it," Huber said, "but anyone who hears that they won't get paid if they get sick might next ask, 'Well, if they can take away sick

leave, what will they take away next?'"

Wilson said he doesn't think the law will greatly affect recruitment at Texas Tech, but said it depends on whether or not the administration will amend existing policy.

"I'm hoping we have sense enough to write good policy," Wilson said. "It's important because it's the first question a professional asks of a new job, but hopefully when it's put back into the universities' laps, we'll all take care of it in our own way."

Representatives from many Texas colleges and universities will meet and discuss the problem Oct. 4 at the Council of Faculty Governance Organization in Austin.

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