26/8/55.

This was the terrible scene in Northern Connecticut when sudden floods transformed five peaceful American States into areas of disaster: Floods that killed many scores of people --- with many more still missing, and vast numbers rendered homeless.

At Putnam, Connecticut, a magnesium gactory exploded. Barrels of magnesium went off at intervals as they came into contact with the water; adding fire to the flood-terror

This was the gutted factory --- seen from above.

In districts from Massachussetts and Rhode Island to

Pennsylvania, rapidly rising waters did damage counted in millions

of dollars --- and left a trail of wreckage grotesque and forbidding.

CATHEDRAL PLATE.

In London --- an Exhibition of the Plate of the Roman Catholic Cathedral of Westminsters, revealed a collection of exquisite craftsmanship and historical value. An example is the Manual of Queen Mary Tudor for the blessing of rings designed to relieve the cramp.....while other treasures from past centuries include the only example of English Catholic Plate from the reign of Charles I.

Proving that the spirit of healthy competition starts young in America --- the napkin Derby at Palisades Park, New Jersey got off to a fairly good start. But one non-starter staged showdown, to show that he was a better man than the father.

Meanwhile, the other little tots went tottering off along the sixty-yard track to the finishing-line

The winner was Baby Carol --- despite a somewhat doubtful finish 3

But all that father could do to the non-starter was tell him he wouldn't grow up like Chattaway thataway