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News Flashes-Floods-

Thames Valley-- Swollen by incessant rains, Old Father Thames burst his banks for the second time in ten days- flooding Maidenhead and Windsor, among many riverside towns.

From the safety of a footbridge, one could watch the turbulent waters, sweeping along over four feet above normal.

An ugly situation- mercifully relieved by the magnificent work of the flood wardens- ~~who were~~ organised after the ~~floods of 1947~~ ^{floods of 1947}

Prisoner released-

Vancouver-- In our last issue, we showed Squadron-Leader McKenzie arriving in HongKong from his Korean ~~prison~~ ~~prison~~ ~~prison~~ prison-camp.

And now into the waiting arms of his wife, a Canadian Air Force hero returns home - the horrors of his two years' imprisonment forgotten- in the new-found joy of blissful reunion.

Santa at Hastings-

Hastings-- As the weather ^{was} ~~is~~ too wet for reindeer Santa Claus ~~xxxx~~ arrived by train at this popular resort- to launch the Yuletide festivities. But the reindeer joined him for his drive through the town.

Large crowds watched the Mayor switch on the illuminations, but if Hastings put on a Cup Giant-killing act, they'll light up the whole

Sussex Coast.