

Ice-up Ships-

Boston-- Caught in the paralysing cold that has swept the United States, ice-covered trawlers return to harbour from the Newfoundland fishing grounds.

In this temperature, the fish is delivered- already frozen.

As for the crew, well- they worked up ^{plenty of heat} ~~used sweat~~ in breaking the icy grip of winter.

Eclipse-

Formosa- Adjusting their instruments, American scientists prepare to record a solar eclipse, when the darkened moon will be framed by the sun. And here's the first phase of a phenomenon that happens only once in a lifetime.

Now for the climax- when the moon moves right between the earth and the sun.

The Chinese let off fire-crackers to repel evil spirits- during ^{a memorable} ~~this most unusual~~ ^{solar eclipse.} ~~of Nature.~~

Helicopter Lift-

California-- A 10-ton trailer rolls into place to demonstrate the lifting power of the world's biggest helicopter.

With a turn of the 130 foot blades, the huge machine (that can carry 75 troops and a tank)- soars skywards with the largest load ~~yet~~ transported by a ^{helicopter} ~~land vehicle~~.

Floods-

Also from California come these aerial pictures of the worst ~~fixed~~ flood disaster for years.

After nine days of continuous rain, large areas of the Sunshine State were inundated, and thousands ~~and~~ made homeless by the rampaging waters- had to be evacuated.

Rivers burst their banks everywhere, isolating towns and villages in a raging inland sea.

Night added to the horror, while volunteers worked desperately to stem the rising waters.

An orgy of destruction, ^{with a} ~~heavy~~ toll in lives and property ~~is~~ comparable to the San Francisco earthquake.