



ORPHANS HOPE FOR CHRISTMAS HOME—These children at the state orphan home at Waco had hopeful smiles as they heard Governor O'Daniel's plea that Texas families adopt 1,000 of them from three state homes for Christmas week, take them home and treat them as members of the family.

Operators In Local Field Ask Increase

Goldsmith Producers Seek Utilized Scheme Of Crude Control

AUSTIN, Dec. 17. (AP)—Railroad commission examiners Monday heard operators in the Howard-Glasscock field of Howard and Glasscock counties request the permissible production in the 3,000-foot sand of field's east extension be increased nine barrels per well per day because of water encroachment.

They presented test figures which showed percentages went down when the flow was regulated at that point and suggested amending field rules to permit the procedure.

AUSTIN, Dec. 17. (AP)—No protests met a suggestion of operators today to utilize lease production in the Goldsmith oil field, Ector county, and thus reduce gas production by an estimated 15,000,000 cubic feet daily.

The field's engineering committee submitted the plan at a railroad commission hearing, suggesting that high gas-oil ratio wells of a given lease be shut-in and their allowables assigned to low ratio wells which would produce the lease's entire allowable.

Calculations based on Dec. 1 allowables indicated daily gas production would drop from 43,165,000 cubic feet to 28,113,000 if the unitization was applied universally.

Proposed rules defined a unit as not more than 16 wells producing into a common tank battery and prohibited the transfer of allowables from one well to another if the wells are more than 2,310 feet apart.

Units would be 160 acres in area, rectangular in size with a length not more than twice the width.

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While The World Watches Uneasily - - German Ambassador, Petain And Laval Hold Conference

Windsors Go Back To Home In Bahamas

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 17. (AP)—The Duke and Duchess of Windsor terminate today their first visit to the United States since Edward abdicated the English throne.

Happy over the cordial reception they received here, the Windsors planned to sail at 4 p. m. (CST) aboard the yacht Southern Cross on the return trip to Nassau, where the duke will resume his duties as governor of the Bahamas.

The duchess appeared virtually recovered from the effects of a major dental operation that brought the Windsors to Miami just a week ago.

In the duchess' wardrobe on the return trip will be three or four dresses, ranging in price from \$12.50 to \$25 that she purchased here.

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French Fear Total Nazi Occupation

BERN, Switzerland, Dec. 17. (AP)—At the behest of Reichsfuehrer Hitler's representative, German Ambassador Otto Abetz, Pierre Laval rescheduled suddenly in Vichy today for a luncheon talk with Abetz and Chief of State Philippe Petain.

It was the first time the ousted vice-premier and foreign minister had been seen in Vichy since he was expelled from the French cabinet Friday night and led away under guard.

His reappearance increased the anxiety of many veteran French officials whose usual tranquility in the face of government upheavals had been upset by Abetz' own dramatic arrival yesterday with a picked Nazi guard and a German delegation.

Total German occupation of France, some observers said, may be foreshadowed in the Abetz visit—the first to Vichy of any ranking Nazi official since the armistice.

Rumors spread that the Germans want Laval, once the old marshal's own choice as his successor, back in his job. But reports reaching diplomatic quarters here said it was more likely that Abetz merely wished to hear Laval's side of the story before making any report to Hitler.

Petain, according to his aides and those who saw him, remained cool, however, in his talks with Germany's freckled, smiling ambassador, these reports said.

The chief of Petain's personal office drove out of Vichy early this morning.

Fire Damages Defense Plant

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17. (AP)—A three-alarm fire today swept the upper floor to the roof of Julien P. Friez & Sons plant manufacturer for planes, naval vessels, and the army signal corps.

The company, a division of the Bendix Aviation corporation, is engaged on government and national defense contracts totaling \$1,500,000, Julien P. Friez said.

Friez said delicate instruments valued at \$600,000 had been saved "from heavy damage by water" through tarpaulin covers, but that he could not estimate the exact damage.

Beaverbrook Warns Invasion Planned

LONDON, Dec. 17. (AP)—Lord Beaverbrook, minister of aircraft production, declared over the radio tonight that Germany "is making preparations for invasion of England before springtime by land and sea, but principally by air."

Lord Beaverbrook told Britons they were "much too confident" and added "there is no justification for over-confidence now."

Guy With The Steady Eye Is The Crook, Tests Show

HAMILTON, N. Y., Dec. 17. (AP)—In the next poker game, try being suspicious of the player with the steady-looking eyes. He is likely to be the fellow who is bluffing.

Or, in the more serious game of life, look for that kind of eye in the person you suspect of deceitfulness and lying.

This goes contrary to the common belief that a deceitful person has shifty eyes. The belief may be true for professional crooks, but some new eye tests by Dr. Frederick K. Barrien, Colgate University psychologist, show that about 75 per cent of ordinary persons steady their eyes when trying to deceive.

Forty persons have taken the tests. Half of them committed a "laboratory crime." The other half were innocent. The crime consisted of killing a rat in the laboratory or sneaking out to commit a fictitious burglary.

Both guilty and innocent were questioned as suspects in one of the other of the misdeeds. They were quizzed while in front of an ophthalmograph, an instrument which makes a photographic record of eye movements.

Attempts to double cross the ophthalmograph by making voluntary eye movements failed miserably. These movements were so completely unnatural that they immediately revealed the deceit.

Walter Woodward Claimed By Death

COLEMAN, Dec. 17. (AP)—Walter C. Woodward, state life insurance commissioner and former state senator, died in a hospital here today after a long illness.

Woodward had been active in state politics for many years. In 1939, he was appointed life insurance commissioner by Governor O'Daniel.

Garland A. Woodward, a brother, practiced law in Big Spring for many years. He now lives in Houston.

Fifty-eight years old, Woodward was a member of the senate for eight years, from 1923 to 1931, president of the state bar association for 1936-37, and state life insurance commissioner under O'Daniel, beginning Feb. 10, 1939.

In 1934, he gave William McCraw, the successful candidate, a hard race for the attorney generalship, being runnerup in the first primary. He was defeated in the runoff.

His death opened another important appointment for Governor O'Daniel. Other members of the state insurance commission are Marvin Hall and Reuben Williams, head of the fire and casualty insurance divisions.

In the senate he was known chiefly for his sponsorship of legislation affecting the judiciary and legal procedure, among many important bills which he handled being that to create the self-governing bar proposed in 1933. The bar bill was not passed in that year but subsequently was approved and now is in effect.

Various reform measures advocated by the state bar association were pushed to adoption under Woodward's leadership, in one afternoon 16 moving through senate and house.

Identified dead were: Joseph Koebbe, 33; Dora Smith, 9; Helen Schnetzer, 8, and her brother, Leonard, 7.

Hull Says Britain To Face Serious Crisis In Spring

Fast Delivery Of War Planes Called Urgent

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. (AP)—Secretary Hull was reported today to have told defense commissioners and other government officials that Great Britain probably would face a serious crisis next spring unless present delivery schedules of American war supplies were considerably increased.

Disclosure of the cabinet member's view followed an outright request for financial assistance from the United States government.

Hull was understood to have urged all speed possible in producing arms, planes, and other supplies. Similarly, it was learned that the shipping situation is being examined to determine whether additional merchant ships might be made available for rushing supplies to Britain.

Hull's statements were believed to be partially responsible for the comments of William S. Knudsen and other defense officials that greater speed is necessary in defense program.

Knudsen, a member of the defense commission, yesterday described the production situation as one of "terrible urgency." That declaration and the British request for financial help put two formidable problems on President Roosevelt's desk.

Greek Relief Fund Grows

An additional \$14.50 has been received at The Herald office for the Greek Relief fund, bringing the total collected to date to \$32.50.

Additional contributors include: Mark Ardwell, \$2.00; Harry Seden, \$2.00; Jack Robinson, \$1.50; John Costen, \$1.00; N. Brenner, \$1.00; Christ Gostopoulos, \$1.00; Earl Furr, \$1.00; C. J. Staples, \$1.00.

Sabine River Floods Orange

ORANGE, Dec. 17. (AP)—The east and north sections of Orange were flooded today, with the Sabine river still rising although slowly.

A sandwich shop and two filling stations on the highway leading into Louisiana were evacuated because of high water.

State Opens First Road Across Forbidden Kennedy County Realm

RAYMONDVILLE, Dec. 17. (AP)—The Kennedy county strip of the Hug-the-Coast highway, traversing 49 miles of solid ranchland—was opened to traffic today, ending a dispute whose echoes sounded in elections, legislative halls and public meetings for 20 years.

Until today, the highway stopped at the northern and southern extremities of Kennedy county, all of which is owned by four ranch interests.

The autoist simply had to wheel his machine to the right when he hit the Kennedy county line and a fence sign reading "no admittance." Below the ranch country, he turned left and entered Raymondville from the west.

Four years ago Robert Kleberg offered to give a right-of-way through that part of the highway intended to cross King ranch property, and the Kennedy interests soon followed suit.

Merchants Begin Later Closings

Effective Wednesday evening, merchants will begin keeping doors of their business houses open until 9 o'clock to accommodate the increasing volume of Christmas shopping.

Since before Monday noon, the buying trend has been definitely on the upgrade here, and no longer were persons milling empty handed on streets. The growing parade of packages gave evidence that there was buying, and the tangled parking problem gave proof that more and more people were coming to town for decisions on seasonal gifts.

Tuesday morning train puffing into the station about an hour behind schedule, carrying a greater load of mail and express. This threw the postoffice late in its work, but long before noon the congestion had cleared out.

Postal officials frankly expected the train schedule to slip further and further until after Christmas, for such is the case as railroad trainmen are taxed to handle bulging cargoes.

With the first flood of Christmas cards pouring into the postoffice, cancellation of letters jumped to 9,348 Monday, well above the 5,494 for the same day a year ago. Air-mail totals stood at 141, seven under the same day last year.

More imposing than this, however, was the amount of package business. Monday the office handled 369 insured parcels as compared with only 102 the same day a year ago. This phase of postal business slackened somewhat Tuesday noon, but it was expected to regain its pace during the afternoon as people hasten to get off Christmas packages.

Under terms of the federal alien registration act, aliens residing in the United States must register through U. S. postoffices by Dec. 26 or be subjected to severe penalties.

Registration Of Aliens Hits New Peak Here

Alien registration, heading rapidly for a deadline on Dec. 26, hit a new peak here Monday as 39—all of Mexican descent—complied with the federal regulation.

There were so many of them that Postmaster Nat Shick had to shift them to the boiler room where three men were kept busy until well after 8 p. m. filling out necessary forms and taking finger prints.

To noon Tuesday, however, only two more had called to register, bringing the total aliens registered through the Big Spring postoffice to 601.

Weather Forecast

WEST TEXAS: Mostly cloudy tonight and Wednesday, with intermittent snow changing to rain over north portion and rain over south-west portion tonight. Rain over southeast portion Wednesday. Rising temperatures.

EAST TEXAS: Increasing cloudiness, slightly warmer in west portion and near lower coast tonight; Wednesday cloudy, intermittent rains in northwest portion, rising temperature. Gentle to moderate northerly to easterly winds on the coast.

LOCAL WEATHER DATA Highest temp. Monday, 49.3. Lowest temp. today, 32.1. Sunset today, 5:44 p. m. Sunrise Wednesday, 7:41.

VFW Collects Christmas Fund

Veterans of Foreign Wars were meeting with success here Tuesday in an effort to raise a Goodwill Fund for remembering needy families with baskets on Christmas day.

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Mystery Planes Raid Switzerland

BASEL, Switzerland, Dec. 17. (AP) Bombs killed four persons, injured many others and caused considerable property damage last night in Basel in an air raid which the Swiss general staff declared was evidently "directed against the railroad and buildings east to the Basel Central station."

(Railway lines east of Basel cross the Rhine river into southwestern Germany.)

The government sought to determine from examination of the bomb fragments the nationality of the flyers responsible.

President Marcel Pilet-Golaz told the federal council at Bern that information received so far indicated the planes were probably British and said that as soon as this point had been definitely established the council would "make an energetic protest to London asking for reparations."

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What he says is more than one

6 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

County - Unit System Provides - - More Good Roads At Smaller Expense

By JOE PICKLE

Great benefits in economy and efficiency have resulted from the operation of the county road system as one unit, but the procedure in effect here for the past 15 months has justified itself even further in construction of new permanent lateral roads.

During the past 12 months, more paved lateral roads have been built than in the previous history of Howard county—and at a total road and bridge fund cost of only about \$4,000 more than the preceding year.

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Left alone there is no reason why the unit system should not account for outright savings of around \$10,000 annually, and efficiency in operation easily could account for additional work in a similar amount. Experience and organization already are making the county's road money go further than ever before.

First paved lateral roads here cost up to and sometimes over \$4,000 a mile. Today the same or better roads are being built at \$2,000 a mile—and perhaps the figure is more nearly accurate at \$1,800 a mile.

The state builds roads, somewhat wider than laterals, to be sure, but the lowest contract price is never under \$5,000 a mile and runs up to \$28,000 a mile as it did on the recent south highway project.

Former Lamesa Minister Charged

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 17. (AP) Assistant County Attorney Walter Marlin filed a manslaughter charge today against John Thomas, 20-year-old Texas theological student, as a result of a fatal accident east of Edmond last August.

Mrs. A. C. Rippey, 32, Oklahoma City, was killed when her automobile and one driven by Thomas Aug. 5 collided.

Thomas at the time was an assistant Baptist pastor at Lamesa, Tex., and was on his way to visit his parents at Yale, Okla. Marlin added.

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That same measure of preparation was carried out in Germany last winter. Tanks and dive-bombers to destroy the French, the same thoroughness will be employed against us when the time comes.

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"It must be acknowledged that Hitler is still military master of Europe, but not quite so much the master he was," he went on.

American planes are arriving in England "in an increasing flow—very, very many of them," Lord Beaverbrook said.

British Stall On Purchases, Asking For Credit

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. (AP)—Secretary Morgenthau reportedly told a house appropriations committee today that Sir Frederick Phillips, undersecretary of the British treasury, had informed him that England could make no more commitments for purchase of war materials in the United States unless financial aid was extended.

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Also, he reiterated to the committee his opinion that the ever-increasing federal debt brought about in part by defense requirements would require an increase in the debt limit to \$60,000,000,000 or \$65,000,000,000. The ceiling now is \$49,000,000,000.

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Legion Auxiliary Entertains For VFW Group

The American Legion Auxiliary entertained the V.F.W. Auxiliary with a Christmas party Monday in the home of Mrs. Cecil Collins. A joint business session was held and Christmas boxes were planned. The group also discussed helping the veterans children. The Collins home was decorated with a Christmas tree and gifts were exchanged. Refreshments were served. Others present were Mrs. Bob

Eubank, Mrs. Pearl Hair, Mrs. J. R. Neill, Mrs. L. E. Jobs, Mrs. Jesse Brown, Mrs. J. T. Brooks, Mrs. Mary Diltz, Mrs. Esther Powell, Mrs. Charles Deats, Mrs. Fannie Ruth Dooly, Mrs. R. E. Blount.

Mrs. A. E. True, Mrs. Arthur Dodds, Jr., Claudine Piper, Mrs. Dorothy Hull, Mrs. C. G. Barnett, Mrs. J. L. Billings.

Baptist Choir To Have Rehearsal Tonight

First Baptist choir rehearsal will be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight at the church. Only a short rehearsal is scheduled.

Shower Given For Bride-Elect In Ogden Home

Mrs. R. J. Michael, Mrs. J. H. Parrott and Mrs. R. W. Ogden entertained with a miscellaneous shower Monday night for Virginia Fischer in the Ogden home. Miss Fischer is the bride-elect of Howard Kyle and will be married on December 24th.

Guests registered in the brides book and Christmas decorations of red and green were used. The refreshments carried out a red and white motif.

Those present were Mrs. G. W. Dabney, Mrs. J. T. Winters, Mrs. A. M. Runyon, Mrs. Douglas Newman, Mrs. W. M. Taylor, Mrs. Nell Brown, Mrs. J. R. Creath, Mrs. G. A. Brown, Mrs. C. S. Kyle, Mrs. J. L. Melner, Mrs. Lynnell Lee, Mrs. C. A. Murdock, Mrs. J. H. Bliff, Mrs. Bertha Turner, Mrs. Harry Lees, Mrs. A. S. Darby, Mrs. Melvin Wise, Mrs. Schley Riley, Mrs. S. E. Smith, Mary Evelyn Lawrence, Winnie Fisher, Mrs. J. H. Parrott, Mrs. C. E. Baker.

Daily Calendar Of Week's Events

TUESDAY
O.E.S. will meet at 7:30 o'clock at the Masonic Hall for a Christmas party and members are to bring gifts to be exchanged.
REBEKAH LODGE 284 will meet at 7:30 o'clock at the I.O.O.F. Hall.
PARISH COUNCIL will meet at 7:30 o'clock at the rectory of St. Thomas Catholic church.
PHILATHEA CLASS banquet at 7 o'clock at the First Methodist church.

WEDNESDAY
FIREMEN LADIES will meet at 3 o'clock at the W.O.W. Hall and at 4 o'clock with the brotherhood for a party. Gifts are to be brought for Salvation Army.
CENTRAL WARD P.T.A. will meet at 3:15 o'clock at the school.
A.A.U.W. will meet at 3 o'clock with Mrs. T. A. Roberts, 1109 Runnels, for a program. Toys are to be brought to give to children.
G.L.A. will meet at 3 o'clock at the W.O.W. Hall.
EAST WARD P.T.A. will meet at 3:15 o'clock at the school.
FIRST CHRISTIAN BUSINESS WOMAN'S circle will meet at 7:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. H. W. Halalip.

THURSDAY
SIX COUNTY MEDICAL AUXILIARY will meet at 12:30 o'clock for luncheon in Midland.
TRAINMEN LADIES will meet at 2:30 o'clock at the W.O.W. Hall.

FRIDAY
HOWARD COUNTY FEDERATION of Woman's Clubs will meet at 3 o'clock at the Judge's Chambers.

SATURDAY
BETA SIGMA PHI will have its Christmas party at 7:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Ben Le Fever.

Circle Two Has Program For Methodists

Circle Two was in charge of the program when the First Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the church Monday. Mrs. V. H. Fiewellen was leader and music was furnished by Mrs. Herbert Keaton.

Mrs. Charles Watson and Mrs. Pat Harrison had a duet and Mrs. Fiewellen gave the Christmas message. Silent meditation and prayer were held.

"Investing Our Heritage in Personal Evangelism" was discussed by Mrs. H. M. Rowe, Mrs. Bankson, Mrs. Jakes Bishop, Mrs. W. L. Meier, Mrs. A. Woodall, Mrs. W. D. McDonald, Mrs. Sidney Smith.

Others present were Mrs. H. M. Rowe, Mrs. Bernard Luman, Mrs. Charles Watson, Mrs. Pat Harrison, Mrs. Merle Dempsey, Mrs. Rupert Phillips, Mrs. Arthur Woodall, Mrs. C. B. Bankson, Mrs. Jakes Bishop, Mrs. J. O. Haymes, Mrs. J. B. Hodges, Mrs. A. C. Bass, Mrs. H. H. Robinson, Mrs. Clyde Thomas.

Mrs. Ruby Martin, Mrs. Arthur Davis, Mrs. A. J. Butler, Mrs. R. E. Satterwhite, Mrs. M. A. Cook, Mrs. H. P. Taylor, Mrs. J. B. Sloan, Mrs. W. Meier, Mrs. C. L. Rowe, Mrs. G. W. Chowna.

Miss Laneous Notes

By MARY WEALEY

Being born a girl was an awful handicap when we were a child and we used to rail against the fates that made us play with dolls instead of baseballs.

But after so long a time, we decided to make the best of it, and now and then take some little pride in being one of our sex. We were so glad when we read about the Greek women rolling stones down on the heads of the enemy to soften them up for the Greek army.

We don't have any desire to roll a stone on anybody's head but somehow we always thought of Grecian women as loiling on sofas with ivy vines in their hair.

We don't have such a high opinion of women in other countries either, including our own, but when we read about heroic acts and brave deeds that some of the females of our time have done, then we don't long to wear trousers.

We just sort of sit back and don't mind it when we have to hear that old one "must be a woman driver" or the more common "what do you expect of a woman." Somehow then we don't get to the boiling point like we used to. We just take a deep breath and think about the Greek women and we are glad to be wearing skirts.

When people pat us on the head and ignore what we think are brilliant thoughts, it doesn't hurt quite so bad because while we may not be the heroine, there are some women who can and have done big things!

Sub Debs Change Date Of Their Presentation

Changing date of presentation from December 23rd to December 30th, the Sub Deb club members met in the home of Anna Belle Edwards at 6:30 o'clock Monday night.

A dinner for Sunday noon and a Christmas party for Sunday afternoon in the home of Ruth Dempsey were planned. Sunday night the group will meet in the home of Gloria Conley.

The pledges came at 7:30 o'clock and planned a dance for Saturday night at the Crawford. They also received their third and last degree initiation.

Members present were Margaret Jackson, Gloria Conley, Caroline Smith, Ruth Ann Dempsey, Vile Rowe.

Edges were Coraella Frazier, Robbie Piner, Mary Ann Dudley, Phyllis Wood, Hope Sisson, Abbie Drue Hurley.

Couples Class Has Party At The Church

Mrs. Vernon Kyle, Mrs. Stanley Mate, Mrs. Perry Johnson, Mrs. Maddox and Mrs. Jack Haines entertained the Couples class of the First Methodist church with a Christmas party in the church basement Monday evening.

Santa Claus distributed gifts from the Christmas tree and refreshments were served.

Some of the children attending were Kitty Roberts, Cecilia McDonald, Jan and J. Van Arthur, Ronald Bennett, Patsy Mate, LaJune and Betty Kay Haines, Buddy Holmberg, Joyce Elaine Gounds, Norman Gounds, Charles Lane Johnson, Kent and Robert Madrox.

Couples present included Mrs. Vernon Kyle, Mrs. C. E. Johnson, Mrs. and Mrs. Cecil McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Arthur, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Beidler, Mrs. Clifford Spillman, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mate, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Deats, Mr. and Mrs. Lucious Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haines, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Maddux, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hilton, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Holmberg, Mrs. Loy Robinson, Mrs. Lou Palmer, Mrs. Wayne Gound.

Union Bible Study Club Has Lesson At Meeting

OTISCHALK, Dec. 17 (Sp) — Mrs. Otis Walls taught the lesson of 10th chapter of Acts to the Union Bible study club this week at her home on the campus.

Those present included Mrs. B. D. Caldwell, Mrs. Joe B. Hoard, Mrs. Geo. Sledge, Mrs. L. G. Gandy, Mrs. Mary Chalk, Mrs. C. A. Ballard, Mrs. Otis Walls, Mrs. Albert Hohertz, Mrs. G. W. Bowman, Mrs. O. N. Green.

Readings Given Before Otischalk P-T. A.

OTISCHALK, Dec. 17 (Sp) — Mrs. Mavis Green gave a reading at the P-T-A. meeting this week, followed by a piano solo by Frances Neill. Evelyn Frances Hutchinson and Billie Lou Gandy gave a reading and solo.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. B. D. Caldwell, Mrs. G. B. West, Mrs. Howard Jones, Mrs. R. T. Smith, Mrs. Ott King, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Walls, Mrs. Doris Calk Cole, Mrs. Frank Neill, Mrs. O. N. Green.

Forty-Two Party Given By The Alec Steuarts

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Stewart entertained in their home Monday night with a forty-two party and names were exchanged for a Christmas party to be held Friday in the Lowell Booth home.

Mrs. Grady Jones and Mrs. Lowell Booth won the prizes. White reindeer were given as plate favors and refreshments were served.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Redwine, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tingle, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bennett, Mrs. Hill Croan, Bill Fowler.

Visiting Here

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McGowen of Longview and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ashley and daughter of Eastland are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack M. Nall. Mrs. McGowen is a niece of Mrs. Nall and the Ashley's are a niece and nephew.

ANNOUNCING WINNERS

- Admiration \$3,000 Contest**
First Prize (\$100.00)
Mrs. G. E. Rye, Route 2, Texas, Tex.
- Second Prize (\$40.00)**
Mrs. J. H. Morgan, 2605 Ethel, Waco, Tex.
- Third Prize (\$20.00)**
Mrs. Stine Parr, Alice, Tex.
- Next 20 Prizes (\$2.00 Each)**
Mrs. C. W. Alworth, Box 244, Ranger, Tex.
Mrs. E. C. Courney, Coleman, Tex.
Mrs. W. C. Currier, Jr., Box 41, Pecos, N. Mex.
Mrs. Mamie Ewins, 1822 Monterey, San Antonio, Tex.
Mrs. J. H. Porson, 819 Hackberry, Taylor, Tex.
Mrs. Tom Foster, Llano, Tex.
Mrs. Paul Frank, Route 4, Breham, Tex.
Mrs. Bill Geddie, 407 Rosedale, Tyler, Tex.
Mrs. W. H. Harris, Sr., Silsbee, Tex.
Mrs. F. G. Hatt, 307 4th N. E., Childress, Tex.
Mrs. W. W. Jeter, Box 684, Donna, Tex.
Mrs. H. E. Kott, 957 West Bridge, New Braunfels, Tex.
Mrs. W. R. Loper, Route 4, Merzel, Tex.
Mrs. J. E. McCormick, Box 101, Canyon, Tex.
Mrs. S. C. Richardson, Bryan, Tex.
Mrs. Lillian Roberts, Oklaunion, Tex.
Mrs. Willary Smith, Route 1, Big Spring, Tex.
Mrs. J. B. Snodgrass, 1610 16th, Huntsville, Tex.
Mrs. T. H. Vannoy, Box 607, Graham, Tex.
Mrs. Gertrude Walker, Box 144, Eldorado, Okla.
- Eighth Contest Closed Dec. 7**
Dealer's Prize (\$50.00)
D. A. Shaffer Grocery, Texas, Tex.
- Dealer's Prize (\$20.00)**
Clarks Grocery, Waco, Tex.
- Dealer's Prize (\$10.00)**
Wards Cash Grocery, Alice, Tex.
- Next 20 Dealer's Prizes (\$2.00 ea.)**
Lorena Garza Grocery, Ranger, Tex.
Piggly Wiggly, Coleman, Tex.
Barrite Food Store, Santa Fe, N. Mex.
Saunders Avenue Grocery, San Antonio, Tex.
Fred Speegle Grocery, Taylor, Tex.
A. Newsum Grocery, Llano, Tex.
Schmid Grocery, Breham, Tex.
M. System, Tyler, Tex.
J. N. Collier Grocery, Silsbee, Tex.
J. C. Webb Grocery, Childress, Tex.
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Piggly Wiggly, New Braunfels, Tex.
A. M. Jackson Grocery, Merkel, Tex.
Coopers M System, Canyon, Tex.
Sam Palermo Grocery, Bryan, Tex.
Coastal Grocery, Oklaunion, Tex.
O. B. Hall Grocery, Big Spring, Tex.
J. E. Rhodes Grocery, Huntsville, Tex.
Scotty's Grocery, Graham, Tex.
Corner Grocery, Eldorado, Okla.

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Christian Council Sews For Red Cross And Has Study

A review of the chapter "Dorcas" of the book "Women of the Church" was given and Red Cross sewing was done when circles of the First Christian Council met Monday.

Newly-Weds Honored At Tea In Lamesa By Group Of Friends

LAMESA, Dec. 17 (Sp) — Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stuart, Jr., who were married Dec. 7, were honored with a tea Sunday, Dec. 15 at the woman's club house. Hosts and hostesses for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stuart, Sr. and Mrs. T. V. Crawley and Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Townsend.

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Miss Elizabeth Terry, R. L. Patterson Are Married Here Monday

Miss Elizabeth Terry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Terry, and Richard Lee Patterson of Memphis, Tenn., son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Patterson of Memphis, were married Monday night at 6 o'clock in the home of the bride's parents.

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Lottie Moon Funds Collected By East 4th St. Women

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Lamesa Survey Shows Business Prospects At High Level

Diversified Farm Income Boosts Trade

LAMESA, Dec. 17 (Sp1)—Prospects for a good business year in 1941 are reflected in a recent survey conducted by the Lamesa chamber of commerce.

Sam Richardson, president of the chamber, issued a statement following the survey which included the following:

"I believe Lamesa and Dawson county will go forward and we may expect a good year for business."

"It is known that big cream producers of Dawson county are at present netting approximately 37 cents per pound on their cream shipments. One produce firm during the year paid to farmers more than a million dollars for produce other than cotton from farms. Another firm paid out almost half a million dollars for the same kind of produce."

"With beef cattle at a better price than in some time, it is estimated that the county's income from this source, from turkeys, other poultry, hogs, hides and miscellaneous sources other than cotton will be about \$2,750,000 this year. It is expected that more than 10,000 turkeys will be marketed from the county during 1940. There are more cattle, hogs and sheep on feed now than in several years."

"The cotton crop is better than was expected and more than 40,000 bales are to be ginned during the 1940 season, which means more than \$1,600,000 will be derived from this source. Almost a half-million dollars have already been paid to farmers of the county in government checks. It is expected this figure will exceed \$800,000. Bank deposits are on a level with last year, and some sources say notes are being paid as well if not better. Federal savings agencies say that 1940 has been the best year in their history."

"Our road building program, which is scheduled to proceed with voting of bonds on Dec. 23, will mean thousands of dollars to the laborer. WPA projects will provide large payrolls."

RECEIVES TREATMENT

Mrs. Byron Moore was admitted to Malone and Hogan Clinic-Hospital for medical treatment.

SANTA and the GIANT-KILLER

BY SIGRID ARNE

THE STORY SO FAR: Eric, a fisherman's son, has set out to imprison three giants who have bewitched a whole kingdom. He has defeated two. Now he must take the third, and most terrible giant.

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Chapter Fourteen
AND NOW FOR THE
THIRD GIANT

Eric and Santa rode happily back to town after imprisoning the giant who wished to build a wall as high as the sky. They were followed by hundreds of dancing people who had been under the spell of the giant. Now they returned to their homes.

Eric's winged horse dropped them back down on the lawn beside the castle of the good, gray Queen. Santa sat down to work on some more dolls' houses. Eric chuckled and handed him the magic knife which the locket had given him.

"This should fly faster for you than your own knife," said Eric. Santa was so pleased his cheeks turned pink. He took the knife and then said aloud, "Now I want to carve a doll house that will have windows that open and shut, kitchen faucets that run real water, and a music box on the mantle that will play a tune."

"Goodness!" laughed Eric. "That must be for a special little girl."

"It is," said Santa. "She has written me for such a house three years now. And she should have it. She takes care of her baby brother while her mother works."

Eric was worried. He was thinking of the third giant. He snapped open the locket and said, "Help me for the third and last time, little friend."

Immediately he saw in the locket three little crows no bigger than pin heads. The voice of the locket said, "Take these. They will become big as real crows. Take them to the giant with no heart and tell him the birds need singing lessons."

Eric said good-bye to Santa who looked up seriously and said, "This is the cruelest of the giants. Be careful. And come back soon as you can. You must be back at least by Christmas Eve if you are to be made king of your home land."

Eric promised. He bowed to Santa and then he bowed to the good, gray Queen in her tower. He mounted his horse and flew straight to the giant with no heart.

Pleased The Giant
Eric rode boldly up to the giant's left ear and shouted, "Sire, I come from east of the sun where the fame of your fine voice has spread. Here are the three birds which are my kingdom's best singers. But we hear you are better. So my queen has asked me to bring the birds to you for singing lessons."

That pleased the giant. He took a deep breath and sang very loudly. It was a dreadful noise, but Eric smiled and said, "That is a sweeter sound than anything in our kingdom. Now, Sire, will you give this first bird a lesson?" "Let me hear him," said the



"LET ME HEAR HIM," SAID THE GIANT IMPORTANTLY.

giant importantly. "I must know what mistakes he makes before I can teach him." Eric held out the first bird. It preened its wings and this is what it sang: "Tell us, good sire, where you keep your heart." "There is one comes near it will rend it apart." "What?" shouted the giant. "That's impossible. It is safely hidden in a castle back of the East Wind." Eric needed no more. He whispered to his winged horse, "Take me to the castle back of the East Wind."

TOMORROW: The magic sea shell.

Mitchell Farmer's Maize Places In Chicago Exposition

COLORADO CITY, Dec. 17 (Sp1) News that milo maize heads which he entered in the grain and hay show of the 1940 International Livestock exposition in Chicago had won second place was received Monday by A. K. McCarty, who farms northeast of Colorado City in Mitchell county.

This is the third time McCarty's maize has placed in the show, but it is the first time he has won a second place. He has won a fourth place and a third.

LAMESA POSTOFFICE VOLUME INCREASES

LAMESA, Dec. 17 (Sp1)—Postmaster Owen Taylor said that volume of business being handled through the Lamesa postoffice is 10 per cent greater than during the Christmas season last year.

COWPER CLINIC NOTES

Mrs. R. E. McClure is in Cowper clinic for medical care.

East Fourth Church Fetes Rev. Lightfoot

The church and the Rev. August Lightfoot were presented with gifts as the Brotherhood of the East Fourth Baptist church observed "ladies night" at the church Monday evening.

The Rev. Lightfoot, assistant

pastor for the past year, is leaving soon to accept pastorate of Smith Chapel in the oil fields north of Odessa. He was given a typewriter by brotherhood members and other friends.

An altar Bible was presented by the Brotherhood by the Rev. R. E. Dunham, pastor, on behalf of several members, headed by Mrs. S. H. Morrison.

Highlight of the meeting was an address on missions given by Mrs. Morrison, who stressed the Lottie Moon Christmas offerings. The Rev. Dunham made a Christmas talk, lamenting the tendency to crowd Christ out of Christian lives.

Entertainment was furnished by Dorothy and Daveda Moore and Laverne Wilson, vocal trio; instrumental music by Edwin Harris and Harry Fenstermaker, and Mrs. Gene Buckner, who gave readings.

The affair had been billed as a "wiener supper," but the more than 100 attending found a sumptuous meal spread. Gordon Rimmer, president, presided.

In ten large Texas cities with total population of 1,450,000, there are 600,000 persons or 42 per cent who depend for their living upon the oil industry.

Mitchell Farm Committees Named

COLORADO CITY, Dec. 17 (Sp1) Mitchell county's 1941 AAA committee has been set up with T. R. Haggard, Westbrook, as county chairman; S. E. Meadows, Loraine, vice-chairman; and J. C. (Bill) Cook, Colorado City, member. Community committees are as follows: Colorado City—Hulet Williams, Russell Cosper and Jim Franklin; Westbrook—R. R. Hargrove, W. T. Brooks and W. H. Gregory; Loraine—E. B. Hale, W. A. Taylor and Luke Finley.

RADIO LOG

- Tuesday Evening
- 5:00 News.
 - 5:05 Paul Pendarvis Orchestra.
 - 5:30 Sunset Reveries.
 - 5:45 Happy Rambler.
 - 6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
 - 6:15 Brookhaven Trio.
 - 6:30 Sports Spotlight.
 - 6:45 News.
 - 7:00 Off the Record.
 - 7:30 Ned Jordan, Secret Agent.
 - 8:00 The Messiah-Chorus.
 - 8:00 Raymond Gram Swing.
 - 8:15 Off the Record.
 - 8:30 Valley Church.
 - 9:45 McMurry College Program.
 - 10:00 News.
 - 10:15 Goodnight.

- Wednesday Morning
- 7:00 The Daybreakers.
 - 7:30 Texaco Star Reporter.
 - 7:45 Morning Devotions.
 - 8:00 News.
 - 8:05 Piano Moods.
 - 8:15 Musical Impressions.
 - 8:30 Keep Fit To Music.
 - 8:45 What's Doing In Big Spring.
 - 9:00 Organ Melodies.
 - 9:15 Margaret Johnson, Piano.
 - 9:30 Backstage Wife.
 - 9:45 Easy Aces.
 - 10:00 Neighbors.
 - 10:15 Our Gal Sunday.
 - 10:30 Songs of Carol Leighton.
 - 10:45 Sweetest Love Songs Ever Sung.
 - 11:00 News.
 - 11:05 Dr. Amos R. Wood.
 - 11:10 Morning Interlude.
 - 11:30 "11:30 Inc."
 - 12:00 Singin' Sam.

- Wednesday Afternoon
- 12:15 Carabone Reporter.
 - 12:30 Vaughn's Doughboys.
 - 12:45 Ward's Carols.
 - 1:00 Cedric Foster.
 - 1:15 Gall North.
 - 1:30 Rutger's Homemakers Forum.
 - 1:45 Sterling Young Orchestra.
 - 2:00 Johnny Duffy, Piano-Organ.
 - 2:15 Weights and Measures: Music.
 - 2:30 El Paseo Troubadores.
 - 2:45 George Fisher.
 - 3:00 News.
 - 3:15 All Request Program.
 - 3:45 The Johnson Family.
 - 4:00 Gene Beecher Orch.
 - 4:15 Crime And Death.
 - 4:30 Trojan Horses.
 - 4:45 American Family Robinson.

- Wednesday Evening
- 5:00 Baylor Univ. Program.
 - 5:30 Songs Of Lowry Kohler.
 - 5:45 Los Troubadores.
 - 6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
 - 6:15 Off the Record.
 - 6:30 Sports Spotlight.
 - 6:45 News.
 - 7:00 Roger Busfield.
 - 7:15 Hymns At Twilight.
 - 7:30 To Be Announced.
 - 7:45 Jimmy Dorsey Orch.
 - 8:00 Songs Of Billie Davis.
 - 8:15 Griff Williams Orch.
 - 8:30 Five Wise Guys.
 - 9:00 Raymond Gram Swing.
 - 9:15 Selective Service.
 - 9:20 The War in the Air.
 - 9:30 Lone Ranger.
 - 10:00 News.
 - 10:15 Goodnight.

Schedules

T&P Trains—Eastbound

No. 2	7:00 a. m.	7:25 a. m.
No. 6	11:10 p. m.	11:30 p. m.

T&P Trains—Westbound

Arrive	Depart
No. 11	9:00 p. m. 9:15 p. m.
No. 7	7:25 a. m. 7:50 a. m.

Buses

EASTBOUND

Arrive	Depart
3:05 a. m.	3:10 a. m.
6:29 a. m.	6:34 a. m.
9:35 a. m.	9:45 a. m.
3:20 p. m.	3:25 p. m.
10:40 p. m.	10:45 p. m.

WESTBOUND

Arrive	Depart
12:13 a. m.	12:18 a. m.
4:00 a. m.	4:00 a. m.
9:45 a. m.	9:55 a. m.
3:05 p. m.	3:10 p. m.
7:45 p. m.	7:54 p. m.

NORTHBOUND

Arrive	Depart
9:41 a. m.	9:45 a. m.
3:10 p. m.	3:30 p. m.
7:33 p. m.	8:00 p. m.

SOUTHBOUND

Arrive	Depart
2:35 a. m.	7:15 a. m.
9:20 a. m.	10:15 a. m.
4:35 p. m.	3:25 p. m.
10:35 p. m.	11:00 p. m.

Planes—Eastbound

Arrive	Depart
6:04 p. m.	6:09 p. m.

Westbound

Arrive	Depart
7:18 p. m.	7:28 p. m.

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Schmidt And Staff Quit Ohio State

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 17 (AP)—Ohio State University's athletic board today accepted the resignation of Coach Francis A. Schmidt and his five assistants.

The board, which met in front of the huge gray football stadium where 201,000 fans watched the Bucks play five games this year.

Resignations of Head Coach Francis A. Schmidt and his five assistants were accepted last night, clearing out the entire department which has been under fire because of the most disastrous season in 15 years, four victories and four losses.

Along with Schmidt, who had just finished his seventh year at the Buckeye helm, went Ernest R. Godfrey, line coach since 1929; Sidney Gillman, end coach; Fritz Mackey, freshman coach; Eddie Blikle, backfield coach, and Gomer Jones, center coach. Mackey will be retained as baseball coach, while Blikle stays on as assistant basketball manager.

Of the assistants, all were former Ohio State stars except Blikle, who is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan.

During his seven years here, Schmidt's team won 39 games, lost 15 and tied one. He won the Western conference title in 1939, finished in a tie for the crown on another occasion, was fourth four times and sixth once.

The "Buckeye wolves" started howling as the Bucks wound up the 1940 campaign by dropping a 40-0 decision to Michigan, the worst defeat in 35 years for an Ohio squad.

Schmidt's resignation was handed to Athletic Director L. W. St. John yesterday, following the coach's return from the West Coast where he scouted the Notre Dame-Southern California contest.

St. John said that "no reason for the resignations was offered by the coaching staff."

Schmidt, former Texas Christian mentor, said he had no plans for the future. He declared, however, that he thought he'd have an easier time lining up a good job than Ohio would in signing an outstanding tutor.

Too Many Cops Let Hijacker Escape

ST. CHARLES, Mo., Dec. 17 (AP)—Tipped a filling station was going to be held up, two policemen hid behind a grease-rack. Soon a car drove in, and the driver had the tank filled. He reached for his wallet, but pulled a gun and took \$15 from the attendant.

The regular cop on the beat approached, but was motioned away by the other officer—he might scare the suspect. Meantime, the robber drove away unchallenged.

A recent survey by an oil company showed that its employees received 25¢ cents of each dollar it spent, while the stockholders got 27¢ cents. The tax collectors however, got 23 cents, or more than both groups combined.

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1940 The Year In Sports

NEW YORK—The big scoreboard at Cleveland showed three low scores of 287 as the National Open ended last June and golfing sentimentality was divided in their backing.

Some were pulling for Gene Sarazen, the stocky little veteran who had won the Open nearly two decades before, to tack a perfect playoff finish on his grand comeback.

Others were on burly Lawson Little's side. The youngster with the fullback physique had dominated the amateur ranks but had had little success as a pro. He had kept battling through, and now he had his big chance.

FIRST OF A SERIES

Many sympathized with Ed (Porky) Oliver, whom they considered the victim of a bad break. Porky, virtually an unknown fat boy, had come out of nowhere to join in the triple-tie. But because he had started his final round ahead of schedule he was disqualified. The unfortunate situation made Oliver an overnight sports page figure and he cashed in for more in exhibitions than he would have made by winning the Open.

Little outscored Sarazen by three strokes in the playoff to become one of the few winners of both the Open and amateur championships.

Chapman Wins Easily
The amateur championship was a romp for Dick Chapman, a well-to-do young New Yorker who had spent most of his life on the links. After winning the qualifying round medal he had to come from behind to win one match but the others were easy. In the final he dealt W. B. McCullough, Philadelphia, "week-end golfer" one of the worst defeats in amateur history, 11 and 9. Bud Ward, defending champion was beaten in an early round.

Of all the 1939 crown-winners only pretty Betty Jameson of San

Antonio, Texas, repeated. She whipped Jane Cochran of Greenville, S. C. in the national final, 6 and 5.

Patty Berg, who would have been a co-favorite with Miss Jameson, could not compete. She had turned professional a short while before. Miss Jameson won the western women's, Elizabeth Hicks of California took the western women's derby and Mrs. Babe Didrikson Zaharias won the western women's open.

Nelson Takes PGA
The professional golfer's title went to Byron Nelson of Toledo, loser in a 37-hole duel with Henry Picard in the 1939 event. Nelson, 1939 Open champion, scored a one-up triumph over Sammy Snead. Picard lost to Sarazen, who staged another of his gallant comeback stands, and Gene finally was eliminated by Snead when the tiring Sarazen lost his advantage in the closing holes.

Ben Hogan and Jimmy Demaret were other 1940 pro standouts. Hogan won three North Carolina tournaments in a row and capped the Goodall round-robin. Demaret won six tournaments, more than any other golfer. His triumphs included the Augusta Masters and the Western Open, but he played so badly in the National Open that he picked up Hogan failed even to qualify for the Open but gained an alternate's admission when Amateur Frank Strafaci withdrew in his favor.

Wood Sets Record
Craig Wood set a new low 72-hole medal play score of 284 in winning the Metropolitan Open and paired with Bill Burke to take the International 4-ball tourney at Coral Gables, Fla. War caused cancellation of the British championships and the Ryder Cup competitions. But a "Ryder Cup team" captained by Walter Hagen



BYRON NELSON



DICK CHAPMAN



LAWSON LITTLE

beat Sarazen's challenging team. Any possibility that a foreign contender would win the U. S. amateur went glimmering when Jim Ferrier, Australian champion, was ruled ineligible because of a golf book he had written. Bud Ward won the western amateur, F. Dixon Brooke of Virginia won the Intercollegiate championship, Sam Senad took the Canadian Open and Bob Clark of St. Paul took the National Public Links crown.



BETTY JAMESON

Joe Louis Decides Idleness Dangerous

BOSTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Heavyweight champion Joe Louis appeared convinced that idleness breeds nothing but rustiness as he prepared today to undertake the long series of monthly title defenses mapped out for him for the remainder of the indoor boxing season.

The brown bomber, just back from the fourth lengthy vacation he has given himself since he gained his title from Jimmy Braddock in 1937, renewed his fist operations against the much smaller Al McCoy, of Boston, last night before a 13,384 crowd at the Boston Garden.

It took the iron-fisted champion, who had a weight advantage of more than 21 pounds, five rounds to damage McCoy, an over-stuffed light heavyweight, to the point where the challenger's handlers decided he had taken enough punishment.

McCoy balked at first, for his only noticeable injury was a closed left eye, but finally was prevailed upon to ignore the bell that sounded for the sixth round, thereby giving Louis a technical knockout verdict.

During most of the action, McCoy's shifty style prevented the

stalking Louis from doing much damage with his deadly right. Twice during the abbreviated engagement, originally listed for 15 rounds, the champion, who weighed 202 1/4 to McCoy's 180 3/4, did land his famed right fist in bone-crushing fashion.

Both of those blows were decidedly effective. The first one, in the opening round, gave McCoy a severe shaking up and the other, unleashed in the fifth, put the challenger's left optic out of commission for the time being.

In between times, the courageous McCoy, who hasn't been counted out once during his long career, bobbed, weaved and side-stepped with much skill to escape Louis' devastating punishment and landed a few rights on his own account.

"It was a lousy fight," Louis said shortly after McCoy's handlers refused to permit him to come out for the sixth round. "I must have looked just as bad out there tonight as I did on my first visit to Boston. At that time, Louis was an obscure amateur from Detroit and, while he was making his first bow to the Boston boxing public, he suffered the humiliating experience of getting knocked down seven times by Max Marek, of Chicago. In a national junior boxing tournament semi-final match.

English Air Raid Shelters Increase

LONDON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Herbert Morrison, minister of home security, said today additional shelter accommodations for 105,000 persons had been provided since October, and the "worst of overcrowding in big shelters is now a thing of the past."

Morrison said 206,000 bunks had been installed.

Looking 'em Over

With Jack Douglas

For one of the few times since the days of old John L. Sullivan, Boston moved into the fistie spotlight last night, took a timid bow, and left the stage in a mighty and spectacular. Joe Louis made another defense (7) of his heavyweight crown before a crowd that turned out, not to see a real contest between two glove-punchers, but just to see what a champion looks like in action.

Back in the days when all Irishmen were not necessarily champions but all champions were sons of the old sod, the idea of a black man walloping the daylight out of a Mickie hide was unthinkable. And now, shades of Corbett and Fitzsimmons, a McCoy was carried out after five miserable rounds before the falling fists of Joe Louis. Joe has whipped men with the names of Godoy, Pastor, Conn, Galento, Schelling, Baer and Carnera, but never before has he bowed a man with a name that carries such a ring of the harp—McCoy.

Up to the time of Jack Johnson, the Galveston dock walloper, boxing circles were dominated almost exclusively by the Kilrains, McTigues, O'Briens, and on down the list.

Johnson gave a shove to a trend that had already produced men like chocolate-colored Little Joe Wolcott, when he ousted Tommy Burns, squat Australian Scotsman, to become chief claimant of the heavyweight title vacated by Jim Jeffries. Pat, aged Jim got out his trunks for a desperate attempt to keep the crown off Johnson's head, but wound up a quivering hulk after taking a heart-breaking beating from the rapier-like thrusts of Johnson's long arms.

If our memory serves us right, Johnson was the second man of his race to wear the heavyweight belt. Back in the 1890's or 90's, when boxing was done according to the London prize ring rules, a black man called Neg, whose last name we have forgotten, held the title.

But, strictly speaking, Joe Louis is the second man of his people who has won and kept the title under the Marquis of Queensberry rules.

White or black, Joe Louis has conducted himself as a champion should. On only one occasion has there been any doubt concerning Joe's sporting spirit. That was when he was laid over to accusations of carrying Tony Galento's several rounds after he could have finished him in an attempt to butcher the Walking Keg for some offside remarks. Later it came out that all the talking was done by Joe's followers, while the Brown Bomber was keeping strictly to his knitting.

Something Brews In Yankee Office

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—Larry MacPhail denies everything, and Ed Barrow won't admit any more than necessary, but there are enough smoke clouds hanging over the offices of the New York Yankees and the Brooklyn Dodgers these days to indicate some sort of a baseball deal must be on the fire.

The New York City papers have been full of rumors for days. The first concrete evidence that there was something behind them came out yesterday when MacPhail and Barrow met in the Yanks' office and discussed Lefty Gomez and Monte Pearson, pitchers reported to be on the auction block.

Almazan Staff States Loyalty

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 17 (AP)—The entire personal staff of unsuccessful presidential candidate Juan Almazan presented themselves at the national palace yesterday to affirm their loyalty to President Avila Camacho.

Thus Almazan's content with Avila Camacho for the presidency, which had created fears of internal strife in Mexico, appeared on its last legs.

The ministry of national defense reported a large band of pro-Almazan rebels equipped with more than 800 rifles surrendered to military authorities in Guerrero.

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Sixteen Steers Get 1940 Letter Awards

Sports

The Big Spring Daily Herald

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Injuries Cripple Corpus, Temple

By The Associated Press
Corpus Christi's Buccaneers and Temple's Wildcats, who meet Saturday at Corpus Christi in the state schoolboy football semi-finals, vied today over which was handicapped most by injuries and illness.

Corpus Christi, on the basis of first returns, held the edge.

In fact, things look dark for Harry Stittler's Buc unless some of the boys do a quick recovery.

There are 29 on the Corpus Christi squad and only 18 were out for practice yesterday.

Of the eleven not on hand, Jack Craeger, rated as one of the best all-around backs Corpus Christi ever had, is out for the remainder of the season with a broken ankle.

Craeger, top scorer of the team and a fast, elusive ball-carrier who does most everything, received the hurt in the game with Jeff Davis at Houston last week.

Backs Dickie Haas and Joe Clark have injured knees. Quarterback Drexel White is ill with influenza along with two line regulars and five reserves.

Haas didn't play in the Jeff Davis game.

But Temple also has received its jolts with regular center F. G. Martin nursing a bad cut over an eye and regular back Wayland Hill with a shoulder injury.

Neither worked out yesterday and may not be ready for the Corpus Christi game.

Amarillo and Masonic Home (Fort Worth) had little to worry about in the other semi-final game to be played Saturday at Amarillo.

The Mighty Mites, as usual, are at top strength. That means the eleven starters and the two substitutes all came out of the Paris game in good shape.

Amarillo had several regulars on the sick list last week but all except one will be ready this week.

Russians Give Finns Warning

MOSCOW, Dec. 17 (AP)—The soviet press gave notice to Finland today to choose a president who "will guarantee normal friendly relations with neighboring countries and avoid the ruinous path of adventures and experiments of any kind for Finland in foreign policy."

Kyosti Kallio, former president, resigned Nov. 28 because of poor health.

The newspapers printed a dispatch of the official Russian agency, Tass, from Helsinki, declaring that Finland was being pushed into an experimental path by "various reactionary business people."

SPY EXECUTED
LONDON, Dec. 17 (AP)—A citizen of the Netherlands was executed at Pentonville prison as a spy for Germany, the British home office announced today.

Jackets And Blankets Go To Lettermen

Sixteen members of the Big Spring Steer football squad, plus their manager, Skeet Davidson, received jacket and blanket awards this morning at a school assembly. C. W. Cunningham, president of the Big Spring school board, made the presentations.

Numerous jackets were given to nine boys who have just finished their initial year of first-string action, while blankets were given to seven with more than one year of service under their fire.

Second-time letter-makers were Ralph Stewart, Clifton Patton, Paul Kauch, Hal Battle, Owen Brummett, Talor Rowe and Jack Graves.

First time up for honors were Frank Barton, Winsett Nance, Lemuel Nations, Horace Bostick, Edward Knappe, Gene Rush, David Lamun, Roy Collins, and Pat Presley.

At a later time gold football awards will be given to all members of the squad, both lettermen and non-lettermen, Coach Pat Murphy said.

A drive for the necessary money to send the Steers to the Fordham-Aggle New Year's day game in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas is meeting with a fair measure of success, according to those in charge. Murphy expects to take his lads to Dallas in time for pre-game doings Tuesday night and to return Wednesday night.

Aggies Resume Grid Workouts

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Texas Aggies were back at the grind today, preparing for their Cotton Bowl date with Fordham at Dallas Jan. 1.

The Cadets resumed practice yesterday but the initial workout was light. They started two-a-day drills today.

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British Push Deeper Into Libya As Greeks Repulse Counterattacks

1940 Fails To Show Definite Sports Trend

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—Sports editors throughout the country, asked to name 1940's principal trend in the annual Associated Press survey to find out which way the sports wind is blowing, have come to the conclusion the year was distinguished for its lack of any single major development.

In all, there were 18 "trends" mentioned by more than one of the 72 contributors. The closest to a truly representative answer was increased stress on offense in college football, with a resultant increase in scoring. This was mentioned by 15 men.

Eight of them noted greater interest in and attendance at professional sports events, primarily pro football games. There were seven supporters each for a boom in bowling and continued de-emphasis of college football, with Yale as the most striking example of the latter.

Five experts saw a trend in the continued spread of night baseball in the major leagues, the same number who listed a decline in professional boxing, particularly outside New York, as noteworthy. Three editors found minor league baseball on the wane, especially in the southwest, while a similar number voted for a return of football power to the east (two saw it returning to the Western conference, and had good arguments in Minnesota, Michigan and North-western).

There also were three votes each for the increased use of the forward pass as a scoring play, growth of popularity of basketball, and the opening-up to women of the professional sports field, which this year got such standout new disciples as golfer Patty Berg and tennis champion Alice Marble.

Recreation News

Making and proper technique of throwing and catching boomerangs was the chief interest of Hartwells community recreation attendants last week. The difficult art was mastered by only a few of the hopefuls.

Warm and chilly weather has confined playground activities at Hartwells to indoor games this week. The primary youngsters have participated in running games mostly, while the larger ones have spent their leisure time playing "rummy," "authors" and "old maids." Rural electrification reached Moore Thursday and plans are underway to have "community 42" one night each week.

Senior, junior and midjet playground basketball leagues are being organized and league play will begin immediately after the Christmas holidays. There will be three leagues—midjets, 12 years of age and under; juniors, 16 and under; and seniors no age limit. All city playgrounds will play practice games this week. Girls volleyball league play will also get underway after the holidays.

A double header basketball game was played between Mexican Plaza and ABC at Mexican Plaza Saturday morning. Outstanding in both football and basketball for ABC were: Burt Brown, N. H. Boyett, Robert Long, Oscar Galin, Billie Franklin, Thomas Anderson, and Claude Matlock. Mexican Plaza stars were Martin Paderes, David Gomez, Jessie Hernandez, Tony Fierro, Juan Polanco and Avelardo Subia.

Mexican Plaza game and music participants in the newly opened recreation game room behind the Mexican Baptist church were Dora Morales, Rachel Yanes, Allagracia Garcia, Andres Centeros, Enrique Everett, Francisco Villa, and Carlos Gonzales.

Oil Production Shows Decrease

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 17 (AP)—Daily crude oil production in the United States decreased 27,240 barrels to 8,747,780 for the week ended Dec. 15, the Oil and Gas Journal said today.

California was up 22,100 to 618,380; Kansas 15,950 to 190,050; eastern fields 200 to 105,900; and East Texas 335 to 372,175.

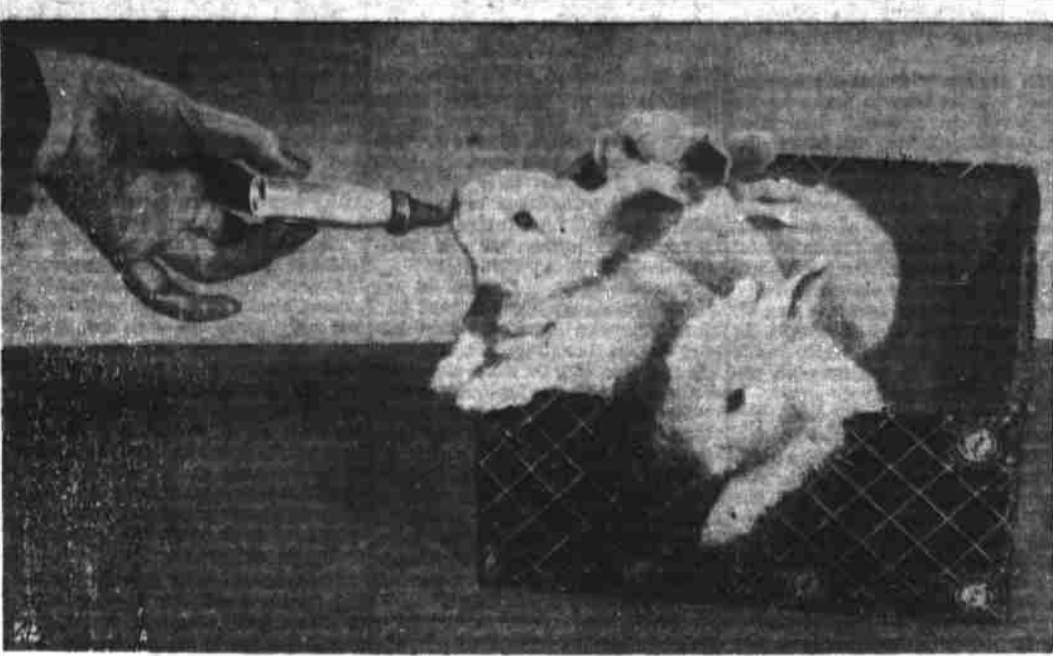
All Texas declined 12,850 to 1,237,790; Louisiana 1,990 to 287,170; Illinois 4,810 to 227,335; Michigan 2,775 to 42,450; Oklahoma 35,265 to 284,450; and the Rocky Mountain area, 3,960 to 89,690.

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BOTTLE FOR BUNNIES—A dog killed their mama, so these bunnies are being raised now on a bottle—for Chicago's International Sportsmen's show, Feb. 22-March 2.

Mud At Camp Bowie Brings Plea For A Horse To Unstick Army

By DAVE CHEAVENS
CAMP BOWIE, Brownwood, Dec. 17 (AP)—Some veteran officers among the advance guard of the Thirty-sixth division in camp here—specialists in mud—longed for a horse.

But there weren't any horses. You could look in vain over the huge camp site, but there wasn't even a mule. There were plenty of high-slung buggies, four-wheel drive trucks with two low speeds forward, and tractors, but nary a vehicle pulled by anything but a gasoline engine.

They needed horses to jerk the trucks out of the mud, or to go where trucks and tractors couldn't. The weather has won many a military campaign and for a time

it sabotaged progress in construction of the training center where nearly 15,000 troops from all parts of Texas will be encamped soon after Christmas.

Roads were built that under ordinary wet weather conditions would have sufficed. But the weather has a way of becoming extraordinary regardless of plans made in Rome, Berlin or Brownwood, Texas. First the rain fell in torrents and gave the ground a good wetting. That slowed up construction. Then the soft rain came, day after day. It soaked deeper and deeper into the porous soil of the fields at Camp Bowie and the pounding of heavily-laden trucks tore the roads to shreds.

One worker's automobile ran

off into a ditch and kept on slowly sinking. At the last report, mud was oozing in through the windows.

Actual construction work on quarters, mess halls and warehouses was virtually complete, but the condition of the roads already built, and the lack of others, made it impossible to haul supplies from warehouses to distant kitchens.

Plans to move the major body of the Thirty-sixth last week were dropped and many an officer on the ground breathed a sigh of relief. They did not like to think of what might have been the fate of those men, most of them still far from hardened to army field conditions, under the circumstances. The danger of possible illness or epidemic was doubtless an important factor in the decision.

With the sun shining and a dry north wind whipping the rutted roads, the picture was brighter.

Construction officers believed they could have those roads in shape by Dec. 27 and 28, when the major units of the division are scheduled to move in, if good weather holds.

There was a great deal of grouching among the men about the mud, although every effort was made to have warm, dry quarters for the advance units, numbering 2,000, already on hand. The issuance of overshoes and woollens helped, and there was no serious illness.

The men were glad to find their tents flooded. Some of them remembered the recent field exercises in Louisiana where a tropical hurricane dumped 20 inches of rain on their camps.

They admitted that it was worse than Camp Bowie. Officers, wiping West Texas mud from their boots with gunny sacks, took wry pleasure in comparing its consistency with that from the vicinity of Craven, La.

They thought it was perhaps a little less sticky, but slicker.

Everybody was glad to see the sun come out.

Derringer Says Reds Will Repeat

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 17 (AP)—Big Paul Derringer, a pitching hero of the last world series, figures the National league opposition will be even tougher next season but "there's no reason the Reds shouldn't win their third straight pennant."

"We'll be stronger next season, too," remarked Paul as he leaned his husky frame against a locker in the Miami Springs golf club.

"Beating Detroit in the series, after our loss to the Yankees the year before, gave us a world of confidence. We'll have Jim Ripple for the entire season, and we have

added some more good ball players."

Derringer, now 33 years old, feels confident he will have another good year.

"You lose some of your swift as the years pass," he said, "but you make up for that by what you learn about pitching. Look at Mose Grose, for example."

"Big Paul couldn't resist getting in a plug for his manager, Bill McKeechie.

"He lets you alone when you're going well," Derringer said. "But if you get into a jam he'll never hesitate to tell you what to do. He will always take the blame, too, if it doesn't work."

"You can't find a better boss than that. And I've won—let's see, 22, 25, 22—that makes 69 games in three years under McKeechie for the Reds."

Would Derringer like another crack at the Yankees?

"Oh, sure, but I'd rather see the Red Sox get in the series. That fellow Yawkey has spent a lot of money in Boston and deserves a pennant."

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

By EDDIE BRIETZ
NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—Clayton Heafner, sensational young North Carolina golfer pro, will be married tomorrow... Chris Dundee, Ken Overlin's manager, who slipped off to Connecticut the other night to get hitched, is honeymooning in Miami... Mary Hardwick, England's No. 1 tennis player, is due today for her pro tour with la Marble... New York Georgetown alumni have chartered a special train to take Hoya rosters to the Orange Bowl game... American league fans can't understand why Prexy Will Harridge let Umpire Lou Kolla go... The fans thought he was one of the best arbiters in the junior circuit.

Clearing house—St. Joseph high school of Victoria, Tex., wants a post-season game with any championship catholic team... Also, the Lexington (N.C.) Highs, have won 24 games in a row, would like a Florida game... The New Britain (Conn.) Highs, who have just captured their fifth state championship, are looking for a post-season opponent.

Near and far—The three members of the Boston College football team who were drafted by the pros are willing to take a fling at it, for a price... Larry MacPhail of the Dodgers, who kept the Atlanta and Chicago meetings from being a dud, has another deal or two up his sleeve... We always get a kick out of reading how this guy or that is going to move in on Mike Jacobs... Gentlemen, it just can't be done... Happy O'Brien, Boston's touring caddy who has seen them all, says Sammy Snead is tops... The minute the Sugar Bowl game is over, Maj. Bob Neyland of Tennessee will start worrying about those five best sophomore backs Alabama showed him this year.

Today's guest star—Lynn C. Doyle, Philadelphia Evening Bulletin; Judge Landis not only saved Rufe Melton from the Dodgers, but with his deciding vote he saved the fans of Philadelphia from exposure to 25 night games next season.

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Editorial

They had a lot of encouragement from their proud friends and loyal supporters during the exciting grid season just closed, but the Big Spring high school Steers, to our way of thinking, deserve a little more substantial pat on the back from the local folk. It is gratifying to know that some citizens have started a purse with which to send Pat Murphy's footballers to the Cotton Bowl game at Dallas on New Year's Day. The Herald believes that the proposal will meet with a hearty response and that there will be no doubt about all the squad getting to make the trip.

Recognition For The Steers

The Steers deserve the gesture from Big Spring people not just because they won a district championship. It is good to win, and naturally all Big Spring is proud of a squad that brought home a banner for the first time in six years. But Big Spring should be just as proud of the high school youngsters because of their fair and square method of play, their never-say-die spirit, and their loyalty to the principle that makes able athletes and real sportsmen.

Washington Daybook

WASHINGTON—The "road"—as Broadway still fondly refers to the theatre of the hinterlands—may be as dead as the Shakespeare school of acting, but not so far as Washington is concerned.

Like a good many small villages who nurse along a single opera house, the nation's capital has only one legitimate theatre—the National—but I have it on the word of Edmund Plaha, who has been running the place for years, that Washington still is the outstanding one-week stand in the country.

In spite of its name, the National is not a national theatre and the only way your taxes and mine might contribute to its upkeep is when Senator Spurge gives the gang from home a line party. However, it is something of a national institution, for it has been blocking traffic in E street, between 13th and 14th, for 105 years and was considered a capital landmark when Ford's theatre, where Lincoln met his death, still was a going Baptist church.

I could start thumbing through the pages of local history and tell you a lot about the National—now President Wilson practically never missed a performance there but on offweeks invariably went to Keith's, where he could catch the vaudeville bill; how President Hoover practically never set his foot inside the lobby, caring little or nothing for the drama; of the days when Edwin Booth played Shakespeare there... and Mrs. Fiske... and the elder Barrymore.

But that's water under the bridge and most of it has washed through every whiskered opera house in every city that dates to the days before movies.

To get up to modern times, the National is an outrigger, in a way of the Guild theatre in New York, but it plays other than Guild plays. It is, in fact, one of Broadway's testing grounds and in a season a score or more hopeful dramas will try their wings on a Washington audience from the National stage. Ethel Barrymore made such a debut here recently in "The Corn Is Green" and rang the bell as loudly as she did in Times Square.

Man About Manhattan

NEW YORK—We sat in a restaurant the other night with a man who owns many beautiful and costly paintings. Some of these he acquired from his father, others he bought. He has a fortune in 16th century masters stored in a midtown warehouse, heavily insulated. His basement is a catch-all for pieces that should hang in the Louvre.

He turned to me and said bitterly, "I'm going to give most of them away."

"I was flabbergasted. But why?"

"That's a good thing," I told him. "I'm sort of against only one man being able to look at Rembrandt anyway. Put him out in public, where everybody can enjoy him."

He looked at me as if he thought I were crazy. He looked at me as if he had made some sudden, incredible discovery.

Hollywood Sights And Sounds

HOLLYWOOD—Spencer Tracy's assignment to do a new version of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" is a good excuse to relay one of the better John Barrymore yarns.

Twenty years ago John did a terrific silent picture on the double-barreled Stevenson character—a flicker more shuddersome than the 1932 talkie with which Fredric March copped an academy Oscar. It was that picture 20 years ago, practically speaking, which launched Barrymore on his career as the Great Profile, and his casting for it was the result of a freak of chance.

John at the time was a young man about Broadway, working in the picture as a sideline. His film work consisted mainly of heavy comedy—including falls. One day, after botching a scene, he lapsed into a serio-comic delivery of lines from Shakespeare. The producer was impressed. "You do dramatic work, too?" he asked.

"Every night—over at the theatre," said John. "Ever catch the show?"

"No," said the producer. "I didn't know you were an actor."

But he must have "caught the show," for the direct sequel was John's casting as Jekyll and Hyde—the Jekyll role serving to spotlight his "romantic" qualities, thus paving the way for the Barrymore reign of 10 years, at least, as Great Lover of the screen.

There's a laugh in the New York opening of

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By Jack Stinnett

Square. But the National also gets its share of plays heading out. The all-time boxoffice record there is held by such a play—"Victoria Regina," with Helen Hayes (who, by the way, is a Washington girl) in the lead.

OFFICIALDOM ON HAND

Of the bigwigs who frequent the National, several are members of the U. S. supreme court, including Associate Justices Frankfurter, Murphy and Douglas. Chief Justice Hughes used never to miss a potentially good show, but in the last year or so has found his duties and other obligations too exacting. Probably among the most consistent first-nighters are Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Morgenthau, Senate Majority Leader Alben Barkley, Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., and Mrs. Evelyn Walsh McLean, the Hope diamond lady. Mrs. Roosevelt attends occasionally, but does most of her theatre going in New York. The president, in his eight years in the White House, has been four times to see his friend, Walter Huston, in "Dodsworth" and "Knickerbocker Holiday" and to attend the two "command performances," "Outward Bound" and "Life With Father," given in connection with the annual Birthday Balls.

SOLO APPEARANCE

Incidentally, that appearance probably will be the only one "Life With Father" will have here since Washington's law on child labor—that no girl under 18 or boy under 16 may be gainfully employed is iron-clad. Since there are three such youths in that Broadway hit, most Washingtonians will have to be satisfied with reading about it, as they have had to be in the case of almost every smash that hit Broadway with a youngster in an important part.

An interesting point about shows at the National theatre. Although the top-hat and tiana section often is spotted with empty seats, the balcony hardly ever is and frequently has to run up its SRO sign when there still are blocks for sale on the first floor. Apparently, the government clerks and lower-bracket workers take their theatre a good deal more seriously than the folding-money crowd.

By George Tucker

"You must be a communist," he said. And got up. And walked out. I give you my word.

Ethel Colt, who wishes to drop "Barrymore" as the middle section of her name even though she still is Ethel's daughter, is now a night club singer in New York. She warbles popular ballads in a place known as Spicy's Hideaway Roof, and her debut was just the other evening. While waiting to go on, a Western Union messenger arrived with a package for her.

"I know what it is," she told everybody. "It's a shiny red apple—from mother."

Most stage folk receive congratulatory telegrams from well-wishing friends on the evening of the debut, and it is nothing to see scores of them tacked around the star's dressing room.

But with the Barrymores it's apples. Nice, big shiny ones. It's another gadget from the Barrymore trunk of traditions. Seems that when Ethel made her debut, way back before she even dreamed of appearing on Broadway with the Horse Marines, she made her little bow to the public with the great John Drew. "If you do well," he told her, "if you do well tonight, after the show I will give you a nice, big, shiny red apple."

The cutest recording of the month is "Yes, My Darling Daughter," with Dinah Shore singing. It's on the order of "A Tisket A Tasket."

By Robbin Coons

The Jack Benny-Fred Allen movie, "Love Thy Neighbor" a laugh because it was originally planned for Miami, Fla.

In the movie, Allen and Benny are radio rivals (show odd). For the Miami opening, only Allen was scheduled to appear in person. Back here in Hollywood, Benny didn't like the idea. "Me, too," he said.

But Benny's attendance meant transferring his radio show to Miami for the occasion. Allen was prepared to do this for his own show, but Benny, attempting to prepare, ran into a snag on facilities. Upshot: "Love Thy Neighbor," to keep both neighbors happy, was switched to New York.

Now that New York has discovered Joan Carroll, the baby blonde of "Panama Hattie," Hollywood is ready to re-discover her. A lot of people here, reading of Joan's success in the musical show, forgot that she was once under contract at 20th, where they kept her in reserve, after a fashion, as a second-team Shirley Temple. Joan made quite a few movies there, too, and one of her best roles—but for RKO—was the brat in the Ginger Rogers flicker, "Primrose Path."

Shirley has been good luck, of a sort, for Joan. Remember Buddy DeSylva at all tried to get the retired Temple for their show and took Joan when the Temples nixed the stage?

Whatever DID happen to Sonny Boy? You know... Davey, Davey... oh, Davey Lee.

The Herald's Serial Story

Who Killed Aunt Maggie?

Chapter 26

"You are sure this is Mrs. Ambler's handwriting?" the lieutenant went on.

I had been sure enough at the time. I took the note and examined it again. "Yes, it is Aunt Maggie's writing. I'm as certain as one can reasonably be."

Lieutenant Gregory went into the routine questions as to whether Aunt Maggie had any enemies and whether we had cause to suspect the servants or any of our guests. The answer, of course, was no in both cases.

"At this point his sandy-haired assistant began to fidget. 'What is it, Roberts?' Lieutenant Gregory asked. 'Oh, I see. Motives.' Then turning to Bill, 'Mrs. Ambler was I understand, a wealthy woman?'"

"She was quite comfortably fixed," Bill admitted. "You know of no one who might have tried to blackmail her?"

"No."

"Who would profit by her death?" "Profit?" Bill and I repeated like stupid parrots.

"Who inherits her money?" he elucidated. "Oh," said Bill. "My wife. Unless Aunt Maggie recently changed her will. Our family lawyer is on the way out. He would know."

While Lieutenant Gregory's expression remained inscrutable, I could feel that Roberts was pleased. I should not have been at all surprised if he had said, "Now we are getting somewhere."

But however agreeable Patrolman Roberts's thoughts may have been, they were interrupted by a loud and peremptory knocking at the door. Lieutenant Gregory frowned, but nodded in answer to Roberts's questioning look, and the latter, disapproval eloquent in every movement, arose and stalked over to answer.

Standing outside was our lawyer, Mr. Thomas Marshall, and another man whom I did not recognize. Mr. Marshall's arrival at that precise moment seemed more than mere coincidence to me. I was willing to set it down as a good omen, foreshadowing a speedy disposition of our difficulties.

Bill arose hastily and went to meet the newcomers. "This is Coroner Dodson," Mr. Marshall explained as they shook hands, and I drew my breath quickly, remembering the coroner is blind.

I should not have guessed it from his appearance, for he is confident in bearing, vital and alert looking and though a little heavy is at the same time clean-cut in features and physique.

"I asked Mr. Dodson to come as a special favor to me," explained Mr. Marshall, whose bald head makes his shaggy eyebrows look as though they needed a good manicure. But under those ferocious brows are the large, kind brown

eyes of a faithful Gordon setter, which were now turned anxiously in my direction. "I was never so glad to see you," I told him sincerely.

"Mr. Dodson's duties as coroner do not require him to make an investigation in person," Mr. Marshall continued. "All he has to do is preside at the inquest, as no doubt will be necessary in this case. But we have known each other for a number of years. In fact, we play chess together and I have a great respect for his ability and his powers of deduction. So, after your telephone call, I got in touch with him and although, as I said, he is not required to make these visits he is making an exception in this case."

"Very glad to do so," said Mr. Dodson, in his deep, resonant voice, as Bill and I expressed our appreciation. "Ah," he added, "I see you have Lieutenant Gregory on the job."

The officer, who had done no more than voice a low remark to his assistant, now came forward, grinning, to shake hands with the

blind coroner who had recognized his voice.

"And isn't that Roberts with you?" Mr. Dodson asked, and Roberts, too, arose to pay his respects. "Just a little impetuous sometimes," smiled the coroner, as he shook hands with Roberts, "but with Gregory you made a good team, so I suppose it is all right."

"Have to work hard to put anything over on the coroner," said Lieutenant Gregory, with a noteworthy attempt at lightness.

"You are right, it is hard to put anything over on him," agreed Mr. Marshall, who explained that his purpose in bringing Mr. Dodson was to have him look the situation over and sit in on the questioning.

"He hears more in the human voice than the rest of us do," Mr. Marshall declared.

"Oh, I don't know," Mr. Dodson deprecated modestly, but with a humorous twist to his sensitive lips. "Maybe I just listen more carefully. It is one of the things you learn to do when you cannot depend entirely upon sight."

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"I could not say exactly. You will understand there will be considerable red tape to go through in settling up the estate. There will also be the customary inheritance taxes."

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"That depends upon what you mean by a considerable sum."

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I remembered hearing my father say that Mr. Marshall, while not the most brilliant member of the legal profession, was always smart enough to dig up the right person to do the right thing in his stead. Obviously that was his purpose in enlisting Mr. Dodson's aid. And it did not surprise me that he should feel such confidence in Fulton County's coroner, for Mr. Dodson is by way of being a celebrity and is often in the newspapers.

He is a practicing attorney in addition to his duties as coroner. He goes to baseball and football games, bowls, uses a typewriter and not only dials his own telephone numbers but, by listening when someone else dials, is able to call out the number indicated. Because of his feats as a memory wizard, his skill as a pianist and charm as a public speaker, he is constantly in demand as an honor guest at businessmen's luncheons and dinners. But chess and fishing and symphony orchestras are known to be his great hobbies.

I wondered if by merely listening in on testimony he was able to detect guilt where someone else might fail to do so. Evidently Mr. Marshall believed something of the sort.

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business property. But in securities alone, I should say we might safely count on something approximating a hundred thousand dollars."

"Thank you," said Lieutenant Gregory dryly, apparently glad enough to abandon the subject after having finally wrung something concrete from Mr. Marshall's polite evasions.

"Shouldn't we explain the situation first to Mr. Marshall and Mr. Dodson?" Bill asked. "I gave Mr. Marshall only the briefest outline over the telephone."

But Mr. Dodson insisted that we proceed, saying that he did not wish to delay things and that they could catch up on the details later. "Just where were you when we interrupted?"

Lieutenant Gregory looked at Roberts, who read aloud from his notebook: "Who profits by Mrs. Ambler's death?"

The coroner smiled. "So it was not really an interruption?"

Mr. Marshall coughed apologetically. "I should like to advise Mr. and Mrs. Stuart," he said, "that they are not compelled to answer questions which, er—"

"May be used against them," Lieutenant Gregory finished for him. "Right. I was only going to ask—he turned to Bill—"whether you or Mrs. Stuart have enemies of your own?"

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By Medora Field

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"And you, Mrs. Stuart?"

I shook my head. "If I have any, I don't know it."

"You can't think of anyone who might try to get back at you for something? Revenge, you know?"

I had an all-gone feeling in the pit of my stomach. "Oh, no!" I cried, more in protest than denial.

"Lieutenant," said my husband, and his voice had grown suddenly harsh. "Don't you think this is going a little farther than is necessary?"

"Now, now," the lieutenant soothed, casting an anxious look in Mr. Dodson's direction. "I only asked if you thought there was a possibility somebody might try to make things look bad for either of you."

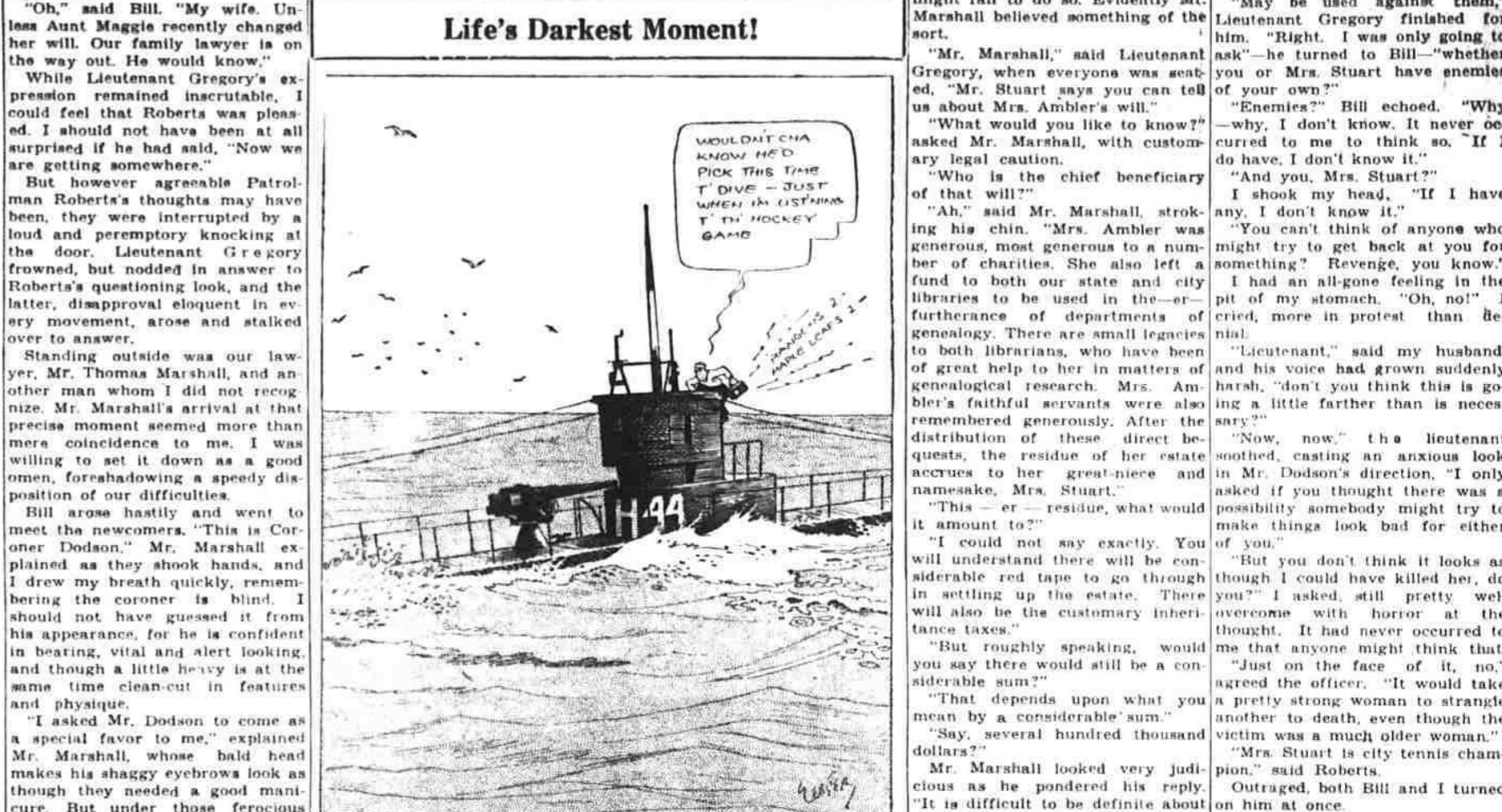
"But you don't think it looks as though I could have killed her, do you?" I asked, still pretty well overcome with horror at the thought. It had never occurred to me that anyone might think that.

"Just on the face of it, no," agreed the officer. "It would take a pretty strong woman to strangle another to death, even though the victim was a much older woman."

"Mrs. Stuart is city tennis champion," said Roberts.

Outraged, both Bill and I turned on him at once.

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1. Mashed fabric
4. Accumulate
5. Stuffed
12. Second highest mountain in North America
13. Compass point
14. Solid water
15. Bring into a row
16. Nervous twitching
17. Thus
18. Plant which develops from within
19. Myself
20. Toward the south
21. Vehicle for oil
22. Narcotic

DOWN
31. Dutch city
32. Variety of eyeglass
34. Buntinglike fabric
35. Remove
36. Bustle
41. Placid
42. Slave ship
43. Row
44. Ten; prefix
45. White
46. Called; archaic row
47. Pull
48. Bird of the crown family
49. Artificial language
50. Before
51. Impure
52. East Indian
53. Series of tennis games
54. Incantations
55. English letter

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

DOWN
1. Ill-smelling
2. Demanded a reputation
3. Golf mound
4. Masculine name
5. Casting form
6. Exchange premium
7. Rendered vocally
8. Old-time dagger
9. Molten
10. Enliven
11. One who with- draws
12. Yule
13. Racket
14. Epoch
15. Descrier
16. Ancient language
17. Surface of zero curvature
18. Death notices
19. Rectangular inset
20. Wine vessel
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The following tests prove the intoxicating effects of one drink of liquor:

A person is told to push a red or a green button, according as a red or a green light is flashed some feet away. An electrically operated clock measures the exact fraction of a second required to perform the act. This is called the "reaction time." Then the subject is given as much alcohol as is contained in a short time the experiment is repeated. In every instance a longer time is required to respond to the signal, and, many times, the wrong button is pushed.

The average reaction time is increased one-quarter of a second. An automobile traveling 60 miles an hour goes 88 feet in a second or 22 feet in a fourth of a second. That much delay in switching the foot from the accelerator to the brake, may mean disaster.

The man who is slightly intoxicated is deceived by his own condition, and he thinks he is quite capable. His will-power, judgment and self-control are weakened; his special senses—sight, hearing and feeling—are impaired; and his muscular control is unreliable. (Submitted by and published at the request of the local WCTU.)

President Has Two Formidable Problems Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The "terrible urgency" for much faster defense production and an outright British request for financial assistance put two formidable problems on President Roosevelt's desk today.

As Mr. Roosevelt returned to the executive offices for the first full day after his two-week Caribbean trip, the belief grew in some quarters that some important action might be forthcoming.

Of the two questions, however, defense production was rated the most pressing by officials, particularly in view of William S. Knudsen's statement yesterday that the situation was one of "terrible urgency" which called for "the impossible" from American industry.

The fact that Britain had made a formal request for financial aid was disclosed last night by an authoritative source. Few details were available on the nature of the request.

The request was understood to look toward assurances of future financial help in obtaining war supplies here. The British, it was indicated, seek a "line of credit," probably involving their security holdings and gold assets, rather than a straight loan.

Knudsen, defense commission production chief who has been dining the need for speed-up in recent utterances, reiterated in letters made public that a faster around-the-clock pace was "desperately needed" for "the welfare of our country."

TURKEY PRICES PEGGED
LONDON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The food ministry today fixed the price of undressed Christmas turkeys at two shillings, ten pence a pound (about 57 cents) because butchers were raising their prices.

538 Aliens Register At Lamesa Postoffice
LAMESA, Dec. 17 (Sp) — Five hundred and thirty-eight aliens have registered at the Lamesa postoffice, according to Postmaster Owen Taylor. Most of these were itinerant Mexican laborers, but a few were Englishmen, Canadians and Danes.

LECTURE SLATED
"Ben Hur, a Tale of Christ," will be the subject of the Rev. E. G. Richburg's lecture at the West Side Baptist Church, 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, the Rev. E. E. Mason, pastor of the church, has announced. No admission will be charged.

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Chicago Subway Nears Completion
CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP)—Engineers and sandhogs who two years ago today began digging in a mighty match of men against mud have completed more than 80 per cent of Chicago's \$57,000,000 subway.

An underground army which now has a daily roster of 3,800 men has moved 2,000,000 cubic yards of excavated material, installed 500,000 cubic yards of concrete and handled eight tons of dynamite without a major accident.

Subway Commissioner Philip Harrington said that although there have been eight fatalities on the entire subway job it is an undertaking with "an exceptional safety record." Two men were electrocuted in one accident, the other deaths coming singly. There have been no serious cave-ins or other mass disaster type of accidents.

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HOW FAR TO THE DON'S, EL ROYA?

NOT VERY FAR, ANIGO, BY THE ROUTE I KNOW!

A HALF HOUR LATER...

AROUND ZE NEXT BEND EES ZE HACIENDA! MAKE YOUR EYES BUSY THERE! AND REMEMBER...YOU AVE NOT SEE EL ROYA.

WHEN WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN, ROYA?

WHEN YOU LEAST EXPECT ME! HAIHA! NOWYAMOS AND GOOD LUCK!

I GUESS IT AIN'T MUCH FUN TO BE TORN APART BEIN' ADMIRE!

MAYBE IT AIN'T, MAC, BUT WHEN A STAR GETS PESTERED BY MOVIE FANS IT'S A SURE ENOUGH SIGN OF SUCCESS!!

STAND BACK, EVERYBODY!!

QUICK PATSY I MUST GET YOU OUT OF THIS CROWD!

WE'LL GO DIRECT TO OUR BOAT... THEN SAIL DOWN THE RIVER AT MIDNIGHT!

SEE BOLLY! IN ALL TH' SHUFFLE I FORGOT ABOUT THAT NASTY OIL TRICK OF VERONICA'S... AND WHERE IS SKIDDY?

DOGGONE IT, OUR MARVELOUS WOULD DO WONDERS FOR BABIES WITH BUM SKIN IF Y COULD JUST GET 'EM TO TRY IT! AN' THEN TH' WORD-O'-MOUTH ADVERTISIN' WOULD CREATE A BIG SALE FOR US! BUT—HOW WILL I GET 'EM TO TRY IT?

I'VE GOT IT! I'LL GIVE AWAY SOME SAMPLES! WOMEN'LL TRY MOST ANYTHING IF THEY CAN DO IT FOR NOTHIN'!

I'LL GET OUT ON TH' STREET AN' WHEN I SEE A FEMALE WITH BUM SKIN, I'LL GIVE HER A JAR!

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Big Spring To Seek National Guard Armory

Big Spring will submit an application for a national guard armory following announcement that \$14,000,000 had been made available for such buildings in 50 or more Texas cities.

The Texas National Guard Armory board made the announcement Monday after the WPA grant of \$7,540,874 toward the total had been given presidential approval. The board will provide its share through issuance of bonds, said Gen. C. W. Nimon, secretary.

He added that around 76 armories in 50 or more cities were contemplated. The board will meet with Gen. John A. Hulen, Fort Worth, prior to Jan. 1 to consider locations.

Big Spring, long a seeker of a national guard unit, will base its application on the fact that recently an anti-tank company of the national guard was organized here and mustered into service at Santa Anna with expectations of becoming a permanent unit upon completion of its year of service.



NATIVES OF CRETE—These bearded men are natives of Crete, the island whose fierce hill-men are reported by the Greeks to have been thrown into battle against Italians in Albania. The Cretans prefer long knives to fixed bayonets in close fighting.

Army Accepts Two From Area

Two men from Big Spring recruiting station area have been inducted into the regular United States army, according to a notification received by Sergeant Troy Gibson, local recruiting officer.

Raymond E. Jackson of Big Spring has gone into service with the medical department at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, and William P. Odum, Stanton, has been accepted by the field artillery at Fort Bliss.

Vacancies existing in the USA are as follows: air corps for the Puerto Rican department, Kelly Field and Barksdale Field; medical department for Camp Bowie and Fort Sam Houston; signal service, Fort Sam Houston; ordnance company, Fort Sam Houston; cavalry, Fort Bliss; field artillery, Fort Bliss.

Parley

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morning and returned just before noon with Laval seated beside him in an automobile.

As the Petain-Abetz conversation shifted from the chief of state's office to a private dining room in the Hotel Du Parc, with Laval as a third conferee, it was reported that a Petain-Abetz meeting might follow if the fuhrer's representative and Petain agreed on a future policy of French-German collaboration.

If they don't—according to Vichy rumors—anything might happen.

General Maxime Weygand, who sources here said was the man Abetz wanted to talk to most, was not in Vichy. He was in North Africa and showed every intention of remaining there.

Weygand, former allied generalissimo and now commander of French forces in North Africa, was said to be following Vichy events closely. But if he was in constant touch with Petain, as diplomatic reports said, there was little external sign of it at Vichy.

Many observers have been comparing Weygand's present position in North Africa with that of Italy's position of potential menace when France was fighting for her life in Flanders.

The tables, they said, now are turned. Italy's troops are hard-pressed by Greek forces in Albania and by the British along the Egyptian-Libyan border. At Italy's back in Africa stands Weygand with a strong, well-armed force of French colonial troops untouched by the war.

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BOND POSTED

W. H. Gillem, who waived examining trial on a charge of driving while intoxicated, posted \$500 bond at noon Tuesday and was released. Gillem was taken into custody by the state highway patrol and transferred to the sheriff's department.

Here 'n' There

To quote from the police blotter again, officers examined a man suspected of being "somewhat mentally unbalanced."

El Senor Saavedro, a Mexican hot tamale man, got unshucked Monday evening when struck by a car driven by S. A. Davis. The mishap occurred on the Gregg street viaduct, and Davis reportedly saw that the Mexican was given medical treatment. Saavedro was pushing his cart over the viaduct when the accident occurred.

Midland apparently is determined to become a safer city. No less than 250 traffic signs at important intersections are being erected. Stop signs were being put up at intersections on six streets.

Johnny Garrison is back home after spending nearly six months in a hospital. It was on July 3 that he accidentally came in contact with a high voltage line while working near Lamesa. His miraculously hung on until freed and was rushed to a Lamesa hospital in serious condition. But he rallied and soon was brought to the Big Spring hospital here for his burns to heal. Now he'll spend Christmas at home.

Firemen still need more toys to repair for gifts to poor children. The supply is looking better, but would really fill the bill if more people would just take time to gather up a few old playthings and drop them off at the station.

Winner Of Medal For Meat Production Has Profitable Production

W. L. Wilson, Jr., winner of the Thomas L. Wilson Pkg. Co. 4-H club meat production award for Howard county, stands on sound footing for his honor, for he has realized a gross of \$902.87 on five calves he fed out in three years.

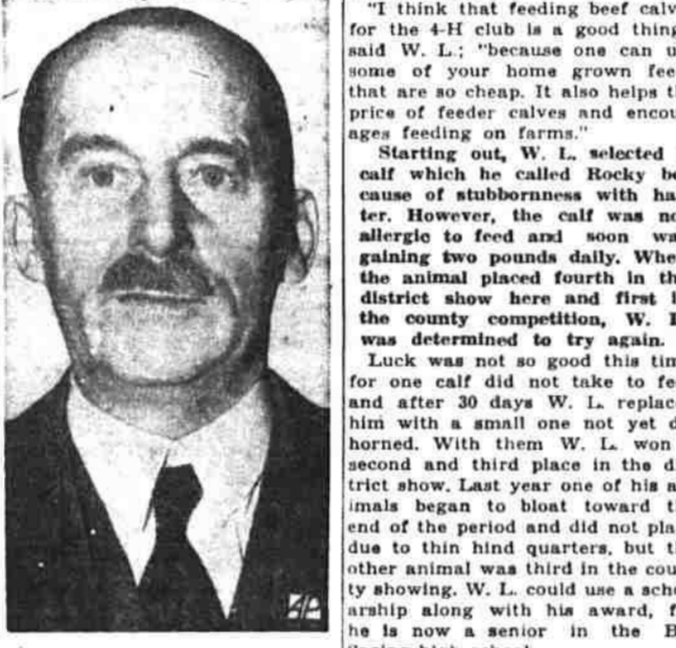
Deducting the value of home grown feeds, W. L. made \$527.30, exclusive of the cost of his animals. He started out in the summer of 1937 and fed out one calf, and then followed the next two years with a pair of baby heifers.

In his project he followed a practice of feeding balanced rations to animals selected from his father's herd north of Luther, used a self-feeder, employed a calcium supplement with native feeds given calves off the range.

"I think that feeding beef calves for the 4-H club is a good thing," said W. L., "because one can use some of your home grown feeds that are so cheap. It also helps the price of feeder calves and encourages feeding on farms."

Starting out, W. L. selected a calf which he called Rocky because of stubbornness with halter. However, the calf was not allergic to feed and soon was gaining two pounds daily. When the animal placed fourth in the district show here and first in the county competition, W. L. was determined to try again.

Luck was not so good this time, for one calf did not take to feed and after 30 days W. L. replaced him with a small one not yet dehorned. With them W. L. won a second and third place in the district show. Last year one of his animals began to bloat toward the end of the period and did not place due to thin hind quarters, but the other animal was third in the county showing. W. L. could use a scholarship along with his award, for he is now a senior in the Big Spring high school.



STATISTICS—are all in the day's work for Col. Leonard P. Ayres (above), statistical branch director in the War Department. Preparedness drive has brought busy days for him.

Public Records

Building Permit
E. H. Hefington to construct garage at W. 3rd and Brown streets, cost \$290.

Marriage Licenses
Richard Lee Patterson and Elizabeth Terry, both of Big Spring.
Ollie Lawrence Presley and Arlene Sprayberry, both of Big Spring.

New Cars
John W. McGoth, Goldsmith Chrysler sedan.
Scott J. King, Abilene, Studebaker tudor.
A. T. Rogers, Kermit, Ford tudor.
Fay W. Castleman, Westbrook, Plymouth tudor.
G. D. Dawson, Oldsmobile coupe.

Thousand Dollar Reward For Slayer Returned To Donors

LAMESA, Dec. 17 (Sp)—A thousand dollars has gone begging for three years here.

That amount of money was subscribed and placed in escrow three years ago by merchants of Lamesa as a reward for the person or persons who would be responsible for capture and conviction of the slayer of Maxie Woodruff, hero of a store hijacking here.

The reward was offered if earned within a three year period. That time has elapsed, so the money is now being returned to the donors.

Young Woodruff was working in Hurt's Haberdashery in Lamesa one busy Saturday afternoon in the autumn of 1937 when a hijacker made a haul from the store. The clerk followed the robber down the street, overtaking him a block from the place of business. In a struggle that ensued, Woodruff was mortally wounded.

The killer is still at large. One man was tried for the crime, but found not guilty.

Man Shoots Wife, Self At Bryan

BRYAN, Dec. 17 (Sp)—Justice of the Peace A. D. Bosse held today that C. E. Heard, apary inspector of the entomology department of the Texas agricultural experiment station, shot his wife to death as she lay sleeping, then killed himself.

The two had been living apart, heard at Bryan and his wife at Fort Worth.

Cafe Sales Talk Boomerangs

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17 (Sp)— Waitresses in Sam Bordman's sandwich shop were instructed to offer after-meal inducements, "any dessert?" or "anything more?"

Bordman's sales methods boomeranged after he staked a fundless man to a sandwich and coffee.

"Come a shift in waitresses and Bordman heard the persuasive suggestion. 'Don't you want a nice slice of hot mince pie?'"

"Don't mind a bit," grinned the stranger.

DEAD COUNTED

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Sp)—Civilian air raid casualties in the United Kingdom in November were 4,588 dead and 8,302 injured, it was announced officially today.

Livestock

FORT WORTH
FORT WORTH, Dec. 17 (Sp)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Cattle, salable and total 2,000; calves, salable and total 900; market active and steady to strong in all classes cattle and calves; common butcher yearlings down to 5.00; good fed steers and yearlings 9.00-10.00; beef cows 4.50-6.50; load heavy heifers 7.50; good and choice killing calves 7.75-9.00; common and medium 5.50-7.50; good stock steer calves largely 9.00-9.50; load choice around 300 lb weights 10.75.

Hogs, salable 1,800; total 2,600; market opened steady; top 6.50; good and choice 190-300 lb. 6.30-50; good and choice 150-185 lb. 5.40-6.25; packing sows steady, 5.25-40.

Sheep, salable and total 1,200; fat lambs steady to 25c higher; other classes scarce and steady; woolled fat lambs mostly 8.50-7.50; good fall shorn lambs 8.00; few woolled yearlings 7.50; feeder lambs 7.50 down.

MERCHANTS SAY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING INCREASE SEEN

With six days remaining for Christmas shopping, buying is steadily gaining momentum, according to Big Spring merchants.

As yet, goods listed as luxuries are not moving fast, but practical appliances and clothing are advancing. Monday was the first day in which buying showed an appreciable increase, although there was a slight volume of business until the afternoon.

One merchant said he did not make a sale until 11 o'clock in the morning, and then had 23 customers within an hour and a half.

Grocers reported a sell-out business in Christmas trees. One store keeper estimated that he could have made a couple of dozen additional tree sales if his supply had not been exhausted by early demands.

Cowboy boots appeared to be a lively holiday item. One boot-maker said he was 17 pairs behind his schedule already, and was trying to fill orders from as far as Casper, Wyoming. Leather supply, for dress boots in demand as gifts, was slim due to stoppage of imports of fine grain material.

Although more expensive gifts were selling more rapidly, average price for Christmas remembrances held to the traditional dollar.

Mine Explosion Injures Five Men

BECKLEY, W. Va., Dec. 17 (Sp)—Five injured men were brought out of the No. 4 mine of the Raleigh Coal and Coke Corporation today less than an hour after an explosion which trapped an undetermined number of miners.

The men were rushed by ambulance to the Beckley hospital. Persons around the mine said they believed that "five or six more" still were inside.

Mrs. C. M. Meadows, wife of a district mine inspector, said she understood there had been at least one fatality.

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NEWS NOTES FROM THE OIL FIELD COMMUNITIES

Ernest Clifton was a business visitor in Garden City Monday.

Pauline McWilliams attended the wedding of her sister in McCamey last weekend.

Word has been received here of the marriage of Clinton Sterling and Geraldine Blakley of Hobbs, N. M., Dec. 7. Sterling formerly attended Foreman school and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Sterling. The couple will reside in Hobbs.

Myra Nell Harris, daughter of Mrs. Vera Harris returns home Wednesday to spend the holidays.

J. D. Leonard was a business visitor in McCamey this week.

P. D. Lewis has been on the sick list.

Coleen Moore was confined to her home Monday because of flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCamey will go to Fort Worth this weekend where McCamey will serve as best man in the wedding of his friend, Al Ashmore.

Betty Jane Harmon of Abilene will arrive Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Harmon at their home in the East Continental camp.

Mrs. John Lane will motor to Abilene Thursday and her daughter, Joy, will return home to spend the holidays.

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