

Americans Hammer Germans Back Germans In Budapest Doomed Doughboys Cross Sure River In Four Places

Russians Storm Through Streets Over Tough Foe

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW, Dec. 28 (AP)—A doomed Nazi garrison reeled backwards in the smoke-filled streets of western Budapest today but clung with suicidal resistance to positions in the eastern sector of the capital.

(A Berlin broadcast monitored in London said early today that the German garrison in Budapest "has taken up positions on an inner defense ring of the capital" after several Russian penetrations of the German-Hungarian lines.

"The Russians are now attacking from the southeast, northeast and west," the broadcast said.

The German and Hungarian defenders were reported to have already been denied the use of one of two remaining airports for evacuation of troops as Soviet forces pounded toward the heart of the once beautiful city.

With the Red air force holding complete mastery in the skies German transports were able to operate only at night from this last field, near Pest, and the casualties were reported great.

Russian troops pushed across the eastern arm of the Danube north of Budapest yesterday, splitting the Nazi troops and driving part of them into the mountainous area in the great Danube bend.

The remainder were pressed back into Buda, where Soviet units engaged them in house to house fighting.

Other Red army troops stormed into Buda from the west and southwest in numerous new penetrations of the suburban area.

Marshal Rodionov today to storm the Hun (Garam) river line guarding Austria as the Russian communiqué reported a drive to clear the Germans from the area between the Hun and Ipoly rivers in the Czechoslovakian-Hungarian frontier region.

Suicide Stand At Bastogne Is Another Bataan

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
A L L I E D EXPEDITIONARY
FORCE, Paris, Dec. 28 (AP)—If the Alamo had been reached in time; if fleet-guarded troops could have gunned their way through to Bataan, that would have been the story of Bastogne, the American Arnhem, as it appeared today.

It was a bloody, heroic, suicide stand with promise of a bright ending.

The men who fought and died in the tank-pounded outposts around the town for a week, and some of them probably still are fighting and dying there, cannot yet be identified.

They are several thousand strong—or were when the battle started in which they tied up the better part of five German divisions and denied Field Marshal Von Rundstedt the most important road hub in his offensive bulge.

The Bastogne pocket was under day and night pressure from every side against odds comparable to those which British parachute troops faced at Arnhem, in Holland. There was no way of telling how much longer the American garrison could have held out—but the stories of the men who fought there now make clear how they withstood the siege.

When the relief column burst through it found the Americans not smashed back into the streets but clinging grimly to the out-post line.

BROWNIGG WORRIES
LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—Sir Douglas Brownrigg, a retired lieutenant general, said today that Gen. Eisenhower was trying to carry too heavy a load in personally directing the land fighting and suggested that he delegate some of his duties.

Brownrigg was adjutant general to the British expeditionary force in France at the time of his retirement in 1940.

KILLED IN MISHAP
GAINESVILLE, Dec. 28 (AP)—Two Gainesville residents were killed and five persons injured in a three-way traffic collision five miles east of Gainesville on U. S. highway 82 shortly before midnight Wednesday.



BOMB SPLITS FRENCH HOUSE IN TWO—Half a house remains standing at the end of a street in a French town on the U.S. Third army front, after the other half was destroyed by a high explosive bomb. (AP Wirephoto).

Mindoro Shelled By Enemy Ships

By LEONARD MILLIMAN
Associated Press War Editor
American bombers relentlessly pursued surviving Japanese warships from a once powerful task force that shelled U.S. airdromes in the Philippines while a Pacific fleet force steamed away almost unscathed from a similar bombardment of an enemy air base island 750 miles south of Tokyo.

The Nipponese attack on Mindoro Island cost the Japanese three destroyers sunk and one battleship and a heavy cruiser damaged. Only three destroyers in the force of eight warships escaped unharmed from a persistent counterattack by PT-boats and every plane available on Mindoro.

Two American warships were hit by shore batteries when they joined Saipan-based bombers in pounding Iwo Jima for the third time this month.

Iwo was shelled to protect Saipan, from which some 50 Superforts yesterday attacked Tokyo, leaving flames raging in the big Musahim aircraft plant.

Japanese bombers also raided Mindoro, Leyte and Morotal island airdromes— all unsuccessfully MacArthur said.

Powerful interception met the B29s over Tokyo resulting in perhaps the greatest bag of Japanese fighter pilots ever scored over Honshu island. One Superfort was lost to the persistent Nipponese attacks. One B29 was attacked 56 times.

Tokyo tried to hide under a smokescreen pouring out of smudge pots. It was a futile attempt. Aside from the first formation overshooting the aircraft factory under the impetus of a strong tailwind, returning airmen reported they hit the target squarely.

As the B29s were overhead Adm. Mitsumasa Yonai, Nipponese naval minister, called for increased air production to replace losses in the "war of attrition in air strength."

Speeding the attrition Yank fighters shot down 13 of 20 interceptors put up in the weakening defense of Clark Field, near Manila. Other bombers ranging over the Philippines and Borneo sank seven small Japanese cargo ships of 1,000 tons or less.

American ground troops mopping up on Leyte Island, main U. S. base in the Philippines, killed 827 more trapped Nipponese.

In Burma British troops continued their steady southward drive down the railway and Irrawaddy river toward Mandalay. Advances of up to 20 miles against light resistance were reported by forward patrols.

Montgomery Ward Properties Are Seized By Army In Seven Cities

CHICAGO, Dec. 28 (AP)—The army seized Montgomery Ward and Company properties in seven cities today under a presidential order in a showdown on the company's refusal to comply with War Labor Board directives.

Simultaneously government attorneys filed a petition in federal court asking for an injunction to restrain the company and its officers from interfering with federal operation of the plants. Presumably this was precautionary in the event Ward's should offer legal resistance to the seizure.

Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Byron, director of the Special Service Division, Army Service Forces, Washington, accompanied by his staff, served the seizure order on Sewell Avery, Ward's chairman of the board, in Avery's private office.

Avery greeted Gen. Byron pleasantly and they shook hands.

Maintenance of union membership was a fundamental issue in the cases, Avery having refused to grant it on the contention it would deprive employees their right freely to join or not to join a union and still work for the big mail order concern.

Justice department specialists from Washington worked until 5 a. m. in the U.S. district attorney's office preparing, it was understood, for federal court action in the event Montgomery Ward resisted the seizure. This action would be a petition for an injunction to restrain Avery and other company officials from interfering with government operation of the property.

Washington reports indicated seizure would be effected in six other cities where similar controversies existed.

Meantime, a strike was called at

Churchill - Eden Head For London

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill and Foreign Secretary Eden have left Athens for London to urge King George II of Greece to approve creation of a German regency, BBC's correspondent in Athens reported today.

ATHENS, Dec. 28 (AP)—Warring Greek political factions were agreed today to formation of a regency in a step towards peace, as British military authorities reported a withdrawal of some ELAS forces from Athens to positions on highways leading into the city.

A majority of the conferees expressed themselves in favor of an immediate regency while a minority favored postponement, it was announced by Archbishop Damaskinos, the chairman.

An Allied force headquarters which entered the city appeared to be evacuating and leaving the fighting in the "built up" areas to the original Athens ELAS corps, concentrated at Piraeus and in the northern and southern districts of the city.

The communiqué said the process of clearing Athens of the ELAS was progressing slowly but satisfactorily.

In a prelude to the political discussions a sniper's bullet narrowly missed Prime Minister Churchill yesterday morning as he stood in front of the British embassy.

The regency issue was voted upon yesterday at an all-party conference, after which Churchill announced that he, President Roosevelt and Premier Stalin would take up the Greek question at a meeting in the near future.

"Of course we must expect that in a not very long time President Roosevelt, Marshal Stalin and myself will meet again and we will certainly review the situation," Churchill told a press conference.

Asked what was likely to happen if no settlement were reached at the all-party conference, Churchill replied:

"If no agreement is reached, the guns will go on firing, the troops will clear the district and we shall establish peace, order and security in Attica."

Churchill was fired upon by an ELAS sniper yesterday morning as he stood outside the British embassy. He was with Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and Ambassador Reginald W. A. Leeper. The bullet whistled close by the prime minister and struck a young woman 300 yards away.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (AP)—Saying "we are today at a critical point in the war," President Roosevelt today directed the army to seize Montgomery Ward properties in seven cities.

The government "cannot and will not tolerate any interference with war production in this critical hour," Mr. Roosevelt declared in a statement saying he had issued orders for the military to take over the company's properties in Detroit, Chicago, Jamaica, N. Y., St. Paul, Denver, Portland, Ore., and San Rafael, Calif.

The president said Montgomery Ward, under the leadership of Board Chairman Sewell Avery, "has waged a bitter fight against the bona fide unions of its employees throughout the war, in reckless disregard of the government's efforts to maintain harmony between management and labor. Its record of labor relations has been a record of continuous trouble."

Montgomery Ward, he added, will not be allowed to set aside the government's wartime policies "just because Mr. Sewell Avery does not approve of the government's procedure for handling labor disputes."

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bombs explode amidship and set the enemy ship aflame. Other Mitchells dove on the second destroyer, hitting it repeatedly.

It was seen to explode violently three times.

At approximately 1:30 this morning, Manila time, the Japanese force retired to the north, having accomplished very little after their bold approach.

There was no evidence that the Japanese had made any sort of a landing—if that had been their intent.

By JAMES M. LONG
PARIS, Dec. 28 (AP)—American forces cutting into both sides of the Von Rundstedt bulge at its thinnest neck have fought to within less than 20 miles of a junction, 36-hour old reports from the front said tonight.

The whole southern flank of the enemy salient from Bastogne to the German border yielded slowly to hammering. Doughboys and tanks crossed the Sure river at four places and threw the enemy back into the reich at two places in the Echternach area at the eastern end of the wedge.

The razor-thin relief corridor to epic Bastogne held firm against German infantry and armored attack.

The Germans were buffeted back farther in hard fighting near Grandmenil and Marche, points 20 miles away on the other side of the bulge.

Part of the German spearhead which had driven deepest into Belgium at Celles was encircled and being hammered into disintegration by a ring of guns and armor, and another pocket along the underbelly of the salient was receiving similar treatment.

The probing armor that had pushed close to Ciney, 15 miles from Namur in the northwestern tip of the bulge, had been beaten back until the battleline ran seven to eight miles southeast of the village.

The main fighting in the Celles area was now in the vicinity of Verre, two and one-half miles to the southeast.

Along the southern flank the Americans continued to gain and were across, up to or almost up to the whole line of the Sure river from the Bastogne area to the German frontier. Where they were not across the stream they held the high ground on the south side.

The village of Liefrange, 10 miles southeast of Bastogne, was seized in one crossing north of the village of Bonmal.

It was too early to foresee the outcome, for the Americans in their counterattack now under way faced formidable obstacles.

But there were clear indications the bold Nazi bid for a great December victory had butted into serious trouble.

The German army had been held for more than 48 hours up 'o Wednesday dawn without a significant gain.

German pockets were surrounded in the western head of the enemy offensive and on the southern flank and were under tempests of shellfire.

Southwest of Echternach the Germans were retreating and northwest of that southern hinge of the salient, they were preparing an escape bridge under American fire and were preparing to pull back into Germany across the Sure.

A bit farther northwest 250 Germans were seen swimming the Our river, back into Germany.

Three of the American crossings of the Sure, which Berlin broadcasts said were by the U. S. Third army under the command of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, were near Bonnal, 2 1/2 miles northwest of Eschdorf. The fourth was at a place three miles northeast of Martelange. All the crossings were within about 15 miles of Bastogne.

Von Rundstedt's armored patrol probing toward the Meuse were being beaten up badly, though one did thrust out eight miles south of Celles to the vicinity of Beauraing, only 3 1/2 miles from the French border.

Pump Contractors Arrive For Work
City Manager B. J. McDaniel announced Thursday that the contractors for the setting of the pumps, Lane - Texas Co. from Dallas, arrived Wednesday to begin the installation in the well field in Glascock county.

For the past several weeks the pipeline from the well field to Big Spring has been under pressure test, McDaniel said.

NO V-BOMB ATTACKS
LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—For the second time in less than a week England has had a 24-hour period unmarred by German V-bombs, the air ministry disclosed today.

The Seawolf brought to 34 the total of United States submarines lost during the war—4 sunk, 28 overdue and presumed lost, and two destroyed to prevent capture. It was the 239th naval vessel of all types lost since the beginning of the war.

The navy's announcement today said the vessel was under command of Lt. Comdr. Albert M. Boutier of White Plains, N. Y., who is listed as missing.

The 1,500 ton submersible was of a class which normally carries a complement of 82 men. No announcement was made of the number lost, but the navy said next of kin of all casualties had been informed.

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GERMANS CHECKED, AMERICANS COUNTER-ATTACK—American troops have driven a deep salient into German lines, it was announced Dec. 27, but the exact location of the push was not disclosed. Supreme headquarters announced earlier that a German armored thrust toward the Meuse river had been checked at Celles and Ciney and the Germans rolled back. Arrows show center of action indicated by field dispatches. (AP Wirephoto Map).

Rail Targets Hit By Allied Bombs

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—Seventeen hundred heavy bombers hammered 11 rail targets in western Germany today despite bad weather which curtailed close air support for American ground forces.

Five hundred British bombers struck just before dawn, aiming their bomb load of about 2,500 tons on ground flares planted by Pathfinder planes at Opladen, 12 miles north of Cologne.

The U.S. Eighth Air Force's 1,200 heavies, also based in Britain, bombed the other targets by instruments through dense clouds. They were escorted by 700 U.S. fighters which encountered no opposition

from German planes. The British escort, likewise, had no opposition in the air.

The 4,000-ton bomb load of the American armada fell on ten rail yards and bridges on junction points between the German salient in Belgium and the Rhine. The RAF hit the railway workshop at Opladen, where the Germans have been trying to repair damaged military rolling stock.

The German radio said day raids also were striking into the reich from the south, suggesting operations by the Italian-based U. S. 15th air force.

Official accounts said almost 2,000 pieces of German rail and road transport were demolished yesterday and 90 German fighters were shot down by some 4,000 Allied bombers and fighters which took the air.

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Enemy Attempt To Shell Mindoro Defeated

By SPENCER DAVIS
BOMBING HEADQUARTERS, Mindoro, Philippines, Dec. 28 (AP)—The enemy attempt to bombard American installations at Mindoro with a formidable surface battleship force can be added to the long list of failures of the Japanese navy suffered in the Philippines campaign.

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Child Study Club Meets Wednesday

Mrs. J. B. Mull and Mrs. K. H. McGibbon were co-hostesses when the Child Study Club met in Mrs. Mull's home Wednesday afternoon for a business meeting and social. Mrs. Charles Watson, president, presided at the business meeting.

Mrs. Escal Compton gave a report of the baskets that the club gave needy families for Christmas. She told what was in the baskets and how they were distributed.

A reading, "Learning to Be a Good Neighbor", was given by Mrs. W. P. Cecil. An article, "Major Treat for Minors", was given by Mrs. John Coffee.

Refreshments were served from a table laid with a lace cloth and centered with an arrangement of pine cones and cedar centered with white tapers. Mrs. Charles Watson presided at the silver tea service.

Those present were Mrs. W. P. Cecil, Mrs. John Coffee, Mrs. Escal Compton, Mrs. George R. French, Mrs. Iva Huneycutt, Mrs. Charles Watson, Mrs. H. W. Smith, Mrs. K. H. McGibbon, and Mrs. J. B. Mull.

Party Honors Johanna Stemple

S/Sgt. and Mrs. Carl J. Stemple honored their daughter, Johanna Ada, with a Christmas party on her second birthday Wednesday afternoon in their home at 110 E. 18th.

Gifts were presented the honoree and after they were opened pictures were made of the group. Refreshments of birthday cake, which was frosted in white and trimmed with Christmas colors, jello and candy was served.

"Happy Birthday" was sung and those present were Mrs. W. D. Lovelace and Billy, Mrs. T. R. Lovelace, Don and Tommie Sue, Mrs. C. R. Donaldson, Byron, Sylvia, and James, Sonnie Hart and S/Sgt. and Mrs. Carl Stemple and the honoree.

Surgical Dressing Room At Post Open

After disbanding during the Christmas rush, the surgical dressing room at the post will resume its work. The room will be open each Wednesday from 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.

The room was formerly opened on both Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week but will only be open on Wednesdays now. The first meeting will be January 3rd.

Season's Greetings

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 28 (AP)—From an irate Oregon woman to the state OPA ration board came this left-handed holiday greetings on appropriate Christmas stationery:

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Hard Work Ahead For Gals Of '45

By ADELAIDE KERR
AP Newsfeatures Writer
American women face probably the busiest and most complicated year of their lives in 1945.

Reason: they will have a foot in two camps — (1) working on the unfinished business of the war and (2) planning and working toward the postwar period.

It may be we won't have to settle in 1945 the problem that loomed so large this year: Will women in war industries go back home or stay on the job after the war? Margaret Hickey, Chairman of the Women's Advisory Committee of the War Manpower Commission, says that cutbacks in some industries do not mean that the whole war industry is reducing the number of its workers. On the contrary, she declares, we will need several hundred thousand more workers in war industries by spring and more than half of them will have to be women.

That means that millions of women, in war industries and other jobs, face another lengthy stretch of hard work — a stretch in which many will have to do the three ring job of worker, wife and mother. They must face the complications which arise when household furnishings and equipment wear out and cannot be replaced immediately, and when returning service men must be helped in readjustment to civilian life. But the hard work does not end there.

Women also face unfinished business for their sex. For years the National Woman's Party and others have been working for the passage of an Equal Rights Amendment which will give the women of the United States equal rights with men. It was the first legislative measure laid before the 78th Congress, but so far has not been passed by either house.

Another piece of unfinished business ahead of women in 1945 is the battle for equal pay for equal work. So far equal pay laws have been passed by only five states — Montana, Michigan, Illinois, Washington and New York. This year, however, the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs and other national women's organizations plan to pool their efforts for the strongest woman-drive yet in an effort to secure the passage of equal pay laws in other states.

Looking toward the transition and postwar periods, women leaders say that women have a tremendous job ahead. Margaret Hickey, who is also president of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, says:

"Women are not preparing for the peace as they should. In wartime it is natural to work in harmony with your allies, but in peace differences of opinion often arise. Women have a great opportunity in the home, the community and educational circles to teach an understanding of other countries' problems which can help keep peace."



TECH BEAUTY—Pictured above is Earlyne Reid of Coahoma, who was selected as one of the top eight beauties of Texas Technological College at Lubbock recently.



DANCE THE OLD YEAR OUT in a bouffant moire taffeta gown in deep rose, designed by Brownie. The close-fitting bodice dips low in back, buttons to the waist.

Son Born To Lt. And Mrs. G. C. Blissard

Word has been received of the birth of a son to Lt. and Mrs. G. C. Blissard, Jr., born Wednesday morning at 9:15 in Fort Worth. The boy weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces.

Lt. Blissard is a former Big Spring resident.

Mexican Held In Jail

LAREDO, Dec. 28 (AP)—Severo Morales, 48, was being held in the Webb county jail today under a charge of murder in connection with the death of Jose Gonzalez, 62.

The body of Gonzalez was found Monday, on the Block ranch 20 miles south of here, with two head wounds.

Costly Forgetfulness

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Dec. 28 (AP)—Seaman Richard B. McNeal has lost a hotel.

Registering late one night, he left his money with the clerk while he went out again. Returning, McNeal couldn't remember the hotel's name or where it was.

He still has the claim check, the navy still is hunting, and the clerk still has the money.

When the United States entered the war, about 30 per cent of Boston's off-shore fishing fleet was converted to naval cuty.

Dry Cleaning Houses Must Post Prices

All dry cleaning or pressing establishments in the Lubbock district of the OPA of which Big Spring is a part, are required to have a ceiling price poster displayed by Jan. 15, 1945, to show maximum legal prices for cleaning and pressing certain men's and women's wear. District Price Executive J. B. Mooney announced. The poster must be displayed in a conspicuous place so that the customers may check on prices.

Funeral Services For Dr. Waterman

DALLAS, Dec. 28 (AP)—Funeral Services were to be held here Friday for Dr. Louis M. Waterman, 87, Chaplain Emeritus and for 23 years chaplain of Baylor hospital, who died here yesterday.

Dr. Waterman became associate editor of the Baptist Standard in 1908. He later was assistant to the late Dr. George W. Truett at the First Baptist church here before joining the Baylor hospital staff in 1916.

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ARAB GETS A LIGHT—Sgt. J. E. Daniels of the British Army lights a cigarette for Cpl. Abdulla Sakkeh of the Arab Legion in the Transjordan area where British anti-tank gunners were practicing deployment and shooting.

ANTHONY'S RUMMAGE SALE

These items listed below are short length and odd lots and broken sizes, priced for this clearance special.

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30	Button Side Fastener	.20	.07
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11	Table Runners	.59	.17
8	Purses	1.98	.19
38 yds.	Kola Spuns	1.29	.25
26	Ladies' Hose	1.65	.27
21	Table Runners	.79	.27
30 yds.	Dark Rayon	.59	.31
15	Guest Towels	.79	.33
7	Ladies' Slips	1.19	.44
17	Cottage Curtains	1.98	.47

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44 box Soapless Suds	1.00 .50
5 Boys' Shirts	.98 .53
14 Boys' Cotton Pants, Sanforized	1.98 .59
6 Men's Felt Hats	4.98 .66
16 prs. Children's House Shoes	1.29 .74
34 Brassieres	2.98 .88
9 Furlough Bags	2.98 .88
2 Men's Covert Pants, size 42	1.69 .92
13 Cottage Curtains	2.98 .93
7 Boys' Water Repellant Jackets	2.98 .99
4 Men's Sport Shirts	4.98 1.47
10 prs. Ladies' Non-rationed Shoes, dark colors	4.98 1.55
13 Sweaters	7.50 1.77
5 Men's Dress Pants (no alteration)	5.90 1.88
3 Boys' Bath Robes	5.90 2.00
6 Boys' Plain Shirts	4.98 2.79
9 Men's Wind Breakers, asst. sizes	8.95 3.27

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Is Compulsory Training Necessary?

(Editor's Note: This is the second of two stories in a series on compulsory military training.)

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (AP) — The main point in all talk about national compulsory military training in peacetime for American youths is this: Is it necessary?

The army and navy say it is. They want every able-bodied youth, after reaching a certain age, to undergo at least one year of military training.

Some arguments for such a program:

By training one million youths a year, and then returning them to civilian life, in 10 years we could build up a reserve of 10 million trained men.

We'd need it if we joined a league in order to back up our efforts to preserve peace. If we didn't join, then more than ever we'd have a great reserve of trained men.

If we had had a large military force this time we might not have been attacked. Our underpreparedness figured in Axis calculations against us.

Fortunately, in this war and the last one we had Allies who held off the enemy until we got into fighting shape.

The next time the attack upon us may be sudden. We may have no allies.

So, we'll need plenty of trained manpower; either in uniform as a standing army or ready to be called into uniform quickly from civilian life.

We wouldn't need compulsory training or a large reserve of regular, standing army, navy and trained men if we had a huge air force.

But the upkeep of such a regular military machine would be far more expensive than maintaining a fair-sized machine backed up by a reserve.

Some arguments against compulsory training:

Military training trends to war. Our young men would want to use what they learned.

Military training would take out of a young man's life, by interrupting his schooling and occupational plans.

Such training isn't necessary. We've done pretty well by waiting until war came and then using our wartime draft system.

If there is a real league to preserve peace, a big reserve force wouldn't be necessary.

Compulsory military training would make other nations suspicious of us. They, too, would consider it necessary for them. Then there'd be an armament race. Compulsory military training didn't save France.

Private Bregger Abroad



"MUST you always stand there and watch sergeants suffer?"

Publishers Oppose Union Law Changes

DALLAS, Dec. 28 (AP)—Opposition to changes of union laws by the International Typographical Union, was voiced in a statement issued by publishers and publishers' representatives of four states in session here yesterday.

"While relations between newspapers and their printers have been generally harmonious in the past," the statement said, "publishers now see the danger of a disruption of happy relations by the union's attempt to make its own laws supersede the process of collective bargaining and arbitration."

C. W. Tabb, manager of the Dallas office of the Southern Newspaper Publishers association, said the group agreed that:

The principle of collective bargaining in determining wages, hours and working conditions should be maintained;

Labor contracts should be complete in themselves and should be equally binding on employer and employee;

The principle of arbitration of disputes should be maintained;

Collective bargaining should be free from influence of one-sided laws enacted by or affecting only one party to the bargaining.

Tabb said today's action followed the Typographical union's recent changes in its laws, which, the group felt, departed from the principle of free collective bargaining and arbitration of labor disputes.

Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana were represented at the meeting.



Pictured above is Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Pettus, who held an open house December 26th in their home at 1000 Lancaster Street in honor of their golden wedding anniversary.

Andresen Charges Vinson As Swindler

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (AP) — The Office of Price Administration and Economic Stabilizer Fred Vinson were accused today by Rep. Andresen (R-Minn.) of having swindled millions of "thrifty American housewives."

This, Andresen said in a statement, resulted when Vinson and OPA boss Chester Bowles "conspired to issue the new ration order which cancelled unused red and blue stamps."

A member of the republican congressional food study committee, Andresen said he is convinced that the War Food Administration was "by-passed and not consulted when the OPA fixed up this Christmas present for the American people—especially when we consider the latest report from the department of agriculture."

That report, he recalled, stated that "this year (1944) total production of food was the highest in history."

"I hate to see my government deliberately cheat patriotic Americans who are doing everything possible to help win the war and back their boys on the fighting fronts," he added. "We need more honesty on the part of our officials in their dealings with the people."

Andresen recalled a speech he made in the house last May in which he predicted that after the election "the new deal will x x x reinstate and make more drastic all rationing policies to further regiment and socialize the economy of our country."

Hog Production Is Lower During Year

AUSTIN, Dec. 28 (AP) — Hog production in Texas this year was about 41 per cent below the record total of 1943 although it was about 11 per cent above the average production for the previous 10 years.

The U. S. department of agriculture reported the state pig crop for the year was estimated at 2,460,000 head, compared with a peak of 4,183,000 head saved in 1943 and the 10-year (1933-42) average of 2,210,000 head.

Both spring and fall farrowing in 1944 were substantially below those of last year.

Wheat Price Rise Will Not Be Felt

The four cent a bushel increase in wheat will cause no increase in the price of bread, OPA District Director Howard R. Gohlson announced Wednesday.

The standard-size loaf of white bread will continue to be sold for 11 cents. Flour prices will also remain at their present levels until Dec. 31, at which time an announcement will be made of a new subsidy rate to apply after Jan. 1.

The increase in wheat was necessary to fulfill the requirements of the Stabilization Extension Act of 1944.

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Belgian Fascist Head Will Be Executed

BRUSSELS, Dec. 28 (AP)—Leon Degrelle, chief of the now outlawed Belgian Rexist (fascist) movement, has been condemned in absentia to be shot to death.

The Brussels court of collaborators and traitors pronounced the judgment yesterday by default. Degrelle has been in the hands of the Germans since before they left Belgium.

Port Arthur College Announces New Prexy

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Dec. 28 (AP) — George M. Sims yesterday became president of Port Arthur college.

Sims succeeded Carl Vaughan, formerly of Texarkana, Texas. He has been superintendent of the Port Arthur public school system for the past 30 years.

Merrily We Roll

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 28 (AP) — The unsuspecting motorman continued merrily on his way, his streetcar motor ablaze.

After a passerby turned in the alarm, firemen chased the streetcar four blocks before the motorman could be stopped — and the fire quenched.

SATISFIED APPETITE

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 28 (AP) — A burglar broke through the second floor of a vacant building adjoining a downtown cafe, forced a door, and dropped into the cafe kitchen through a trap door. His loot: One 40-cent sweet potato pie.

Yanks Hide While Germans Ransack

WITH AMERICAN TROOPS IN BELGIUM, Dec. 27 (Delayed) (AP) Nine members of a quartermaster company trapped by the recent German breakthrough in this area told today how they hid in an old creamery storage vault while Nazi tankmen ransacked bins of new American combat clothing "like a bunch of children."

"The Heinies were tickled pink to get that clothing," said Pvt. B. C. Mallory of Mineral Wells, Tex. "They all picked some up, waved it around and kept yelling: 'Americans kaput' (Americans finished)."

The nine men hid in the creamery seven hours watching through a window as the Germans helped themselves to American equipment before pulling out when U. S. artillery started to shell the town.

The other eight included these Texans: Corp. Benjamin E. Ondrusek, Yoakum; Pvt. Herschel C. White, 1422 28th st., Wichita Falls; Pvt. Mandred E. Davis, Pampa; Corp. E. J. Kopecky, Sweethome, and Pfc. Dale L. Phelps, Lytle.

Texas Pilots Have Field Day With 36th

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP) — The 36th fighter group, which boasts five Texas pilots, had a field day at the Nazis expense near Trier Saturday, downing 20 out of 85 German planes in one of the most furious air battles of the war.

Lt. Ernest H. Understadt, Jr., San Antonio, bagged three Focke-Wulfs.

Other Texans who each were credited with one kill were: Lt. Hayden W. Head, 1207 S. Travis, Sherman; Lt. Daniel Leftwich, Jr., 934 Northwest Charles St., Brownsville; Lt. Fred S. Welch, 3205 Ayre St., Corpus Christi and Lt. Sterling U. Price of Price, one-half.

Authorities Deny POW Sit-Down Strike

PALACIOS, Dec. 28 (AP)—Army authorities had denied today that news of the German counter attack had inspired some 200 German war prisoners at Camp Hulen to stage a sit-down strike here yesterday.

The refusal to work was said to have begun when prisoners on duty in the camp mess refused to work at breakfast time. It spread among other prisoners. The strikers were placed on a bread and water diet.

SAFE LANDING — ?

WOODWARD, Okla., Dec. 27 (AP) — A pilot and his four passengers escaped injuries in a crash landing near here, Highway Patrolman W. I. Fletcher said. They had a grim warning. They lit in a cemetery.



REUNION—Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gage have received this picture from their son, Tommy Gage, F/1c, and a letter telling of a reunion with his brother-in-law, E. J. Davis, Jr. in Pearl Harbor. Mrs. Davis is residing here with her parents at 1200 Nolan street while her husband is in the navy.

Eight Navy Fliers Return To Leyte

LEYTE, P. I., Dec. 28 (AP) — Eight Navy airmen returned to Leyte Island safely today after evading Japanese for more than five weeks in the mountains of an enemy-held Philippine island.

They were shot down by anti-aircraft fire during November carrier raids and later united in the mountains.

"We had to keep moving all of the time to avoid the Japs," said Ens. Eric Rellis, of Chicago. "For five weeks we never slept on a bed or cot. Mostly we ate rice three times a day but sometimes we could get hold of papayas or chickens."

"You're speaking for yourself now," interjected Lt. (jg) A. E. Sumner, Jackson, Miss. "Where I was in the hills, rice was just about all we could find."

Sumner and Radioman George Bogil, Perth Amboy, N. J., said they had a vantage point for a while where they could watch a Japanese garrison. Once a Japanese spotted them and blew a whistle to stop them but they fled into the woods.

Others who returned with them were Radioman Chester Knozek, Baltimore, Md.; Lt. S. R. Johnson, (1926) Sycamore) Denton, Tex.; Ens. Ross Eddie McAlpine, Houston, Tex.; Alan Pray, Peru, N. Y.; Robert Jones, Miami Springs, Fla. (No ranks were given for Pray or Jones.)

All appeared well and expressed hope for a trip home soon.

SEA GOING SKUNK

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 28 (AP)—Ever hear of a sea-going skunk? There'll be one aboard the submarine USS Quillback tomorrow when the vessel is placed in commission at the Portsmouth navy yard.

This particular skunk first reported for duty in November as a recruit from the Wisconsin state game commission. It has been adopted as the sub's mascot.

QUIET COURT DOCKET

Following a busy court Tuesday after a long week-end there was only one man charged with drunkenness in the Big Spring jail Wednesday. Three women are being held for VD check-ups.

Bamboo canes for brush making, formerly imported from Japan, now are being grown in Ire.

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Also in the interest of conserving war- vital tetra-ethyl lead, F. A. W. has directed that less of it be used in the manufacture of all Regular gasoline. Consequently the octane number of this product has been reduced from 72 to 70.

So, if your Humble Station is temporarily out of Esso Extra, or if Humble Regular does not perform in your car like it did in the past, please remember that tetra-ethyl lead is really all of us or none are asked to make in the interest of an earlier Victory.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ROAD BOND ELECTION, THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HOWARD

To the Resident Property Tax-paying Voters of Howard County, Texas:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 13th day of January, 1945, within Howard County, Texas, to determine if said County shall issue bonds and if ad valorem tax shall be levied in payment thereof, in obedience to an election order entered by the Commissioners Court on the 11th day of December, 1944, which is as follows:

On this, the 11th day of December, 1944, the Commissioners Court of Howard County, Texas, convened in regular session at a Regular Term thereof, at the regular meeting place in the Court House at Big Spring, Texas, with the following members of the Court, to-wit:

James T. Brooks, County Judge,
J. E. Brown, Commissioner Precinct No. 1,
H. T. Hale, Commissioner Precinct No. 2,
R. L. Hall, Commissioner Precinct No. 3,
Akin Simpson, Commissioner Precinct No. 4,
Lee Porter, County Clerk.

being present, came on to be considered the petition of A. J. Stallings and 221 other persons, praying that an election be ordered to determine whether or not bonds shall be issued by said Howard County, Texas, in the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand (\$150,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed three (3%) per cent per annum, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the Commissioners Court, serially or otherwise, not to exceed twenty (20) years from date thereof, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof; and whether or not an ad valorem tax shall be levied on all taxable property within said County for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity;

And it appearing to the Court that said petition is signed by more than fifty (50) of the resident property taxpayers voters of said Howard County, Texas, who own taxable property within said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation; and

It further appearing that the amount of bonds to be issued will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said Howard County;

IT IS THEREFORE CONSIDERED AND ORDERED by the Court that an election be held in said County on the 13th day of January, 1945, which is not less than thirty (30) days from the date of this order, to determine whether or not the bonds of said County shall be issued in the amount of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand (\$150,000.00) Dollars, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, within said County, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed three (3%) per cent per annum, maturing at such times as may be fixed by the Commissioners Court, serially or otherwise, not to exceed twenty (20) years from date thereof; and whether or not an ad valorem tax shall be levied upon all property in said County subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on

said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity.

A sufficient amount of the proceeds from the sale of said bonds to be used in purchasing right-of-way for highways and/or roads that have been and that may be located by the State Highway Commission and that may be constructed by the State Highway Commission in Howard County.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 22, Revised Statutes, 1925.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and of this County and who are resident property taxpayers in this County, who own taxable property within said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue said bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

The polling places and presiding officers of said election shall be respectively as follows:

At the Courthouse Building, in Big Spring, Voting Precinct No. 1, with G. C. Broughton as Presiding Officer.

At the Courthouse Building, in Big Spring, Voting Precinct No. 2, with W. L. McCollister as Presiding Officer.

At the Courthouse Building, in Big Spring, Voting Precinct No. 3, with G. G. White as Presiding Officer.

At the Courthouse Building, in Big Spring, Voting Precinct No. 4, with S. P. Jones as Presiding Officer.

At the Vincent School Building, in Voting Precinct No. 5, with Willis Winters as Presiding Officer.

At the Gay Hill School Building, in Voting Precinct No. 6, with C. B. Lawrence as Presiding Officer.

At the R-Bar School Building, in Voting Precinct No. 7, with R. E. Martin as Presiding Officer.

At the West Ward School Building, in Big Spring, Voting Precinct No. 8, with L. R. Mundt as Presiding Officer.

At the American Legion Building, in Coahoma, Voting Precinct No. 9, with Leroy Echols as Presiding Officer.

At the Forsan School Building, in Forsan, Voting Precinct No. 10, with Mrs. C. M. Adams as Presiding Officer.

At the Center Point School Building, in Voting Precinct No. 11, with Glenn Cantrell as Presiding Officer.

At the Moore School Building, in Voting Precinct No. 12, with A. K. Merck as Presiding Officer.

At the Garner School Building, in Voting Precinct No. 13, with A. J. Lloyd as Presiding Officer.

At the Morris School Building, in Voting Precinct No. 14, with W. L. Wilson as Presiding Officer.

At the R. N. Adams Rent Building, in Voting Precinct No. 15, with A. Iden as Presiding Officer.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the general laws of the State regulating general elections, when not in conflict with the provisions of the statutes hereinabove referred to.

Notice of election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in "Big Spring Daily Herald," a newspaper published in Howard County, Texas, for three successive weeks before the date of said election, and in addition thereto there shall be posted copies of this order at four public places in the County, one of which shall be at the Courthouse door, for three weeks prior to said election.

The County Clerk is hereby directed to cause said notices to be published and posted as hereinabove directed, and further orders are reserved until the returns of said election are made by the duly authorized election officers and received by this Court.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, with the seal of the Commissioners Court affixed, this 11th day of December, 1944.

LEE PORTER,
Clerk of the County Court and
Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court, Howard County, Texas. (SEAL)

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"I'm going out to wunchy—I'll be back at twee!"



BARBERSHOP QUARTET — Lauritz Melchior, Metropolitan tenor (left), and Edgar Bergen, join Bergen's dummies, Mortimer Snerd and Charlie McCarthy in a barbershop quartet.

Simple Supper For New Year's Eve

By CHARLOTTE ADAMS

- Casserole of Baked Beans
- Fruited Gingerbread
- Green Salad
- Broiled Grapefruit

(Recipes serve four)

- Casserole of Baked Beans
- 1 No. 2 can of beans
- 3 tablespoons molasses
- 3 tablespoons tomato catsup
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 4 slices bacon

Combine beans, molasses, catsup and brown sugar and place in a casserole. Cut bacon in two-inch lengths and spread over top of beans. Bake at 375 degrees for about 30 minutes or until bacon is browned.

Broiled Grapefruit

- 2 grapefruit
 - 1-4 cup brown sugar
 - 1 tablespoon fortified margarine
- Wash, dry and cut grapefruit in half. Loosen each section by cutting with a sharp knife along each fiber division. Preheat broiler at 350 degrees for ten minutes. Sprinkle each grapefruit half with brown sugar and dot with margarine. Broil about four inches below the flame for 15 minutes with the door left slightly open.

Fruited Gingerbread

- 4 tablespoons shortening
- 2-3 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1-2 cup molasses
- 1 cup warm water
- 2 1-2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon soda
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 1-2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ginger
- 1-2 teaspoon cloves
- 1-2 teaspoon mace or nutmeg
- 1-2 teaspoon salt
- 2-3 cup chopped dried figs or dates or raisins

Cream shortening, sugar and egg. Add rest of ingredients and beat 2 minutes. (This is rather a thin batter but it will thicken when baked.) Pour into shallow pan, lined with waxed paper. Bake 30 minutes in moderate oven.

Clear Conscience

ARKANSAS CITY, Kans., Dec. 27, (AP) — Ralph Oldroyd received a package of scissors, costume jewelry and knicknacks — plus \$2.50 — from a person employed in her home years ago.

A note said the articles were to replace some that were lost or broken during the employment, and the money was to cover any incidentals that had been forgotten.

It was news to Mrs. Oldroyd. She hadn't known anything had been lost or broken.

Banks of the Suez canal are chiefly sand and gravel, although in places concrete has been laid to prevent erosion.



GIANT'S TAIL — Communications ground crewmen of B-29 forces on Saipan check antenna equipment on the tail of a giant Superfortress just before it takes off on a mission. Photo by U. S. Army Air Forces.

Ham For New Year's Dinner

By CHARLOTTE ADAMS

- Baked Ham in Madeira Sauce
- Glazed Sweet Potatoes
- Quick-frozen Green Peas
- Sour Milk Corn Bread
- Fruit Cobbler

(Recipes serve four)

- Baked Ham in Madeira Sauce
- 1-2 tenderized ham
- 2 cups Madeira wine
- 1 cup b-w'n sugar
- Cloves

Rub sugar into the outside skin of the ham and stick well with cloves, about one inch apart. Place in a roasting pan with heated Madeira. Bake at 400 degrees for 30-40 minutes, basting frequently with the liquid in the pan.

Sour Milk Corn Bread

- 1 cup corn meal
- 1 cup flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 3-4 teaspoon soda
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup sour milk
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 2 tablespoons fortified margarine, melted

Sift together twice cornmeal, flour, baking powder, soda, salt and sugar. Combine beaten eggs with milk and shortening. Add egg mixture to dry ingredients and stir well. Turn into greased pan and bake at 400 degrees for approximately 45 minutes.

Another Fish Story

SIDNEY, Neb., Dec. 27 (AP) — Art Crossman, a veteran Sidney Hunter, is anxious that lots of people see the duck he shot—he's quite sure they won't believe it's the real McCoy when they see it mounted.

The bird has the body of a mallard hen and the bright green head of a mallard drake.



The Bride Blushed

When she opened her suitcase and found her clothes had been stolen. A Personal Effects Floater covers these losses.

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Newest Estimates Find Service Vote in Presidential Election Below Par

By D. HAROLD OLIVER
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (AP) — Best estimates obtainable from election officials place the service vote in the recent presidential race at around 2,800,000.

This is far below the 3,392,000 estimated by state officers prior to the Nov. 7 election as likely to be cast. But it is a far greater percentage of the service strength than that recorded in the 1942 congressional elections.

The total military and civilian vote this year was 47,971,156, corrected to date.

The 1944 estimate of the service vote is around 35 per cent. That compares with the less than one-half of one per cent who voted in the off-year elections in 1942.

Pending a more complete estimate of the military vote, official returns and estimates from 24 states today placed it at 1,399,208.

Only five states broke down the vote by parties—Colorado, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island. They gave Roosevelt 293,328 and Dewey 207,063, or roughly three to two in the president's favor.

Here's the way the 24 states recorded or estimated their uniformed ballots: (x) denotes estimate.

- Alabama 5,000 (x); Colorado 28,348; Connecticut 39,419 (x); Florida 47,492; Illinois 200,000 (x); Iowa 47,362; Kansas 30,597; Kentucky 31,672 (x); Maryland 34,546; Minnesota 62,517; Missouri 79,277 (x); Montana 9,340; Nebraska 23,454; New Hampshire 12,212; New Jersey 160,329; New Mexico 7,032; North Carolina 49,541; Ohio 164,472; Oregon 33,377; Pennsylvania 255,226; Rhode Island 23,100; Tennessee 27,933; Virginia 38,475; Wyoming 7,885. (Wyoming's total is incomplete.)

BACKACHE, LEG PAINS MAY BE DANGER SIGN Of Tired Kidneys

If backache and leg pains make you miserable, don't just complain and do nothing about them. Nature may be warning you that your kidneys need attention.

The kidneys are Nature's chief way of taking excess acids and poisonous waste out of the blood. They help most people pass about 2 pints a day.

If the 15 miles of kidney tubes and filters don't work well, poisonous waste matter stays in the blood. These poisons may start nagging headaches, rheumatic pains, fat pains, loss of appetite, getting up night, swelling, puffiness under the eyes, bronchitis and diarrhoea. Frequent or acrid passages with smarting and burning sometimes shows there is something wrong with your kidneys or bladder.

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MCDONALD INDUCTED

AUSTIN, Dec. 27 (AP) — Harold B. McDonald, second deputy collector for the bureau of internal revenue and youngest son of J. E. McDonald, commissioner of agriculture, reported today at Fort Sam Houston for assignment in the armed forces.

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Sports Scribes Choose "Rusty's Team" To Win

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
Associated Press Sports Editor

Highland Park's versatile Scotties are a four-to-three choice of the sports critics to defeat Fort Arthur Saturday for the state schoolboy football championship.

A poll of the state shows 17 writers favoring the Dallas team and 12 casting votes for Port Arthur when the teams meet at Austin in the blue ribbon event of Texas sports.

Only one section—the south, of which Port Arthur is a representative—favored the Yellow Jackets and it wasn't unanimous there. The east went solid for Highland Park, the west five to one, the north six to one and Central Texas all for the Scotties.

But no writer figured the winner's margin would be more than two touchdowns.

Here are the selections:

Herman Scott, Greenville Banner—"I'll take Doak Walker and Highland Park by two touchdowns. Score 20 to 6."

Bill Scurlock, Beaumont Journal—"We'll take Port Arthur and won't look back and what's more we'll give you the score: Port Arthur 27, Highland Park 13."

Weldon Hart, Austin American-Statesman—"Highland Park 20, Port Arthur 7."

W. R. Beaumier, Lufkin News—"Highland Park to win. Has passing and running attack to score and team large enough to stop Jackets who can not play another inspired game like they did against Lufkin."

Bob Moore, Odessa American—"Highland Park over Port Arthur. Any team that can beat San Angelo as the Scotties did last Saturday is a championship squad."

Lewis Carver, McAllen Monitor—"Port Arthur over Highland Park."

Spencer Jones, Marshall News Messenger—"Picking Scotts although they only beat Marshall 32-19."

Cliff Clines, Vernon Record—"Picking Port Arthur by narrow margin."

Paul O. Tooley, Denison Herald—"Following Denison-San Angelo game Sept. 27, I picked Highland Park to win the state title. I can't back out this late."

Louis Cox, Dallas Times Herald—"Highland Park by a touchdown. The margin may be greater if the field is fast."

A. W. Wells, Galveston Register—"Highland Park by a touchdown."

Scott Rafferty, Pampa News—"I select Highland Park over Port Arthur because of its victory over San Angelo."

John Sydney Smith, Dallas News—"Highland Park 13, Port Arthur 6."

Perry Winkle, San Antonio News—"Port Arthur to win."

Sliding Down The Sports Chute

with BILL

Currently fanning the breeze around sports circles in Big Spring is discussion of the Big Spring Bombardiers, one of the better basketball quintets assembled in these parts in some time.

Recently organized has been a league of West Texas service fives and a champion will be named. Midland, San Angelo, the two Lubbock fields and others have been included in this group. The champ is due some wide-spread recognition from service headquarters in this command. In short it all amounts to something!

The Bombardiers have been rolling along pretty smoothly. They have dropped but two games, which in a fast basketball campaign where teams get hot and fade away again, two losses are very little. One of these was to the favored South Plains AAF who took a close win in the final seconds, and the other to Lubbock AAF who surprised everyone with a win.

It all boils down to the fact that the Post five is not yet out of the championship running, not by a long shot. It might also be noted that these type games are about the best that can be found. These quintets continually down college fives. (South Plains only loss of the year was a one-point defeat from Texas University, a leading team of the Southwest conference.)

Big Spring fans are missing something by not seeing these Bombardiers in action. Now comes the question, Why can't Big Spring fans witness a high school game? The answer, they have been unable to obtain the high school gym on a few occasions and army rules prohibit allowing civilians to enter the post gates for such a show. Therefore...no games.

Where the trouble lies in the army using the local gym I do not know. My information has come from sources close to the service team, and it seems that the gym is always scheduled for some other affair.

Now, in my mind the simplest solution would be a quick get-together of officials for a look-see into the future and an arrangement of a schedule so the locals could see some good court games.

I know one fact for certain, the army officials are willing to allow the Bombardiers to play in town. If money stands in the way, there should be little trouble there. A moderate charge at the door for civilians would quickly fill the house and the purse so the use of the gym would cost nothing to anyone, and officials could be paid.

The gym is not too large and as I understand it not so often filled for court games. That is bad. Big Spring is interested in good basketball, just as much as football, and the people would like to see some good games. The Steers are rather slow at getting started this year and the Bombardiers are ready to go.

Why not let them play some very soon? It would get fans in the habit of dropping into the gym on scheduled nights, and perhaps would even help the high school attendance. Double bills with the Steers and the Bombardiers might also be offered.

I can see no explainable reason for any further delay. So let's all get together and iron out the troubles and start the new year off right with something in Big Spring's athletic field worth offering fans, and with the fans responding with big attendance.

We have been wanting some state-wide recognition. The Bombardiers could furnish it if they win the West Texas service championship. At any rate they will certainly furnish us with some college-brand basketball.

Think it over...



TWIN CHEERLEADERS—Betty (left) and Bebe Blinn, twin girls from Bowling Green, Ky., lead cheers at U. of Kentucky.

Section A Remains In League Lead As Ordinance Is Beaten

Section A's powerhouse five won its fourth straight victory at the AAFBS Post gym last night, routing Ordinance for the second time by a 34-27 score.

Ordinance jumped into a 12-2 lead before the A's started to pepper the nets with baskets. Sgt. John Millard enjoyed his first high of the season with 18 points. Other high scorers for the A's were Sgt. Ross Doty and Pvt. John Kowalsky with 12 points each.

The real thriller was the Section F-Section K clash with the Bombers edging the Air Crew Trainees by a 41-36 score. T-Sgt. Jerome Pinkston led the Bombers with 19 points.

In the Officers League contest Group I officers defeated Combat officers by a 37-26 score.

On Tuesday night Combat officers won their first game of the season when they defeated the weak French section team by a 26-18 score.

"Coach Henry" Has Good Batting Mark

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 28 (AP)—When a coach can produce four "bowling" football teams in four tries, it gives him quite a name.

Which is something sports fans with twisted tongues would give to Coach Henry Frnka of Tulsa anyway.

Frnka is putting his Golden Hurricane against Georgia Tech in the Orange Bowl here New Year's day, making his bowl record four for four since he became Tulsa's head coach in 1940.

Texas-born son of Czechoslovakian-American parents, he holds bachelor and master's degrees from Austin (Tex.) College, where he was an all-conference guard and fullback.

His Tulsa teams have won 31 games, lost five and tied one.

LAST NIGHT'S BASKETBALL SCORES

By The Associated Press

Oklahoma City Tournament

Arkansas 50 Denver 36

Rice 60 West Texas 44

Oklahoma A. & M. 63 Baylor 16

Oklahoma 61 Texas Tech 31.

Yellow Jackets Arrive In Austin For Early Drill

By The Associated Press

The Port Arthur Yellow Jackets went to Austin today for a workout in Memorial stadium—scene of their state schoolboy championship game Saturday with Highland Park of Dallas.

Highland Park's Scotties stayed at home for another practice session but will leave for Austin tomorrow morning, arriving in the capital city in time for a workout that afternoon.

Port Arthur will enter the game without the services of one regular guard, Bert Reeder, who is out with injuries. Charles Mingle, who has been out with injuries for several weeks, will replace Reeder.

Highland Park had no players on the alling list.

Austin's weather bureau promised sunshine for Saturday's game. Memorial stadium has been covered during rains of the past few days.

'Bama Coach Says Toughest Test Is Coming With Duke

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 28 (AP)—A grim and determined Frank Thomas, coach of seven previous Alabama post-season bowl football teams, paused from his work long enough here today to say that the Crimson Tide's coming Sugar Bowl clash with the Duke Blue Devils stacks up as the "toughest assignment we ever faced on a New Year's day."

"Duke has age, weight and experience on us," Thomas offered, "and things look awfully tough to us right now."

The Tide's squad of 36 players and five coaches arrived here by bus in a downpour of rain late yesterday and wasted little time in getting to work on the Louisiana State gridiron. The Alabamians will hold daily workouts in the afternoon before leaving for nearby New Orleans and the Sugar Bowl game Sunday morning.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (AP)—The football bowl games this weekend will require something over 7,000 miles of travel by squads of about 35 men each—and that's not counting the mileage for individual players in the East-West and Blue-Gray games. . . . Some 250,000 spectators are expected to turn out for seven games (fall figures are very rough approximations). . . . And so far we haven't recorded a single serious squawk about playing these games.

The Rose Bowl, as usual, "figures" to be tops with its 73,000 sellout crowd and the 2,300-mile journey taken by the Tennessee Vols, beating by a few miles the combined distance from Tulsa and Atlanta to Miami's Orange Bowl.

Piggskin pickins— (Southern California vs. Tennessee)

The Volunteers will be k'ed when Southern Cal counts up to Tenn.

(Texas Christian vs. Oklahoma Aggies)

Plunging into a coma We emerge with Oklahoma. (North vs. South, Saturday) I don't know whether its Yanks or Confederates. (Tulsa vs. Georgia Tech) Tulsa will bat the ears Off Georgia's Engineers. (Alabama vs. Duke)

The Crimson Tide will find its level When it bumps against the Duke Blue Devil.

Service dept.— Capt. Waddy Young, Oklahoma's all-America end of 1938 who piloted a Superfortress on the first bombing of Tokyo, sends back word that he won two gallons of catsup from Col. "Pelly" Diltman, a Texas A. and M. prod-

uct, when the Sooners beat the Aggies last October. . . . "You know," Waddy adds, "this catsup makes powdered eggs taste like real home cooking." . . . Lt. Mike Kochel, one of Fordham's "seven blocks of granite" has piloted the "Spirit of Bloomfield," a Fortress bought by Bloomfield, N. J., school children, on more than 15 missions over Europe and has received an Air Medal and oak leaf cluster.

Trojans Work On Punting-Kicking

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 28 (AP)—Southern California's pass-conscious Trojans are not overlooking the importance of kicking, which may prove a vital factor in their New Year's day Rose Bowl game with Tennessee.

The Trojans were to devote most of their practice session today to punting and place-kicking. The Trojans underwent their last intensive scrimmage yesterday, and Coach Jeff Cravath promised workouts would taper off.

The Vols yesterday were hard at work on their running game, rated tops in the Southeast. They also worked on pass defense.

Wrecks Plan Passes For Tulsa Clash

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 28 (AP)—Georgia Tech isn't looking for any bad weather in Miami, but if by perchance it does happen to rain on New Year's day, it still will throw passes against Tulsa.

"Our running attack isn't up to par, we'll admit," assistant Coach Bobby Dodd said, "but we don't need it with our passing and kicking."

Tech has been established a favorite at odds of from 7 to 5 to 2 to 1 and it came as glad tidings to Tulsa Coach Henry Frnka. "I like for the odds to be against us," he said. "The underdog team always has the best chance."

Denison Takes Win In Dallas Tourney

DALLAS, Dec. 28 (AP)—Led by C. Jackson who scored 27 points, Denison high school basketballers walloped Salem School of Troup 59-16 yesterday in the Dallas invitation tournament.

Denton tripped Bonham 31-19 while Waco ran up a 43-27 margin over Pleasant Grove. Martins Mill played a hurriedly arranged game with Sunset (Dallas) and bowed 51-26.

In consolation play Plano topped Lancaster 31-23; Grand Prairie edged Garland 31-28; Forest (Dallas) downed Highland Park (Dallas) 34-28; and Jesuit (Dallas) whipped Mesquite 36-28.

A warm current from the Atlantic, supposedly a finger of the Gulf Stream, keeps Murmansk, Russia, an ice-free port.

Thompson Says Gas Waste Very Small

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 28 (AP)—Those who complain about the waste of Texas natural gas should look into facts which reveal that only approximately two per cent of gas produced is wasted, earnest Railroad Commissioner Earnest O. Thompson.

In a formal statement Thompson asserted the waste figure resulted from data supplied the commission—now engaged in a study of gas conservation—by gas producers and processors:

Thompson said the data showed this distribution of gas: Waste, 2 per cent. Light and fuel consumption including that transported by pipeline to Denver, Indianapolis, Chicago, St. Paul, Kansas City, Detroit and point in New Mexico, Tennessee and West Virginia, 38 per cent.

Extraction loss in natural gas-line plants, 4 per cent. Fuel in natural gas-line plants, 10 per cent. Reprocessing and recycling, 28 per cent. Lifting crude oil, 4 per cent. Manufacture of carbon black, 16 per cent.

Most of the gas that has been and is being wasted, added Thompson, is that produced coincidentally with oil and this gas is burned in flares because it would be dangerous to vent it to the air and because it is not economical to use it for fuel.

Oklahoma Aggies Point With Pride To Best Record In School History

DALLAS, Dec. 28 (AP)—The Oklahoma Aggies, 41 strong and pointing with pride to their best football record in history, come to town today—the first of the Cotton Bowl squads to reach the scene of the New Year's Day game.

Over at Fort Worth, Texas Christian's Horned Frogs, host team in the bowl, will continue work-outs in their own Ballwick, waiting until the day of the battle to storm into Dallas.

And as this prepared to greet the Aggies, Cotton Bowl officials exulted over figures that show they have the top men in the statistics of all the bowl games.

They pointed to a report from the National Collegiate Athletic Bureau in New York that showed Bob Fenimore, the Aggies' all-America back, to be the leader in total offense with 1,759 yards in eight games. In rushing with 897

yards on 162 carries and in passing with 49 completions out of 89 throws for 861 yards and a percentage of .620. The report also listed Jess Mason of Texas Christian the leading punter with an average of 51.94 yards on 16 kicks and Neil Armstrong, tall Aggie end, to be the leading passer-receiver with 325 yards on 26 catches.

Ticket sales continued strong despite the fact that there has been rain all week and bowl officials were confident that with favorable weather attendance would approach or better 40,000.

Texas Christian reported the loss of a regular end from the team that won the southwest conference championship, Z. K. Chromister, who played 275 minutes in the 10-game schedule, will be unable to leave a job with a chemical company in Chicago.



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Coffee	Airway	3 Lb. Bag	59¢
Cane Syrup	Highland	56-Oz. Can	45¢
Apple Juice	Manufacturer's	Can	25¢

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Steak	Grade AA & A Veal Sirloin
Steak	Grade AA & A Veal Rib Chops
Steak	Grade AA & A Veal Shoulder
Roast	Grade AA & A Veal Shoulder
Roast	Beef Shoulder (5 Pounds)
Ground Veal	Fresh Ground
Ground Beef	Fresh Ground
Pork Chops	Center Cuts (2 Pounds)
Lunch Meat	Assorted Loaves
Young Hens	Dressed and Drawn
	Oven Ready
	Lb. 48¢

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Grapefruit Seedless	54¢
Grapefruit Peel	74¢
Carrots Fancy California	2 Bns. 17¢
Apples Washington Delicious Jonathan or Wisconsin	2 Bns. 23¢
Lettuce Firm Heads	12¢
Spinach Fresh Texas	9¢
Celery California Crisp Tender	15¢
Texas Yams Idaho Bred	9¢
Potatoes	5 Lbs. 23¢

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Editorial —

Selling Job To Be Done

The National Association of Manufacturers has raised the question of whether the post-war spending spree so freely prophesied will materialize on its anticipated scale.

Their attitude is not one of defeatism, rather that there will be a great deal more of selling attached to responsibilities of the distributive system than many seem to think. Don G. Mitchell, president of an electric products company thinks "we are about to enter the most highly-competitive period in selling that the world has ever seen." J. H. Frohlich, refrigerator company sales manager, warns against thinking the distributive trade is to "have a gray train for the next year or two." William E. Holler, general sales manager of a major automotive manufacturer, discounts predictions of phenomenal, runaway production, adding that "I happen to be one who feels we have a hard sales job ahead of us, instead of those fantastic over-optimistic projections that are being made by people who never sold anything."

From Howard E. Blood, also a refrigerator company executive, comes the angle that many may wait for those glamorous new lines, may wait for lower prices soon to come, that they may see some sort of work long enough to make them reluctant to turn loose of their savings.

Undoubtedly, there is going to be a period of heavy production of consumer goods since the restrictions of war are removed. The demand is there because such a large per cent of our current goods are exhausted or are worn to point of uselessness or inefficiency.

This indicates a substantial trade once the hurdle of reconversion is negotiated, but it does not mean an uncontrolled paradise of selling any and every old thing without any effort. There is a great deal of substance to the philosophy that a highly competitive era lies ahead and the concerns which capitalize on the back log of public demand will be those who come out not only with a good product, but with aggressive, sensible plans for selling it.

Blessings Of Nasty Weather

Nasty weather, such as we have experienced after Christmas, may not have its admirers at the moment, but it certainly is valuable to those of us who have learned always to look hopefully to "next spring."

Just keep your eye on your lawn, burnt by the hot-dry weather of last season. Before long you will wonder where all this greenery comes from. A little later you will wonder how to get all this confounded grass out of the yard. In short it will be quite a problem, all because we have had these slow-penetrating rains.

But what is a problem for your small yard space is feed for the rancher ere many months pass.

Hollywood

Rickenbacker's Life To Be Screened

By **ROBBIN COONS**

HOLLYWOOD—Two years and 15 scripts after Winfield R. Sheehan first announced he would film the life of Edward V. Rickenbacker, the picture is actually under way.

Fred MacMurray (whose resemblance to the World War I ace is non-existent except that they're both American men) and Lynn Bari are co-starring in what Director Lloyd Bacon calls "the story of Joe Doakes, American—a poor boy who grew up and succeeded in this land of opportunity."

There has been much conjecture concerning the film, some of it rather wildly suggesting that it could not be made because organized labor might object. The basis for such objection, if any, would be of course Rickenbacker's outspoken opinions on strikes in wartime, after his tour of the South Pacific when his plane was forced down at sea and he and five of his six companions were rescued.

The conjecture, according to Bacon, was sheer tommyrot. "There were reports that Gary Cooper, who was originally announced for the role, had received hundreds of letters from labor sympathizers protesting the picture. Gary and I have the same manager and get our mail at his office — and I know he received two protesting letters, about the average a star gets for any role he undertakes." (Cooper bears out Bacon: "I had two letters, but the reason I didn't want the role was that I had 'Dr. Wassell' coming up, another biographical picture, and I didn't want to do too many films of the kind.")

"For another thing," the director observes, "there were seven men on that life raft, meaning seven families, each with a right of privacy under the law. You start out with seven lawyers, and soon you're dealing with 49 lawyers, and more. A studio has to

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The War Today

by **Dewitt Mackenzie**
Associated Press War Analyst

Despite the dampening effect of the German counter-offensive, we can approach an assay of the year-end military position from the rock-bottom fact that the Allied cause—on balance—is going well the globe around.

A pencil and paper, with a modicum of unemotional figuring, are all one needs to demonstrate that the United Nations are on the broad highway to victory both in Europe and in the Orient. That conclusion makes allowances for military setbacks like the present in western Europe and the recent Japanese successes in hard-hit China. It takes into account shortcomings of the home-front.

When you've added up and made subtractions, the answer is that the Allies can't lose excepting through their own folly.

However, we find that at the best we still face a tough and bloody business which calls for all-out efforts by both the home and military fronts, unless the conflict is to drag on interminably. We must profit by the lesson the Germans are giving us—that the wounded beast fights hardest at the kill. We may find this doubly true with the savage and fanatical Japanese.

General Eisenhower still has his chance to administer a knockout to Von Rundstedt and so force an early peace. On the other hand, if the German survives his terribly dangerous thrust into the midst of great Allied strength, then we may find him retiring slowly and resuming his fight in the powerful Siegfried defenses west of the Rhine, thus protracting the war.

Our safest course is to adopt the hard-boiled theory of the War Production Board that the Hitlerian war will go on indefinitely. That's not an invitation to pessimism but a safeguard against over-optimism. We Yanks really should get rid of our school-girl fluctuation of emotions, and hit a middle course.

That same rescue grass thriving in the flats will help carry his cattle. Weeds lying more or less dormant will come out early with good weather. Moreover, the farmer will have ample plowing moisture for putting up his land. And, if we get some more slow rains in January and February, we may choke up less when March winds blow.

Road To Berlin

By **The Associated Press**
1—Western Front: 301 miles (from near Duren).
2—Russian Front: 304 miles (from north of Warsaw).
3—Hungarian Front: 366 miles (from Iron River).
4—Italian Front: 547 miles (from near Alfontaine).

Use Of V-Mail Is Urged By Army-Navy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (AP)—The Army and Navy today urged greater use of V-mail in writing to service men overseas in order to conserve transportation space.

The services expressed concern over recent drops in the use of the microfilm service by both service men overseas and civilians at home.

EISENHOWER PRAISED

MOSCOW, Dec. 27 (AP)—The Russian army newspaper Red Star declared today "Gen. Eisenhower's successes against the German offensive have compelled the enemy to lower their voices."

GERMANS USE CIVILIANS

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—The Moscow radio declared today the Germans were employing 10,000 civilian workers to fortify the Austrian frontier against Russian forces now driving across Hungary.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Corded fabric
4. Pinnacle of
glacial ice
8. River flatboat
12. Topaz hewn
mingbird
14. Town in Maine
16. Brazilian
money
18. Yellow-crown
19. Second-growth
crop
19. Urtica
20. Profits
21. Variety of
lettuce
22. Ringlet
23. Playhouse
27. Harvests
28. Multitude
31. Recidive
32. Woolly surface
of cloth

DOWN
3. Type measure
15. Piece of
summed
paper
18. Symbol for
actinium
20. Bushy clump
41. Garden
implement
42. Town in
California
44. Aссoid
46. Protein found
in cereal
50. Ocean
48. Article of food
52. Reluctant
53. Help
54. Equality
57. Grape preserve
59. And not
60. Bitter vetch
61. Ingredient of
varnish
62. Epoca
63. Rub out
64. Period of time

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55
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How To Torture Your Husband



Hal Boyle: Indian Warfare On Grand Scale Now Raging Along Western Front

By **HAL BOYLE**
IN BELGIUM, Dec. 25 (Delayed AP)—This new battle for Belgium is cowboy and Indian warfare on a grand scale.

It is the reverse of our own victory over the retreating Germans in this small country last September. Then it was the American cavalry which stabbed over highways and byways to catch, trap, surround and destroy the fleeing Nazi columns.

The fluid fighting in this contested area's hot no-man's-land is not unlike that of the unsettled American west in its wilder days. You never know down what lane or out of what wood will come a charging band of marauding "Redskins." Only these "Indians" ride 40- to 60-ton tanks instead of ponies and slug with high velocity 88mm guns instead of rifles.

There isn't just one great field of fighting. There are scores of small-scale engagements. Each crossroad is a potential battleground. A town may be held by the enemy in the morning, be abandoned by noon and be regained by nightfall.

Only when one army succeeds in trapping or pocketing large forces of the enemy is there likely to be more than 50 tanks in any one action. Rather than commit large stocks of irreplaceable armor to gain any one point, the Nazis choose to send out numerous ex-

Legislators Agree On Pension Hike

By **PAUL BOLTON**
New legislators and old agree on the general principle that the forthcoming legislature must make increases in old-age pensions.

Some members who replied to a mail questionnaire indicate that they believe the present limitation of \$15 per month in state funds to old age pensioners should be taken off, and the top fixed at \$20 (which when matched by federal funds would mean \$40 a month).

Two members thought old age pensioners should not be penalized for earning money.

Most who replied to the specific question thought increases could be granted out of current income.

Here are typical replies, quoted from members' letters:

Claude Callaway of Crowell: "If the legislature is really interested in carrying out the mandates of the constitution, I think we will all agree to raise the appropriation to an amount sufficient to meet their needs. Every member

who has had experience in working with the old age assistance program will, I think agree that it will require \$3 millions more state money, matched by the same amount of federal funds to carry on the program. Then, and only then, can the administrator take care of the applications for assistance as the constitution demands."

J. E. Winfree of Houston: "About an increase in the allotment for old age assistance... I don't believe the legislature can do anything about it. The constitution provides that \$15 a month is all the state can ever award to a recipient... We would have to change the constitution by a vote of the people for them to get more than \$15 from the state."

Carlton Crawford of Palacios has "no conclusions on the amount of pensions" but "I do have one definite idea about the old age pension law. As the law now stands, it rewards the indolent and punishes the thrifty. I feel that if any old person now on pension is thrifty enough to milk a cow or make a garden or make an extra dollar in any legitimate way, he should not be penalized by having his pension taken away or decreased."

Bill Bundy of Wichita Falls is willing to raise old age assistance allocation.

J. M. Woods of San Antonio: "We must decently care for our aged and dependent citizens."

J. R. Donnell of Corsicana: "Favors full \$30 to those who need it."

M. B. Morgan of Denison: "Strongly in favor of an increase. Ben Sharpe of Paris: "I think an increase in old age assistance should by all means be made. More money can be appropriated to this and still Texas can be in a fine shape financially."

F. G. Swanson of Tyler: "Would not object" to \$20 from state.

A. Robin Henderson of Groesbeck: "Favor reducing expenses to welfare department and give to old folks the money saved. Favor constitutional amendment for state to pay \$20 a month."

Earl Huddleston of Oglesby: "Am convinced that aged of Texas should be better cared for."

Jake M. Mabe of Eagle Pass: "Old age pensioners should have as much increase as the present budget will stand."

Roger Q. Evans of Denison: "Should be met (increased) if it requires new taxes."

Frank E. White of Groveton: "Favor increased old age assistance where need can be established."

S. J. Isaacks of El Paso: "Under present conditions it is probable that sufficient money to take care of the actual needs of old age pensioners is being collected. The idea of the law is that dependent old people should not want for sustenance. But many old people are still able to perform some kind of work that will afford them support, or at least partially so. Should economic conditions again become as they were prior to 1938-39, then the legislature will probably make additional provisions for the care of the old folks."

David Reed of Silsbee: "I know of many instances where the old age benefits are too low."

Radio Program

- Thursday Evening**
5:00 Terry & The Pirates.
5:15 News.
5:30 Tom Mix.
5:45 Music for Swing.
5:00 Fulton Lewis.
6:15 Dance Orchestra.
6:30 It's Murder.
6:45 O. P. A.
7:00 Confidentially Yours.
7:15 Sunny Skylar Serenade.
7:30 Voice of the Army.
7:30 Evening Melodies.
8:00 Gabriel Heatter.
8:15 Farm News.
8:30 Treasure Hour of Song.
9:00 Raymond Gram Swing.
9:30 March of Time.
10:00 News.
10:15 Henry J. Taylor.
10:30 Sign Off.
- Friday Morning**
6:30 Musical Clock.
7:00 Martin Agronsky.
7:15 Bandwagon.
7:30 News.
7:45 Bob Willis.
8:00 News Summary.
8:05 Breakfast Club.
8:00 My True Story.
8:25 Aunt Jemima.
9:30 Cliff Edwards.
9:45 Songs by Bing Crosby.
10:00 Breakfast at Sardi's.
10:30 Gil Martyn News.
10:45 Serenade in Swingtime.
11:00 Lanny & Ginger.
11:00 Glamour Manor.
11:30 Amos R. Wood.
11:35 Musical Interlude.
11:45 Between the Lines.
- Friday Afternoon**
12:00 Ranch Time.
12:15 Luncheon Varieties.
12:30 News.
12:45 Homer Rodeheaver.
1:00 Cedric Feaster.
1:15 News Events.
1:30 Ladies Be Seated.
2:00 Morton Downey.
2:15 Palmer House Concert.
2:30 The Listening Post.
2:45 The Bandwagon.
3:00 Views of the News.
3:15 The Johnson Family.
3:30 I'll Buy That.
3:45 Afternoon Melodies.
4:00 The Bandwagon.
4:15 Chick Carter.
4:30 News Events.
4:45 Hop Harrigan.
- Friday Evening**
5:00 Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 News.
5:30 Tom Mix.
5:45 Trails To Glory.
6:00 Fulton Lewis.
6:15 Dance Orchestra.
6:30 Radio News Reel.
6:45 Dance Orchestra.
7:00 Sizing Up the News.
7:15 Sunny Skylar Serenade.
7:30 Freedom of Opportunity.
8:00 Gabriel Heatter.
8:15 Real Stories From Real Life.
8:30 Double or Nothing.
9:00 Earl Godwin News.
9:15 Say It With Music.
9:30 Ed Wynn.
10:00 News.
10:15 Henry J. Taylor.
10:30 Doctors Talk It Over.
10:45 Sign Off.

Silver-Tongued Senator's Swan Song

By **JACK STINNETT**

WASHINGTON — The closing days of the 78th Congress are generally peppered with "farewell addresses." None of them, it's safe to say, will measure up to Washington's.

It's just as safe to say that none will go down in the records as the anguished outpourings of a silver-tongued orator. The kind of oratory that is popular these days doesn't come from silver-tongues.

However, a number of "farewells" didn't pass without notice from the colleagues of departing members. Easily the first to be rated No. 1 swan song was that of Rep. Hamilton Fish, the New York Republican who, for almost as long as President Roosevelt has been in politics, has been the representative from the district that surrounds Hyde Park. For almost all of those years he has been one of the bitterest critics the Democrats and the New Deal have had.

Since Nov. 2, 1920, "Ham" Fish, then 32 years old, a former All-American football star at Harvard, and recently mustered out as a well-decorated hero and a major in World War I, has been a member of Congress.

He first came into national prominence in the House in 1933, when Speaker Longworth appointed him chairman of a special committee to investigate Communist activities and propaganda in the United States.

From that day on, the lowering, bushy-browed congressman became the most outspoken foe of Communism in either house. His more than 7,000-word farewell address was devoted almost entirely to his views on the subject and to his urging that the GOP continue its "constructive criticism" of the New Deal.

The congressman's explanation for his defeat was interesting, because so far as I know he is the only candidate who has laid his

Four Years Ago

By **The Associated Press**
Dec. 28, 1940—Law decreeing death penalty for extreme cases of food hoarding enacted in Italy. British submarine seal, captured by Germans, reported at sea with Nazi crew.

NEWEST SANTA PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27

AP Army censor played Santa Claus to Sherry Betchen, who received a letter from Pvt. Frederick Lake, explaining that departure for overseas service wrecked his Christmas shopping plans. The censor penned a postscript: "For heaven's sake, write to him—and buy yourself a present from Freddie with this dollar."

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Mirrors Of Austin

Legislators Agree On Pension Hike

By **PAUL BOLTON**
New legislators and old agree on the general principle that the forthcoming legislature must make increases in old-age pensions.

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5:00 Terry & The Pirates.
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5:45 Music for Swing.
5:00 Fulton Lewis.
6:15 Dance Orchestra.
6:30 It's Murder.
6:45 O. P. A.
7:00 Confidentially Yours.
7:15 Sunny Skylar Serenade.
7:30 Voice of the Army.
7:30 Evening Melodies.
8:00 Gabriel Heatter.
8:15 Farm News.
8:30 Treasure Hour of Song.
9:00 Raymond Gram Swing.
9:30 March of Time.
10:00 News.
10:15 Henry J. Taylor.
10:30 Sign Off.
- Friday Morning**
6:30 Musical Clock.
7:00 Martin Agronsky.
7:15 Bandwagon.
7:30 News.
7:45 Bob Willis.
8:00 News Summary.
8:05 Breakfast Club.
8:00 My True Story.
8:25 Aunt Jemima.
9:30 Cliff Edwards.
9:45 Songs by Bing Crosby.
10:00 Breakfast at Sardi's.
10:30 Gil Martyn News.
10:45 Serenade in Swingtime.
11:00 Lanny & Ginger.
11:00 Glamour Manor.
11:30 Amos R. Wood.
11:35 Musical Interlude.
11:45 Between the Lines.
- Friday Afternoon**
12:00 Ranch Time.
12:15 Luncheon Varieties.
12:30 News.
12:45 Homer Rodeheaver.
1:00 Cedric Feaster.
1:15 News Events.
1:30 Ladies Be Seated.
2:00 Morton Downey.
2:15 Palmer House Concert.
2:30 The Listening Post.
2:45 The Bandwagon.
3:00 Views of the News.
3:15 The Johnson Family.
3:30 I'll Buy That.
3:45 Afternoon Melodies.
4:00 The Bandwagon.
4:15 Chick Carter.
4:30 News Events.
4:45 Hop Harrigan.
- Friday Evening**
5:00 Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 News.
5:30 Tom Mix.
5:45 Trails To Glory.
6:00 Fulton Lewis.
6:15 Dance Orchestra.
6:30 Radio News Reel.
6:45 Dance Orchestra.
7:00 Sizing Up the News.
7:15 Sunny Skylar Serenade.
7:30 Freedom of Opportunity.
8:00 Gabriel Heatter.
8:15 Real Stories From Real Life.
8:30 Double or Nothing.
9:00 Earl Godwin News.
9:15 Say It With Music.
9:30 Ed Wynn.
10:00 News.
10:15 Henry J. Taylor.
10:30 Doctors Talk It Over.
10:45 Sign Off.

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Travel Opportunities
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Announcements

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Employment

Help Wanted—Male
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Announcements

Help Wanted—Male
 WANTED: Boy with bicycle. 40c per hour, time and half over time. Must be 16 years old or over. Western Union.

WANTED: Man to help in operation of well established local concern; apartment available. State background, qualifications. Write Box HFN, % Herald.

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 WANTED: Two experienced waitresses. Apply Settles Coffee Shop.
 WANTED: Unemployed lady full time or part time, good salary, room and board to stay with elderly lady and son. Write Box 311, Abilene, Texas, or Phone 4100.

Wanted To Rent
Apartments
 \$20 reward for information leading to renting of a three or four-room furnished apartment or house. Call Mrs. Mead at Douglas Hotel.

For Sale
Household Goods
 SEE Greaths when buying or selling used furniture; 20 years in furniture and mattress business in Big Spring. Rear 710 E. 3rd. Phone 602.
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Living Room
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Poultry & Supplies
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Pets
 RABBITS and hutchers for sale reasonable. See Dalton Olson, 208 Harding St. Wright Addition.

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 \$135 worth lumber, 360 board-foot drop siding, new. Approximately 500 ft. 1x12's, used but A-1 condition. Balance, 2x4's, 2x6's, and 2x10's. See H. O. Pipkin, Shell Pipe Line Camp, Fort-San, Texas.

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Indebtedness Of State Is Unpaid
 AUSTIN, Dec. 28 (AP)—The state of Texas' bonded indebtedness as of last Aug. 31 was \$4,102,000 and principal and interest of \$1,939,467 was due on that date but has not been paid, reported State Auditor C. H. Cavness who today recommended that the next legislature put this part of the state's business in better shape.
 With the exception of one relatively small issue the bonds were issued prior to 1916—some of them as early as 1890—and they are owned by various state permanent funds.
 Thus the state owes itself the money. None of the principal of these bonds has ever been retired. Since 1933 the legislature has authorized payment of interest on bonds owned by all funds except the permanent school fund which owns by far the larger amount of the issues.
 To last Aug. 31 the issues earned \$5,479,149 in simple interest. Of this \$4,463,181 had been paid. Cavness recommended that bonds and interest now due should

Six Day Meeting For Methodists
 NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 28 (AP)—A six-day meeting to discuss the denomination's work under present world conditions will be opened here tomorrow by delegates from the six commissions comprising the Methodist conference on Christian education.
 Commission presidents include: Earl R. Hoggard of Henrietta, Tex., O. W. Moerner of Corpus Christi, Tex., and Robert L. Long of Abilene, Tex.

American Commander Had The Best Word For Nazi Ultimatum -- 'Nuts!'

By EDWARD D. BALL
 WITH U. S. FORCES, Dec. 28 (AP)—The siege of the gallant Bastogne garrison has been broken, and part of its story can be told today.

The heroic American garrison pointed artillery, machine-guns and mortars in all directions after their commander sent a curt one-word reply—"Nuts!"—to the Germans' surrender ultimatum.
 "We were shooting like hell, all the time," said Pvt Leonard Candelora of Charlestown, Mass., who helped medical corps men when a sprained ankle put him out of the fighting. "And the Germans were giving it back with interest."
 (Supreme headquarters said the unsuccessful German siege tied up the better part of five divisions, and that 87 German tanks were knocked out in attempted penetrations of American positions. The Bastogne siege was lifted after seven days when a U. S. tank force blasted through to a link-up with the garrison, and now was holding a firm but narrow relief corridor, headquarters said.)
 "No wonder the Germans fought so hard to get Bastogne," Candelora remarked. "Look at the map! It's the hub of seven highways and one railroad and they had to have it if they were to keep going."
 When the German commander sent over his ultimatum, dated Dec. 22, he gave the Americans two hours in which to decide. The reply came in 30 minutes.
 "To the German commander," said the American reply. "Nuts!" The last word was double-spaced, underlined and followed by an exclamation point.

Picture Brings Good News To Army Flier

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (AP)—A picture of four American fliers in a Greek newspaper brought good news to Second Lt. James B. Cameron of Detroit.
 His unusual story was told in a war department announcement from the 15th American expeditionary force in Italy.

Shown being marched through the street of Salonika, Greece, by German cantors, the men were identified by Cameron as buddies who bailed out with him from a disabled B-24 Liberator he was piloting on Sept. 24. Until then, he didn't know whether they were dead or alive.
 Cameron, who evaded the Germans for 45 days, found the paper in a Greek village. He said the men in the picture, Corporal Homer E. Jones, Slaton, Tex.; Sgt. Wilcox S. Leon, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Corporal Reginald F. Lyons, Houston, Tex., and Corporal Orville Kingsberg, Minneapolis.

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Dept. of Commerce Weather Bureau

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WEST TEXAS: Snow in Panhandle, freezing rain in South Plains and rain elsewhere this afternoon and tonight; Friday considerable cloudiness; rain ending during morning; not quite so cold Friday and in Panhandle and South Plains tonight.

EAST TEXAS: Rain this afternoon, tonight and Friday; not quite so cold Friday and in extreme northwest portion tonight.

TEMPERATURES

City—	Max.	Min.
Ablene	41	32
Amarillo	31	26
BIG SPRING	42	32
Chicago	19	2
Denver	39	13
El Paso	47	40
Fort Worth	40	35
Galveston	57	51
New York	36	28
St. Louis	30	18

Local sunset, 6:50 p. m.; sunrise, 8:46 a. m.

Livestock

FORT WORTH, Dec. 28 (AP) — Cattle 900; calves 600; active, fully steady to strong; top 15.00 for load choice mixed steer and heifer yearlings; medium to good steers and yearlings 11.50-14.50; good beef cows 10.00-11.50; good to choice fat calves 12.00-13.50; stockers and feeders scarce, steady.

Hogs 600; unchanged, holding to ceiling; good and choice 130-270 lb. butcher hogs 14.50; most heavies 13.80; packing sows 12.25-75.

Sheep 1,000; active, strong to 25 higher; common to medium lambs 10.50-12.00; medium to good yearlings 11.00-30; cull to medium slaughter ewes 4.50-5.75.

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FOUR BROTHERS IN SERVICE—Four sons of Mrs. Gregoria R. Mendoza, 57, are in service in widely separated theatres of war. Robert H. Mendoza, 22, top left, volunteered on Nov. 11, 1942 and was assigned to the armored tank division and trained mostly at Ft. Benning, Ga. Currently, he is somewhere in France. Top right is Jesse R. Mendoza, 20, who is in the marines, having seen action on Guam, Bougainville, Palau and other Pacific islands. Below, left, is Frank H. Mendoza, 26, who was inducted Feb. 19, 1944 and assigned to Camp Swift. He is father of four children, Elvira, 4, Luisa, 3, Christina, 2, and Benigna, three months old, whom he has not seen. Frank is now somewhere in France. The fourth, below, right, is David R. Mendoza, 17, who volunteered for naval service Nov. 23, 1944 and was assigned to San Diego, Calif. for boot training. All of the young men were members of Boy Scout troop No. 7 and attended Kate Morrison school. Jesse, when only six years old, was rescued by a brother, Raymond, 12, from a pit of boiling water near the railroad shops here. Raymond died of burns three days later. The boys mother, together with a daughter, Paula, 19, resides here.

Courthouse Officials Look Ahead Toward Annual Reports; No Changes

Some courthouse offices Thursday were in the process of preparing for a change in personnel come Jan. 1, but most merely looked toward annual reports with no official changes stated.

Mrs. A. J. Merrick, who was appointed to succeed her late husband, will vacate the office of sheriff after Sunday with R. L. (Bob) Wolf as her successor.

J. F. Crenshaw will retire as constable of precinct No. 1 in favor of J. T. Thornton, former police chief and currently serving as a deputy sheriff.

H. C. Hooser will take over as county attorney, succeeding John A. Coffee, acting for George Thomas, who is in the army. Since the term of Lt. Martelle McDonald, who is in the navy, expires Dec. 31, another appointment to fill his place to the new term to which he was elected in November, will confront District Judge Cecil Collins. James Little has been serving as acting district attorney and it was considered likely that the appointment would be renewed.

All other officers, including County Judge James T. Brooks, County Clerk Lee Porter, County Tax Collector-Assessor John F. Wolcott, District Clerk George Choate, County Treasurer Ida L. Collins, Justice of Peace Walter Grice and County Surveyor Ralph Baker, who is a major in the army, were re-elected last term. Judge Collins and Walker Bailey, county superintendent, hold office for four years and are midway in their current terms.

Reeder Stresses Need For Nurses

At least 11 army combat medical units have sailed for battle duty without nurses because of the failure of communities to understand their responsibility in releasing nurses from civilian duties. R. B. Reeder, chairman of the Howard-Glasscock Red Cross chapter declared, quoting from a report made public by the American Red Cross Nursing Service today.

"Unless the 14,000 nurses needed by the Army and Navy Nurses Corps are recruited immediately, American fighting men will suffer needlessly for lack of proper nursing care," Reeder asserted. "Our part of this job is the immediate recruitment of as many nurses from this community as possible for the Army and Navy Nurse Corps."

Information concerning enlistment in the nurse corps can be obtained from the local Red Cross chapter.

GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 28 (AP) — A proclamation reminding San Antonians that Jan. 1 is the 12th anniversary of Good Neighbor Day was issued today by Mayor Gus Mauermann.

Map of Japan showing several cities bombed by U. S. airmen. Inset shows area in relation to rest of Japan.

IN UNIFORM

T-Sgt. Lloyd R. Nichols of the 142nd Infantry Regiment, of the 38th "Texas" Division, was recently awarded the Bronze Star for "heroic achievement in combat" in France from Sept. 27 to 30. Sgt. Nichols is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Nichols, Big Spring. His wife lives at Jamaica Plain, Boston, Mass. He has been in the army since Nov. 20, 1940.

Robert F. Williams, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Williams of 206 Gollad St., Big Spring, has been promoted to the grade of sergeant. It was announced by the Sixth Air Force headquarters, Panama Canal department. Sergeant Williams, a radio operator with a Sixth Air Force Troop Carrier squadron, entered the service in July, 1942, and has been on duty in Panama since March, 1944.

Master Sgt. Collin R. Biffle, 31, of Chicago, Ill., and son of Mr. and Mrs. John Biffle of Big Spring has arrived at Army Air Forces Redistribution Station No. 2 in Miami Beach for reassignment after completing a tour of duty outside the continental United States. Sgt. Biffle was a P-51 flight chief in the European theater. His wife resides in Chicago. He has been in the army since Oct., 1933.

War Casualties For US Prior To Nazi's Newest Onslaught

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (AP) — War casualties of the armed services reached 628,441 December 14—two days prior to the big German offensive in western Europe. Secretary of War Stimson said today the latest army total today is 547,823. This reports casualties through December 14 and represents a 63,866 increase since his latest report two weeks ago.

The navy reports total casualties at 80,618, an increase of 2,207. Stimson said the army figures reflected the Allied offensive against Germany in November, but did not include losses in the current Nazi counter-offensive. Those he told a news conference, have been "severe."

Here And There

District Clerk George Choate was showing improvement Thursday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Choate, where he has been ill for several days. He was stricken before the Christmas holidays.

Enrique Sanchez entered a plea of guilty before County Judge James T. Brooks Wednesday on a charge of assault and was fined \$25 and costs. He had been charged with an assault upon Antonio Sanchez, a female.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Crenshaw have returned from Lubbock where they spent the holidays as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Whiteside.

Estes To Return To Politics In Texas

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28 (AP) — Lt. Cmdr. Carl L. Estes, executive and public relations officer at nearby Willow Grove (Pa.) Naval Air Station said today he is leaving for Pacific duty after two years of pleading with naval authorities to send him "while the war was on."

Cmdr. Estes, in addition to being tendered a formal farewell by enlisted personnel at the base, was honored at a dinner during which he received a watch inscribed to "Pappy, our executive officer."

It was announced at the dinner that Cmdr. Estes developed the fighter and bomber squadron of the Aircraft Carrier Princeton, recently sunk off the Philippines.

Asked if he plans to enter politics when the war is over the commander said "of course — in Texas—and democratic politics of the Jeffersonian type."

OPA Officials Meet With Livestock Men

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28 (AP) — Office of Price Administration officials from Washington met with 25 members of the advisory committee of the livestock industry of the middlewest today to discuss the proposed price ceiling schedule of live cattle.

The group met in executive session, with only members of the committee and growers and feeders being permitted to attend.

John J. Madigan, Washington, OPA assistant director of food prices, said before the meeting he doubted to disclose the proposed price ceilings at the close of the session here. He said the ceiling figures probably would be disclosed later from Washington.

Madigan said cattlemen attending the meeting, similar to one held yesterday in Chicago, were from Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Wyoming, Nebraska, Iowa and Colorado.

Stars And Stripes Appeals For Unity

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP) — The U. S. Army publication Stars and Stripes urged the Allied nations today to close ranks for a united fight against Germany.

The newspaper editorial referred to British troubles in Greece, the controversy over Italian politics, the unrest in Belgium, the Canadian crisis over conscription, the disputes about the Polish-Russian setup, and complaints concerning the international air conference at Chicago.

"Unity and solidarity," the newspaper said, "were strong when the United Nations were militarily weak and the war was in a bad way."

"Well, the bugles of battle are heard again above the bickering. For the holy love of God, let's listen to the dead. Let's learn from the living. Let's join ranks again against the foe and toward the future."

Clothing outfits for American aviators cost about \$200 a man.

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Cotton Crop Trailing Last Year's Results

Howard county's 1944 cotton crop continues to trail the harvest of a year ago, the census report released by J. L. Hudson, special agent for the department of commerce census bureau, Thursday.

Prior to Dec. 13 there had been a gain in Howard county a total of 18,917 bales as compared with 23,184 as of the same date in 1943.

A substantial amount of cotton still remains in the fields and the harvest is expected to drag into the middle of January. Recent rains may further damage grade of the lint.

Hearing To Establish Right Of Ownership

A hearing to establish right of possession to a service station at W. 3rd and Gregg streets was underway Thursday before Justice of Peace Walter Grice.

The station is property of L. F. McKay and was leased to Continental Oil Co. for a 10-year period which expired Dec. 1, 1944. Meanwhile, M. R. Creighton, Magnolia agent, had submitted a bid to lease the station. In the case, Creighton brought suit against John Nutt, sub-lessee, for possession.

Texas Cattle Raiser Head Seeks Hearing

FORT WORTH, Dec. 28 (AP) — Joe G. Montague, attorney for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers association, told the Star-Telegram by telephone from Kansas City today that he was seeking a hearing before Stabilization Director Vinson to give the cattle industry a chance to present its opposition to the OPA's proposed price ceilings on live cattle.

Montague was in Kansas City to attend a meeting of cattlemen and meat processors with John J. Madigan, assistant chief of the OPA food price division, to hear the price ceiling program outlined.

Selective Service Board Due To Meet

Howard county selective service board is due to go into session this week to begin consideration of cases in the light of new regulations.

A large number of cases have accumulated pending receipt of the regulations since classification under prior rules would have necessitated rehandling a large number of the cases.

A group of inductees was shipped Dec. 26 in answer to the December call, but only two returns had been received at selective service headquarters Thursday.

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