

Von Rundstedt Hurls Three Divisions Into Battle On Corridor As Patton's Forces Hammer Out Gains

Budapest Annihilation Closing

Germans Refuse Red Ultimatum; Kill Emissaries

By RICHARD KASISCHKE
LONDON, Sunday, Dec. 31 (AP) — The hopelessly outnumbered and surrounded German garrison in Budapest's battle-torn streets had refused a Russian surrender ultimatum, killing two Red army emissaries carrying a white flag, and the annihilation of a group originally estimated at nearly 100,000 men now is in its final stage, Moscow announced last night.

The German refusal occurred Friday and Moscow announced that Soviet troops yesterday had smashed into the eastern side of the city for the first time. Soviet dispatches said they had linked up with the western invasion wing on Danube islands in the heart of the burning Hungarian capital.

Moscow also announced that the new Soviet-sponsored Hungarian government sitting at Debrecen had declared war on Germany. The Germans in Budapest shot one of the Soviet officers advancing with the surrender ultimatum and a white flag, a special Moscow announcement said, and also killed another by shooting him in the back, in what was described as "premeditated murder and violation of the rules of war."

The statement said the German commander in Budapest would be "called to account to the German people if they squandered more German lives in prolongation of the hopelessly lost Budapest struggle."

The strike into Budapest from the east for the first time was announced in the regular Soviet communique, and Soviet dispatches told of the junction of the Danube.

Simultaneously Soviet forces north of the city completed the liquidation of German-Hungarian units trapped in the Danube loop, Moscow announced, releasing powerful formations for the swelling offensive which has swept to within 92 miles of Vienna, Austrian capital.

Dates for the 4-H club boys livestock show, which promises to far exceed even the precious district shows in size, have been announced by Durward Lewter, county agent.

The show proper starts on Feb. 28, followed by the sale on March 1. However, the schedule calls for all animals to be in place by 5 p. m. on Feb. 26 and to be arranged for showing the following day.

There are now on feed 87 calves, 38 pigs and 33 lambs. Lewter was confident that at least 70 calves would qualify for showing, that 35 pigs would make the grade and that all of the lambs would be ready for judging at that time.

Although his boys got a late start on their feeding, the agent believed that many of the animals would show extensive finish by show dates. One calf already has topped 1,000 pounds, he said.

The show will be held at the Howard county warehouse, and judges likely will come from Texas A. & M. College.

Confirmation Of Shakeup Lacking

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP) — A press report in London that a shakeup in the Allied command is impending found no indication of confirmation here.

A spokesman recalled Secretary of War Stimson's statement Thursday that it was too early to attempt to place any individual blame for the German breakthrough in Belgium. The spokesman indicated that it still is the department's view.

LIBERATOR HEADS EARTHWARD AFTER LOSING TAIL—This U.S. Liberator bomber (upper right) plummets earthward over Blechhammer, Germany after its tail was shot off by flack during raid on Odertal oil refinery. Other planes of 15th U.S. Air Force which made attack fly homeward at left. (AP Wirephoto from Army Air Forces).



Yank Convoy Is Jumped By Japs

By CLYDE BARTEL
Associated Press War Editor

A Japanese aerial thrust at a United States convoy off Panay Island, Philippines, Thursday night (Philippine time) cost the attackers eight planes shot down, Gen. Douglas MacArthur reported today (Sunday).

The headquarters' communique made no mention of losses to the convoy, which was bound for Mindoro Island. Tokyo radio claimed that 20 transports were sunk out of 30 in the convoy.

MacArthur said today Nipponese losses in the Leyte campaign, which started with invasion of the island Oct. 15 and ended Christmas day with the American capture of the port of Palompon on the west coast, have reached 116,770, including 601 more enemy dead counted in the past 24 hours by Yank mop-up units.

The Leyte fighting wiped out the Japanese 35th army, which was comprised of four divisions with elements of two other divisions and some naval base units. The victor was the U.S. 6th army made up of seven divisions of approximately the enemy's strength, the communique said. The enemy casualty figure also included estimated losses when 10 Nipponese convoys headed for the island were destroyed.

American planes based in the central Philippines continued the harassing of Japanese airfields on Luzon Island, and the enemy made an ineffective air stab at Yank installations on Mindoro.

Tokyo radio broadcast varying claims concerning results of Nipponese aerial assaults on the U.S. convoy, which it said had reached Mindoro with 70 per cent of its ships sunk "by our heroic activity."

The enemy radio Saturday (Sun-

King George Names New Greek Regent

By JOHN A. PARRIS, JR.

LONDON, Dec. 30 (AP)—King George II of Greece tonight announced appointment of Archbishop Damaskinos of Athens as regent of his strife-torn country, taking a step generally regarded here as tantamount to relinquishment of his throne.

The 54-year-old monarch's road has been rocky for years, and most observers in London's diplomatic quarters believe the Greek people, who are swinging to the left, would vote against a monarchy in a plebiscite which is expected to be held.

Appointment of the regent was announced in a royal proclamation issued after a statement in Athens that the archbishop probably would assume his duties as regent tomorrow.

The proclamation, stating that the king had deeply considered the terrible situation into which Greece had fallen, said he had resolved not to return to the country "unless summoned by a free and fair expression of national will" and authorized Damaskinos to "take all steps necessary to restore order and tranquility."

The king, reportedly to have opposed the regency, was believed to have been convinced of the necessity of the measure by



British-Based Bombers Strike At Enemy Lines

LONDON, Dec. 30 (AP)—More than 2,000 British-based American bombers and fighting planes pierced through fog today and pounded German supply lines to the western front for the eighth consecutive day.

Eight bombers and three fighters were reported missing from these operations. While the German air force stuck to its base for a third day, more than 1,300 Flying Fortresses and Liberators of the U.S. Eighth Airforce, escorted by approximately 700 Thunderbolts and Mustangs, struck unmolested at railroad bridges on lines leading directly from Berlin and at freight yards at Mannheim, Kaiserslautern and Kassel.

The points attacked on the roads from Berlin were specified. A heavy toll of German supplies already had been taken by Allied air attacks, the Eighth Airforce reported. It said reconnaissance photographs of yesterday's raid on Frankfurt's rail yard showed at least 1,500 freight cars, most of them carrying ammunition and oil, were destroyed and that a bridge, barracks, roundhouses, and industrial targets had been damaged.

Bad weather apparently grounded the 15th U.S. Airforce in Italy today and dispatches from the frontlines on the western front indicated that the weather was not favorable to large-scale operations by fighter-bomber units based on the continent.

New Year's Calm Settles Over Ward Disputes

CHICAGO, Dec. 30 (AP)—A New Year's holiday calm settled over Montgomery Ward and Company today.

The army which seized company properties in seven cities Thursday under presidential order consolidated its position by having office facilities installed. The company stood on its refusal to recognize validity of the seizure, apparently awaiting federal court determination of the issues.

The union involved in the labor dispute awaited army action toward carrying out War Labor Board directives for maintenance of union membership, wage increase with back pay and seniority. It was Ward's refusal to comply with these directives that led to the seizure.

Sewell L. Avery, Ward's chairman of the board who declared President Roosevelt's order was without constitutional foundation and could not be obeyed, spent several hours in his office, conferring with top company executives.

Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Byron, military manager, spent half a day in his office, separated from Avery's only by the office of John Branch, Avery's secretary. Apparently Avery and Gen. Byron didn't meet today. They left about 15 minutes apart around 1 p. m.

Army duty officers remained at their posts after the general and top staff members departed. Public relations officers said the army would maintain 24-hour control of the facilities, including the holiday weekend.

Weather Forecast

Dept. of Commerce Weather Bureau

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Partly cloudy today and Monday with little change in temperature.

WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday. Not much change in temperatures.

EAST TEXAS—Partly cloudy, except cloudy with occasional rain near the coast and in extreme east portion. Cooler in interior Sunday. Monday partly cloudy and cool.

LABOR TO WORK MONDAY
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—The leaders of the AFL and CIO today asked organized labor to stay on the job in the nation's war plants New Year's day.



LEADERS OF YANKS IN BASTOGNE SIEGE

Brig. Gen. A. C. McAuliffe (left) took charge of the trapped 101st airborne division in the Bastogne pocket until the arrival of their commanding officer Maj. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor (right), who flew from Washington Christmas Eve and made his way through enemy lines to join his troops Dec. 27. General McAuliffe gave the "nuts" reply to a German demand Dec. 22 for surrender.

Japs Leave Burma In Steady Retreat

By JOHN GROVER

CALCUTTA, Dec. 30 (AP)—The abandonment of important sectors of northern Burma by the Japanese continued today with mounting evidence that the enemy does not plan to make a major stand north of Mandalay.

In the past 48 hours British troops have advanced nine miles east toward the town of Yeu, some 70 miles northwest of Mandalay, and only suicide Japanese rearguards are contesting the drive, dispatches to headquarters of Allied land forces southeast Asia here said today.

The enemy is beginning to destroy the railroad from Yeu south to Monywa which is prime evidence of an intention to continue the southward retreat. This railway is the backbone of the enemy's supply line north and west of Mandalay.

Frontline reports emphasize that the Japanese withdrawal is an orderly one, not a rout. Enemy forces are falling back in good order, but nonetheless, the precision of the retreat does not obscure the fact that Japanese military leaders are abandoning northwestern Burma.

However, troops moving south in three parallel columns between the Mandalay railroad and the Irrawaddy river reported that one fairly large enemy force is offering opposition east of Kanbalu, Kanbalu, on the Myitkyna - Mandalay railway about 55 miles from Mandalay, recently was occupied by British 4th corps troops.

An advance of 10 miles has been made by West African units of the 14th army which crashed through Japanese lines on the east bank of the Kalapanzin river in the Arakan. In this region the enemy's position is worsening hourly.

The Chinese high command announced in Chungking today that two villages whose possession by the Japanese had been obstructing the Chinese advance on the border town of Wanting were captured after brisk fighting. They were Toulungchai, 7 1/2 miles northeast of Mengmao, and Tuka, 11 miles northwest of Wanting.

Jeanne Dickerson Continues Improved

Jeanne Dickerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dickerson, continues to show improvement at an Abilene hospital, where she was taken shortly after being injured in a fall from a horse Dec. 13. Mrs. Dickerson has written that she may be able to come home soon to convalesce. Miss Dickerson suffered several fractured ribs and possible internal injuries when the horse she was riding stepped on her as she fell in avoiding a companion who had tumbled in front of her mount.

Drunkenness Charge Saturday Is No. 132

One drunkenness charge in police court Saturday morning brought the month's total to 132.

There were 53 drunkenness cases listed on city court docket, followed by 15 cases of vagrancy.

There were 14 traffic violations, 11 VD check ups. In addition there were ten cases of assault, four each of affray, disturbance of the peace, violation of OPA regulations, no driver's license.

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Chinese Units In Hunan Kill Scores Of Japs

By SPENCER MOOSA

CHUNGKING, Dec. 30 (AP)—Chinese units in Hunan province have killed scores of Japanese soldiers in an attack by mobile columns near Hengyang as Allied warplanes ranged over the whole China theater to carry out successful raids on enemy road, rail and shipping installations, Chinese dispatches said tonight.

About 100 Japanese were killed and five machineguns were seized when Chinese infantrymen stormed enemy positions outside the north gate of Hengyang at the junction of the Hunan-Kwangsi and Canton-Hankow railroads, the reports said. Hengyang is 190 miles northeast of the former American air base at Kweilin.

An American communique announced that U.S. 14th Air Force bombers and fighters had lashed at Japanese communication lines and transportation centers in three countries, and one Chinese dispatch said Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault's airmen had crippled enemy river transport along the Yangtze river, main supply line to central China.

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AIR LINES GET DIRECTIVES
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Four of the nation's principal airlines were ordered by the Civil Aeronautics Board today to show cause why their mail rates should not be reduced.

ASKS SENATE STAND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Senator Wheeler (D-Mont) proposed today that the senate formally proclaim its own peace aims, "in the absence of the president's taking a stand."

Bastogne Supply Route Hit Hard

By EDWARD KENNEDY

PARIS, Sunday, Dec. 31 (AP)—Three German divisions have been hurled by Field Marshal Karl von Rundstedt at both sides of the Bastogne corridor held by Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's U.S. Third army, a field dispatch reported last night, as American troops hammered heavily all along the shrinking perimeter of the German bulge.

The hard-won corridor supplying Bastogne was hit by two of Von Rundstedt's divisions from the west and by a third from the east while in Bastogne itself U.S. artillerymen poured withering shellfire into the 16-mile-wide escape gap of the Germans' hour-glass front and blasted areas where the Germans have been gathering for new thrusts, as Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's hard-driving forces broadened as Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's hard-driving forces broadened their front along the south of the German bulge to nearly 50 miles, struck west of Bastogne, sheared supply roads and threatened to cut off enemy armor thrust to within 23 miles of Sedan at Tbramont.

American counterblows had driven nearly one-third of the territory overrun in the Germans' surprise counteroffensive, badly narrowing the maneuvering ground for Von Rundstedt's three armies.

Previously, supreme headquarters had reported under the 36-hour security blackout that by yesterday morning one Third army force drove into Molroy, 11 miles west of Bastogne and but four and a half miles southeast of St. Hubert, where another American garrison has been making a small-scale Bastogne-like stand and holding off far larger forces.

Von Rundstedt's westernmost positions were being assailed by Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' rearguard First army, which fought in the streets of Rochefort, 24 miles northwest of Bastogne, and plastered the German lines with shells.

As the battle raged in fury the enemy fought back with mortars and artillery, bent on holding the town to the last.

(Brussels radio, often optimistic, said Rochefort had fallen and a violent tank battle raged near the town. This was without official confirmation.)

Patton's forces had been ripping apart the German positions on both sides of the Bastogne corridor, and Von Rundstedt threw in reinforcements in a strong bid to stop advances in this salient.

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Enemy Spies And Saboteurs Said Trapped In Paris

PARIS, Dec. 30 (AP)—A considerable number of enemy spies and saboteurs, some in American uniforms, have been trapped within and around Paris by American military authorities and French police, it was disclosed tonight.

The extensive spy hunt began recently when it was learned that Germans were attempting to infiltrate the Allied lines in Allied uniforms and with Allied vehicles on orders to kill high-ranking officers and sabotage communications.

One German wearing an American officer's uniform was recognized by the FBI and arrested in a night club. Stars and Stripes reported, while two others were found in a house where a French girl had given them refuge.

Edouard Pisanl, prefect of police, said several of the Germans had been hiding out in Paris since the liberation and had timed their emergence to coincide with the counteroffensive.

Allied Shakeup Reported

LONDON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Reports that a shake-up of the Allied command on the western front was imminent were displayed prominently today by the London afternoon press.

One military commentator declared that an official statement covering some aspects of the re-grouping of the Allied commands and armies was expected shortly.

The London Evening News declared flatly that "important changes in the organization of the Allied supreme command on the western front are imminent."

The Evening Standard reported, "the big re-group is on," and quoted a Reuters military correspondent as saying, "the second phase of Marshal Karl von Rundstedt's offensive has reached the poker stage."

The London Press also carried reports from Washington that an American major general had been recalled from France and demoted, but not because of the German counteroffensive.

Despite the set-back suffered by the Allies in Belgium, there appeared to be no disposition here

to question the ability of General Eisenhower to control the situation. The supreme Allied commander retains the prestige he won in North Africa, Italy and the smashing success of the Normandy invasion.

G. Ward Price, Sunday Dispatch war correspondent, just returned from the western front, declared that the setback "should bring about changes which, before it occurred, were already known to be necessary by those on the inside of Allied strategy."

Reviewing The Big Spring -Week-

Joe Pickle

This had to happen. Just prior to the Christmas holidays, one businessman inquired if stores would be closed on Monday (Dec. 25). Some have been fretting about Monday (New Year's day). One of the blessings of 1945 will be that most business holidays fall during the week. July 4 comes on Wednesday and Christmas on Tuesday. Two possibilities exist for closing speculation—Armistice Day on Monday—and five Thursdays in

(See THE WEEK, Pg. 7, Col. 4)

Sixty - Two Stars In One Show Is Feature At Ritz

In October of 1942, the Hollywood Canteen opened its doors to servicemen in every branch of the Allied Armies. The happiness it has brought our boys, the lonely hours it has helped erase, the laughter it has provoked from dried-up hearts, is as immeasurable as sand along the shore.

"Hollywood Canteen," transposed into a motion picture opens at the Ritz Theatre today. To say that Warner Bros. have transplanted every timber, every heartbeat—yes, every star of the fabulous Canteen—to the screen is merely doing the film justice. For "Hollywood Canteen" is more than just two hours of sterling entertainment. It is also a salute to men on the far flung battle fields who, by their valor, have endeared themselves to all of us forever.

"Hollywood Canteen" is the laughing, dancing, singing story of two New Guinea veterans, Slim (Bob Hutton) and Sgt. Nolan (Dane Clark), and the loves they find (Joan Leslie and Janis Paige) in make-believe "Hollywood." Throughout the story is woven the warmth and charm of the Canteen, spiced with the delightful performances of the film stars and entertainers.

Here are the screen's top stars not playing roles, merely reliving performances given so many times before, for so many boys. John Garfield and Bette Davis preside on the welcoming committee while Joan Crawford, Faye Emerson, Andrea King, Ida Lupino, Irene Manning, Dolores Moran, Eleanor Parker, Joyce Reynolds, Alexis Smith and Barbara Stanwyck serve as hostesses. There are Jack Carson and Jane Wyman, Eddie Cantor and Nora Martin, and the Andrews Sisters, exciting as song and dance teams, and the rib-tickling antics of Peter Lorre, Sydney Greenstreet, Joe E. Brown, Helmut Dantine, Victor Francen, Alan Hale, Paul Henreid, William Prince, John Ridgely, S. Z. "Cuddles" Sakall, Zachary Scott, Craig Stevens, and Donald Woods. For those whose taste runs to music and song, "Hollywood Canteen" provides Jimmy Dorsey and his Band, Carmen Cavallaro and his Orchestra, singing Kitty Carlisle and Dennis Morgan, violinist Joseph Szigeti, and his rival, violinist Jack Benny, the Golden Gate Quartet, the Sons of the Pioneers, and cowboy Roy Rogers, complete with Trigger.

Lum And Abner Appear At Lyric In New Comedy "Goin' To Town"

Those two favorites of screen and radio, Lum and Abner, enhance their reputation in their latest comedy for RKO Radio release, "Goin' to Town." They are seen taking their village blunders far afield from Pine Ridge, Ark., with surprising results at the Lyric today and Monday.

The fun begins when a big Chicago oil man is stranded in Pine Ridge while his car is being repaired. A great practical joker, he thinks he'll amuse himself by playing a hoax on the local residents and, with the aid of a "doobiebug," pretends to discover oil in the ground around Lum and Abner's Jot 'Em Down store. He offers the old fellows 620,000 for their property, but doesn't enjoy any laugh at their expense, because Lum turns down the enticing offer, much to Abner's disgust.

Lum then persuades his friends and neighbors in Pine Ridge to mortgage their properties to raise cash to drill a well. Of course when the well is drilled, there's not a trace of oil, and everybody is ruined.

The two Arkansas Hootie Owls, as they call themselves, then set off for Chicago to find the big oil man, but he's out of town. However, other oil men get an inkling of the nature of Lum and Abner's



LUM AND ABNER



GREEKS 'DOWN UNDER'—Greek fighting men march through the streets of Sydney, N. S. W., to the cenotaph to lay a wreath in celebration of Greek national day.

Three Slayings In Texas End Year With Charges And Convictions Unmade

By DOROTHEA LYLE Associated Press Staff

Fourteen months after the bloody deaths in their Littlefield home of Dr. and Mrs. Roy Hunt the solution of their slayings is still unwritten.

Developments since their slashed bodies were found Oct. 26, 1943, maintained interest in the story above others of its type this year.

A paroled convict, Jim Thomas, was arrested at Galveston the day after the bodies were found. Next Jan. 8 he goes to trial for a second time, charged in the death of Dr. Hunt.

Thomas was convicted on the charge Aug. 30 at Plainview and given the death penalty. He was granted a new trial Sept. 22, and his case was set for 106th district court at Lamesa next month.

Two other unsolved Texas slayings and a Fort Worth bank robbery end the year surrounded by mystery. All occurred in 1944.

An ex-champion rodeo trick riding star, Louis Tindall, died Nov. 28, twelve days after he was shot from ambush at his Fort Worth home. No arrests have been made.

On April 17 the blood-stained body of Mrs. Dolly Garret Richardson was discovered in her home in a fashionable Houston residential district. Several suspects were arrested but no charges filed.

Search continues for the "nitroglycerin bandit" who slipped up to a teller's cage at the Fort Worth Continental Bank June 22 and threatened the employe with a bottle which the bandit said contained nitroglycerin. He escaped with \$6,000.

Three negro soldiers figured in rape cases.

Two negro soldiers, Pvt. Joseph W. Oglesby of Philadelphia and Pvt. Cyril Adderly of Miami, Fla., were charged by a civilian grand jury with criminally attacking two Pecos white girls Nov. 9. Oglesby, tried on one indictment, was convicted and given death. Adderly has not come to trial.

Pvt. Sylvester Davis, 25-year-old Peoria, Ill., negro, was convicted by a general court martial at San Angelo Army Air Field in the early June slaying of Peggy Lou Arnold of San Angelo.

These stories were among the headlines. There were similar ones of lesser degree in many Texas cities and communities.

Congress Must Progress Slowly And Carefully On Training Plan

(Editor's Note: This is the last in a series of four stories on the proposed compulsory military training law.)

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29 (AP)—Congress will have to work carefully on the details of any compulsory, peacetime military training plan.

That law, if it comes, will affect the country's future safety, the lives of perhaps one million young men yearly, and therefore, directly or indirectly, the lives of all of us.

Just assuming such a law is passed, here are points to be considered:

1. How long should the training period last?
2. At what age should a young man have to start his training?
3. At a specified age—say 18—some time within an age bracket, say between 17 and 22. The age bracket would work this way: A young man, ending high school at 17, wants 4 years more of uninterrupted schooling. So he finishes college at 21 and then starts training.
4. Any refresher courses, after the compulsory training period, to keep men physically and militarily alert?

This probably would be necessary for a certain number of years for each man. Here's one method that has been suggested: Compel each man to spend a number of weeks each summer—or every other summer—in a military refresher course at an army camp until he reaches a specified age.

Here are some other questions which will have to be settled: Will a trainee be able to choose where he wants to serve: in army, navy or airforce? Besides pay to the trainee, how much allowance should be given to his dependents; a lot of boys at 18 will have dependents.

In the seventh century, the city of Alexandria is said to have had 4,000 palaces.

Army and navy leaders say at least one year, although it has been pointed out that some men now fighting creditably overseas have had less.

Other stars of radio and stage will be featured in Cousin Herald Goodman's 1945 edition of the Saddle Mountain Roundup, and Monday from 1 p. m. until 11 p. m. each day.

Cousin Herald Goodman's Saddle Mountain Roundup, since 1939 has been known throughout the nation at the Southwest's Greatest Barn Dance Show. This new 1945 edition of this famous show is truly the greatest show that Cousin Herald Goodman has presented to audiences in the Southwest.

Radio audiences throughout the entire country instantly recognize Cousin Herald Goodman as one of the famous Vagabonds, Herald, Dean and Curt of the WSM Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tenn. Cousin Herald is an outstanding comedy star of many nationally known Barn Dance shows and the writer of the most loved American folk song, "When It's Lamp Lightin' Time In The Valley."

In 1939 Cousin Herald Goodman originated the first Saddle Mountain Roundup, Radio - Stage Show, on KVOO, Oklahoma's most powerful radio station. In 1941 the Movies called Cousin Herald Goodman to Hollywood where the Saddle Mountain Roundup was produced by Monogram Pictures Inc. for the screen.

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THE WEEKS PLAYBILL

RITZ
Sun. - Mon. — "Hollywood Canteen."
Tues. - Wed. — "Hairy Ape," with William Bendix, Susan Hayward.
Thurs. - Fri. - Sat. — "Rainbow Island," with Dorothy Lamour, Eddie Bracken.
LYRIC
Sun. - Mon. — "Goin' to Town," with Lum & Abner.
Tues. - Wed. — "Janie," with Joyce Reynolds, Robert Hutton.
Thurs. — "Phantom of Opera," with Nelson Eddy, Susanna Foster.
Fri. - Sat. — "The Big Show" with Gene Autry.
QUEEN
Sun. - Mon. — "Dead End," with Sylvia Sydney, Joel McCrea.
Tues. - Wed. — "Malsie Goes To Reno," with Ann Southern, John Hodlak.
Thurs. — "Corvette K-225," with Randolph Scott, James Brown.
Fri. - Sat. — "San Fernando Valley," with Roy Rogers, Dale Evans.
STATE
Sun. - Mon. — On the stage IN PERSON—"Cousin Herald Goodman and his saddle Mountain Round-Up" Also playing a gala prelude Sunday Mid-night Dec. 31st. Also the feature picture for Sunday - Monday — "Deerslayer" James Fenimore Coopers' story with Jean Parker and Larry Parks.
Tues. - Wed. — "Once Upon A Honeymoon" with Ginger Rogers and Cary Grant.
Thurs. — "One Dangerous Night," with Warren William, Eric Blore, Margaret Chapman.
Fri. — "Gentle Gangster" with Barton MacLane and Molly Lamont.
Sat. — "Arizona Trail," with Tex Ritter, Fuzzy Knight and Johnny Bond and his Red River Valley Boys.

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Bond Set For Negro Charged With Rape

Bond of \$4,000 was set by Justice of Peace Walter Grice Saturday for Melvin Owens, negro, who was charged with rape of a 13-year-old negro girl.

The girl, in a statement to officers, said the alleged offense was committed under threats. Owens remained in the Howard county jail in lieu of bond.

Clyde Allen, negro charged with assault upon John Pyrom, also was in jail in lieu of \$1,000 bond set by Grice. The complaint, signed by N. L. Blain, city policeman, charged that Allen had taken the "sum of \$140" from John Pyrom.

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Active Wildcatting Year Rounded Out In Howard

To completions were recorded in this immediate area during the past week as 1944 closed out one of the most active years in wildcatting and leasing in this territory since discovery of oil in commercial quantities here in 1920.

Completed were the Continental No. 8-E Clay, section 138-29, W. & N. W. survey, for 302 barrels on a 24-hour pumping test from 2,480 feet — top of pay, to bottom at 2,527 feet; and Stanolind No. 2-A Cora Lee Echols, East Howard test, which pumped 382 barrels of 29 gravity oil in 24 hours from 2,440-2,625 feet after treatment with 7,000 gallons of acid.

Notable developments of the year included discovery of the small Morita pool in western Howard county in extensive drilling by Northern Ordnance Oil Co.; development by Cosden and Ray Oil of the Red pool in extreme eastern Howard county; failure to get additional production in the small Vincent pool in northeastern Howard; drilling by Continental of the first Ordovician test in the Howard-Glasscock area and of a second deep test near the John I. Moore, et al No. 1 McDowell in northern Glasscock county by Phillips. The latter tests are still underway.

Shallow production was extended northwestward in the East Howard area and there were wildcat failures near Cosden, in southwestern Mitchell (Ordovician explorations by Magnolia and Humble), in northwest Mitchell and southern Borden county. Northern Ordnance temporarily abandoned wildcats near Knott and in south-central Borden county. Roy Albaugh had north central Howard failure, and Skelly had a dry hole in northern Howard county. Air trouble plagued wildcats near Vealmoor.

Although the year was not crowned with notable strikes, oilmen still pinned considerable hope on the two deep tests underway in this area. A producer by either of these would be a major development.

Another interesting wildcat, the Moore No. 1 Cosden, section 38-32-in, T & P, adjacent to the Cosden refinery, was still in opera-

tion, although shut down temporarily at 4,169 to repair boilers.

Lily Oil No. 1 B. F. McKinney, in section 42-30-in, T & P, in the Coahoma area, reportedly had a hole full of sulphur water at 2,980 feet and was preparing to plug and abandon.

Cosden No. 4-B Read, section 48-30-in, T & P, was underreaming 10-inch string at 1,600 feet. Warren Petroleum No. 1 Chester L. Jones, in section 9-25, H & TC, Northwestern Mitchell county, was below 4,460 feet.

Continental No. 1-D - Settles, Howard - Glasscock deep exploration, in section 1-33-29, W & NW, was at 7,705 feet in lime. Continental staked two new locations, one for its Clay E-9, 1,750 feet

from the south and 330 feet from the east lines of sections 138-29, W & NW, and another its Settles 160 S-S, 1,650 feet from the north and 990 feet from the west lines of section 160-29, W & NW.

Phillips No. 1 L. S. McDowell, deep test in northern Glasscock county, section 31-34-2a, T & P, was below 6,011 feet in lime. Richardson No. 1 Blalock, northwestern Glasscock wildcat, was reported at 4,015 feet in lime.

Texas Co. No. 1 Johnson, section 41-42-4n, T & P, southwestern Borden county wildcat, was shut down for orders at 7,510 feet, 10 feet below contract depth. While running favorably on structure, it has had no shows of oil and no decision has been reached on deepening.

RADIO PROGRAM

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| Sunday Morning | 8:30 Concert Music. |
| 7:00 News Summary. | 8:45 Jimmy Fiddler. |
| 7:05 Wood Shedders. | 9:00 Wake Up America. |
| 7:30 Morning Melodies. | 9:30 Columbus Boys Choir. |
| 8:00 Correspondents Around World. | 10:00 Old Fashioned Revival. |
| | Monday Morning |
| 8:15 White Rabbit Line. | 6:30 Sign On. |
| 9:00 Radio Bible Class. | 6:30 Musical Clock. |
| 9:30 A Little Music. | 7:00 Martin Agronsky. |
| 9:45 Song By Bing Crosby. | 7:15 Bandwagon. |
| 10:00 AAF Symphonic Flight. | 7:30 News. |
| 10:30 News. | 7:45 Bob Wills. |
| 10:45 Melody Lane. | 8:00 News. |
| 11:00 First Presbyterian Church. | 8:05 Breakfast Club. |
| | 9:00 My True Story. |
| Sunday Afternoon | 9:25 Aunt Jimima. |
| 12:00 Stanley Dixon. | 9:30 Cliff Edwards. |
| 12:15 George Hicks. | 9:45 Song By Bing Crosby. |
| 12:30 Sammy Kaye Serenade. | Breakfast At Sarji's. |
| 12:55 Leland Stowe News Extra. | 10:00 Gil Martin. |
| 1:00 Chaplain Jim. | 10:30 Serenade In Swing Time. |
| 1:30 Homer Rodeheaver. | 10:55 Lannie & Ginger. |
| 1:45 Gems of Melody. | 11:00 Glamor Manor. |
| 2:00 Charlotte Greenwood. | 11:30 Amos R. Wood. |
| 2:30 Miss Hattie. | 11:35 Musical Interlude. |
| 3:00 Darts for Dough. | 11:45 Between The Lines. |
| 3:30 Set To Music. | Monday Afternoon |
| 4:00 Let's Face The Issue. | 12:00 Ranch Time. |
| 4:30 Question Please. | 12:15 Luncheon Dance Varieties. |
| 4:45 Concert Music. | 12:30 News. |
| | 12:45 Homer Rodeheaver. |
| Sunday Evening | 1:00 Cedric Foster. |
| 5:00 Radio Hall of Fame. | 1:15 International News Events. |
| 6:00 Cleveland Orchestra. | 1:30 Inter American Series. |
| 7:00 Afternoon Concert. | 1:45 Sugar Bowl Game. |
| 7:15 Washington Inside Out. | 4:00 East - West Football. |
| 7:30 Trinity Baptist Church. | Monday Evening |
| 7:45 Gabriel Heatter. | 5:00 Terry & The Pirates. |
| 8:00 Steel Horizons. | 5:15 News. |
| | 5:30 Tom Mix. |
| | 5:45 Trails To Glory. |
| | 6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr. |
| | 6:15 Dance Orchestra. |
| | 6:30 Bulldog Drummond. |
| | 7:00 Sizing Up The News. |
| | 7:15 Sunny Skylar Serenade. |
| | 7:30 Blind Date. |
| | 8:00 Gabriel Heatter. |
| | 8:15 Real Stories, From Real Life. |
| | 8:30 Music For Worship. |
| | 9:00 Musical Autographs. |
| | 9:30 Let's Dance. |
| | 10:00 News. |
| | 10:15 Henry J. Taylor. |
| | 10:30 Sign Off. |



MANHATTAN SNOW SCENE—Snow mantles Central Park, New York, but ducks still swim in the pond almost in the shadow of skyscrapers along the park's southern boundary.

Agriculture Faces Contradiction

By OVID A. MARTIN
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Agriculture moves into the new year facing somewhat contradictory tasks of maintaining food production at high levels for war and of planning for a peace-time market that may be unable to absorb such production.

This basic conflict may result in resounding debates and legislative battles in congress.

With an early victory in Europe not yet in sight, the government, willing to risk surpluses over shortages, has appealed to farmers to keep production at the record 1944 level — a level which was a third larger than pre-war years.

Yet a collapse of Germany early in the year and a subsequent sharp drop in military requirements could easily pose serious

price and marketing problems for another abundant harvest.

Fully aware of this possibility, the war food administration has promised farmers that their returns will be supported at levels equivalent to those in effect in 1944, providing, of course, congress appropriates a sufficient amount of money. The WFA says it may need as much as \$2,000,000,000 to carry out its promise.

There is little danger of the government's having to meet such a promise, except for possibly one or two items, as long as the war in Europe continues. Military, lend-lease and civilian demands would be sufficiently strong to hold farm prices at levels satisfactory to most farmers. In fact, under continued wartime conditions, it would be necessary to

maintain rather rigid controls on civilian consumption to make supplies of meats, butter, sugar and a few other items go around.

In order to protect itself as much as possible from surplus problems, the WFA will stand ready to make possible reductions in 1945 production goals should Germany collapse before spring planting time and military requirements be pared.

The New Year is expected to be marked by sharp debates in and out of government over post-war plans for agriculture. The war, if nothing else, has shown that American agriculture has a production potential far greater than had been imagined.

Stripped of much of its ablest labor and confronted by shortages of machinery, fertilizer and other materials, agriculture has nevertheless been producing nearly 35 per cent more than in years when it had abundant labor and better machinery.

This achievement raises the question: how much can agriculture produce when the war ends, labor returns to the farms and agriculture is able again to take advantage of latest developments in mechanization?

Some farm leaders say peace-time production possibilities are far in excess of the domestic requirements and the quantities which might be sold abroad. These leaders say agriculture must return to rigid production controls or suffer a collapse in prices such as occurred after World War I.

Some others contend, on the other hand, that the domestic market would take, with the exception of a few crops, the full production of agriculture if there were full employment at good wages in the cities. They argue that farmers should lend their support to measures which would assure full industrial employment.

Germany's End Holds Key To Meat Situation For American Tables

CHICAGO, Dec. 30 (AP)—Meat supplies for 128 million American civilians next year will be governed by the date of victory in Europe.

Analyzing the prospects for 1945 on the basis of government estimates, the American Meat Institute today predicted 132 pounds of meat will be available per civilian if the Germans quit early in the year.

If the European war is continued through most of 1945, civilian per capita consumption of

meat will be limited to 122 pounds. Per capita consumption in 1944 was 143 pounds.

Despite the prospects for reduction of total meat supplies, the institute declared that more beef will be available next year when civilians are expected to get 60 pounds compared with 51 pounds in 1944.

The greatest reduction will be in amounts of pork available. The civilian supply probably will be 56 pounds per person compared with 74 pounds this year.

Per capita consumption of veal will average about 11 pounds, one pound less than eaten this year, and there'll be about two-thirds of a pound less lamb available.

About 22,750,000,000 pounds of meat will be produced next year, two billion pounds less than the 1944 output, the institute declared.

Farm Bureau Heads Meet At Settles

Directors of the Howard County Farm Bureau met Friday evening at the Settles to make last minute preparations for servicing income tax returns for members, beginning Tuesday.

Provisions have been made by the bureau for completing returns for members free of charge. Notices have been mailed to report on certain days through Jan. 9 and members were asked to appear at the county agent's office on the designated day to avoid congestion.

Also discussed at the Friday parley was the matter of conducting a membership campaign. Currently there are 350 members in the county and usually the membership shows an increase during the tax filing period.

Lewter, Boyles To Be At District Meeting

County Agent Durward Lewter and County Home Demonstration Agent Rheba Merle Boyles will attend the district No. 6 extension service meeting in San Angelo on Jan. 17. At the meeting plans for the year will be outlined by state leaders, including Dr. Ide P. Trotter, director of extension service, who will be making his first appearance in the district as head of the service.

Motor trucks for the Army are built to climb 65 per cent grades, slopes so steep that men cannot climb them on foot.

SGT. WILLIAM O'BRIEN WINS SILVER STAR FOR BRAVE WORK

Another Big Spring man has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action.

He is Sgt. William P. O'Brien, son of Mrs. Irene O'Brien, assigned to an armored field artillery battalion in the US army.

Monday Scheduled As Regular Day In Weaver's Offices

Monday will be another day at the county agricultural conservation office, but M. Weaver, AAA administrative assistant, said that prospects were for a light day.

The office currently is processing conservation payment applications and is about abreast of those which have been signed. Weaver estimated 500 had been processed, or about two-thirds of the total anticipated.

Even though practices were carried out in 1944, they must be listed for payment in 1945 unless they are reported before the end of 1944. In some instances farmers and ranchers have effected terracing or tanking practices but have not had them measured. Now they will have to report them for payment under the 1945 program, details of which have not yet been announced.

Weaver said that the AAA office had three applications on file for milo loans and that on one application the 30-day interim had passed and tests would be made this week. No loans can be made on grain until after it has been stored for 30 days to insure it against spoilage or spontaneous combustion.

For the next 10 hours he and his companion moved along the beach to keep the battalion commander in constant communication despite the effect that they were exposed to enemy small arms and artillery fire that caused severe casualties in the immediate vicinity. All the time, Sgt. O'Brien and companion disregarded their personal safety to deliver messages and keep their equipment moving.

Sgt. O'Brien is one of five sons Mrs. O'Brien has in service and he entered from Big Spring. His father, T. A. O'Brien resides here.

Bureau Of Mines Says Crude Up

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—The bureau of mines reported today that stocks of domestic and foreign crude petroleum totaled 225,575,000 barrels on Dec. 23, a net increase of 500,000 barrels for the week. Domestic crude increased 635,000 barrels; foreign crude decreased 135,000.

Daily average production was 4,729,000 barrels, an increase of 33,000. Runs to stills averaged 4,622,000, an increase of 145,000.

Stocks, by grade or origin, and change from previous week (in thousands of barrels) included:

Arkansas 2,894, inc. 20; northern Louisiana 3,397, dec. 14; Gulf Coast Louisiana 10,285, inc. 175; New Mexico 6,707, inc. 204; Oklahoma 30,177, inc. 455; East Texas 17,594, inc. 287; West Texas 31,424, dec. 383; Gulf Texas 31,172, inc. 181; other Texas 29,210, inc. 103.

Ollie McDaniel Is Reported Wounded

T. Sgt. Ollie Claude McDaniel was wounded in action in France on Dec. 11, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie McDaniel, were informed Saturday.

No further details were available. Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel had heard from him last on Dec. 3, not long after he had landed in France.

Sgt. McDaniel will have been in the service two years in February and is in the 364th infantry as a machine gunner. He trained at Camp McCain and Ft. Jackson, S. C. before being shipped to England in October. He went to France late in October, according to letters received by his parents.

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Port Arthur Takes State Title Beating Scots 20-7

Sports

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Trojans Favored By Two Touchdowns On Eve Of Rose Bowl Game With Vols

By FRANK FRAWLEY
PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 30 (AP)—Southern California over Tennessee by at least two touchdowns.

So say the odds makers. But 93,000 persons who have bought out the Rose bowl at \$4.80 a seat will be here Monday to see for themselves whether the Trojans or the Volunteers are the better college football team.

Tennessee is hopeful. Its coach, John Barnhill, believes his unbeaten Southeastern champions have a chance to set down the also undefeated Trojans.

Southern California is always at its best in the Rose Bowl, where it has won seven games in as many starts. It hasn't been scored on here in the last four years.

Here is a quick lineup of what the New Year's game offers:

Tennessee — A rugged and versatile team, well versed in the potentialities of the single wing formation from a balanced line. An unusually capable freshman halfback, Buster Stephens, who can kick, pass and run. Two outstanding ends who make Stephens' passing look all the better. A

stout line and a fair defense against forward passes.

Southern California — A heavy, experienced and hard-charging line, spearheaded by All-American tackle John Ferraro at 234 pounds and "Pee-wee" Fehar at the other tackle, a mere 265. A deceptive ground and aerial game stemming from the quick-breaking T formation and directed by quarterback Jim Hardy, who has little regard for football orthodoxy.

Sports Writers Of Texas Organized; Sayles Is Director

AUSTIN, Dec. 30 (AP)—A second meeting will be held at Dallas Monday to complete organization of the Texas Sports Writers association.

More than 20 writers were here or were represented by proxy today when it was decided to enter such an organization. Weldon Hart of the Austin American-Statesman was elected president.

Lloyd Gregory of the Houston Post was named vice-president and Harold V. Ratliff of the Associated Press secretary-treasurer. Directors named were Flem R. Hall, Fort Worth Star-Telegram; Hal Sayles, Abilene Reporter-News; Louis Cox, Dallas Times-Herald; Bill Scurlock, Beaumont Journal and Johnnie James, San Antonio Light.

Coaching School To Be In Abilene

AUSTIN, Dec. 30 (AP)—The annual Texas Coaching School will be held at Abilene Aug. 6-10, it was decided today at a meeting of the board of directors of the Texas High School Coaches association.

Four cities — Abilene, San Antonio, El Paso and Dallas — had extended invitations.

The annual all-star game of the coaching school, in which players who have finished their high school eligibility take part, will be held on the night of Aug. 10.

Highlanders Are Severely Beaten By Heavier Foe

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
AUSTIN, Dec. 30 (AP)—Port Arthur's giant line battered Highland Park's Scotties into 20-7 defeat here today for the Texas schoolboy football championship in a thriller played before 13,000 fans.

The bruising forward wall of the Yellow Jackets told the story but the Dallas eleven fell only after a gallant fight that saw it battle back to score when two touchdowns behind and to stay in the game until the final period on the great passing of slender Doak Walker, grandest back on the field today.

The game started in a drizzle of rain and ended the same way but in between there was no precipitation and the field was dry and fast enough for the Highlanders to try all their tricks. They were not enough, with the Scots being able to gain only through the air where Walker's pitches rolled up 191 yards. But only once did the Jackets fail to throttle Walker when the Highlanders neared the Port Arthur goal line. That time it cost the South Texans a touchdown as giant Harold Clark took a Walker throw and stormed 23 yards to the score.

Port Arthur got its initial touchdown just before the first period ended and it was on a magnificent 76-yard drive in which Don Campbell, Ike Neumann and Tommy Throver alternated at carrying the ball and End Charley Davidson took a pass for seven yards to set up the score. From the 23, the fleet Campbell raced right around right end and cut back to go across standing up. Neumann kicked the extra point.

That was all the scoring for the first half.

A great punt return by Campbell led to the second Port Arthur touchdown early in the third period. Walker had booted from his 27 and the dashing Campbell scooted back to the Scot 28. Throver passed to Campbell for 16 yards, the latter then rapped right tackle for three and Throver circled right end for the touchdown. Neumann's conversion try was wide.

Highland Park took the kick-off on its 35 and didn't turn loose of the game. Walker first passed to the ball until it had paraded to a score, putting the Scots back in Bill Elliott for nine and hit right tackle for one. Then he pitched to the tall Clark for eleven yards. Port Arthur was penalized 15 for roughness and Walker started his passing again. One hit Clark for six yards and the next one—just over the line—brought a touchdown as the big end crunched three or four would-be tacklers and sped across. Walker got three tries for the extra point when Port Arthur was off-side and on the last kick sent the ball between the goal posts.

The Jackets put on the clincher shortly afterward on a 54-yard surge that followed a quick-kick from Walker. On the Port Arthur 46 Neumann raced into the line and shot through for eleven yards. Harold English picked up four at left end, then the smashing Neumann swung through right tackle to drive to the Highland Park 29. The Scots drew a five-yard penalty for delaying the game and Neumann went over right tackle untouched for a score. Neumann added the extra point.

The great Port Arthur line completely stopped Highland Park's running attack, the Scots ending up with a minus 16 yards at rushing. In the meantime the Yellow Jackets were roaring to 202 yards

Frogs Suffer More Losses For Clash

FORT WORTH, Dec. 30 (AP)—Two other casualties have been suffered by the TCU football team in its final preparations for the game with Oklahoma A. & M. in the Cotton bowl game in Dallas Monday.

Merle Gibson, left end, has a lame ankle, and Harry Mullins, who had replaced the lost Zeke Chronister at right end, has a battered knee. It is uncertain how much either will be able to play.

The center, Jim Cooper, has been ill since Thursday. Coach Dutch Meyer also has a severe cold.

Betting Crowd Sets New Record At Park

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 30 (AP)—Well-heeled bettors during a final fling risked a total of \$752,200 at Tropical Park today to set up a new wagering record for the second time this final football week of racing.

With only two more days of the sport remaining before the government ban becomes effective, the crowd of 8,354 bet an average of more than \$85 each on a nine race card devoid of any outstanding race.

The day's handle far out-distanced the former high mark of \$716,716 established Christmas Day when Tropical opened an eight-day meeting squeezed in between the announcement of the racing shutdown and the Jan. 3 deadline.

In the week of racing the total betting was \$3,530,805, or a daily average of \$588,467. Tropical banner season of 1943-44 produced a daily average of only \$390,978.

The difference aptly illustrates the plunging spirit of horsemen and turf devotees who hope to make a killing while they can.

In the day's feature, a five and one-half furlong \$5,000 event named the Coral Way handicap, Jockey Sterling Young thrashed M. Newmeyer's Turbine to a two-length victory.

Latin Americas Are Agreed On Two Points

By FLORENCE LEWIS
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Latin-American nations in discussions here on world security plans appear largely agreed on two points. They think the small powers should have a larger voice than is now proposed and that the name "United Nations" ought to be discarded for the peace agency.

Ambassadors of all the American republics met at the state department yesterday in the fourth of a series of discussions on the Dumbarton Oaks proposals.

From a synthesis of the nine formal documents of comment turned in so far, it is evident that Latin America supports the basic principles of a security agency but has certain changes to recommend.

On the ground and threw in four passes for 51 yards.

Port Arthur led in first downs 13 to 11.

The Jackets did a fine job of holding the Highlander passing in check despite the large yardage shown by the Scots with their throws. Four times Port Arthur intercepted passes and the Jackets were continually rushing Walker so hard he lost ground attempting to get off his pitches.

	P. A.	H. P.
First Downs	13	11
Rushing (net)	202	-16
Passes Attempted	9	44
Passes Completed	4	16
Yards Passing	51	191
Passes Intercepted By	4	2
Runback of Int. Passes	45	38
Punting Average	29.4	29.5
Total Yds. All		
Kicks Returned	87	36
Opponent Fumbles Recovered	0	1
Yds. Lost by Penalties	91	10

Sliding Down The Sports Chute

with BILL

After storming around for some days about the quietness on the sporting front here I find (with the return of Coach John Dibrrell) that the Steers may go into action as early as Friday night if present "feelings" pay off.

Coach was in Saturday with information that the basketballers up at the high school will get practice resumed Monday, with two drills scheduled for that day, before school opens again Tuesday morning.

The morning workout will be staged at 10:00 with the second workout of the day at 3 p. m. All this is to work some of the turkey and dressing the players accumulated over the holidays into solid muscle.

Stanton will probably be the first foe of the local cagers. Arrangements are underway, but not yet completed, for a game here the 9th and in Stanton on the 16th. However, Dibrrell has hopes of moving the first date up to Friday night, the fifth.

And don't scoff at such competition. These smaller schools always give late comers a tough go during early season play as they have been on the court daily for some time. (For example Cross Plains recently played the Abilene cagers two games that were nip and tuck before the Eagles managed two close wins.) So mark it on your book now to be present at the opening performance.

Other tentative games will be with Amarillo and Sweetwater. The Amarillo series will be a home-and-home affair with two games in each city. The 19th and 20th may find the Steers in the panhandle for games, with the Sandies returning the favor the second and third of February.

Sweetwater will be on the schedule Jan. 12 on the Mustang court and in our own gym the 26th.

These are tentative games, however, and definite announcement will be forthcoming later.

After my high-school castings in the playoff games I gave up trying to pick winners, but with the bowl games coming up Monday, I can return to my choosings without so much fear of being too far wrong. (Maybe I can get one right at least.)

TCU - Oklahoma A. & M. (Cotton Bowl) — The Ags have dropped one game to a tough Norman Navy team. They beat the Oklahoma Sooners 28-6. The Frogs lost to Oklahoma 19-34 and to SMU 6-9. They are doped to lose this one but I have a feeling some surprises are due. However Bob Fenimore is too much for anyone, and the Ags will win by a bare one touchdown.

Duke - Alabama (Sugar Bowl) — Frank Thomas is a genius at Bowl games and his Crimson Tide from Alabama is a tough one to predict. The Blue Devils have the power and the edge, however, and will overpower the Tide by two touchdowns.

Southern California - Tennessee (Rose Bowl) — All the experts say the Trojans, I do too (although I lay no claim to the expert title). But don't underrate the Vols. They traveled a long way to play that one and are going to be tough to beat. Southern Cal by a very narrow margin.

Tulsa - Georgia Tech (Orange Bowl) — Again all the experts say that Tech will repeat their last years performance and down the Hurricanes. I disagree. Frank and company are tired of losing their bowl games every year. Tulsa by a surprising margin, maybe as big as two touchdowns.

Southwestern - Mexico (Sun Bowl) — An almost unheard of game. The Mexicans will be tough for a while but the Texas team will have little trouble, though weakened considerably since the first of the season, in running rampant over the "south of the border" eleven to win by three touchdowns.

That's the way they stack up from here. Hope that I don't miss all of them, or at least get a few winners right. That high school business really cured me, and I am most proud that I will soon have a year's vacation from predicting football scores. Think it over . . .

Service Men To Get Play-By-Play Games

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Play-by-play accounts of the leading New Year's Day football bowl games will be sent to soldiers overseas and navy men afloat by the shortwave facilities of the armed forces radio service.

The war department announced today that games to be covered include the Rose Bowl tilt at Pasadena, Calif.; the Orange Bowl at Miami and the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans.

Starting Time Of Bowl Games Listed

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—Starting time and probable attendance at the various bowl football games (all Central War time):

New Year's Day (Monday).
Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif. (Southern California vs. Tennessee) 4 p. m. 90,000.
Sugar Bowl at New Orleans (Duke vs. Alabama) 2 p. m. 70,000.
Orange Bowl at Miami (Tulsa vs. Georgia Tech) 1 p. m. 30,000.
Cotton Bowl at Dallas (Oklahoma A. & M. vs. Texas Christian) 1:15 p. m. 35,000.
Shrine Game at San Francisco (East vs. West) 4 p. m. 59,800.
Sun Bowl at El Paso, Texas (University of Mexico vs. Southwestern) 2 p. m. 18,000.
Spaghetti Bowl in Italy (Fifth Army vs. 12th Air Force) 6:30 a. m. 35,000.

Byrnes Tightens On Ban Of Horse Races

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Racing was pinned down tight today in developments which underscored speculation on how much farther the government will go in limiting wartime sports.

Jimmy Byrnes flatly refused to modify his recent requests that all animal racing end next Wednesday.

Later, the War Manpower Commission withdrew all employment ceiling authorizations for track operators.

This order prohibits tracks from employing anyone "except watchmen and such to make minor repairs and keep the place from falling apart," a WMC source said. A ban against transportation of horses, except to home stables, also has been predicted.

Meanwhile, it was learned that War Mobilization Director Byrnes probably will be available early next week for direct questioning on the sports situation.

No Serious Damage Recorded In Temblor

LONDON, Dec. 30 (AP)—No serious damage or casualties have been reported in a survey taken throughout northern England following a two-minute temblor which rocked widely scattered areas at 1:36 a. m. today.

Although light earthquakes are not a rarity in England—this was the sixth since 1925—today's was the first since before the last war.

Capacity Crowds Of 350,000 Are Expected To Witness Bowl Games

By JOE REICHLER
NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—In keeping with the trend throughout the regular season, capacity crowds totalling more than 350,000 gridiron addicts are expected to witness football close out its hectic campaign, with a SRO crowd of 90,000 attending the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, California.

Besides California's annual grid classic, there are eight other post season clashes including the Sugar, Orange, Cotton, Shrine, Sun, Spaghetti and Vulcan Bowls on New Year's day in addition to the Lily Bowl at Bermuda, Jan. 7.

Highly regarded Southern California rules a two-touchdown favorite over Tennessee in the Rose Bowl, but the weatherman's hint of rain is encouraging to the Vols. Coach Jeff Cravath of the Trojans is banking heavily on Captain Jim Hardy's passing.

Some 70,000 people will watch Alabama tangle with Duke at New Orleans in the Sugar Bowl while the Tulsa-Georgia Tech Orange Bowl clash is expected to draw 30,000. In direct contrast, Coach Frank Thomas of the underdog Crimson Tide coaxed with confidence while Eddy Cameron, Duke mentor, moaned "we'll be lucky to win. We've had only four days of practice in two weeks."

The Tech-Tulsa tussle in Miami should provide plenty of touchdowns as both elevens are scoring-minded, throwing caution and pigskin to the winds.

About 60,000 are expected to watch the East All-Stars, led by All America Les Horvath of Ohio State, mix with the West ones in the Shrine's 20th New Year's inter-sectional game. The East rules a 2-1 choice.

The once defeated Oklahoma A&M team meets Texas Christian in the Cotton Bowl before 35,000 at Dallas while the Spaghetti Bowl in Italy between the Fifth army and the 12th Air Force is expected to draw between 30 and 35,000 GI Joes. The Aggies, outweighing the Frogs by 12 pounds to the man are two touchdown favorites.

The Sun Bowl tilt at El Paso, Texas, between the University of Mexico and Southwestern should attract a crowd of 18,000 and Birmingham, Ala., where the Vulcan Bowl, Tuskegee vs. Tennessee State, will be staged expects 5,000.

Trippi Sparks South To 24-7 Win From North

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 30 (AP)—Sgt. Charles Trippi, the former Georgia star and current pride of the Third Air Force eleven, was the chief contributor today in a 24 to 7 victory of the South All-Stars over their northern opponents in the annual Blue-Grey contest.

Trippi, a member of the 1942 Rose Bowl eleven at Georgia, passed before the game was minutes old, pacin gtwo drives for touchdowns in the first 18 minutes.

Thereafter he and such standouts as Jack Russell, the ex-Baylor ace, Center Tex Warrington, the Auburn All-America, and Martin Ruby, former Texas A. and M. tackle, were out of the game for long periods, but the work had been done.

So great was the superiority of the South's line that Blue running plays gained only 18 yards.



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State Democratic Split Top Texas Story Of Year

By WALTER P. BOSWELL, Associated Press State Editor

A split in the state democratic party and its bitter factional fight over the fourth term candidacy of President Roosevelt was the top Texas news story of the year to managing editors of Associated Press member newspapers in the state.

The editors nominated 33 stories for 15 places. On the basis of 15 points for first, 14 for second, etc., the first ten were:

- The democratic party fight between pro and anti-Roosevelt elements which began openly in May, continued through state and national party conventions and climaxed in the November general election.
- The University of Texas controversy which saw the airing of differences between President Rainey and university regents; the firing of Rainey by the board, and the resignation of three regents; a demonstration by students; the alignment of pro and anti-Rainey forces, and a state senate committee investigation into the circumstances of Rainey's discharge.
- Texas and the war. D-day in Normandy; the invasion of southern France, the Pacific campaign, MacArthur's return to the Philippines — from all of these came stories of Texans fighting.
- The decision of the United States supreme court that negroes had a right to vote in Texas democratic primaries.
- The death of Dr. George W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist

church in Dallas; a churchman of world renown.

- The Texas A. and M. college row, during which statements by president emeritus T. O. Walton and the college board agreed that the board had failed to rehire Walton as president before he became president emeritus.
- The butane gas explosion at Denison in which 11 persons were killed.
- The indictment, trial, conviction and new trial set for Jan. 8 at Lamesa for Jim Thomas, paroled convict charged in the slaying of Dr. Roy Hunt of Littlefield.
- Randolph Field's mighty football team, which swept undefeated and untied to national service gridiron honors. It was called the greatest team ever to display its wares in the southwest.
- The weather. Cold waves, and blizzards in the Panhandle ushered in the year; later there were floods in Central and East Texas and in the Rio Grande. There were hurricane threats to the gulf coast which made headlines, but no damaging one hit.

Weather Gave Adequate Conversation

By JACK RUTLEDGE, Associated Press Staff

The weather gave Texans adequate conversation fodder in 1944.

Take, for example, the unusual ice glaze storm which hit East Texas Jan. 13-14 and did \$16,000,000 in damage to timberlands, utility poles, and lines and crops.

Or the howling blizzard in the Panhandle earlier the same month — a blizzard which oldtimers said was the worst in 50 years. West Texas was covered with a heavy snow blanket.

Then there was the million dollar hail storm that struck San Antonio April 2. Hail stones swept a three-by-ten mile area and damaged crops, buildings, utilities, broke windows and resulted in a loss estimated at \$1,000,000.

Hurricanes stayed away from Texas shores but there were several tornadoes in April and May.

One hit near Pottsville, Hamilton county, on April 8 and killed one person, injured seven and caused \$1,000,000 in damage.

On May 1 a tornado hit several areas, killing three, injuring eight and doing widespread damage in the Kimbro community of Travis

Slaughter Field Extended By Strike In Hockley

By JOHN B. BREWER, SAN ANGELO, Dec. 30 — Swabbing and flowing of oil by the Texas Co. No. 1 L. Y. P. Montgomery, Hockley county wildcat six miles north of the Slaughter field, and heading of oil by Cooper Gas Co. No. 1-E Bert Page, north out-post to the Page Strawn lime field in Schleicher county, were among principal West Texas oil developments Christmas week.

Locations were staked for a wildcat each in Kimble and McCulloch counties, offsetting a failure each in Lynn and Pecos counties.

Texaco No. 1 Montgomery in Hockley county swabbed and flowed 39 barrels of fluid—76 per cent oil and 24 per cent basic sediment and water—in 24 hours following treatment with 2,900 gallons of acid from 4,744 to 4,884 feet. It retreated with 4,000 gallons of acid and during the first 15 hours swabbed 152 barrels of fluid of which 64 per cent was oil load, 36 per cent basic sediment and acid residue.



PRESIDENTIAL PEN — Senator James Mead (D-NY) (right) hands to Edward N. Scheiberling of Albany, American Legion national commander, pen with which President Roosevelt signed widows' and orphans' pension bill.

Best-behaved river in Texas was the Colorado. It was the state's only river not to flood in 1944. The Red river was the big cut-up, flooding so many times it became a habit. It flooded in six out of the twelve months. The Trinity, Rio Grande, Nueces, Sabine, Brazos, Guadalupe and others left their banks at least once during the year.

Even the stars put on a show—the moon eclipsed Venus in December.

Howard County Schools To Reopen At Same Time

For once, all schools of Big Spring and Howard county will be together on an opening when they resume school Tuesday.

Schools dismissed on Dec. 22 for the holidays and will have a uniform opening date. Since terms vary, openings in the autumn are staggered and there also is a variance in the spring no closing dates.

Big Spring Unit To Celebrate Third Anniversary Soon

Company E, 34th battalion of the Texas State Guard, Big Spring's own unit, will be three years old on Jan. 12 and a celebration for the men and officers is being planned.

Capt. Hudson L. Bohannon, commanding officer, said that there would be an informal program at the county warehouse on Jan. 11, which is the meeting date nearest the date of activation, and that there would be a "feed."

Among special guests will be Lt. Col. Joe Pylon, Odessa, battalion commander, and his staff.

The company was mustered following a mass meeting at the Settles hotel early in 1942 and on Jan. 12 it was activated with Cliff Wiley commanding. Subsequently, he was succeeded by Bohannon, who originally had been first lieutenant. Leslie D. Thompson was promoted from second to first lieutenant and Joe E. Pond, originally a platoon sergeant and later first sergeant, was made second lieutenant.

Few of the original company still remain, but they will be honored specially at the meeting. Since organization, the company, which has furnished more than two score men to the armed services, has met at the county warehouse, which serves as the arsenal.

East Texas Streams Reported As Rising

HOUSTON, Dec. 30 (AP) — Major streams in the coastal area of East Texas were rising today and the Trinity river is expected to reach a flood stage of 25 feet tomorrow as the weather bureau promised rains throughout tomorrow and a slight drop in temperature for Houston and vicinity Monday.

The crest of the flood on the Trinity was in the vicinity of Roman. At Liberty the river had reached a stage of 21.42 feet at 4 p. m., a rise of 2.62 feet since 7.30 a. m. The river had risen 6.99 feet the previous 24 hours.

Both the Brazos and Neches rivers were registering slight rises in their lower reaches.

Ranchers in the lower Trinity were moving cattle to higher ground as the flood waters overflowed the main channel and spread out over miles of flat county adjacent to the stream.

April Has Highest Number Of Fires

A total of 178 fire calls have been answered this year it was revealed Saturday by Fire Chief H. V. Crocker.

The largest number of fires occurred in April with 23 calls. In March there were 21 alarms and there were 22 in June. The lowest month was October with only eight calls answered. The majority of the fires resulted in little damage.

The average for each month was less than 15 calls, which is low, Chief Crocker said, considering that it has been more than 20 in some years.

A check showed that approximately one out of every four fires was caused by carelessness in smoking, with others caused by defective wiring, trash accumulations, etc.

The fire chief declared that the average could be brought down even more with a little care and caution on the part of the citizens of Big Spring.

Lon Keener Dies In Local Residence

Lon Henry Bertram Keener, 65, died Friday evening at 7 p. m. in his home in the Wright addition. Services will be held Sunday at 5 p. m. at the Nalley chapel, conducted by Rev. Cecil Rhodes. Interment will take place in the Wills Point cemetery, beside his wife who died in 1918.

Mr. Keener was born on Feb. 3, 1879. He farmed near Luther and lived in Big Spring for 22 years.

Survivors include one daughter, Miss Bernice Keener of Big Spring; one son, Marvin Keener, in the merchant marine at sea; two brothers, George and Joe Keener, both of Talc; one sister, Mrs. Dora Webster of Wills Point.

Palbearers will be Charlie Wade, Joe Echols, E. S. Echols, Walter Gatlin, R. G. Peach, Randolph Brumley, D. F. Walker and Mr. Lock.

Blackstone Visit Here Is Canceled

Projected appearance of Harry Blackstone, nationally famed magician, has been cancelled here. It has been announced by Lions club officials.

The club, unable to complete arrangements, voted not to sponsor the show after announcing that it would show here.

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Girl Scout Banquet Slated January 9

Annual banquet for Girl Scout leaders and friends has been scheduled for Jan. 9 in the First Methodist church basement, it was announced Saturday.

All leaders, council members and others interested in the program have been urged to make reservations at the chamber of commerce office not later than Jan. 6.

The Rev. J. E. Moore, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, is to be the principal speaker and Dan Conley, council treasurer, will act as master of ceremonies. There will be demonstrations in scoutcraft by members of various troops.

Mrs. H. W. Smith is to assume her duties as district commissioner at the meeting, succeeding Mrs. V. A. Whittington.

Shell Company And FEPC Are Agreed

HOUSTON, Dec. 30 (AP) — The Shell Oil company and the Fair Employment Practices Committee have reached an agreement in a dispute involving FEPC charges of labor discrimination by the company.

Emanuel Bloch, the committee's attorney, said today the agreement provides that negroes and Mexicans employed in the company's Deer Park refinery would be eligible for promotion on an equal basis with other employees.

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Cautious Optimism Marks Start Of New Year As War Is Darkest

By The Associated Press

The great, the near-great and the man in the street expressed cautious optimism today in predicting events to come in 1945—a year sure to see bloody fighting, but one which might bring victory and peace.

In London, Prime Minister Churchill said the new year "should bring us victory in Europe," and added: "Before many months have passed the evil gang that has long dominated that unhappy continent will be wiped out."

Russia's top-flight foreign commentator, Ilya Ehrenburg, said in a broadcast: "We will finish off the Germans this year x x x we have suffered too much to stop short of Berlin."

Concerning the war in the Pacific, Robert P. Patterson, under-secretary of war, declared: "I have found nothing to support the notion that we can dispose of Japan in short order. We will have to defeat them the hard way."

However, Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitscher, who helped whip the Japanese in two battles of the Philippines Sea, predicted from Pearl Harbor that "in another year we should have their navy pretty well cleaned up; x x x by next summer, they will be sitting on a decidedly uneasy seat in the empire."

A representative "man in the street," Jim Goodman, 70-year-old cigar counterman, declared: "Once Germany is through, Russia is going to help us go after Japan. . . . There'll be more cigarettes sold than ever before."

A professional predictor, Nicholas deVore, president of the Astrological Research Society, said: "The war will wear itself out and dissolve gradually into a period of occupation wherein Russia will be the guardian of the peace in Europe and Asia."

Twenty Registrants Reported Missing

Names of 20 registrants whose addresses have not been reported were listed Saturday by the Howard county selective service board.

They were: Hubert Jennings Sheats, Apolonio Juarez, Jose Lujan Franco, Marcellus Nute Brown, Jess Jackson Stocks, Simon Perez, Salomon Miller, Sam Lee White, Jesse Moore, Percy Payne, Chester Leon Hall, Clyde Owens, Earl Williams, Floyd Evans Gross, James Lee, Plew Daniel Hair, Perfecto Gonzalez Galindo, Francisco Morales Almansa, Juan Robles and Miguel Coronado.

Some of these are long delinquent in reporting changed address, and to avoid names being turned over to federal authorities for action, friends were urged to report any information as to present addresses to the board in the Petroleum building.

The board was in session Friday reclassifying a long list of registrants under new regulations.

Hoover Warns Nation Of Renewed Sabotage

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP) — Director J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation warned the nation today to be on the alert for renewed enemy-directed sabotage attempts.

"America was electrified in the summer of 1942 by the news that eight Nazi saboteurs had entered the United States by submarine," Hoover said in a year-end statement. "Others were trained for similar missions, and I can now reveal that the enemy has made other attempts to penetrate our inner defenses."

"Counterattacks can be made on our home front as well as against our battlelines. A Japanese balloon which could have been used for sabotage purposes landed in the United States recently. We must be alert and ready for fresh assaults."

The FBI said Hoover's statement could not be amplified for security reasons.

Talbott Medal Is Received By Wife

The Purple Heart badge earned by Pfc. Blake Talbott when he was killed in action in France on Oct. 2, 1944, has been received by his wife, Mrs. Blake Talbott.

Although the certificate of award had been forwarded previously, the actual award did not arrive until last week. Mrs. Talbott and 10-month-old daughter, Sherry, are residing with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Talbott.

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Jeanetta Christensen Wed In Garden City Ceremony

Miss Jeanetta Louise Christensen became the bride of Stanley Bogard Saturday, December 23, at 10 p. m. in a single ring ceremony read in the home of Rev. A. A. Collins, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Garden City.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Christensen of Big Spring, wore a fuchsia woolen suit with black accessories and her shoulder corsage was of white gardenias.

Miss Jane Bogard, sister of the bridegroom, wore a bronze green suit with brown accessories. Her corsage was of carnations. Miss Bobbie Bogard, another sister of the bridegroom, wore a brown gabardine suit with matching accessories and a shoulder corsage of gardenias.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bogard of Garden City, was attended by Cadet Dub Coates of Big Spring and Cpl. Fred C. Seahome of San Antonio.

The bride was graduated from the Big Spring high school in 1944. The bridegroom graduated in 1944 from the Garden City high school and is in the navy reserve.

Pre-war population of Russia, was about 1

Christmas Comes But Once A Year (Thank Goodness)

Hi Gals. Hope by now everyone of you have recovered from eating so much turkey and stuff during Christmas and that you are almost back to normal.

Say—there were certainly lots of engagement rings given Christmas (think I will ask Santa Claus for one next year) but seems as though none of the girls want their names mentioned yet so I will do my best to keep their secret.

See, Christmas is swell with all the long lost relatives coming in and all the hustle and bustle of opening Christmas gifts. Presume everyone of you got a lot of nice things, useless things, and things you need. I wouldn't be surprised if most of you would agree with me that you are glad the confusion is over until next year.

Went to the incoming dance for cadet class 45-15 last Thursday night at the Cadet club and believe you me they really put on a feed when the dance is nearly over. Those Cadet dances are really lots of fun because everyone lets their hair down and has a merry old time. What I can't understand is why more of you girls don't attend those dances? The New Year's Eve dance for all Cadet classes is scheduled for Sunday afternoon from 3 to 7 and Sgt. Winslow Chamberlain and the post band will be on hand to furnish lots of good music.

The officers of the Bombardier school are having their New Year's Eve dance tonight at the Officer's club and I can't tell you whether it's formal or not—you can go either way you choose but personally I don't plan to wear another formal until the weather is warmer!

Now is the time for everyone of us to make our New Year's resolutions—hope you will think several times before you write those resolutions down on paper. You know it never does anyone any good to make a lot of foolish resolutions—but here is one resolution that should be on every list—to buy as many war bonds and stamps that we possibly can—you can't go wrong by doing so and it will safeguard the years to come. I will sign off by saying HAPPY NEW YEAR.—JONANNA TERRY.

Mrs. J. B. Williams of Dallas is spending the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. S. True. She will return to her home Monday.

Shells thrown 20 miles by big naval guns rise about five miles.

Formal Glamor Grets New Year



HAPPY NEW YEAR! For the first time since the war, American women are dressing up in formal clothes this winter. Left is Kiviette's dreamy black marquisette with lace bodice; right, Bruno's pink cotton lace chemise gown with sequinned bodice.

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Katherine Nall Married In Double Ring Ceremony

In a double ring ceremony read Tuesday, December 26th, at 3:45 p. m., Miss Katherine Nall, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. N. B. Nall of Colorado City, and Pfc. Robert Kenneth Swortwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Swortwood of Akron, Ohio, were united in marriage by Rev. P. D. O'Brien at the First Baptist Church.

The bride wore a wine woolen suit with black accessories and her shoulder corsage was of white gardenias. For the traditional something old she wore a pair of diamond ear screws belonging to her grandmother, Mrs. Leo Nall. Something borrowed was a cameo lavalliere belonging to her cousin, Gloria Nall.

The bride was graduated from Colorado City high school in 1941 and attended Big Spring Business College. For the past two years she has been employed at the Bombardier School by the Air Corps Supply.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Akron high school and attended Ohio State and Akron University before enlisting in the army. The bridegroom is stationed at the Big Spring Bombardier School.

The couple plan to make their home here at 804 Runnels Street. Mrs. Leo Nall, grandmother of the bride, and Dr. and Mrs. N. B. Nall, parents of the bride, were present at the wedding.

Mrs. Elmer Dyer and son, Joe, of Houston are visiting Mrs. Dyer's mother, Mrs. Jack Cain, and Mrs. Jack Adams.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR



Aleene Bodine Of Colorado City Wed

Colorado City, Dec. 30—The marriage of Aleene Bodine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bodine of Colorado City, and Johnnie S. Monroe of Abilene is being announced here by the parents of the bride. The wedding took place at the home of Mrs. George Ingle, 1942 Sycamore, Abilene, at 9 a. m., December 24. The Rev. Marshall D. Masters read the double ring ceremony.

The bride wore a suit of beige gabardine with powder blue accessories. Her shoulder corsage was of gardenias. She was attended by Mrs. Hilton H. Henslee of Colorado City as matron of honor. Mrs. Henslee wore a green gabardine suit with dark brown accessories and a corsage of yellow gladioli.

Lt. (jg) Lenn Bodine, brother of the bride, attended the bridegroom as best man.

After a short wedding trip the couple will live at Abilene.

The bride is a graduate of Colorado City high school and attended Texas University. Mr. Monroe is employed by the Greyhound Bus Company in Abilene.

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Cosden Chatter

By JACK Y. SMITH

Cosden employees will celebrate the coming in of the New Year at a watch party given Sunday night from 9:00 till 1:00. All employees are sure and attend and plan on having a good time.

We have received many letters and cards from boys everywhere in the service, thanking us for the Christmas packages sent out by Cosden. Boys who wrote us this past week were: J. F. Stitzell, SK 1-c, Farragut, Idaho; D. O. Brunson, S 1-c, New Orleans, Louisiana; Pvt. C. D. Herring Jr., Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Pvt. Jack Q. Reynolds, Ft. Ord, California; Pvt. James W. Denton, Jr., somewhere in New Guinea; Arthur D. Barton SF 3-c, Marianna Islands; T-Sgt. L. F. Poyner, Netherlands East Indies.

Garner W. Pitts F 1-c, writes: "I was in the invasion of Leyte in the Philippines last October and we had a pretty hot time of it there for awhile but it looks a little better over there now. I picked up so many souvenirs over there I guess I will have to bring back a couple of natives to help me pack them home." We also received a letter from Raymond Andrews A-S, San Diego, California.

Mr. M. M. Miller was in Graham Thursday and Friday transacting company business.

Cosden Petroleum Corporation and employees will observe January 1, 1945 as a holiday.

Kathryn Fuller says that her nicest Christmas present was that her brother, W. G. Fuller A-C was able to come from Corpus Christi, Texas and be here Christmas day.

Mrs. Robert M. Smith and son, Johnny Allen Smith have been visiting the past week with Miss Mary Lumpkins.

We would like to welcome the following new employees: Mrs. Mary C. Stewart, Mr. John D. Mayes, Mr. L. D. Cunningham, Mr. Jose Jimenez, Mr. Liberato P. Carrillo, Mr. Margarito Castaneta, Mr. Chon M. Carrillo and Mr. Paul D. Morgan.

Mr. J. C. Humphries received a letter dated December 2, from his son, Pvt. Hardy Harris who is in the Army Engineers. Pvt. Harris writes that he is in Belgium and that he has seen plenty of action and expects to see more.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. McCormick had as their guests for Christmas dinner, Sgt. Edwin Todd, and Trainee "Tuffy" Foulds, from the Big Spring Air Base.

Mrs. Freda Hoover is a new employee in our Credit Department. Mrs. Hoover's husband, Cpl. Russell E. Hoover is stationed in California.

Miss Ouita Cole, Fort Worth, is visiting Glynn P. Jordan this weekend and through Monday.

Miss Nell Rhae McCrary underwent a major operation at the Big Spring Hospital Saturday morning.

Cosden Watch Party

Cosden employees and guests will be entertained with a watch party Sunday night with hours from 9 to 1 o'clock. The party has reserved the Park Inn and the couples will dance to the music of a nickelodeon.

Mrs. Neal Stanley and children, Terry O'Neal and Chere Jan, of San Angelo arrived Friday to spend a week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Terry and family.

Activities at the USO

SUNDAY

1:00-3:00—Classical recordings in recording room.

3:00-5:00—Craft class and recording hour.

5:00-7:00—Volunteer women will serve cake and coffee.

MONDAY

8:30—General activities.

TUESDAY

8:30—Games and dancing.

WEDNESDAY

6:15—Hospital visiting hour at the post; Lillian Jordan, chairman.

9:00—Bingo; three-minute free telephone call home with Credit Women's Breakfast club as hostesses.

THURSDAY

6:30—G.S.O. planning committee meeting.

8:30—Games and dancing.

FRIDAY

8:30—Informal activities.

SATURDAY

8:30 Recording hour.

7:00-9:00—Cakes donated by Home Demonstration club.

There will be a dance at the U.S.O. on Tuesday, January 9th, and all service personnel, their wives, dates, and junior hostesses are invited.

Marilyn Keaton

To Sing Sunday

Miss Marilyn Keaton will be guest soloist at the morning worship hour of the First Methodist church Sunday at 11 a. m. She will sing "Thou Art Thy Christ" by O'Hara.

Marilyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Keaton and is a freshman student at John Tarleton College at Stephenville. She will return to school Monday after spending the holidays here.

Pfc. Rose A. Taylor from Tyndall Field, Fla. is here visiting her mother, Mrs. J. M. Morgan, and other relatives.

Doc Seabolt of Dallas is visiting his daughter and husband, the Jack F. Johnsons.

Patricia Selkirk and Cornelia Frazier left Wednesday night to return to Texas University after spending the holidays here.

Former Resident Wed December 17

Word has been received here of the marriage of Miss Jean La Velle Walker of Longview to Lt. James K. Eaton, instructor at Waco. Mrs. Eaton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Walker, former residents of Big Spring and Forsan. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ballard.

The wedding was performed at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, December 17, at the Baptist Church at East Mountain by the Rev. R. C. Moore. The church was decorated with white gladioli and burning tapers. Mrs. Carvel Smith played the wedding march from Mendelssohn as the bride entered on the arm of her father.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Margorie Johnston and best man was Lt. Eddie Coleman of Florida, N. Y.

Mrs. Eaton, a graduate of East Mountain High School, is a student of Baylor Belton and will continue her studies there in January. Lt. Eaton is also a graduate of East Mountain high school and was a student at John Tarleton College at the time of his induction into the air force. He is now stationed at Waco as an instructor.

G. I. Dance

The post gym at the Big Spring Bombardier school was packed Friday night as enlisted men staged a colorful pre-New Year's Eve dance.

Flags of all nations decorated the gym and large cutouts of top-hatted gentlemen before a Manhattan skyline added a gay effect. T/Sgt. Winslow Chamberlain's post orchestra played for the dancing.

Many guests from town attended the affair, which was arranged by Cpl. William Mavromatis and Mrs. E. B. McCormick. Refreshments were served.

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Forsan News

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson and family spent Christmas in Goldthwaite. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Conger Jr. and Bill III and Mrs. W. T. Conger were holiday guests of relatives in McCamey.

Housing Situation Is 'Desperate'

An urgent appeal to Big Spring residents to provide additional housing facilities for military personnel was sounded today by officials of the Big Spring Bombardier school.



DOLL PRIZE WINNER — Betty Ulrich holds the doll with which she won a prize in a contest among office workers at the Colgate plant in Jersey City, N. J. After judging, dolls were given to charities in the community.

The post's personnel has been swelled recently by the arrival of combat officers who have returned from overseas war theaters, Major Turner stated.

At the chamber of commerce office there are at least 30 inquiries every day for places to live. The waiting list of all civilians eligible for use of the Ellis Homes now stands at 140 and will probably increase every week.

Greene said that the possibility of construction of additional unit housing looks dark and the only hope for meeting the situation lies in the H-3 or "hardship housing" program. Applications for construction of this type are available at the chamber of commerce office.

Local civic leaders have sponsored housing meetings and conducted campaigns which have opened some new sources of housing, but even more facilities are needed.

Rental trades were suggested as a means of meeting the need. A technical sergeant this week offered to trade his four-room apartment occupied by himself and wife for a two-room apartment or bedroom.

"We're appealing now to persons who never before have opened their homes to military personnel," Major Turner said. "We believe there are still some who could make available an extra bedroom."

Those interested were asked to call Major Turner at 1680, extension 213 or to contact the chamber of commerce or USO.

Shoe Stamps To Remain Valid

Cancellation of shoe stamps is not being considered, the Office of Price Administration announced from district offices at Lubbock today.

The announcement was made after a few cities in the district reported rushes on shoes in the wake of invalidation of outstanding food stamps earlier in the week.

Although increasing military demands are cutting into the civilian supply, the War Production Board office of civilian requirements said the shoe supply was adequate to honor stamps now outstanding.

OPA reported the next shoe stamp probably would not be valid until sometime next summer. Until WPB completes its estimates of 1945 production and weighs other factors, the announcement of the date cannot be set.

While there was some increase in shoe purchases here, there was no run on stocks through Saturday.

HIGGINS GETS DIRECTIVE WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Andrew J. Higgins, New Orleans shipbuilder, was directed tonight by the War Labor Board's shipbuilding commission to continue his present contract with AFL craft unions, thereby averting a threatened interruption of work Jan. 1.

COMMITTEE TO MEET J. H. Greene, manager of the chamber of commerce, announced Saturday that the nominating committee will meet Wednesday and warned that all nominations for the chamber officers should be in before that time.

EDUCATOR DIES TUCKAHOE, N. Y., Dec. 30 (AP)—Mrs. Howard S. Gans, 76, founder and president for 41 years of the Child Study Association of America, and a pioneer in the field of parent education, died yesterday.

Livestock Raisers Charge OPA Heads Favoring Eastern Butchers In Ceiling

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Up in arms against proposed ceiling prices on live cattle livestock men brought their protests to the capital today with one asserting an OPA official had misrepresented the cattlemen's views.

They had expected to present their case this morning to Stabilization Director Fred M. Vinson who will decide the question of whether to impose the ceiling prices, favored by OPA but opposed by the War Food Administration.

However, bad weather held up several cattlemen flying here and the conference was postponed until Monday.

P. O. Wilson, secretary of the joint livestock committee, in a statement accused John J. Madigan, assistant director of OPA's food branch, of "misrepresentation." He said meetings held at Kansas City and Chicago earlier this week on the ceiling question were supposed to be secret, at OPA's request, but that Madigan had made statements concerning them.

"Because of this misrepresentation, cattle feeders are insisting that they be given an opportunity to present their views to Economic Stabilization Director Vinson," said Wilson.

OPA advanced live cattle ceilings as a solution for the problem of butchers who say they can't stay in business under present retail meat ceilings.

Indications that 85-year-old Themistokles Sophoulis, dean of the Greek Liberal party, would be asked to head a new administration followed reports that Premier George Papandreu had submitted a tentative resignation to the king before the latter's conference with Churchill.

There were reliable reports in Athens today that the left-wing ELAS forces which have been battling British and Greek government troops through the streets of the capital for more than three weeks had sent a message to Churchill proposing an immediate truce and suggesting British arbitration.

RETIRED RANCHER DIES LAREDO, Dec. 30 (AP)—Jesus Salinas, 78, retired rancher, died at his home here today following a long illness. Funeral services were scheduled tomorrow with burial in the Laredo Catholic cemetery.

Naval guns weigh up to 125 pounds.

Four Women Die In Fort Smith Fire

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 30 (AP)—Four women were burned to death in a fire which swept the two-story packing and shipping building of the Wortz Biscuit company here late today.

Bodies of the victims were brought out of the ruins and were not immediately identified, but four women employed were listed as missing. They were: Sylvia Johnson, Dorothy Nolan, Mildred Trout and Mabel Bowman.

Another, Vivian McElroy, was severely burned. Workers said they heard an explosion inside a tank and saw a flash of fire which swept throughout the structure. The south wall collapsed as firemen sealed off the blaze from the main building of the plant.

Texas Oil Output To Top Last Year

CORSICANA, Dec. 30 (AP)—Texas will have produced 739,781,126 barrels of oil by midnight tomorrow night, its 1944 total showing a 51.77 per cent increase over the record-breaking 1943 production of 487,436,107 barrels, Beauford Jester, retiring railroad commission chairman, said today.

Texas, meeting urgent war demands, furnished 93.6 per cent of the national increase in crude oil production for the year, Jester added.

REPAIR OF WARSHIPS PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 30 (AP)—The navy's chief 1945 assignment for Pacific coast shipyards will be to repair and maintain warships already built, Rear Admiral E. L. Cochrane said here today.

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Martin-Howard Soil Under Conservation Program During '44

Thousands of acres in the Martin-Howard soil conservation district came under influence of the program to save soil and moisture during 1944, according to records of the Big Spring SCS office.

Contour cultivation led the list of activities of the 183 farmers and ranchers cooperating 196,517 acres affected by the district approved program. Records showed 38,223 acres of the 59,604 acres cultivated by the cooperators were farmed on the contour.

Ranchers protected 28,729 acres with guards, ridges, etc., and adapted practices of good range management on 83,419 acres. They make proper salt distribution on 49,609 acres and supplied temporary pasture on 2,321 acres.

Farmers practiced strip cropping on 1,011 acres and had 149 miles of terrace systems on 4,658 acres. In addition, there were 26 livestock ponds requiring moving of 61,089 cubic yards of dirt to provide a total reservoir capacity of 15,256,800 gallons. Contour pasture furrowing was applied on 1,555 acres. There are 136,913 acres of range land owned by cooperators within the district.

During 1944 15 farm plan agreements, covering 4,676 acres, were cancelled due to change in ownership.

Herbert Penikett Dies After Illness

Herbert Charles Penikett died Friday evening at his home at 806 E. 14th street after an illness of several months. Funeral services will be held Sunday at 2 p. m. at the Nalley chapel with Rev. W. L. Porterfield in charge. Interment will be in the local cemetery.

Mr. Penikett was 77 years old, born on Aug. 21, 1867, at Henfield, Sussex, England. He lived in Canada as a child and came to the United States 40 years ago. He worked for several years as a seaman in the merchant marine and spent some time in China and Japan. He was married in Carlsbad, N. M. and lived there prior to coming to Big Spring and lived here nine years. Before coming here he was engaged in farming and for the past nine years he was associated with the Raleigh company.

Survivors include the widow and one step son, J. R. Cox of Las Vegas, N. M. Pallbearers will be J. E. Kennedy, W. L. Smith, Lloyd Cunningham, Nathan Riggs, Albert Gilliland and A. G. Tatum.

Lewis' Son Dies In Hospital Saturday

Orlis Clifton Lewis, Jr., two-day old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Lewis, died Saturday at 10 a. m. in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 3:30 p. m. at the Nalley chapel, conducted by Rev. J. E. McCoy. Burial will be in the local cemetery.

Survivors include the parents; two sisters, Shelby Elaine and Sharon Dell; the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lewis of Coleman and Big Spring; two aunts, Mrs. Ernest Swan of Coleman and Big Spring and Mrs. A. S. Buford of Big Spring.

Building Permits In 1944 Reach 587 Total

Building permits issued in 1944 totaled 587, according to F. W. Bettle, city building inspector. The year's building expenditures came to \$385,075.

May showed the high point in individual building projects with 67. August's permits showed construction expenditures of \$123,875 when the permit for the Malone-Hogan hospital addition was issued. The July expenditures reached \$55,605 when permission was granted for the construction of the B. H. and B. theater.

The 1944 records revealed a decided increase over those of 1943 both in the number of permits issued and the expenditures. A majority of the permits were granted for remodeling or making additions to buildings already constructed.

Bettle declared that sanitary conditions in Big Spring were definitely improved and that approximately 150 sanitary toilets had been installed.

COMMODITY PRICES HIGH WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—The labor department reported today that wholesale commodity prices are at the highest level since the war began.

A. D. Bryan Resigns As Assistant Chief Of Police; Named As Deputy

Resignation of A. D. Bryan as assistant chief of police was announced Saturday. He has been named by R. L. (Bob) Wolf, who will be sworn in as sheriff of Howard county Monday, as chief deputy.



A. D. BRYAN

Wolf also announced that Katie Gilmore would be commissioned as office deputy.

Bryan's resignation ends an eight and a half year tenure with the city police. A major portion of the time he has been on night patrol and is rated by fellow officers as being a specialist in handling cases dealing with negro or Latin-American personalities. He served as acting chief for a time this year and for the past five months he has been assistant chief of police. He joined the force on July 4, 1936 and had served longer than any other member of the force. He had been, according to city officials, particularly helpful to new staff members.

He came to Big Spring in 1933 from Cisco, where he had served 10 years as a member of the police force there. Bryan also had three and a half years in sheriff office work. He has a son, M/Sgt. D. W. Bryan, who is serving in France.

The Week

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November. That means a couple of Thanksgivings, no doubt.

Two weeks hence the propertied, qualified voters of Howard county will be called upon to pass judgment on a \$130,000 road bond issue. Proceeds will go toward purchase of right-of-ways to which the county is or may be committed to secure for state highways and toward a lateral road program. The county commissioners court has transcripts on file to purchase roadway for Big Spring-Snyder and Big Spring-Andrews highways. Besides the residue, the county likely will come into considerable other funds for lateral road building.

Boy Scouts left early last week for their mid-winter camp. With sleep falling at the time they left, we venture these youngsters are convinced it was truly a "winter" outing, but they will get a kick out of recalling how well they froze.

The set-up was almost right for a serious glaze storm Tuesday—when our "white Christmas" almost straggled in. Just about a degree change in temperature would have caused moisture to stick on trees, telephone and power lines. That would have meant plenty of damage and serious disruption of services.

Highway patrolmen count it a miracle that fewer accidents happened on the road. Instead of creeping along on slippery highways, drivers speeded along with reckless abandon, they reported. Yet, only one serious mishap occurred.

The Howard County Farm Bureau starts its income tax service this week for its members. While this is a busy season, it also will be a fruitful one from a membership point of view for the bureau coincidentally charges about the same for the service to non-members as the annual membership costs... whereas it is free to members.

Soil conservation service records reflect significant progress during the past year in the Martin-Howard district. These programs not only are paying off now but will make their biggest return over the years ahead.

Paper Shortage Still Described Critical

Despite the fact that the paper salvage contest in the schools came to a close the middle of December, there is still a shortage of paper, it was announced Friday by the salvage office at the Big Spring Bombardier school. Paper collection directors urged that the people of Big Spring continue to send their waste paper to the schools where it will be picked up.

National directors of paper salvage have urged that merchants, in cooperation with American consumers, declare a wrapping holiday for the duration and wrap only those purchases which absolutely require wrapping. Millions of tons of paper can be saved in that way they stated.

Paraguay achieved independence in 1811.

Here And There

Mrs. Bruce Frazier is visiting her brother, A. M. Frazier, of Dallas this week and will not open her studio until Thursday.

Mrs. R. A. Muenster is visiting her brother and family, the Bruce Fraziers and will return to her home in Fort Davis, Tex. Sunday afternoon.

James Bruce Frazier will leave Monday for A. & M. College after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Frazier.

Sonny Crocker, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Crocker is ill with an infection of the eye in the Big Spring Hospital. Sonny is a carrier for the Fort Worth Star Telegram here.

B. R. Keller and sons, Ben Bob and Bill, of Houston are visiting his mother, Mrs. S. H. Gibson, and his sister, Mrs. Ann Gibson House.

Luella Burke flew to Albuquerque, N. M. Friday to spend two weeks visiting her brother, Ted Bishop and wife.

Lt. Marshall Formby, who was stationed in France late in November when he wrote friends here, recalled that his term as state senator from the 30th district will soon be expiring. He expressed regret that he was able only to serve actively for 17 months of his four-year term, and added his appreciation to all who had made the work pleasant. After war came, Lt. Formby went into the army as an enlisted man.

County Judge James T. Brooks believes he has found the most economically built courthouse—or rather discovered when and where it was built. His sister sent him a card with a log cabin, containing one window and one door, 16x18 feet and nine feet high, covered with clapboard and to cost not over \$50. These were the specifications for the first Ellis county courthouse in 1850, he said.

R. T. Hale reassumed his duties as a city fireman Friday after an absence of two months.

H. V. Crocker, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Crocker, was admitted to a local hospital Friday for treatment for an eye infection.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McMahon and Clyde, Jr., have returned to Big Spring after spending six months in Childress.

E. W. Burleson and daughter, Betty, returned Friday from Avondale, Ariz. where they took Mrs. Burleson, who had been suffering from asthmatic attacks. They left her in the home of a son, Howard, and she was reported doing well. Betty leaves Monday for Lubbock to resume studies at Texas Tech.

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Editorial

Looking Ahead In 1945

It Is Work And Fight

By FRANK GRIMES

In closing out the year, it is well not only to look back on what we have done, what we have, but what might lie ahead. This is particularly true under the American system of competitive community spirit.

Thus it is that we again call attention to the need of an exhaustive inventory of our assets and liabilities as a community and area as the basis of an accurate appraisal of our opportunities.

This is a day and time when talk of new industry seems to be second only to the winning of the war. Undoubtedly there are several good industrial opportunities in and around our community.

One of our chief, and certainly our most enduring resources is our soil. Great progress in agricultural fields is ahead if we have the initiative and vision to grasp our opportunities.

The Thrill That Comes Once In A Lifetime



Farm Jeeps? Extension Service To Check Versatile Car For Farm Service

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 30 (AP)—How adaptable is the army jeep to chores of Texas farms and ranches?

Power Needed To Hold Manpower

WASHINGTON—It probably will be weeks before it is clear whether the new "work-or-fight" directives of OWMR Chief James F. Byrnes or any of the other measures taken to tighten war manpower controls will have the desired effect of taking up the critical lag in some vital munitions and war supplies.

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Today And Tomorrow Intelligence Must Function

By WALTER LIPPMANN

Intelligence Work Rundstedt's break through the First Army is comparable with Pearl Harbor because in neither case could the enemy have achieved his success if he had not surprised us.

While it is true, then, that our great reverses have been due to a failure of the "military intelligence," we must be careful not to take this as meaning that the whole trouble, or even the main trouble, at Pearl Harbor and on the First Army front, was due to lack of information.

Last Fling For Texans Will End 'Spending' Year

By The Associated Press A last fling in New Year's eve celebrations will jingle out a 1944 of war blasted income and spending in Texas.

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Talent Scouts Always Are Cupids

HOLLYWOOD—It can be said of every Hollywood romance that a talent scout was the original cupid in its development.

first thing he knew he had another kiss idea to uphold his reputation. Feverishly, I imagine, he hustled over to Leo Forbstein, music department chief, and demanded: "What if any changes have been made in movie kiss music through the years?"

Tremendous changes, he now reports happily. The favorite kiss music of other years—and Forbstein was nostalgically sad about it—is verboten now. It all requires legal clearances, hence is too expensive.

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New Developments Brewing In Fight For Control Of University Of Texas

By DAVE CHEAVENS
AUSTIN, Dec. 27 (AP) — New developments in the struggle for control of the University of Texas are brewing as 1944 comes to a close, with the outlook good for loud reverberations from the legislature.

The 49th regular session, beginning in less than two weeks, is sure to take a hand in the controversy that came to a climax in the dismissal of Dr. Homer P. Rainey as president after five years of disputes with the board of regents.

Vocative legislators in both the house and the senate who thus far have not been in an official position to speak their minds are almost certain to fill the air with their personal views, but what if anything will actually be done or accomplished can not be so accurately foretold.

There is a good possibility that a brand new investigation will be made; there has been much talk of possible revision in the laws under which members of the board of regents have acted. Charges that there was a concerted plan to gain control of several governing boards of higher institutions and that members of some boards had interlocking interests should also draw considerable legislative fire. This is the status of the row as the legislature prepares to convene.

The university is being temporarily administered by Dr. T. S. Painter, acting president who says he does not want the job permanently.

Dr. Rainey, the deposed president, remains in Austin, officially a member of the university faculty as professor of educational administration without salary or classes. His application for a leave of absence was left lying on the table by the regents in their last session.

Gov. Coke R. Stevenson is faced with the task of filling three vacancies on the board of regents. To be appointed are successors for the late Dr. Judson Taylor, Mrs. I. D. Fairchild of Lufkin and H. J. Lutzer Stark of Orange. The terms of Mrs. Fairchild and Stark expire Jan. 10. So does the term of Dr. C. O. Terrell of Fort Worth, who came to the board following the death of Dr. K. H. Aynesworth of Waco. Stevenson has indicated he would re-appoint Dr. Terrell after he has filled this brief unexpired term.

A state senate investigating committee which conducted an inquiry

into the events leading to Dr. Rainey's dismissal is studying a vast record of testimony and exhibits, but has not indicated when it will be ready with its report.



CHAMPION — Silver Knight of Hermitage, Persian owned by Mrs. Julia Berthold, won best-in-class at a recent Chicago cat show. The proud, cat, winner of eight cups and 20 ribbons in three shows, poses with some of his trophies.

Supreme Court Leaves Decision Standing

AUSTIN, Dec. 30 (AP) — The state supreme court today left standing a decision of the fourth court of civil appeals in a dispute over the purchase of a building in San Benito by the Cameron county commissioners court.

The formal action was refusal to grant a writ of error in the case of Dr. N. A. Davidso and others against Oscar Dancy, county judge, and others, from the intermediate court's findings. The civil appeals court had ruled that the purchase would not violate the law provided terms of the uniform budget law were complied with.

The temperature at Murmansk is about the same as that of Moscow, 930 miles farther south.

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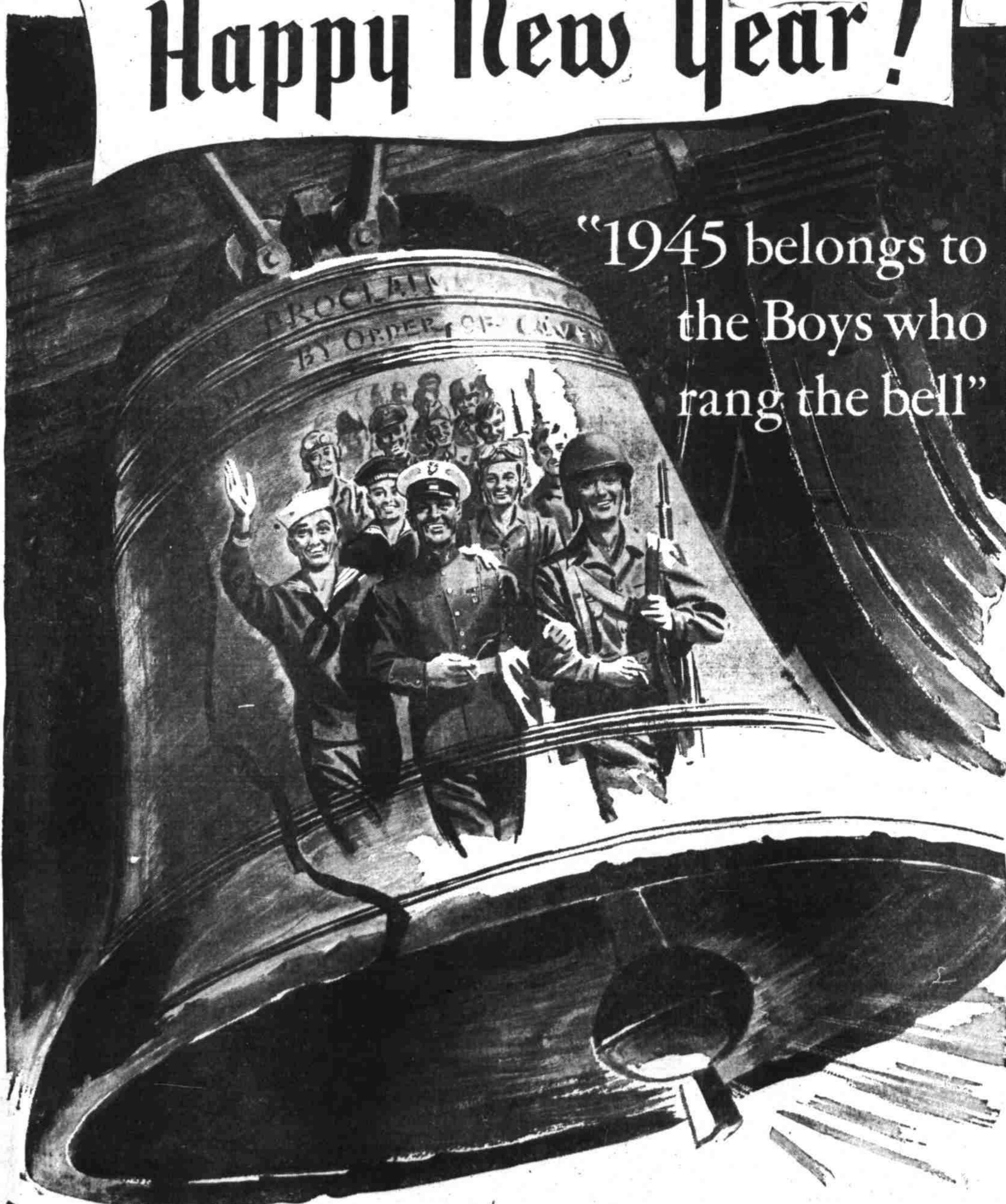
By Lichty



"At least my husband doesn't expect to find me fresh, rested and dainty in the evening, like he did when all I had to do all day was wash, cook and clean house!"

Happy New Year!

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