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## U. S. Design for War (Department)



As the U. S. government talks armaments, it also talks about a new home for the War Department in Washington. Above is architects' drawing of proposed new war building with 500,000 square feet of floor space.

## ALL OF SPAIN TURNED OVER TO INSURENTS

MADRID, Mar. 29.—Republican Spain died today and the nationalists took over every large city as the war was officially proclaimed at an end.

Valencia, the third largest city, fell 24 hours after Madrid. In rapid succession the nationalists took over such important towns as Ciudad Real, Almeria, Guadalajara, Alicante and the naval base at Cartagena.

There was no late news from Gandia, but it was believed that thousands of popular front leaders, including Gen. Jose Miaja, may have been trapped there before they could leave the country.

The end of the war was proclaimed in an official broadcast from Burgos, the nationalist capital. The capital now will be moved to Madrid.

The fall of Valencia and the other cities occurred without resistance.

## Bids Now Required on WPA Trucks and Other Equipment

SAN ANTONIO.—Owners and operators of 2,000 teams, trucks, and other pieces of equipment currently being used on WPA projects in Texas, and other persons interested in renting such equipment to WPA, must submit competitive bids to the United States Treasury Procurement Office before April 7, it was announced today.

Such equipment was formerly rented to the Government at schedule rates on a pay roll basis but in conformity with a recent decision made by the Comptroller General, the competitive bid system of obtaining equipment is being adopted.

The State Procurement Officer, Treasury Department, Smith Young Tower, San Antonio, will mail invitations to bid immediately to owners of equipment who are now registered with his office. These bids will be opened at 10 o'clock Friday morning, April 7, by the Procurement Officer. All persons interested in offering their trucks and who have not received an invitation to bid should write the Procurement Officer for such invitation or request invitations from one of the 42 WPA area offices in Texas, it was explained.

All bids are being accepted on an indefinite quantity of open end contract, on a broken time basis, with operators. Any driver or operator employed by a truck owner must be paid the prevailing wage on WPA projects.

George S. Morgan, state director of finance for WPA, stated that it is desired that every person who owns a truck of the type used on WPA projects be given an opportunity to bid.

"Although the filing of the bid is the sole responsibility of the truck owner," he said, "every assistance will be rendered owners in securing invitations to bid so that they may submit them before bids are opened."

## Former Rangerite In Abilene Hospital

C. S. Williams of View, formerly of Ranger, is in an Abilene hospital for medical treatment. He is a brother of Mrs. W. A. Stiles of Eastland.

## IS IMPROVING

Improvement was noted Wednesday in the condition of George Brogdon, Eastland businessman, who has been ill the past several days.

## Connecticut Boy Object of Search



Scores of searchers and two planes, flying over nearby areas, failed to find any trace of Jackie Grady, 4, missing from his Waterbury, Conn., home for several days.

## London Bridge Is Falling Down, Or At Least Damaged

LONDON, Mar. 29.—The Hammersmith Suspension Bridge, over the Thames, one of London's principal traffic bridges, was damaged early today by two explosions.

Seotland Yard officials said it was the most serious bomb outrage since the outlawed Irish Republican Army started a terror campaign in Britain early this year.

Police closed the bridge to all traffic until engineers could determine the extent of damage. No one was injured.

## Young Actress Is Beaten By Robber

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 29.—Adelia Bogard, young actress, who played in the old "Mickey McGuire" comedies, was slugged and perhaps fatally injured on a Hollywood street early today.

The 17-year-old actress, now cast in a picture with Jackie Cooper, was attacked as she walked home from a late motion picture show. Her assailant jumped from a building and beat her on the head with a section of scantling.

At general hospital surgeons reported that she had only a slight chance to live. Her skull had been fractured.

## Reorganization Is Voted By Congress

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.—The house today ended a two-year fight over government reorganization by completing congressional action on a modified bill giving President Roosevelt the power to shift and re-align executive agencies.

The bill now goes to President Roosevelt for his signature. It will permit him to issue reorganization orders, which would become effective unless both houses disapproved in 60 days.

## Popcorn In Tobacco Explodes In Pipe

GENEVA, N. Y.—Oscar Ackerson, a farmer, filled his pipe with some loose tobacco in his pocket. Lighting his pipe he started across his farm when suddenly it exploded and Ackerson's pipe bowl went flying.

Examination revealed that a kernel of popcorn had been picked up with his tobacco and put in the pipe, with the resultant blast, as the heat "popped" the kernel.

## BRITAIN WILL INCREASE HER ARMY FORCES

LONDON, Mar. 29.—Great Britain today ordered her territorial army increased to a wartime basis of 340,000 men, as diplomatic gestures against Europe's dictators gave way to military precautions.

With British and French general staffs in close consultation and the government reported seeking a secret agreement among key nations, opposed to Nazi expansion in Europe, Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain announced in the house of commons that the territorial army would be almost tripled by a voluntary enlistment campaign.

The territorial army, as distinguished from Britain's regular army of 218,000, would make up the backbone of fighting forces in the event of war. Already completed, plans provide for a British Expeditionary Force, to go immediately on the outbreak of hostilities, to France.

## Books In Library At U. Of T. Checked Out Four A Minute

AUSTIN, Tex.—University of Texas students check out, read and return one library book every 15 seconds, Librarian Donald Coney estimates. Checking 318,095 books over the library desks, students are 11.8 per cent heavier library browsers than last year's.

Largest in the South, the University library was fourth in the national collegiate field in the number of books passing across its loan desks during the period, Mr. Coney said.

He believed the bulk of the 33,632 book increase resulted from accentuated student research. The branch libraries, housing books on the advanced and technical fields, showed a circulation advance of 20.6 per cent.

## Negro Is Fatally Burned In Dallas Three Alarm Fire

DALLAS, Mar. 29.—A young negro was burned to death today in the North Texas Building, in downtown Dallas, when fire swept through the seven-story structure, following an explosion.

The victim was Vernon Humphrey, 20, who was trapped in the darkroom of a photographer's studio and suffocated.

Firemen recovered the body. At least four other persons were carried to safety by fire fighters down ladders.

The three-alarm blaze attracted thousands of noon-hour spectators to the building.

## Former President Of Cuba Is Dead

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Mar. 29.—Gerardo Machado, Cuban president, who was overthrown in the island revolution of August, 1933, died today after an operation.

Machado, who fled into exile when revolutionists broke his dictatorship in Cuba, underwent the operation for removal of a small tumor at St. Francis Hospital.

He had been living here with his family since last fall and had been in ill health. Machado was 69.

## WINTER MAKES NEW ATTACK ON THE STATE

Winter continued its belated attack on Texas today, as some sections of the northern part of the state suffered sub-freezing temperatures. Snow, rain and sleet were general.

High winds ripped through other sections and thunderstorms were common.

Late yesterday temperatures began dropping rapidly in North Texas and the Panhandle, and elsewhere farmers feared that a severe freeze would bring untold damage to orchards and truck crops.

High winds, sweeping down the Red river valley in the northeastern section of Texas, accompanied by heavy rains, did much minor damage.

In Blossom, Lamar county, small buildings were overturned and wrecked and fences and telephone poles were blown down. A negro school was demolished.

Detroit, in Red river county, suffered damage estimated at \$25,000, with chimneys, roofs and small buildings bearing the brunt.

Condition reports to the Dallas Weather Bureau at 7 a. m. today included Amarillo temperature 26, with .02 inch of rain; Lubbock sleet, temperature 30 with .01 inch of rain; Wichita Falls, temperature 32; Austin 68, and Fort Worth 36.

## 126,155 Workers In Texas Industries Mean An Increase

AUSTIN, Tex.—A total of 126,155 workers were employed in Texas manufacturing industries during February, an increase of 1 per cent over January and 1.4 per cent over February last year.

The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research has reported. Manufacturing pay rolls totaled \$2,413,064, a gain of six-tenths of one per cent over January but a drop of 1.1 per cent from February, 1938.

Employment in all non-agricultural industries remained about the same as in January, both in number of employed workers and total pay rolls. Both dropped slightly below February, 1938.

## \$100,000,000 Relief Bill Is Reported

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29.—The house appropriations committee, calling for economies in WPA administration, today reported an additional \$100,000,000 relief bill, \$50,000,000 below the appropriation requested by President Roosevelt.

The economies effected in WPA administration since the first of the year, together with an unexpended balance of relief funds on hand Jan. 31, will make the additional \$100,000,000 sufficient to carry out Mr. Roosevelt's program of taking care of the jobless until June 30, the committee said.

## Highway Nomination Is To Be Considered

AUSTIN, Mar. 29.—Sen. Allen Shivers of Port Arthur said today that he expected soon to call a meeting of the senate committee on governor's nominations to make a report on the appointment of James M. West, Sr., of Houston, to be chairman of the state highway commission.

No opposition to the appointment has developed. Two previous appointees failed to get confirmation because they were not thought geographically acceptable.

## Neutrality Measure Hearing Is Called

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29.—The Senate Foreign Relations committee today decided to start open hearings, April 5, on proposals to repeal, modify or strengthen the neutrality act.

## Australia Seeking Manpower Checking

CANBERRA, Australia, Mar. 29.—Premier J. A. Lyons announced today that the Australian cabinet had decided to introduce a compulsory national register of manpower as part of its defense program.

## Primo Takes New Manager



Primo Carnera, massive man whose stature once made him the headline attraction of the boxing ring, helped him resign briefly as heavyweight champ, becomes a husband as he places ring on the finger of Signorina Pina Cavassi, postal employe, at Sequas, Italy.

## Chain Stores Are Buying More Goods In State of Texas

DALLAS.—Chain stores are buying directly \$131,100,000 worth of Texas products a year, according to an all-industry survey just completed by a group of five trade associations. The research covered latest available complete figures, which were on operations of 1937.

Adding the amounts spent in rents and rental values on properties, their advertising, transportation, utilities, salaries and wages and their federal, state and local taxes, the Texas chains pay \$211,100,000 a year. Add also the estimated \$32,400,000 saved customers by chain stores' lower prices, at the ratio calculated by the Federal Trade Commission, and the yearly worth of chain store retailing means \$243,500,000 a year to Texas. Charles B. Roberts, Dallas, Southwestern Manager of Sears, Roebuck & Company and Chairman of the Texas Chain Stores Committee, cited that this amounts to \$60.58 a year that chain stores mean to every man, woman and child in the state.

Besides the direct purchases included in the \$131,100,000 total, countless other millions of dollars worth of Texas products are handled across the counters of chain stores all over the country that cannot be traced and tallied as Texas purchases. Dresses and other clothing fabricated of Texas cotton, shoes made of Texas leather, medicines, cosmetics and other preparations processed in other states out of Texas petroleum, sulphur, salt and other minerals, and many other products finally processed or bought from wholesalers in other distribution points could not be traced back and credited to the ledger as Texas purchases.

The all-industry survey specifically covered some 752 Texas stores. The figures thus arrived at were projected to estimate totals for all chain stores in the state. On this basis chain stores in Texas spend \$15,900,000 annually in rents and rental values on property owned by them; \$4,800,000 for advertising; \$18,700,000 for transportation, repairs, remodeling, heat, light, and plumbing. Chain stores employ 43,400 men and women for full time or part time work, paying them \$34,200,000.

## Traveler Reveals Beautiful Women Live In The Sahara

LONDON.—Mrs. Leo d'Erangere, famous Mayfair beauty, has discovered the "most lovely women in the world" in the heart of the Sahara Desert.

Mrs. d'Erangere returned to London after a daring trip with two companions by car across the Sahara from the Mediterranean to Timbuktu.

She met the women of the Tuareg tribe at Hoggar, in the southern Sahara.

"They are the most beautiful women in the world," she said. "Incredibly lovely, even when judged by Western standards."

"One theory for their presence is that they are descended from a band of Crusaders who became lost in Africa."

"They must be the most independent women in the world. They choose their husbands, and at any time they can divorce them. All they have to say is that they're 'going home to mother.'"

## Lie Detector Is Used On CCC Saboteur

CANYON CITY, Ore.—The efficacy of the "lie detector," that controversial aid to criminal detection, was convincingly demonstrated when law enforcement officers solved a case of sabotage at a CCC camp near here.

Under the direction of Dr. Frank Menne of the University of Oregon medical school, 21 CCC youths were strapped to the machine and questioned. The first 20 recorded an even line as they answered the queries.

But when the 21st youth was asked about the unsolved crime, the needle fairly leaped.

When shown the record made by the recording needle, the youth confessed.

## ROTARIANS OF EASTLAND AT MEET AT OLDEN

Members of the Eastland Rotary Club this week held their weekly luncheon in the home economics building of Olden High School.

They met at Olden at the invitation of A. H. Henderson, president of the club. Music Instructor Miss Dutton of Olden was in charge of songs and readings delivered at the session.

R. N. Wilson and Ben Hamner were members of the program committee. Girls who served the meal were introduced by Miss Martin, in charge of the home economics department.

L. R. Gray and Albert Taylor were appointed members of the program committee for next week.

Beside the Eastland Rotarians, the following were visitors at the luncheon: Wright Ligon, Eastland; R. N. Cluck, J. T. Petty, C. C. Huff, all of Cisco; H. P. Earnest, Rev. Charles T. Tally, Jr., Ranger; J. A. Smith, John Jackson, J. L. Brown, C. O. Bragg, R. W. Armstrong, C. I. Hyatt, all of Olden.

## Dress Rehearsal Of Production Is Scheduled Tonight

Dress rehearsal for "The Night of January 16," the Eastland Little Theater's next production, is scheduled for tonight.

All of the final touches must be put on, and the play will assume the form which it will have for the general public on Thursday, March 30, at the Comellee Theater. The curtain time has been set at 8:30 p. m. instead of 8:15, as originally announced.

The large cast of this play has been busily engaged in preparing it for the past three weeks, and the Eastland public is promised an evening of excellent entertainment which will both hold the interest and suspense and produce hearty chuckles. The action takes place entirely in the courtroom, presided over by Judge "Rip" Galway, and the events unfold rapidly and dramatically with the testimony of the various witnesses called in to help prove the innocence or guilt of the defendant, accused of murder in the first degree. The audience is also promised a surprise in the course of the evening which will help hold the interest and maintain the state of suspense throughout the evening.

There will be several names on the program familiar to the patrons of the Little Theater, who have witnessed these persons in other performances and have expressed their approval of them. Among these are: Mrs. Joe Stephens, Louise Weaver, Mrs. Vera McLeroy, Maurice A. Harkins, Roy Birmingham, John D. Harvey, Walker (Buck) Germany, Robert S. Searls and J. L. Cottingham.

The evening will mark the "debut" of the following: Patsy Hodges, Mrs. Hubert Jones, Mrs. O. S. Black, Wade Thomas, Roscoe Stewart, Tom Earnest, Don Russell, and R. V. Galway.

The play is under the direction of Virginia B. Weaver, and the set is being designed and built by Don Russell with the help of various members of the organization.

## Gambling Cleanup Yields Mahogany To Be Used In Classes

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Mahogany gambling tables once used in Kansas City gambling houses have been given to high school students to be made over into tea tables and household furniture.

The tables, along with other gambling paraphernalia, were seized in raids on gambling houses directed recently by Circuit Judge Allen Southern.

Judge Southern ordered that the equipment either be burned or changed beyond recognition.

Dice, cards, roulette wheels, poker chips and similar equipment was burned. But Sheriff James L. Williams gave the mahogany tables to the woodworking class at Central high school.

The mahogany will be given to students who are unable to buy wood.

## THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy, somewhat warmer in north portions tonight and Thursday.



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## Economy — Easy to Favor, Hard to Practice

Sometimes it takes an agency outside the government to tell the hard truth about government matters, just as sometimes it is necessary for someone outside the family to tell us the unpalatable truth about ourselves.

The Brookings Institute is an admirable organization and has given real service to the country by study of many problems from an unprejudiced position which no government agency can quite assume.

Latest is its study of the government economy, and the possibilities of really cutting down the federal budget.

The conclusions presented are so sensible, and so apparently true, that it is like a fresh breeze to have someone put them into words.

Briefly, they are that no "cheese-paring" economy wave is going to make so much as a dent in federal expenditures.

Old Washingtonians remember the "Coolidge economy wave" that ran through all the government establishments at one phase of his administration. There was a great flutter of writing on both sides of the paper, and not getting a new pencil until the stub of the old one had been turned in. The net result was a great deal of amused or annoyed comment from government workers, but no saving in the cost of government that was in any sense worth all the hullabaloo.

The Brookings report recognizes the futility of this. "Economy large enough to count in the Federal budget can come only from elimination and curtailment of certain types of activities, a step which involves large issues of public policy," it insists.

Does the Department of Agriculture cost too much? Then savings must come, not from making each employe use old report sheets for scratch-paper, but from eliminating entirely whole departments and services as either unnecessary or overlapping other services.

Does the Interior Department cost too much? Then savings must be made by discontinuing whole divisions, say the Division of Forests, or the Office of Education, or the Petroleum Conservation Commission, letting their whole functions go by the boards.

Even the most careful elimination of duplicated effort can not do much to reduce expenses. It should be done, but it will not solve the problem.

The central problem, as the Institution makes clear, "involves large issues of public policies." Only those who are prepared to face reduced service from the federal government can with a clear consistency advocate the pleasant theme of economy.

British amateur golfers can no longer receive bountiful gifts from manufacturers. That's like England—they think an amateur should be an amateur.

### PRESENT-DAY ENVOY

#### HORIZONTAL

- 1 Pictured envoy.
- 12 Biblical high priest.
- 13 Wild ox.
- 14 Wooden basket.
- 16 Flour factories.
- 17 Loaned.
- 18 Law.
- 19 Shed blood.
- 20 Sound of pity.
- 21 Inclosed in a tube.
- 22 Onager.
- 23 Furnished with shoes.
- 24 Bushel (abbr.).
- 25 Cabbage salad.
- 26 Young bear.
- 27 Juicy.
- 30 Portrait.
- 32 With great ability.
- 33 Easy task.
- 35 Twenty-four hours.
- 36 Forcible.

#### Answer to Previous Puzzle



#### VERTICAL

- 11 Christmaside.
- 12 His title.
- 15 Guided.
- 20 Sound of surprise.
- 21 Short cask.
- 23 Sneaky.
- 24 Biscuit.
- 25 Furtive watcher.
- 26 Policeman.
- 28 Stripped fabric.
- 29 To handle.
- 31 Royal mansion.
- 33 To sink.
- 34 Monastic title.
- 36 Flower part.
- 37 Indian hereditary class.
- 38 Most excellent.
- 40 Enthusiasm.
- 41 To hit a fly.
- 42 Genus of swans.
- 43 Compass point.
- 45 To do wrong.
- 46 Taro paste.
- 47 Wayside hotel.
- 49 Era.

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## "OUT OUR WAY" - - - - - By Williams



### • BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

BY BRUCE CATTON  
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—You know about foreign treaties, of course, and about ambassadors and secretaries of state and such. But did you ever hear of skipkets? Skipkets are gadgets which once upon a time dressed up foreign treaties in rare dignity. They are out of date now, but the National Archives building here still has a collection of them, and they are charming little doodads. A skipket is a metal box for the protection of a wax government seal. It is made of either gold or silver, it looks somewhat like a chafing dish minus its legs, and it is attached to a treaty by a flossy cord. The box contains the wax and the lid has the seal embossed on its under side. Fill the box, press the lid on, and you have the seal imprinted on the wax.

AN ingenious shipper down south recently achieved the unheard of by finding a commercial use for out-of-date navy destroyers. When destroyers become totally obsolete the navy sells them, usually for junk. This man bought a couple—the Warden and Whipple—and made them into banana boats; has them in service on a run between Cuba and Jacksonville, Fla.

Navy Department folks say there's really no reason why the boats wouldn't make good carriers, although they never heard of it being done before. The magazine space, a good part of the crew space and much of the fuel space (on a short run like Cuba-Jacksonville) could be used for cargo, they point out. And the shipper would have one of the speediest freighters ever seen.

QUITE a number of high officials here like to collect cartoons in which they are lampooned. Secretary Hopkins has a lot of them ornamenting the walls of his den at home. So has Senator Borah. Senator Nye puts his in his office. And Secretary Ickes hangs his in his bathroom.

THERE is a private elevator in the Labor Department building, reserved for the exclusive use of the secretary, but Miss Perkins, who figures such a device is altogether too flossy for any earthly use, has never been in it. Nobody has ever used it since the building was built, in fact, as far as Labor Department people know—except Secretary of Commerce Hopkins. It seems Hopkins came over to the Labor Department once and got into the private elevator by mistake. It decanted him into an ante-room off Miss Perkins' office, and he didn't know where he was until a clerk discovered him and explained things.

AN elevator in the capitol stopped at the House floor the other day. Three or four congressmen got out; half a dozen newspapermen stayed on board to ride up to the press gallery. One of the departing congressmen was Charles Gifford of Massachusetts. Taking a leisurely backward glance as he stepped out, he remarked thoughtfully: "Here is where the scribes stay on—and the pharisees depart."

RED tape isn't just a figure of speech. The government actually does use it. The procurement division of the Treasury Department has just put in an order for some 130-odd miles of it for requisition by various government departments during the coming year. It's cheap cotton tape about one-eighth of an inch wide; it's used for tying up bundles and folders of papers, and so on. Blue and white tape are also used.

### Australia Seeking Settlers For Territory

By United Press  
CANNBERRA, Australia.—The minister of the interior has launched a campaign for the development and settlement of the entire Northern Territory of Australia. This area constitutes one of the largest and most desirable sections that remains open for settlement. The campaign was decided upon following a lengthy scientific investigation which proved that a carefully planned scheme could convert the long-neglected Northern Territory into a rich asset for Australia, and a boon for desirable emigrants looking for a new place to establish themselves in life. Among inducements to be offered to settlers will be a 10-year exemption from the income tax in respect to private production, mining and fisheries; a rebate on the gasoline tax for inland users; a five-year road-development plan; and an advance to assist in converting land from cattle grazing to sheep grazing.

Justice without wisdom is impossible.—J. A. Froude.

It is of less importance that we receive from mankind justice than that we deserve it.—Mary Baker Eddy.

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### Gloria Graham To Represent District

A violin student of Wilda Drago, Miss Gloria Graham of Cisco, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Graham, will be one of a group to represent Sixth District, Texas Federation Women's Clubs, at the competitive festival in Austin April 26.

Two others in the group from this district are Billy Williams and Frances Jensen from Sweetwater.

The State of Texas County of Eastland Be it ordered by the city commission of the City of Eastland, Texas, that an election be held on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1939, at which election there shall be elected three Commissioners to succeed Commissioners C. W. Hoffmann, H. O. Satterwhite, and L. J. Lambert, whose term of office expire on that date; and be it further ordered that the names of all candidates for said office shall be filed with the City Clerk at the City Hall, in the City of Eastland, Texas, not later than Five (5) o'clock P. M. on the 27th Day of March A. D. 1939.

Said Election shall be held at the City Hall in the City of Eastland, Eastland County, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers and clerks of said election, to-wit: Presiding Judge, Oscar Wilson. Judge and Clerk, R. B. Braley. Clerk, E. P. Kilborn.

Said Election shall be held under the provisions of the special charter of the City of Eastland, Texas, adopted by vote of the people on the 16th day of May A. D. 1919 and under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas, and only qualified voters shall be allowed to vote. A copy of this order, signed by the Chairman of the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Eastland, Texas, attested by the Clerk of said City, shall serve as proper notice of said Election. Passed and approved this 27th day of February, 1939. W. W. KELLY, City Secretary. C. W. HOFFMAN, Chairman, Board of Commissioners.

## LOCAL—EASTLAND—SOCIAL

PHONE 601

BESSIE TAYLOR, Editor

District Meets Scheduled  
Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins, president of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs left the first of the week for Corpus Christi to attend the 5th District convention. The meet was scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. On Thursday, she will be in Beaumont, the scene of the 4th District conclave, which will last through Saturday. April 3rd, District 2 convenes in Cleburne and with the lapse of one day, the meeting of 1st District will be held in Weatherford. Mrs. Perkins has announced that she will be at these meetings also. She will be in Tyler, April 18, 19, and 20, for the 3rd District conclave, and in Fort Stockton the 24, 25 and 26, for the 8th meet. April 27, 28 and 29, will see Mrs. Perkins in San Angelo to attend 6th District convention, and then on May 1, 2 and 3, she will be in Pampa for the last conclave, with the meeting of District 7.

Booster Class Favored  
Charles Lucas, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Lucas, favored the Boster Class of the First Methodist Church Sunday, with a beautiful vocal selection, "Trusting Jesus." He was accompanied by Helen Lucille Lucas at the piano. The class opened with song ensemble led by Mrs. Cecil Hibbert.

with Mrs. W. W. Kelly at the piano. Mrs. L. Y. Morris, vice-president, presided over the short business period. A most interesting lesson was brought by Judge W. P. Leslie, who took for his subject, Peter's interpretation of Christ's Suffering. Present: Mrs. Ed Willman, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Head, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Overby, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kelly, Mrs. Dean Turner, Mrs. L. Y. Morris, Mrs. Garner Kinard, Mrs. June Hargus, Mrs. Claude Boles, Mrs. Joe Stephen, Mrs. M. H. Kelly, Misses Jessie Ligon, Miss Ruth Ramey, Miss Loretta Morris, Mr. Cecil Hibbert, Mr. Tom Haley, and Judge Leslie. Visitors, Mr. C. T. Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ferris, and Mrs. Ellis.

W. J. Herrington of Rising Star, formerly of Eastland, was a visitor here Wednesday.

V. O. Hatcher is in a veteran's hospital at Legion to receive treatment.

### DO YOU LACK PEP?

Austin, Texas—Mrs. Fritz Lohmeyer, 2202 Gordon St., says: "I had hardly any strength, scarcely ate anything, had lost weight, and felt miserable. I used Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and soon regained my strength, gained weight and strength and felt as good as ever." Get this "Golden Medical Discovery" in tablets or liquid at your drug store today.



I wonder?... I hope?... Let's see?...  
I doubt?... Oh my?... I forgot!...



1,095 meals are cooked every year. Preparing these meals with an obsolete range is like cooking while blindfolded. Guess work is always the hardest way and the most costly in time, money and energy.

## Yes, your old gas range still cooks

... but if you can't fit the HEAT to the task you are missing some of the advantages that your modern, low-cost gas service offers.

The new gas ranges fit the amount of heat to the cooking operation at a finger tip touch of the control lever and selected temperatures are maintained constantly and automatically. Proper oven temperatures, which are so important in baking and roasting, can be measured as accurately as the ingredients of the recipe itself. Top burners provide just the right amount of heat for top-of-the-stove cooking. You can have five tiny beads of concentrated heat for slow boiling or simmering or the intense, powerful heat for quickest frying and in-between heats when and as you need them. At a click of the valve handle you can regulate heat without guess work. No stooping. No experimenting.

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**'MRS. DOC'** BY TOM HORNER

burns on his hands. Sunlight glistened on the grease on Eric's face as he turned to survey his broken dream.

"If we could have had more time—more steel—more concrete—it might have held," he said.

"It isn't completely ruined, is it?" Alan asked. "Can't you clear away the wreckage, start again?"

"Possibly. Depends on what they want to do in Washington. This river can be licked, and if they'll let me—I'll lick it yet!"

Baker was waving to them from the shack. Slowly, silently, they turned away, started down the steep steps to the waiting launch.

"MRS. WARREN called early this morning, Doctor," a nurse was saying. "She wanted you to call as soon as you could."

They were on the porch of the hospital. Eric stretched full-length upon a lounge, while Alan slumped, comfortable and relaxed, in a deep chair.

"Thank you, Miss Anderson. I'll be going home, soon as that gang of reporters gets off the front door step."

The wail of an infant came faintly through the corridor.

"That's young Alan Warren Brown," Miss Anderson explained. "We let his mother keep him a little longer than usual this morning—she was worried about her husband. Now he's spoiled, already, and hates going back to the nursery."

Alan laughed heartily. "He's rather young for that—but let Harry and Maryanne have him in the room with them if they want to. It won't hurt him. Harry's pretty glad to be here safe. . . . Well, Eric, feel like facing the press barrage?"

Eric sat up. "Just as well get it over with."

REPORTERS gathered around them as they left the hospital, and headed for a waiting taxi.

"Dr. Warren, you and Mr. Kane stop there. Now shake his bandaged hands. Cameras clicked.

"Is it true, Dr. Warren, that you did all the surgery?" Alan shook his head.

"You burned your hands when you beat out the fire on Dr. Warren's blazing gown, didn't you, Mr. Kane?"

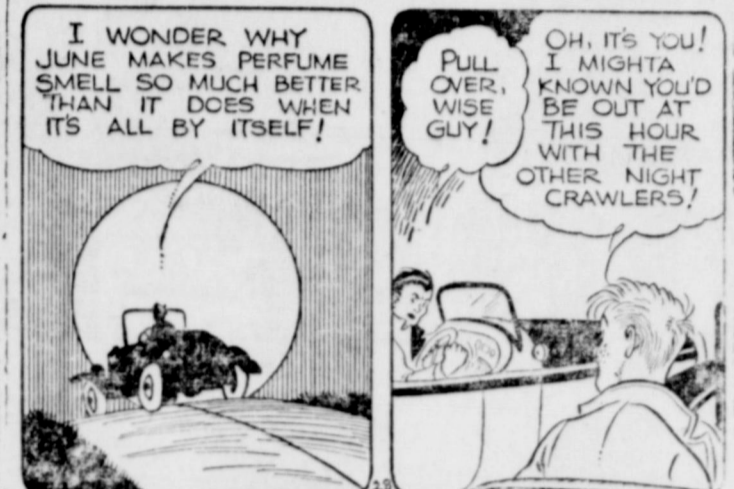
"Have they found Bud Peterson yet?"

Alan rescued Eric from the reporters, hurried him into the taxi.

"Come on Eric. We'll get some food—and some sleep. We need it."

EMILY was waiting in the driveway for them. She rushed to

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**Bone Surgery Is An Age Old Lore**

By United Press  
TROY, N. Y.—Many medical practices considered by laymen as modern miracles were conceived and used extensively centuries ago, according to Dr. Kurt F. Leidecker of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Bone-setting is nearly "as old as civilized man," cutting of the skull was practiced by backward tribes before Columbus discovered America, and hypnosis is several hundred years old.

Trepanation, or cutting through the skull to relieve pressure or irritation of the brain, was an art

**Audit Of Highway Department Has Been Completed**

AUSTIN, Tex.—The State Auditor and Efficiency Expert has completed and submitted to the Governor and the Legislature his audit report of the State Highway Department. This report contains 280 pages, and goes into every function and operation of the Highway Department.

It is noteworthy that in the fiscal year just ended, expenditures for construction and maintenance of State highways comprise 94 per cent of the total expenditures. Appropriations made by the Legislature for administration of the Department were 1.6 per cent; equipment purchases and miscellaneous expenditures 2.7 per cent; and Highway funds appropriated by the Legislature

**Surgery Against Spirits**

"This operation was already in vogue in neolithic man, among the Incas and backward Indians, Polynesian and other tribes," he explained. "The malady, however, whether insanity or a headache, was identified with evil spirits, and the surgical opening of the skull or the incision of the scalp—with subsequent cauterization—was supposed to allow evil spirits to escape."

"Bone-setting is an art almost as old as civilized man. Practiced in Egypt about 4,500 years ago with sufficient frequency that we are able to attest to it by excavations, it implies at least a primitive knowledge of bony and cartilaginous regeneration."

Social reforms ancient

Not only direct medical practices, but also community disease preventive work and social measures now being discussed in Congress and state legislatures as revolutionary social advances, are 2,000 years old, according to Dr. Leidecker.

"Prophylactics in medicine, hygiene, diet, clearance of slum districts, sanitary, prevention of crime—all these were practiced 2,000 years ago in India," he said.

"The utilization of herbs and animal substances for relief or cure go back into hoary antiquity. The old Hindu physician applied mental suggestion much the same as the modern psychiatrist does."

en to traffic service and roadside development. Some two thousand miles are constructed on new locations or modernized on present locations yearly.

There are, however, so many miles of old roads in need of mod-

ernizing, and the increasing amount of traffic is so demanding roads in new sectors, that the Department can continue at its present pace for years to come provided present revenues for highway purposes are not decreased.

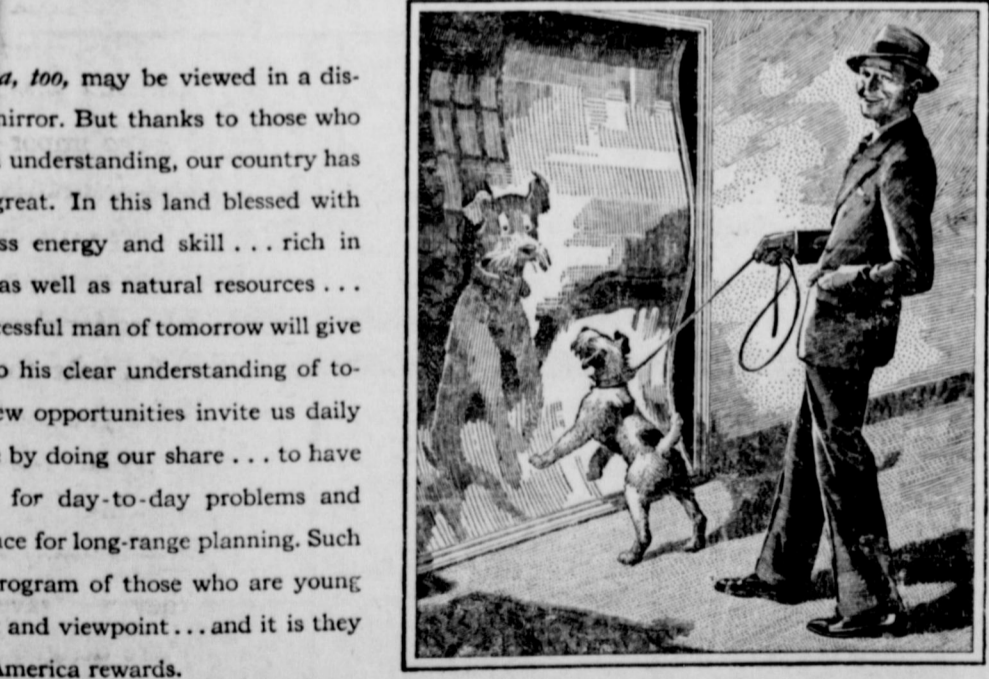
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