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By United Press
LLE, Tenn.—Tennes-
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of State Parks Sam and his advisers, who ise operation this sum- ht parks for vacation- e that the recreation ould not be made self- f. If fees were charged all operating expenses, said, vacations there d fall into the luxury

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ackouts Are More Deadly Than War

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Traffic ac-
nts in Great Britain, attrib-
e the blackouts have caused
loss of British lives than has
e, it was announced today.
as released today showed
51 had been killed in traf-
idents since the blackouts
augmented, while unofficial
placed the British war
only 2,250.

ER THIEVES OBLIGE

By United Press
TON.—Thieves stole a 500-
boiler but the owner is glad
told police the boiler was
22 in junk and he was won-
w to get rid of it any-
he boiler had to be lifted
high fence and then drag-
ough two vacant lots where
ably was loaded on a truck.

Old Master On Location



Framed by cactus and distant mountains, Robert C. Zuppke forgets football problems as he sketches near Phoenix. The University of Illinois coach turns scenes into oil paintings.

College Students Favor Funds For Dies Committee

AUSTIN, Tex.—A majority of
U. S. college students would see
federal money appropriated to
continue Dies Committee investi-
gations another year, the current
poll of Student Opinion Surveys
reported here today.

According to the intercollegiate
opinion poll, edited at the Uni-
versity of Texas, college opinion
was 56 per cent favoring contin-
uation, 26 per cent opposed.

"There was a large number, 17
per cent, who had no opinion,
many admitting they had never
heard of the committee," the sur-
veys disclosed.

A majority of the students in-
terviewed on more than 100 cam-
puses and who were familiar with
Dies investigations believed that
a probe of "isms" in the country is
desirable and necessary, according
to the surveys.

It was pointed out, however,
that a poll last year revealed that
only one out of ten students be-
lieved there had been any attempt
to influence him with fascist,
socialist or communist propaganda
on his campus.

Rubber Bands Eaten By Stray Cat Makes Him Grow Fatter

By United Press
EL PASO, Tex.—Johnnie, pet
feline who probably wandered
from only the very best alleys into
adoption by freight handlers at
the System Freight Co., doesn't
look any different from a plain,
garden-variety alley cat, but he
ought to feel different.

Johnnie's favorite delicacy is
rubber bands.
He wandered onto the freight
company dock a year ago, a thin,
hungry kitten. Freight handlers
fed him and gave him a bed in an
empty dog house there on the
dock.
It was then that the supply of
rubber bands on the billing desks
seemed to diminish more rapidly
than usual. Several of the com-
pany's rubber stamps were miss-
ing, too.
But nobody suspected Johnnie—
that is, until someone dropped a
rubber band on the dock. Johnnie
pounced, devouring it like he
would a scrap of liver.
Now they know where the rub-
ber goes and Johnnie, thin and
forlorn a year ago, is a fat and
self-satisfied cat.

Jap Parliament Has Postponed Meeting

TOKYO, Jan. 16.—The next
meeting of the Japanese parlia-
ment has been postponed until
Feb. 1, it was announced here to-
day by government officials. The
postponement was decided upon in
order to give time in which to dis-
cuss the Japanese-American trade
treaty.

WAR CAUSING U. S. COTTON TO STACK UP

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The
Commerce Department stated to-
day that cotton was piling up in
warehouses and on piers, due to
the shortage of vessels in which it
can be transported to foreign
countries.

It was stated that one-third of
American cotton sold in foreign
markets is transported, in normal
times, on American ships, but
that neutrality law restrictions
prevent American ships from ply-
ing in belligerent waters or to
warring nations.

Most of the cotton awaiting
shipment is located at Galveston
and Houston, two of the country's
leading cotton shipping ports.

Since the beginning of the Eu-
ropean war, which prevents Amer-
ican vessels from transporting cot-
ton to many of the market ports,
foreign ships have also been cur-
tailed in transporting cotton be-
cause of blockades and the sub-
marine warfare at sea.

500-Mile Planes Within Two Years Are a Possibility

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The
Civil Aeronautics Authority was
told today that it was reasonable
to believe that airplanes would at-
tain speeds of up to 500 miles an
hour, possibly higher, within the
next two years.

It was pointed out that speed
of airplanes had been increased
100 miles an hour in the past
year, and that speeds above 500
miles an hour were possible now,
as soon as propulsive problems, on
which work was being done, are
solved.

Titular Bishop Is Consecrated

Relinquishing his duties as
president of the University of
Notre Dame, the Most Rev. John
F. O'Hara is consecrated titular
bishop of Milasa in ceremony on
campus. Bishop O'Hara will also
serve as auxiliary bishop of the
U. S. Army and Navy diocese.
The Milasa bishopric is honorary.

Texas Observatory Discovers 13 Stars

AUSTIN, Tex.—Thirteen of the
2 known "White Dwarf" stars
have been discovered by the Mc-
Donald Observatory alone, Dr. Ot-
to Struve, observatory director,
reported to University of Texas
officials today.

Three Fugitives Are Fleeting North

CHILDRESS, Jan. 16.—Three
fugitive convicts, who slugged a
guard and escaped at Buffalo Sat-
urday, today left a trail through
this part of the state, it was be-
lieved today.

Share Croppers In South Seeking Aid

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—A
group of 25 share croppers from
Southern states today presented a
petition of 20,000 names, request-
ing federal aid in fighting off hun-
ger and eviction from their farms.
The 25, most of whom were
negroes, were from Texas, Arkan-
sas, Alabama, Louisiana, and oth-
er Southern states.

Farm Families of The United States Are the Thriftiest

By United Press
By FRED BAILEY
United Press Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON—A house-to-
house survey of more than 1,000-
000 farm, village and city families
under Department of Agriculture
direction reveals some interesting
differences—and similarities—in
living habits.

Some of the odd comparisons,
gathered from thousands of pages
of reports covering every section
of the country, every income strata
of society and all races, include:

Farm families are the best-fed
population group in the country.
Village families are the poorest-
fed. City families fall between the
two in the proportion having an
adequate diet.

Eat More Vegetables
Farm families on an average
consume 60 per cent more milk, 15
per cent more butter and 25 per
cent more leafy, green and yellow
vegetables than small-city families.

Farmers have larger families.
Forty-two per cent of the farm
families have five or more mem-
bers, compared with 26 per cent of
city families. Farmers, on the av-
erage, are younger. Thirty-six per
cent of persons living on farms
are under 15 years, while in the
city the percentage is only 26 per
cent.

Farmers are more thrifty; they
tend to live more within their in-
come. In the principal farming
areas, farmers within an annual in-
come, including home-grown food,
of \$1,000 to \$1,249 a year, saved
an average of \$26. City families at
that level were "in the red." When
the income rose to \$4,000 to \$4,-
999, farmers saved \$2,182 and city
families \$1,183.

Fewer than half the farmers
had electricity, while 98 per cent
of city and village dwellers had it.
The percentage of farmers having
electricity ranged from 8 per cent
in Mississippi to 95 per cent in
California.

In automobile ownership, how-
ever, farm families were ahead—
94 per cent to 70. Three-fourths of
the automobiles bought by farmers
were from the used-car mar-
ket, while only half the city pur-
chases were in that market.

Paper Circulation Varies
Daily newspaper circulation
varied widely in different sections
of the country. In the north-
central region 90 per cent of the city
families subscribed for a daily
paper. In isolated rural areas the
percentage was much smaller.

Telephones were installed by 52
per cent of the farm families and
60 per cent of those in small cities
in the north-central region. In the
southeast the figures dropped to 5
per cent for native white farmers
and 49 per cent for city families.

The number of radios on farms
varied in about the same propor-
tion as electricity. In the north-
central region 24 per cent of the
farms had running water, while 94
per cent of the city homes enjoyed
that convenience.

City families spent more to
"keep up appearance." Their
clothing bills were a third larger
and they spent an average of
twice as much for beauty treat-
ments, toilet articles and prepara-
tions and in barber shops. Another
item was the frequency with which
city families purchased new auto-
mobiles.

Ranger Cage Game Has Been Canceled

Coach Bill Tipton of the Ranger
Bulldogs announced today that the
basketball game, scheduled for to-
night at the Recreation building,
with the Carben High School eag-
ers, had been canceled.

Three Are Held In Louisiana Election Row at New Orleans

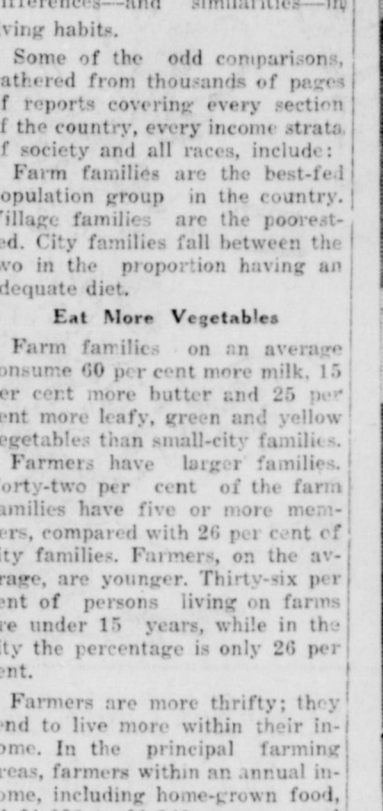
NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 16.—For-
mer Governor James A. Noe of
Louisiana, a candidate for govern-
or in the primary election, and
two of his assistants, were taken
to the second precinct police sta-
tion today, where it was charged
they attempted to take photo-
graphs of voters at election booths.

Appointments Are Confirmed Today

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The
United States Senate today con-
firmed the nomination of Attorney
General Frank Murphy to a seat
on the bench of the United States
Supreme Court.
At the same time the senate ap-
proved elevation of Robert Jack-
son from solicitor general to at-
torney general, to fill the vacancy
made by the appointment of Mur-
phy and appointment of Francis J.
Biddle as solicitor general.

Widow, 21, on Trial for Slaying

Mrs. Lucille Marie Swails, 21, mother of a 6-year-old boy, goes on trial in Belleville, Ill., circuit court on charges of fatally shooting her husband, Herman, 30, while he slept last Nov. 25. Mrs. Swails is shown with her father, Jacob Wittauer.



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FINNS WIN AS ROOSEVELT IS URGING LOANS

HELSINKI, Jan. 16.—Another
Russian attack on the Karelian
Isthmus was broken up by a stout
Finnish counter attack today.

Two Russian "parachute troopers"
were captured behind the
Finnish lines where they had land-
ed and were attempting to guide
the Russian forces by means of
short-wave radio sets.

Two Russian companies were
broken up on the Salla front.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Pres-
ident Roosevelt proposed today in
letters to Vice President John N.
Garner and Speaker Bankhead
that the United States lend money
to Finland to buy non-military
supplies from the United States.
The proposal was immediately
called "neutral" by Sen. Walter
George Democrat, Georgia.

The president, in his letters,
warned against any action that
might open the war for general
war credits abroad.

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Candidate Makes Sales Tax Issue

AUSTIN, Jan. 15.—Announce-
ment of Rep. Albert Darden of
Marlin as a candidate for govern-
or, today emphasized that this
year's campaign will be over the
sales tax issue.
Darden opposed the sales tax,
which the legislature defeated over
Gov. O'Daniel's vigorous protests.

HORE-BELISHA TELLS COMMONS OF ARMY WORK

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Leslie Hore-
Belisha, former war secretary in
the British cabinet, spoke before
the house of commons today be-
fore a cheering crowd which packed
the galleries, and defended his
"streamlining" of the British
Army.

Hore-Belisha was cheered as he
arose to speak and was cheered
when he finished. Stanley Oliver,
who succeeded him on the cabinet,
was also cheered, indicating that
there was once more harmony in
the British government.

Hore-Belisha did not condemn
Prime Minister Chamberlain for
dismissal from the cabinet,
however. He stated that there had
been harmony in carrying out the
army reforms and that his only
purpose was to win the war. There
were some differences of opinions
at times, he said, but these were
always ironed out.

Prime Minister Chamberlain em-
phatically denied that "brass hats"
in the army had put pressure on
him to dismiss Hore-Belisha from
the cabinet.

Field Forces Will Help Sift out NYA Band Applicants

AUSTIN, Tex.—Field forces in
NYA's twelve Texas districts the
next few weeks will help to sift
out outstanding musical talent of
boys and girls between 16 and 25
to make a South and Central
American tour next summer with
a 109-piece All American Youth
Symphony Orchestra under the
baton of Leopold Stokowski, J. C.
Kellam, State NYA Administrator,
said today.

Kellam said the time in which
to file applications had been ex-
tended to February 15, instead of
February 1 as formerly announ-
ced. Applications should be filed
with the nearest NYA District Di-
rector by any Texas youth within
that age limit, regardless of sex,
race, or color, who wishes to com-
pete for a berth on the tour. NYA
District Directors are located in
Marshall, Dallas, Houston, Fort
Worth, Waco, Austin, San Anto-
nio, McAllen, Amarillo, Lubbock,
San Angelo, and El Paso.

Selection of young people to
play in the Orchestra, he said,
would be made first by local com-
mittees in each district. Winners
of the district tryouts will enter
the state contests to be held in Austin
the early part of March. From the
state eliminations winners will
compete in regional meets to be
held in eight key cities over the
United States. Kellam added that
youth will have to pay their own
expenses to district, state and re-
gional contests but that the win-
ners of the regional auditions will
be given a trip to New York at
the expense of Mr. Stokowski to
undergo final selection for the 109
who will make the tour.

"Young people interested in
this good-will tour sponsored by
the Pan-American Union should
make application immediately to
the NYA District Office nearest
them," the State Administrator
said. "They should keep in mind,
however, that in such a widespread
competition great talent is a ne-
cessity, much more so than expe-
rience, and that only 109 will be
selected from the entire United
States to make up the Orchestra."

NYA Cagers Win In A Game at Colony

The Ranger NYA basketball
team defeated Colony Monday
night at Colony by a score of 29
to 21.
Tonight the NYA cagers go to
Olden, where they will play the
Olden Hornets at the Olden High
School gymnasium at 7:30.

Cold Weather Will Continue Tonight

Cold weather was due to prevail
tonight over most of the state,
with warmer weather predicted
throughout most of East Texas.
Colder weather was predicted
for the Panhandle and Northwest
Texas.
Minimum temperatures reported
today were from Abilene, Amarillo
and Dallas, each with 24 degrees.

Mrs. Vera Bryant Taken by Officers Back To Missouri

Officers from Van Buren, Mo.,
arrived in Ranger Monday after-
noon and started the return trip
to Missouri with Mrs. Vera Bry-
ant, of Pukahontas, Ark., wanted
in connection with the fatal shoot-
ing of her husband. The killing oc-
curred across the Missouri-Arkans-
as line in Missouri.

Officers who came for the wo-
man stated that the body of her
husband had been found, bound in
a blanket and tied with rope, 11
days after the killing. Neighbors
who became suspicious when no
one was around the home notified
the officers, they said.

Iowa Runaways Found In Ranger In Just An Hour

At 2 o'clock Monday afternoon
the Chief of Police of Oskaloosa,
Iowa, telephoned Chief of Police
Guy Pledger of Ranger that a
runaway boy and girl from there
were thought to be in this vicinity.

At 3:05 p. m., Chief of Police
Guy Pledger of Ranger telephoned
the chief of police at Oskaloosa
Iowa, that the two runaways were
being held in the city jail in Ran-
ger.

"Well," the Oskaloosa chief asked
the Ranger chief "were you in
a very big hurry?"
"No," he was told, "but we
thought you might be."

Pledger was asked to hold the
two, a boy of 19 and a girl of 15,
but who looks younger, until of-
ficers there could determine what
to do with them.

The two were traced to Ranger
through a telegram which they
had sent home asking for money.

"Divine" Evidence Offered at Trial On Kidnap Charge

BEAUMONT, Jan. 16.—Dr. W.
C. Welch, 52, charged with the
kidnaping of 12-year-old Irwin
Mingle of Port Arthur, interrupt-
ed his trial here today and at-
tempted to dismiss his attorneys.
He finally was allowed to present
"divine" evidence, which he said
his attorneys had withheld.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Fair tonight and
Wednesday, warmer in Central
and Southeast portions tonight.
Cold in Panhandle and Northwest
Texas.

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It's Healthier on This Side of the Atlantic

Both the general death rate and the infant mortality rate in the United States hit new lows in 1938. The figures for that year are the latest which have been compiled. How the nation's health was rated last year will not be known for sometime. But of one thing Americans can be certain—both immediate health and prospects of longevity look a good deal better on this side of the Atlantic ocean than they do on the European side.

The general death rate in 1938 was 10.6 per 1000 as compared with 11.2 in 1937. The previous low record was set in 1933 when the rate was 10.7. The infant mortality rate in 1938 was 50.9 per 1000, the lowest in American history. The rate in 1936 was 57, in 1934 it was 60, and the average rate between 1921 and 1925 was 74.

Few European countries would care to scan their health statistics during the past couple of years when the peril of war kept them concentrating on methods of ending, not sustaining life. It is probable that, in most of these countries, the necessity for concentrating on the military machine will put a considerable dent in records of health advancement.

Americans should be proud that conditions in this country make it possible for scientists to proceed with their humanitarian works. They are still free to work in their laboratories along lines they have chosen. They are not compelled to bend their talents toward finding new processes to destroy, new formulae for war.

Their job of saving humanity has not yet become a futile farce. Their work is not a profanity of life. They do not need to save lives so that the products of other scientists and inventors can snuff out those lives on battlefields. American scientists are too busy with the art of life to bother with the arts of death. Nothing they do will be wasted as long as the rank and file of us keep conditions that way.

Americans have reason to feel satisfied with their lot. But to feel too secure about health is to invite retrogression. The battle to preserve life does not belong alone to the scientists. They can point the way, but they can succeed in their missions only when the people are trying to help are willing to co-operate.

Dr. Thomas Parran, surgeon of the United States, said recently: "It should always be borne in mind that the general mortality rate is a national average in which are obscured significantly high rates among certain groups of the population and in certain localities."

Despite the steady inroads that have been made against disease, much remains to be done. No one realizes that better than the medical profession. Constant attempts are being made to broaden the scope of medical benefits. Persistent campaigns are fostered to instill in people respect for preventative methods. Americans are not willing to relax this fight against death. They are not willing to substitute for it the battle against life.

Picture of a Quiet Man Getting Mad



N.T.S.T.C. Students Have Adventures While On a Tour

DENTON, Tex.—Four weeks and a forty-eight hour stopover in a Jasper (Tenn.) jail where they were lodged as bank robber "suspects," worried six "Yankee" students in the North Texas State Teachers College not at all. They are back in classes now after a Christmas vacation which included calamities galore, ending with a final car breakdown in Memphis, Tenn., and a 400 mile hitch-hike back to Denton.

The boys who made the comparatively uneventful trek northward for the holidays were Ted Romaine, Little Falls, N. J.; Martin Perry, the Bronx, New York City; Joe McCabe, Bob Wasser, Jimmy Nuss, and Bob O'Sullivan, all Teachers College students from Philadelphia.

Beginning the return trip on Dec. 30, the boys reached the Tennessee-Virginia boundary with a few minor mishaps which included a run-in with an 8-ton truck, a four-car smash-up, a frozen motor, and a lost bumper in a skidding session.

At Jasper, the six boys stopped so that Romaine could visit with relatives, but there, they say, is where they made their big mistake. After spending several hours in Jasper, the boys pushed off the car and headed for Texas again—but only for 32 miles, for then, at the top of Mount Eagle, a siren shrieked in their ears and as their car stopped, two men carrying shotguns approached it.

On admitting that they had passed through Jasper on their trip home, the boys were taken back to jail. There, associates included a man who had murdered his father, three brothers and a sister; a Negro who had slaughtered three children; and a Negro called Father Divine who was in jail for murdering a man and stealing chickens, the boys said.

It was not until the boys fumed and stormed around the cell for a half-day that they discovered the charge against them. On the night on which they had passed through Jasper on their way east, the town bank had been robbed, and the boys' license plate had been recorded as an out-of-state-car in Jasper that night.

After checking and re-checking, the sheriff was finally convinced of the boys' innocence and they were released to proceed to Memphis, where the car made its final breakdown, and the boys threw up their hands in desperation. Four hundred miles from school, the boys began hitch-hiking, landing in Denton three days late for the beginning of the 1940 school year. The penalty wasn't exacted, however, for the boys brought back with them a note from the Jasper sheriff, dictated to the justice of peace. Written on the back of a mittimus from that city and badly crumpled now, the excuse reads: "To whom it may concern, these boys was held in Jasper, Tenn., for an investigation."

TOWN MODERATOR IS 82
By United Press
HANCOCK, N. H.—George W. Goodhue, 82, has served as moderator at town meetings here for the past 25 years and has no intention of retiring.

Day Set Aside To Social Hygiene On February 1st

AUSTIN, Tex.—National Social Hygiene Day on February 1st suggests the timeliness of a review of recent gains against syphilis, the nation's leading public health problem. "Although it is too early in the present campaign to state accurately what reductions in prevalence have been realized, it is not too early for an estimate regarding future success," says Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer.

Until recently only inadequate budgets were available in the several counties of Texas for the control of syphilis and gonorrhea. In 1940, seventy-five per cent of the total counties in the State are in active cooperation with the venereal disease program. Forty-seven venereal disease clinics in twenty-nine counties are operative these clinics treating a weekly patient load of 30,000 persons. Eighty-seven counties, exclusive of counties in which clinics are located, receive free drugs for treatment of venereal disease in indigents, the drugs being distributed through the local physicians after approval of the plan by the county medical society.

Other significant achievements in the war against the venereal diseases in Texas include: Increases in the number of persons tested and treated for syphilis; improvement in case finding and case-holding facilities; a greater participation by industry and labor in the campaign; and significant widening of public understanding of the problems of syphilis control.

"Most of the task remains before us, despite these remarkable gains," Dr. Cox said. "The incidence and prevalence of the venereal diseases in Texas are still far too high. True it is that great forward strides have been made, but truer still is the fact that only sustained interest and public support can assure the eventual routing of the pale spiral germ of syphilis, the next great plague to go."

Red River Dam To Make News During The Coming Year

By United Press
DENTON, Tex.—The Red River dam, nearing the more spectacular stages of construction, bids for another top position in the news this year.

The protracted fight by Oklahoma's Governor Leon Phillips to halt the \$53,000,000 Texas-Oklahoma power and flood control project has not been settled. Many contributory factors still are in the air. There is the feverish effort, for instance, to strike oil in the proposed reservoir area so that the landlords can get more for their land.

Phillips also might use word of an oil development to bolster his arguments before the U. S. Supreme Court that the dam would destroy valuable resources. The tribunal recently agreed to take original jurisdiction in deciding his protest. The dam was authorized in the

job was awarded the C. F. Lytle Company of Sioux City, Ia., last Dec. 15 on a low bid of \$3,470,640. Major construction is not expected to start until next March. Despite Phillips' opposition, work on the dam has progressed steadily. Engineers already are engaged in plans and specifications for the main embankment. They expect to be through by April, and bids probably will be opened in July.

It will be the world's largest earthen fill. The outlet works alone will require a concrete intake tower equivalent in height to a 13-story building, and eight concrete conduits 20 feet in diameter and 800 feet long.

Other developments expected during the new year are the start of railroad and highway relocation in the proposed reservoir basin, and the condemnation and clearing of additional property.

Almost 700 persons are now employed by the dam contractors, and an additional 400 have been given work by army engineers.

West Texas Cattle Show to Be Held In Abilene Soon

ABILENE, Texas.—The fifth annual West Central Texas Livestock Show will be held at the West Texas Fair grounds in Abilene February 14-15.

The show will be held jointly with the first annual auction sale of the Taylor County Hereford Breeders Association and the Taylor County Livestock Show February 14. J. I. Moore, Abilene vocational agriculture teacher will be show manager, assisted by W. A. Ruhmann, assistant Taylor County agent.

Sponsored by the West Texas Fair Association and the Abilene Chamber of Commerce, the show is open to F.F.A. and 4-H Club members of Jones, Shackelford, Stonewall, Runnels, Coleman, Callahan, Coke, Nolan, Fisher, Haskell, Scurry, Mitchell and Taylor counties.

Exhibits will include calves, lambs, swine and capons competing for premiums totaling \$898.00. Auction sale of the champion and reserve champion animals in each class will be held the afternoon of February 15.

The Taylor County Hereford Breeders Auction sale of 48 top animals will be held the afternoon of February 14, with Earl Gartin as auctioneer.

Plans for the 1940 West Central Texas Livestock show were discussed

Tanks for the Memory—of Russia



When freezing Red troops fled or died on the cold snows of Finland, they left behind much equipment. Light tanks, one of pieces of useless war material taken out of action by forces since war began.

218,382 Visitors See Famed Caves

CARLSBAD, N. M.—1939 saw 218,382 visitors to the largest number in the history of the Carlsbad Caverns, the seven miles of underground passages.

Previous high marks were 207,041, set in 1937. The month of December saw 8,836, also set an all-time record for number of visitors.

Among states, as usual, Texas sent the most tourists to the caves. She led with 80,344, four times that of California, next high with 23,000. Vermont, every state in the Union, the District of Alaska and Hawaii visited.

Among foreign nations, Canada with 731 visitors, followed by the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, and the United States. The largest single day's visit in 1939 was on Sept. 2, 2,881 tourists were through the underground.

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HORIZONTAL

1, 7 Famous artist pictured here.

12 Mexican dollars.

13 Farewell.

15 Containing horn.

17 Sooner than.

18 Pertaining to the shoulder.

21 One in cards.

22 Nickel.

23 House canaries.

24 Vallise.

26 Ell.

27 To leave.

29 Dazzling sunlight.

31 Gaelic.

32 Pitcher lug.

33 Cotton staple.

34 Close.

35 Sloths.

37 Wayside hotel.

38 Ancient Mexican people.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

12 To fluctuate.

14 Unit of work.

16 He was a—or famous man during his lifetime.

19 To remark.

20 Measure of area.

23 Parted.

25 Schemed.

28 Punitive.

30 Amphitheater.

36 To percolate.

37 Wading bird.

39 Pertaining to osmium.

VERTICAL

1 Eagle's nest.

2 To employ.

3 To be spent.

4 Theater guides.

5 Berets.

6 Mother of mankind.

8 To accommodate.

9 To avail.

10 God of war.

11 More fastidious.

58 Form of "I."

A crossword puzzle grid with a small portrait of a man in the center. The grid contains numbers indicating the starting positions for the words listed in the adjacent section.

SERIAL STORY BLACKOUT BY RUTH AYERS

YESTERDAY: Mary's stay in hospital is made doubly pleasant by the extra attention given her by Dr. Gilbert Lenox's wife, Dr. Lenox's wife, Dr. Lenox's wife...

It was agonizing to wait for him. AND then, the waiting was over. Vincent Gregg stood in the doorway. "Darling, my darling," he was whispering.

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS



RED RYDER By Fred Harman



"OUT OUR WAY" By Williams



ALLEY OOP By Hamlin



BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON.—In spite of Congressional Dies' over-optimistic estimate of 7,000,000 aliens in industry, which caused quite a few chuckles here from those who will undertake to prove that it isn't and couldn't be so...

STATE ACTION RULED OUT

THE alien problem will center especially in Congress because of a recent U. S. district court decision clearly indicating that states have no power to regulate aliens, that being a concern of the national government alone.

Crescent City Told It Faces Cave-In

NEW ORLEANS.—New Orleans, a city built on wood pilings, may cave in on itself while trying to keep cool, according to Charles Evan Fowler, a widely known building expert and consulting engineer.

Accidents Reduced By Non-Skid Paving

ST. LOUIS.—Traffic accidents at busy intersections have been reduced here more than 50 per cent as a result of special non-skid paving, according to Frank J. McDevitt, director of streets and sewers.

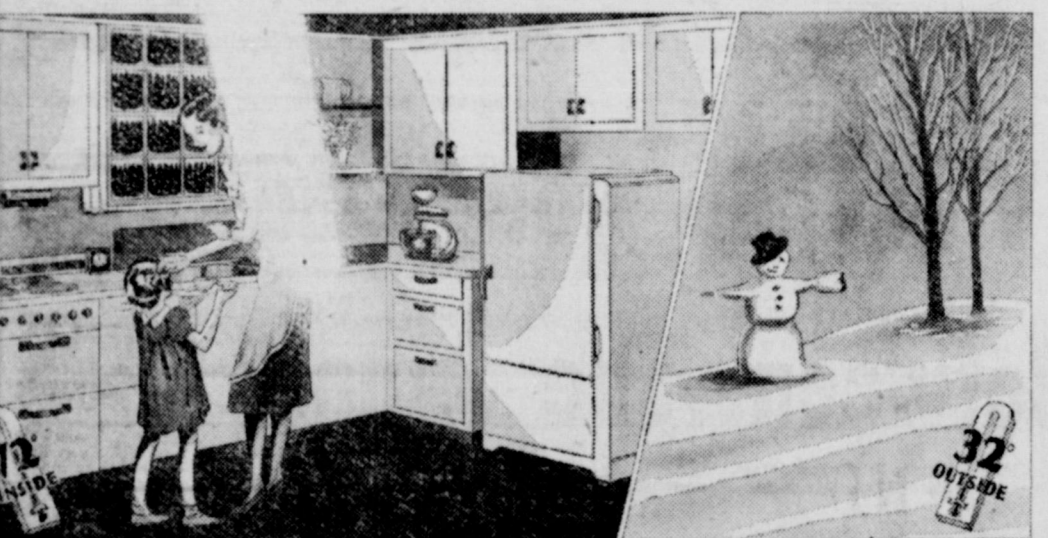
Peach Produced To Resist the Cold

PORTALES, N. M.—The world has a new peach tree and Dr. Andrew Fletcher Ogle, New Mexico botanist, the surprise of his life—a surprise that was 15 years in materializing.

SEAL HUNT CANCELLED

CAPTOWN, South Africa.—Changing fashions in fur coats have resulted in the cancellation of the Union Government's annual official seal hunt this season.

CHILD'S COLDS VICKS VAPORUB advertisement with a cartoon character.



Advertisement for Texas Electric Service Company featuring the slogan 'It's always Summer Time in your kitchen' and 'YOU SAVE MONEY WITH AN ELECTRIC REFRIGERATOR EVEN IN THE WINTER!'.

Society Notes

CALENDAR TONIGHT

The Young People's Conference of the Cisco District Baptist Churches will be held tonight at 7 o'clock at the Baptist Church in Ranger. All members of the Y. W. A. of Eastland church are asked to be at the church between 6 and 6:30 p. m., and also the G. A. and R. A. and Sunbeams groups.

CALENDAR WEDNESDAY

The Music Study Club will meet at the Woman's Clubhouse Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock for regular session with Mrs. W. F. Davenport as leader for the Federation Day program.

CALENDAR THURSDAY

Thursday Afternoon Study club will meet in Woman's Clubhouse at 3 o'clock.

Booster Class Report

Mrs. T. M. Collie presided at the regular session of the Booster Class of the Methodist Church school, Sunday. The class had as guests, the Young People's Department.

To Attend Short Course

Mrs. James Horton and Mrs. V. T. Seaberry will attend the short course on Flower Arrangement to be held in Fort Worth Wednesday and Thursday.

Eastland Personals

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Gann announce the birth of a 6 3/4 pound daughter on Thursday, Jan. 11. She has been named Nancy Lynn.

Methodist Church To Have Its Conference

Rev. Walker announced the First Methodist Church will have their first quarterly conference at 7:30 Wednesday evening. Rev. R. A. Langston, district superintendent of Cisco will preside. He will make a report on the first quarter year and lay plans for the following programs.

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Political Announcements

This newspaper is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public offices, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

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CLYDE S. KARKALITS

For County Clerk:
R. V. (RIP) GALLOWAY

For Sheriff:
LOSS WOODS

For County Judge:
W. S. ADAMSON

For County Treasurer:
GARLAND BRANTON

For District Clerk:
JOHN WHITE

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1:
HENRY V. DAVENPORT

Cowboys Begin a Long Celebration Of the Old West

By United Press

CHEYENNE, Wyo.—The Wyoming cow-country, last "frontier" of the old Wild West, is staging a year-long celebration of the 50th anniversary of the state's admission to the Union in a series of observances which promises to make the "Cowboys' Saturday nights" of a half-century ago look tame.

The 365-day party began on Jan. 1 and will not be ended officially until the year 1941 has been ushered in. A Golden Anniversary commission is drafting complete plans for voluntary observance of the state's entry into the Union on July 10, 1890.

Although such events as pageants, plays and other such historical programs have been planned, the real celebrating is expected to be done by the bronzed steer-pilots who come out of the hard-boots country every week for relaxation after a period of hard riding.

The cost of the party, where any expense is involved, will be borne by the individual communities staging special observances. Various state departments and boards are planning to join the celebrations without special expense.

Gov. Nels H. Smith said the anniversary commission will be expanded soon to include a state-wide membership. The governor said the commission, which he leads, is composed of heads of the department of commerce and industry, the department of education, state library and historical department and landmarks commission.

Smith said he will appoint county chairmen and will ask mayors of all cities and towns to serve with the county organizations. Communities and counties will be asked to gather displays of historical relics.

Commemoration of important military engagements and the marking of their sites will be undertaken by communities near the battlegrounds.

Dateless Car License Is Now Outmoded

By United Press

CORFU, N. Y.—If Claude E. Tyler takes a notion to tour in his 1907-model horseless carriage, he will chug-chug into trouble unless he gets a new set of license plates.

The plates now carried on the venerable vehicle bear the numbers 57462 and letters N. Y. in white, on a red background. There is no date. The license, Tyler says, was issued some time before 1911, when licenses were for duration of the car's life.

State police, however, looked askance recently when Tyler drove the gasoline propelled buggy in a parade.

"It's all right for this occasion," Tyler was told. "But don't go driving it around the open highways. We'd have to make a test case of it."

Long Sermons Go On Despite Alarm

By United Press

SCOTCHTOWN, N. Y.—This little rural hamlet is abuzz with a problem—how to stop a clergyman's overlong sermons in time for Sunday dinner.

Rev. Dr. Alexander J. Kerr, 57 years a minister, has remained adamant and undisturbed, even after a trustee brought an alarm clock to the Presbyterian Church.

Parishioners have clocked the pastor's sermons up to a half-hour over the scheduled noon close of Sunday worship. Simmering dinners simmer overtime, housewives said.

Plans unavailing, a trustee and his wife brought the alarm clock to service, set it for 12:06 p. m., and walked out when the tripped alarm chattered through the church. Dr. Kerr continued his preaching after the disturbance.

War Objector Upheld Mother Comes First

By United Press

LONDON.—Dennis Pitt 21, considered his duty to his invalid mother came first, so a tribunal freed him from war service as a conscientious objector.

"There is no power on earth that can force me to go, placed as I am," he declared. He said he had cared for his mother for seven years.

Chicken Thief of 1901 Sends a \$2 Payment

By United Press

HOLYOKE, Mass.—Henry J. Soutiere has just received payment for a chicken stolen from his icebox 38 years ago.

A letter received said: "Back in 1901 when you lived in Mosher St. the knight before Thanksgiving I took a chicken out of your ice-box. Hear is \$2— if it is more let me know."

FINLAND	RUSSIA
CASUALTIES 12,500 (Latest Russian claims)	ARMY AT FRONT 400,000-750,000
ARMY 400,000	CASUALTIES 100,000 - 130,000 (Finnish claims)

Finnish claims of Russian casualties—dead, wounded and captured—now total 130,000, or between 17 and 30 per cent of the Soviet forces now believed fighting on the frontier of Finland. Pictograph based on Finnish and Russian claims, shows relation between casualties and armies on each side.

Ready for Duty With or Without

MISSISSIPPI LOCKS BUILT IN 1810 ARE AMAZING EXPERTS

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Below the city of New Orleans on the Mississippi river, U. S. army engineers slowly are solving the puzzle of low slaves, working under overseers more than a century ago, built the walls of a lock system in the river that even today defies the blasts of dynamite.

The engineers decided to raze the old locks, built approximately 150 years ago by Capt. Horace Harvey, so they could put an asphalt blanket along the levee. First, they decided to tear down the old masonry that formed the sides of the locks.

The walls were of brick and mortar, but the brick sections were located out in the bed of the river. In most cases, a charge of dynamite placed in one or two strategic places would cause a brick wall to crumble but in this case the explosive only blew a hole in the retainers, complicating the task of removing the brick.

The slaves didn't use an accepted formula for mixing the mortar; neither did they use whole bricks in the wall. Instead, they set the pieces of brick in what looked like a willy-nilly manner, but engineers are about ready to concede it the more solid way of construction.

The puzzle was too much for the engineers. They turned to their records. This is what they learned: Capt. Harvey built the locks some time prior to 1810—the exact date is unknown—from parts of bricks that were scattered around his kiln.

His slaves carted the pieces to the water's edge, where other Negroes were working on a coffer dam out in the river.

This coffer dam, built of wood and chinked with mud, served to hold most of the water back while other slaves manned hand pumps to suck out the seepage.

Meanwhile, a wooden platform was built for the wall to rest on. As the wall was built, it sank into the bed of the river, but on an even basis, due to the platform. Mortar was made from quicklime, slacked, and river sand.

Every few years, the wall was built up as its foundation sank into the muck of the river.

Engineers have found the wall extending 30 feet below the bed of the river, and apparently there is plenty more.

Crude, hand wrought iron bracings, still retaining the hammer marks that were put there by a blacksmith, are being excavated along with the brick. One large key piece, weighing half a ton, was fitted with a hand-made bolt that even after 100 years in the water showed no sign of allowing the peg to turn in the hole that had been cut with a hand chisel.

With a "free gate" and \$10,000 in prize money donated by the "city fathers" of the Crescent City, last year's tournament attracted a record crowd of more than 30,000 to the sporty City Park course.

Henry Picard, the Candy Kid from Hershey, Pennsylvania, led the field in last year's event, and returns this year as defending champ, heading a list of entries that includes Chick Evans, Johnny Revolta, Gene Sarazen, Byron Nelson, Denny Shute, Craig Wood, Harry Cooper, and a dozen others of similar calibre.

Just so golf fans will get a balanced diet, the New Orleans country club will stage a renewal of its invitation tourney for amateurs from February 29 to March 3.

Grandmother, 70, Is Taking Music

ATHENS, O.—Mrs. Orinda F. Peoples, 70 and a grandmother, is going to college now. Retired as assistant postmaster here because of age requirements of the postal service, Mrs. Peoples is resuming her study of music at Ohio University here.

In her younger days Mrs. Peoples was regarded as a capable pianist. To improve her playing she plans to attend regular class studies in the course.

Prior to beginning her postal duties in 1910, Mrs. Peoples had the distinction of being the first woman bank employe in the city.

She has two daughters, both of whom are married.

New Orleans to Be Host for Golfers

NEW ORLEANS, La.—This city will play host to the nation's top-flight golfers in its third annual New Orleans Open from February 22 to 25.

Shreveport, Scene of Last Confederate Surrender, to Celebrate Event May 26

18DC SHREVEPORT, SCENE. SHREVEPORT, La.—Elaborate plans are being made for celebrating the 75th anniversary of the surrender of the last of the Confederate soldiers on May 26, 1865, recalling one of the most exciting pages in Southern history.

For when the Confederate troops defending this city surrendered to the Federals under General Heron, the flag of the Confederacy ceased to float anywhere on land.

At the outbreak of the Civil War, Shreveport was a small town of 3,000 people, but during the next four years its population increased to 12,000 as state officials, soldiers, and many prominent families fled here for safety.

General Kirby, in charge of the Trans-Mississippi Department, was sent to Shreveport in 1863 to defend it, since even then it was recognized as a strategic traffic base at which supplies and men could be assembled from Louisiana, Arkansas, and Texas.

In the spring of 1864 General N. P. Banks meanwhile started the Federal forces on an imposing march up the Red River from Baton Rouge, leading to feverish preparations for the defense of Shreveport. Hundreds of slaves were pressed into service to construct a line of forts, batteries, and trenches that encircled the city.

The victory of General "Dick" Taylor at Mansfield on April 8, however, saved the city. That setback, combined with low water in the Red River which made it impossible for Federal gunboats to ascend the stream, marked the collapse of the northward wave of destruction.

Temporarily spared, it became evident the following year that the city must be surrendered. The wildest confusion now broke out among citizens and soldiers alike.

Paper money became worthless, rations were issued indiscriminately, troops openly departed for home.

On May 20, 1865, the soldiers were all furloughed by the Confederate authorities, with permission to take government horses, mules, wagons, and quartermaster supplies. The next day, Sunday, stores were thrown open as riotous crowds thronged the streets. The soldiers managed to restore order, seize the goods and store them in the Court House. Four days later the city was formally

surrendered. Many and mighty have been the changes in Shreveport since that memorable day. From a village of 3,000 it has grown into a city of nearly 100,000, a bustling trading center for much of Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas, and also the center of the world's largest oil and gas deposits.

Last stronghold of the Confederacy, the city several years ago donated to the Federal Government a tract of 22,500 acres across the Red River in Barksdale Field, a \$7,000,000 aviation base which houses the Third Attack Wing of the United States Army Air Corps.

Letters to Students Tell of Hardships In Warring Nations

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.—The hardships which the common people encounter in time of war were forcibly brought home to a member of the faculty of St. Mary's University who recently received two letters, one from Japan, the other from France.

Said the letter from Japan: "A pair of good shoes, and there are only a few good pairs in stock, costs upward of \$40. A few years ago the same pair would have sold for \$10 or \$12."

"Very little sugar can be bought. Fuel is scarce and dear. Clothing of all kinds is very dear and of a very poor quality of goods. Eggs can be bought only occasionally. Most of them are exported. In fact, anything that can be exported is exported because foreign money is highly valued. The next few years are going to be hard ones."

The letter from France called attention to the hardships attendant to the removal of the populace to other sections of the country. On being evacuated, the people were not permitted to carry their belongings with them, "except what one could carry in his two hands."

The French government subsidizes such families with an allowance of 10 francs (25 cents) per person per day. While willing to bear suffering for France, the writer concluded: "That is just about enough to keep body and soul together."

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

ARCTIC ISLANDS AND BACK RIVER PRESERVE A GAME AND FUR PRESERVE CANADA, HAS AN AREA OF MORE THAN 439,000 SQ. MILES.

WHAT IS A REGICIDE

SEMAPHORE TELEGRAPH, BY MEANS OF WHICH MESSAGES WERE SENT IN RELAYS FROM ONE HILLTOP TO ANOTHER.

ANSWER: One who kills a king.

Airplanes Altering War Relief Work Hoover Discovers

NEW YORK.—Not only has the mechanics of war changed drastically since 1918, according to Herbert Hoover, chairman of the Finnish Relief Fund, but they have changed the problems of relief also.

"The airplane as a weapon of war has completely changed the problems of relief also."

"The airplane as a weapon of war has completely changed the problem of war relief," he asserted. "for it has driven whole populations from their homes and cities. In Finland, over 70 per cent of the population of some cities has had to be evacuated, involving the enormous task of suddenly providing food, shelter, clothing

Victor Herbert

Today - Wednesday

Walter Connolly

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