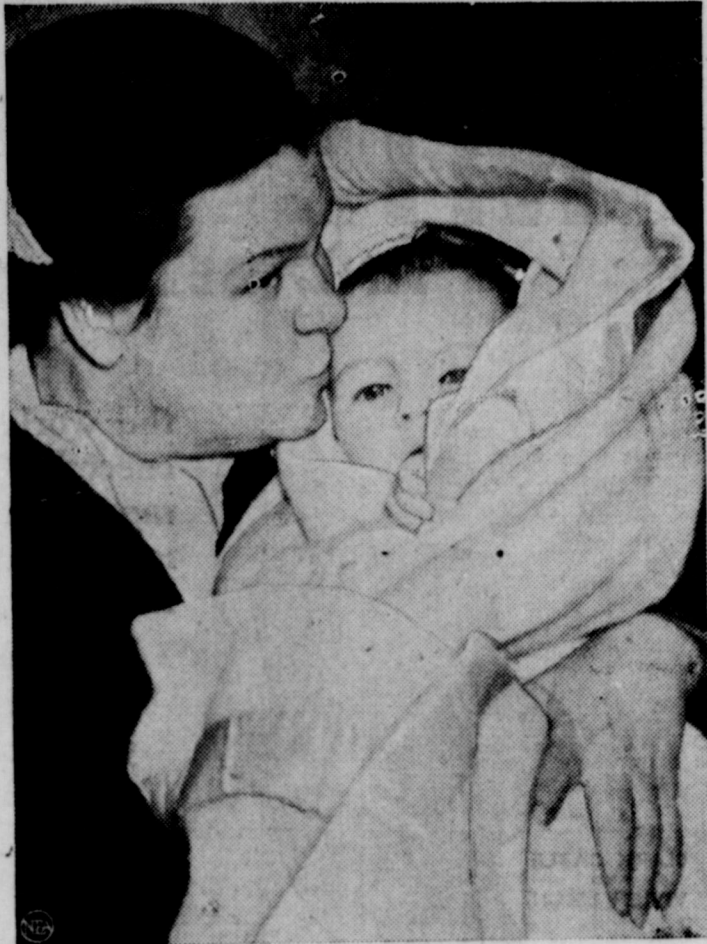


FIXED ANNUAL MEET

Superintendent announced in a bulletin that the following have qualified: Alameda Grammar High, Carbon High, Cisco High, Cisco East Ward, Cisco High, Colony High, Gorman High, Morton Valley High, Pioneer High, Ranger High, White High, Young High, Rising High, Scranton High

Gives Up Triplet After Flight



Resigned to give up her two surviving triplet daughters, Mrs. Mary Stillman is accepting the judgment of St. Louis juvenile court that termed them "neglected" and handed their care to the board of guardians. The heart-broken mother fled with one of the 9-month-old girls, above, when officers were taking them away. She was located later by a newspaper reporter.

VOTERS TO FACE BEER AND WINE ISSUE MARCH 2

Eastland county voters will go to the polls this coming Saturday and decide on a proposal that wine and beer sales in the county will be legalized. The election was called recently following the presentation of petitions by citizens asking that a vote be held on the proposition. The county is now dry since sale of beer and wine was outlawed in an election held last fall. There has been comparatively little activity either by wets or dries concerning the election. Last Saturday, however, several ministers and dry speakers spoke in towns over the county.

Federal Old-Age And Survivor's Insurance Plan

(Editor's Note: The following is another of a series of articles prepared by W. O. King, manager of the Abilene Social Security Board field office, to be published in this paper. The information contained in the series of articles is educational and of interest to the general public. Additional information can be secured by addressing W. O. King, 205 Alexander Building, Abilene, Texas.)

Provision for Parents Under the New System of Old-Age and Survivor's Insurance

In case of the death of an insured worker who is the sole support of a parent, the parent after age 65 will receive monthly benefits provided there is no widow or unmarried child surviving. The parent must file proof of dependency within 2 years of the death of the wage earner. Each parent may receive a monthly benefit amounting to one-half of the wage earner's basic monthly benefit. Example: A stenographer who has been employed for several years in a wholesale house dies, leaving her mother and father who were dependent upon her for support at the time of her death. Her salary earnings would entitle her to benefits of, let's say, \$25 per month. Each parent, upon reaching age 65, would receive a monthly check amounting to \$12.50 as long as he or she lives. Even though the parent is under age 65 and was not dependent for support upon the deceased child, a payment amounting to six times the basic monthly benefit may be made to the mother or father, where neither wife nor child survives. Suppose, for example, that the unmarried son of middle-aged parents dies. Assume that his wage earnings up to the time of his death would justify a basic monthly benefit of \$25. His parents, even though they had not been dependent upon him for support, would receive a lump-sum payment of six times \$25, or \$150. This lump-sum payment provided under the revised act can be made to another relative if no widow, child, or parent survives, or even to a person other than a member of the family if he paid the funeral expenses, but only to the extent of this actual expenditure up to six times the monthly benefit.

NEXT: Who Gets Lump-Sum Death Payments?

Show Boosters Are Visitors In City

A group of 37 stockmen and civic boosters of Mineral Wells stopped here this morning on a good will trip advertising the Palo Pinto County Livestock Show and Rodeo, to be staged at Mineral Wells on March 1, 2 and 3. While here the good will trippers put on a short entertainment, including a song by Miss Loraine Miles, singer with Jack Amlung's orchestra, and short talks inviting local people to visit the show. The group was led by Orval Shore, president of the Mineral Wells Junior Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the good will trip. The route taken by the delegation included stops at Strawn, Ranger, Eastland, Cisco, Abilene, Coleman, Brownwood, Comanche, Dublin, Stephenville, Granbury, Cresson and Weatherford. The noon stop for lunch was made at Coleman.

Freed From Nazi 'Floating Concentration Camp'



Thin, tired, but joyous, these cheering British seamen are back home in England after months aboard the German prison ship Altmark. They are some of the 326 officers and men captured by the commerce-raider Graf Spee and rescued from the Spee's supply ship by the British destroyer Cossack.

Chicago Robbery Is Solved By Police

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—The \$18,000 robbery of Marshall Field & Company, which occurred a week ago, was today declared by police to have been an inside job, after most of the money was recovered. A former WPA worker, who was arrested, implicated one of the guards, who also confessed when confronted with the confession. He led police to his home where all but a few dollars of the money was found buried in a tin can in his back yard.

His Riding Habit Has Different Hue



Bruce Hobbs, 19-year-old jockey who two years ago rode the American horse Battleship to victory in the Grand National, has given up his silks for khaki. Hobbs is now a trooper in a Yeomanry battalion "somewhere" in England.

Valley Cotton Farms Thrown For Loss By Many Factors

By United Press
McALLEN, Tex.—Lower Rio Grande Valley cotton farmers, who for the last 30 years have annually produced the world's first bale of new cotton—cotton grown in that year from new plantings—were practically out of the first bale race for 1940 today. It took a combination of the cotton pink bollworm, a long drought, high winds and unseasonable, uncertain temperatures to throw them for a loss. In recent years, however, since cotton exchanges at major cotton centers of Texas stopped their practice of auctioning the first bale each year at big premiums for the grower, the first bale race had lost much of its glamor and speed, but there were still a few growers who yielded to the thrill of pitting their agricultural skill and cotton-growing knowledge against their neighbors. There was little to thrill valley cotton farmers this week, however, when the first cotton plantings were permitted under pink bollworm regulations. Not only must the cotton be planted on or after February 20, but it must be harvested and the fields cleaned of every harboring stem for the dread pink bollworm as soon as possible after the crop is off. No cotton planting will be permitted after April 1. All but three of the thousands of farmers who annually raise cotton on 300,000 to 350,000 acres of land in the Valley were convinced that the federal government's stringent regulations concerning pink bollworm eradication work was the thing to do. These three planted their cotton regardless of the planting regulations, but last week plowed up their growing crop and will not replant until later. It was generally reported, however that Valley cotton growers, their eyes cocked on the freakish weather of early 1940, had decided against any immediate rush to plant cotton. There was frank expression in some sections that rainfall had been so scarce that cotton planted prior to a heavy rain might not even grow. In Cameron County, Frank G. Bunneman, county agricultural agent, reported that farmers did not plan general cotton planting until around March 1 because of weather conditions.

Craft Shop Will Open March 4th

Mrs. Winnie R. Grady, supervisor of the Eastland WPA recreation project, has announced that formal opening of the craft shop in Safety Haven quarters at the Eastland National Bank building has been set for Monday night, March 4. The time of the formal opening was set to begin at 7 p. m. Demonstrations in woodcraft, leathercraft, basketry and jewelry craft will be given the night of the formal opening. The crafts are to be taught regularly. At 8:30 a program will be held which will include an address of welcome by Mayor C. W. Hoffmann, a song by Mrs. P. L. Crossley and a song and dance by Dorothy and Heidi Throne.

Three Communists Arrested At Ottawa

OTTAWA, Canada, Feb. 26.—A soldier, a government employee and a reporter on a banned newspaper were today arrested on charges of distributing communist propaganda, alleged to have been sent out from Moscow. It was claimed that the three were working on direct orders from Russia.

FINNISH WAR IS OF LOCAL NATURE TODAY

HELSINKI, Feb. 26.—The Finns admitted today that the fort at Koivisto had been "abandoned" to Russians and that troops had retreated to new positions before Viipuri.

Heavy snow along the Mannerheim line apparently had slowed the Russian advance down, with only occasional artillery fire and airplane raids reported. Center of the chief activity seemed to have shifted from in front of the Viipuri sector to the eastern end of the line, where several minor attacks were reported. The Finns still were holding out at Viipuri and at Koivisto, though all the civilian population had been evacuated for several days, in preparation for Russia's boasted attacks of last Friday, in which they hoped to crack the Mannerheim Line. Sweden, Norway and Denmark, meantime, reaffirmed their neutrality and tension eased somewhat in the Rumanian sector of the Balkans. From Moscow it was reported that not only the fort at Koivisto, but the towns of Tiurinsaari and Piisaari had been captured, along with 12 heavy coastal towers and guns. Across Lake Ladoga the Finns reported that their forces had fought a successful defensive battle and that Finnish artillery had defeated the Russians near Aittajoki.

O'Daniel Scored by Sadler and Burney

AUSTIN, Feb. 26.—Railroad Commissioner Jerry Sadler today called Governor O'Daniel a "professional promoter" as the governor's office said that O'Daniel had no statement regarding purported \$75,000 offer to conduct a food company's radio show. Sadler criticized O'Daniel's refusal to call a special session of the legislature to draft oil legislation. State Representative Weldon Burney of Evans, advocate of higher truck load limit, scoffed at O'Daniel as a "recent" advocate of load increase and said he refused to help get the limit raised at the last session of the legislature.

Representatives Of United States Talk With Italian Heads

ROME, Italy, Feb. 26.—President Roosevelt's inquiry into conditions in war-torn Europe was underway today with Undersecretary Sumner Welles conferring with officials of the Italian government in Rome. He prepares to leave Rome in time to reach Berlin for a conference there by Tuesday night. Myron C. Taylor, ambassador without portfolio to the Vatican, to confer on peace plans, also began his work with the conference with the Vatican secretary of state.

Hull Urges Trade Extension Today

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Secretary of State Cordell Hull today urged before a house committee that his reciprocal trade agreements be continued for three years. He blamed tariffs for the depression. Observers believed that the trade agreement measure would be voted upon favorably, and even republicans expressed little doubt that it would be passed in both the house and senate.

A British Warship Sinks Submarine

LONDON, Feb. 26.—A British warship was believed today to have destroyed a German submarine, which last Tuesday sank the 5,000-ton British steamer Lochmaddy, with a loss of four lives. The Swedish steamer Santos, of 3,840 tons, was sunk today in the North Sea, with a probable loss of 12 lives.

EASTLAND CONVENTION JUDGED BEST HELD IN PAST FIFTEEN YEARS

Eastland American Legion officials breathed easier today following conclusion Sunday of a two-day Seventeenth District convention attended by over 300 persons. Abilene was selected as the next convention site at a business session of the district Sunday afternoon. H. J. Tanner of Eastland served as convention adjutant. Resolutions passed included those urging passage of house resolution 7593 at congress which will provide for government payments to World War veterans' dependents, one thanking Eastland for its hospitality and another commending the work of the N. Y. A.

Cold Has Effect Upon Rose Bushes In Most of State

By United Press
FORT WORTH, Tex.—This winter, among the coldest in Texas history, has been a hard one for Texas' countless rosebushes. City Forester E. D. Obert said that 90 per cent of the 10,000 rosebushes in the famed Botanic Gardens of this city's Forest Park had been killed by the intense cold. Most of them were frozen to the ground. By pruning away "dead" portions, Obert said, park employees may be able to keep the 10 per cent from dying but none expects the few roses that bloom this spring to produce flowers of the usual beauty. City officials said that they may be hard put to find replacements for the dead rosebushes, because they understand that the famous rose area around Tyler in East Texas also suffered heavily from the cold. The full extent of damage cannot be determined until spring, but Texas rose fanciers believe the winter was a major setback for rose culture. Obert advised Fort Worth citizens who have rosebushes to examine their plants to see whether the inner portion is white or dark. A dark pith indicates that the plant, or at least that portion of it, is dead. Pruning away the damaged sections sometimes will aid the remainder of the bush to recover.

Gasoline Plant Operator Has Rites

Funeral services for Joe Adams, 39, Eastland gasoline plant operator, were held Sunday afternoon at the Church of Christ in Eastland with A. F. Thurman, church minister, officiating. The body was taken to Mexia Monday morning for burial by the Hamner Undertaking Company. Mr. Adams died suddenly Saturday afternoon while at work at the Arab Gasoline Corporation Hise plant near Morton Valley. The body was found near the plant stabilizer. He had been employed at the plant many years. Survivors include his wife and one child. Arrangements for services were made by the Hamner Undertaking Company.

Finns Getting Arms From United States

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Washington sources revealed today that Finland was receiving ammunition from orders placed in the United States, including one for 50,000,000 rifle cartridges.

Soil Conservation Funds Advocated

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The house appropriations committee today added \$60,000,000 to provide for soil conservation and for extra guards for the president, in reporting a deficiency appropriation to the house today.

Offices State Capitol

State department offices all suffering from a one state of half the staff was of influenza at early part of this had their work. Cox, state health officer, said that influenza epidemic state epidemic is de- the situation is it has been in

Woman to at Strawn

for Mrs. Magdalen, 61, of Mingo, Fort Worth hospital was conducted at noon at 3 o'clock at Mt. Marion cemetery. The deceased had made her husband, of Mingo, four daughters.

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Arnold Wanted More

Official recognition, of a sort, was given Thurman Arnold's sweeping campaign into illegal combines among contractors and unionists in the building trades when the House appropriations committee praised the assistant attorney-general for his work.

The committee acknowledged the obvious fact that Mr. Arnold's drive against building trusts has already saved the country considerable sums and predicted that continuation of the drive will mean "savings of hundreds of millions of dollars to the consuming public."

And after this charming eulogy, the committee promptly cut off something like \$50,000 from Mr. Arnold's appropriations request, although the sum allocated was \$41,000 more than original budget estimates.

The committee knows it is true that building costs for the small home owner will fall substantially if Mr. Arnold can continue and broaden his campaign. Billions of United States dollars have been spent far more carelessly than Mr. Arnold is spending his comparatively small allotment. It would have been better to give the assistant attorney-general what he needs and let him return it a hundredfold by reducing building costs.

How True, Mr. Green

Between sessions of the A. F. of L. executive council in Miami, Fla., President William Green found time to address an audience at the local Tamiami Temple Methodist church.

Mr. Green compared conditions in totalitarian countries with American democracy. "Never has there been a contrast more startling and convincing," he said. "Never have the American people been afforded a more effective lesson in government."

"To make American democracy work, however, we must have more unity of thought and unity of action—that is the need of our time."

Yes, indeed, Mr. Green. When would it be convenient for you to talk this matter over with John L. Lewis?

The war has brought out one thing of importance—Aryan blood spills just as easily as any other kind.

If Roosevelt really wants a third term, Problem Child Elliott will have to be called in and told not to speak to strangers.

Funny thing about congressional economy. Everything is being cut, but when it's all over, it will still add up to the same old deficit.

New York and Newark are arguing over their airports. Seems the air isn't big enough to accommodate both cities.

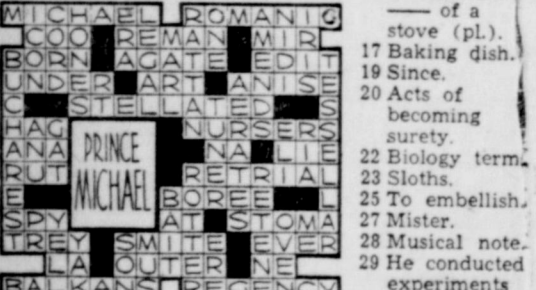
Germany's steel output has gained, probably because of increased demand for bullet-proof vests among Nazi higher-ups.

PROVERB MAKER

HORIZONTAL

- 1 American of Colonial times, Benjamin
- 8 He was a _____ of author.
- 12 Constellation.
- 13 Postage.
- 15 No.
- 16 Torpid.
- 18 Age.
- 19 180 square rods (pl.).
- 21 Dry.
- 22 Epochs.
- 24 Go on _____ (music).
- 26 Liveliness.
- 29 Measure.
- 30 To redact.
- 32 Unaccented part of foot.
- 33 To revolve.
- 35 Romances.
- 37 Steaks.
- 38 Attempt.
- 39 Neuter pronoun.
- 40 Portuguese money.

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 41 Onward.
- 42 Unit.
- 43 Railroad.
- 45 Therefore.
- 46 Maple shrub.
- 47 Long inlet.
- 49 Horny plates.
- 51 Wastes time.
- 53 Kind of vinegar.
- 56 To temper.
- 57 He was also a _____ or diplomat.
- 58 Eminent.
- 21 Hastened.
- 3 Surface measure.
- 4 To tell.
- 5 Pound.
- 6 Fury.
- 7 Water wheels.
- 8 Plural pronoun.
- 9 To exasperate.
- 10 Sailors.
- 11 Orb.
- 14 South America.
- 22 Biology term.
- 23 Sloths.
- 25 To embellish.
- 27 Mister.
- 28 Musical note.
- 29 He conducted experiments with _____.
- 31 Climbing shrub.
- 34 Nominal value.
- 36 Family.
- 37 Defacing.
- 42 Group of eight.
- 44 Jockey.
- 46 Large room.
- 48 Wings.
- 50 Pussy.
- 52 Note in Guido's scale.
- 54 Like.
- 55 Ream.
- 56 Form of "a."

'Take That'



Safety Hints of Oil Belt Safety Council Officers

Automobile drivers your question for today from the Oil Belt Safety Council is this:

How much difference does ice on the pavement make in the distance needed to stop your car at 20 miles an hour?

Well, that is a pretty tough one, but a good driver should know the answer. Driving at 20 miles an hour on dry pavement, it takes the average driver 41 feet to stop. But on glare ice the same driver could not stop in less than 155 feet! Even with chains on all four wheels it takes 73 feet to stop on glare ice!

MOTORS

Here's a safety hint from the Oil Belt Safety Council:

Don't let your children play in the laundry on wash day. Burns from steam and scalding water can be just as fatal as burns from flames.

Are you one of those motorists with a big-shot complex?

When you're arrested or given a ticket for a traffic violation, do you yelp loud and long, threaten to get the officer's job, call up your political friends and try to get the ticket fixed?

If you do these things, then you are a big-shot only to yourself. To everyone else you are a menace, undermining the laws that were made to protect you, not persecute you.

This message is from the Oil Belt Safety Council.

How can a water pipe cause a fire?

That's easy, says the Oil Belt Safety Council. Water pipes often freeze in winter, and home owners still engage in the hazardous practice of trying to thaw them out with an open flame.

Wrap the frozen section with rags and pour hot water on them. It's just as easy—and a lot safer.

MR. MOTORISTS

If you want to get the greatest enjoyment out of motoring, take that chip off your shoulder.

The Oil Belt Safety Council urges you to keep your sense of humor when another driver cuts across from the left hand lane to make a right turn, or noses into the parking place you have just started to back into. Don't let it ruffle you.

Lover in Chains Ends Up in Irons



Really a slave of love was Melvin Mueller, 30, part time preacher of St. Louis, Mo., who climaxed a 12-year courtship of Miss Edith Perkins by chaining himself to a tree near her home for three days. Arrested, he went on hunger strike and refused to eat until Miss Perkins would bring him food.

Your journey will be safe, and

surprisingly pleasant, if you will regard these drivers with the same indulgence you, do a selfish and ill-mannered boy.

HOUSEWIVES

If you must keep poisons in the house, be sure the medicine cabinet is out of the reach of children.

The bottles should be plainly labeled, because even adults make mistakes. And the Oil Belt Safety Council suggests that pins should be stuck in the cork of the bottle to eliminate the danger of mistaking it at night.

"Come on and get in! There's always room for one more!"

You've heard just such an invitation as that, haven't you? Perhaps you've said the same thing yourself as you started to drive to the beach or home from a dance. A car should not carry more persons than it is designed for, the Oil Belt Safety Council warns. Too many passengers crowd the driver. And an overloaded car handles differently. Overloading was believed to be the cause of a recent accident in which seven occupants of a car were killed. Don't let the same thing happen to you.

Here's your question for today, Mr. Motorist. Suppose you have the right of way at a corner, but another car is speeding toward you on the side street. Will the other car stop? Will you try to beat it across? What will you do?

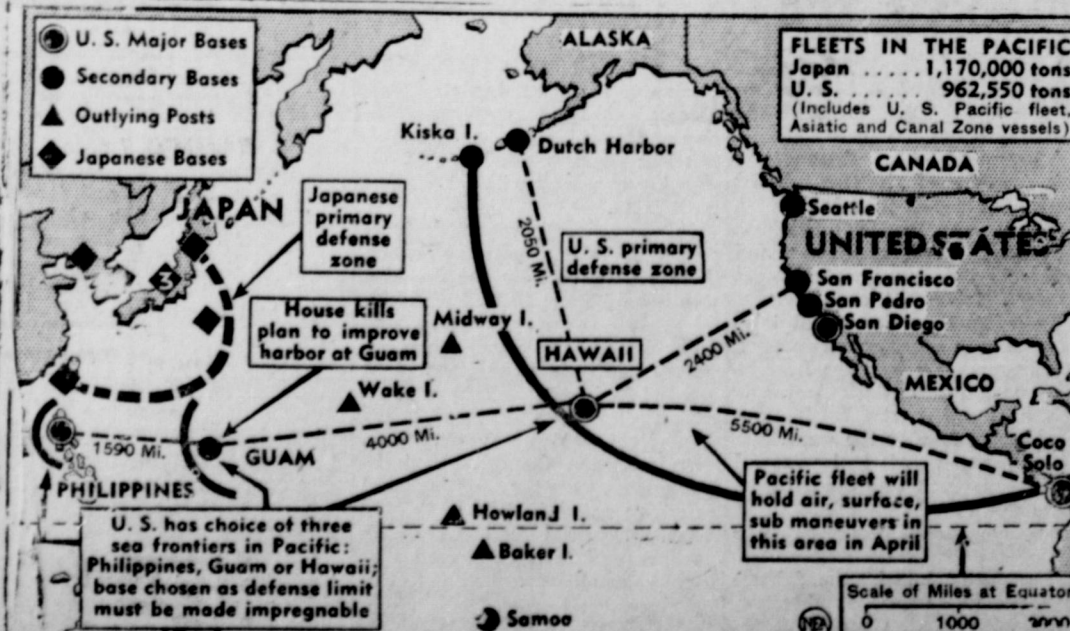
Of course, the answer to that one is easy. The Oil Belt Safety Council points out that a good driver never takes it for granted that he has the right of way. He knows that he will never get into trouble as long as he doesn't assume that the other driver is going to obey all the rules. Such a careful driver not only is safe, but he arrives at his destination relaxed and comfortable.

HOUSEWIVES

If grease or fat catches fire on the stove, don't attempt to put it out with water, the Oil Belt Safety Council says. Water will cause the hot grease to splatter on your arms.

Baking soda or salt will extinguish a small flame. If the fire

Congress Ponders Problem of U. S. Pacific Defense



Problem of the Pacific Ocean rests in the lap of Congress as it debates increased appropriations for more warships and enlarged fortifications for U. S. defense on the western sea. Here's how the question sums up on paper.

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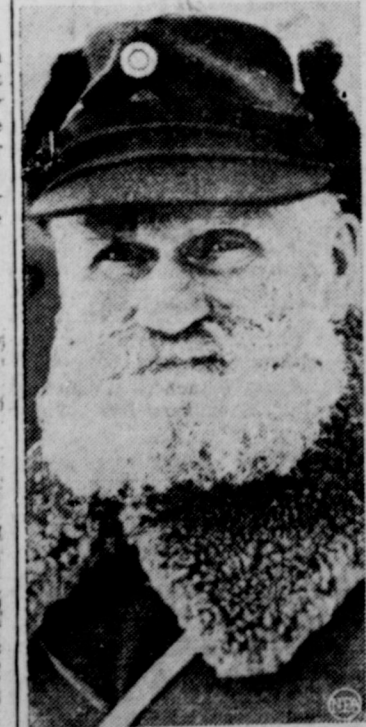
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Ancient Warrior Fights for Finns



The old warrior is coming. This grizzled warrior from Juju is mustered into fighting ranks.

threatens to spread beyond the pan or stove top, throw earth or sand on the burning grease. Above all, don't lose your head and grab a hot pan or skillet with your bare hand. Use a pan holder.

WILD LIFE

BY JOHN R. WOOD
State Game Warden

Quail May Be Purchased

For the past several years the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission has cooperated with Texas sportsmen and their clubs who were interested in purchasing quail to stock certain areas that have a low quail population. There have been about 20,000 trapped in Mexico each year and sold to the sportsmen at one dollar each, this being approximately the actual cost of trapping and shipping one bird. As in past years the Game Department will give one quail to every sportsman who buys one as long as the supply holds out. At this rate the actual cost will be about 50 cents per bird.

The Department will not make less than a shipment of two crates to an order. Therefore any group may get together and order jointly if less than a crate of 25 birds is desired by one person.

It is necessary, however, for one to order birds that the place on which the birds are going to be released must be inspected by an employee of the Game Department for favorable habitat before birds are shipped. In other words one must have a good home for bob-whites before such orders can be filled. In some cases in the past orders have been placed by persons who had a very unfavorable place for these game birds to live, therefore restocking of these areas would be useless, because of the fact that the birds will migrate to more favorable areas, thus the purchaser of the birds would be disappointed in the results of the

restocking program and feel his money has been wasted. Orders for these birds should be made at once and each order should be accompanied with a certified check or money order payable to the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, Austin, Texas. Inspection of the area will be made if such order is placed with Game Department.

Dallas Newspaper Writers In Court

Eddie Barr and Bobby Campbell, members of the editorial staff of the Dallas Journal, were in Eastland and Ranger Monday gathering material for a series of oil stories.

Warmer Weather In Moat Of State

Warmer weather was forecast for most of Texas Tuesday, rains being predicted for tomorrow in the southern part of Eastland and for North and Central as Tuesday.

RELIEVE Pains of SORE THROAT FROM A COLD FAST!

DEMAND GENUINE BAYER ASPIRIN

NOW ONLY IN A TABLET

SERIAL STORY

\$15 A WEEK BY LOUISE HOLMES

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YESTERDAY: Ann sees the boy...

Arriving at the shop, Ann turned this way and that before Mrs. Pringle's admiring eyes.

"How do you like it, Mrs. Pringle?" she asked, shining eyed.

Ann, who had not again mentioned newspaper personals to Mrs. Pringle, smiled radiantly.

Ann took the gardenia from a glass where it had reposed since noon and pinned it to her lapel.

"I can't do it," she sobbed furiously. "Darn it all—what's the matter with me? I'm a coward."

Her chin wobbled and her voice shook. "For fun and excitement, I've put on the brakes for so long that I can't let go."

After a while Ann lifted her head and stared about the cluttered room. This and another room, not quite so cluttered but no more beautiful, were her life.

Ann again applied a scented pad to her face. She put on fresh powder. She pulled the little hat to just the right angle.

She had decided upon a course. She'd locate herself in the reading room where she could view the Blasfield painting without being seen.

The waitresses laughed and joked among themselves and Ann envied them. Friends. Did they appreciate what it meant to have friends?

As she left the drug store she heard a bus boy whistle. "Class," he said, obviously referring to her.

(To Be Continued)

ALLEY OOP

By Hamlin



FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS-



BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

By BRUCE CATTON NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Back of the fight over Communism in the American Youth Congress there was an attempt to establish a new American youth movement on a broader and much more conservative bases.

Murray Plavner, the young New Yorker who came to town and led the fight to drive Communists out of the Congress, was really seeking far more than a simple "purge" of the organization.

What he had in mind was a Youth Congress which would contain no Communists or "fellow travelers," but which would contain such groups as the Boy Scouts and the Catholic youth groups, and which would enjoy the support of the American Legion and substantial business interests.

GETS BACKING IN YOUTH FIGHT

PLAVNER did not make his fight as an unsupported free lance. For some years he has worked for Victor Ridder, New York publisher and former WPA administrator in New York, as a writer and advertising representative. On his arrival in Washington, he issued a long statement denouncing the Youth Congress's record in regard to Communism—a statement signed by Ridder and a number of prominent citizens.

Plavner did not have definite, binding promises of adherence or support from the groups which he hoped to see given dominant places in the Youth Congress; but he was in intimate touch with people who are highly important in those groups.

Ridder, for instance, is a director both of the Boy Scouts and of the Catholic Youth, as well as of the Boys' Clubs of America, Homer L. Challaux, another signer of the statement Plavner issued, directs the Legion's National American-

ism Commission. Another signer was John M. Schiff, a director of the Boy Scouts; another was Gene Tunney, who like Ridder is a director of the Boy Scouts, Catholic Youth, and Boys' Clubs of America.

DROPS PLAN FOR SEPARATE ORGANIZATION

DURING the fall, Plavner had in mind setting up a rival group to the American Youth Congress. He discarded that plan, however. Now he says:

"There can't be two youth movements. There's only room for one."

"It can continue to be a Communist front, or it can be truly representative of all American youth and make a real effort to solve youth's problems instead of simply trying to undermine youth's confidence in our institutions. I hope it can be a genuinely representative group."

SHIES AWAY FROM U. S. SUBSIDIES

ONE often-overlooked item in the whole Youth Congress argument is the federal youth-aid program demanded by the Congress, and presently embodied in the bill recently introduced by Senator Murray of Montana.

This bill would set up a new National Youth Administration, would guarantee public works jobs to all unemployed youth (at minimum wages of \$12.50 a week) and would provide for an elaborate system of educational aids—all at a cost of around \$500,000,000 a year.

Plavner remarks that this program is just too expensive to be practical right now, and looks forward to a Youth Congress which would be enough in the good graces of business and industrial leaders to be able to work out re-employment programs in industry without government subsidies.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

SNOW BUNTINGS CAN GO ABOUT FEEDING COMFORTABLY IN WEATHER THAT IS 35 DEGREES BELOW ZERO.



WHERE DID THESE DOGS ORIGINATE? PUG, SEALYHAM, TERRIER, BULLDOG AND POMERANIAN

OCEANOGRAPHERS SAY: CATALINA ISLAND MAY BE ABOUT 30 MILLION YEARS OLDER THAN OTHER NEARBY ISLANDS.



ANSWER: Pug, China; Sealyham terrier, Wales; bulldog, England; Pomeranian, Pomerania.

RED RYDER

By Hamlin



High 4-H Honor Is Given Oldenite

Margaret Blount, assistant county home agent, announced today that she has been notified that Verda Jean Spurlin of Olden has been selected as one of Texas' 100 Gold Star Club girls.

The girls were chosen on the basis of their 1939 records. In the following paragraphs Miss Spurlin discusses her 4-H club work:

When joining the 4-H club for the fourth year's work, I joined with the determination to do my best to win Gold Star Girl of Eastland County. To do this I knew that I must complete all of the goals, and keep my work up to date. I am so happy to say that I won.

In my first three years work I had won prizes at the county fair with many of my entries. I attended the county achievement days; the 4-H encampment; rally days; and all the club Sundays. I have attended the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth and have won one

trip to the A. & M. Short Course at College Station.

In my Sewing Demonstration during the year of 1939, I made for myself one mannish tailored suit; five dresses; a pair of pajamas; one slip; and hemstitched a luncheon set. I have also helped the other members of my family with their sewing. A large standard closet was made for my room to properly store my clothes. With the help of my father I made a hat and shoe rack which was first place at the county fair. I added twelve clothes racks to our closet.

Each year I have kept account of my clothing. From September of 1938 to September of 1939 the cost of my clothing was \$55.65. I spent \$30.58 on outer clothing; \$16.31 on footwear; \$4.36 on accessories; \$2.35 on underclothing and sleeping garments, and \$2.15 on underwear. Most of these I have bought with my own earnings from my productive demonstration.

For my productive demonstration my older sister and I carried on a berry demonstration. We had

one acre of blackberries. The patch is hoed at least three times before they bloom. We kept an account of each gallon picked and sold. There were 399 1-2 gallons picked; 90 1-2 gallons sold, and others went to pickers as their part; enough for our family use was picked and canned or put up as jams and jellies. We paid my younger brother and sister fifteen cents for each two gallons they picked. They received \$6.00. My sister and I each made \$25.00. This made a total of \$56.00 that was received from our berry demonstration.

Since we have about 300 fruit trees of peaches, plums, apricots, persimmons; and two grape vineyards our family does lots of canning. I know that I have done my part in helping with this.

I have two older sisters who have been Gold Star girls. One won this honor in 1932 and another in 1938. I have a brother in second year club work and a sister in first year club work. They are working and are looking forward to being gold star girls and boys.

Safe Drivers To Receive Awards of Engraved Watches

TULSA, Okla.—For the purpose of recognizing supervisors and drivers of automobiles and trucks who have the best safety records in each of the four main divisions of the oil industry—production, pipe line, refining and marketing—and to emphasize to the public the safety records of the petroleum industry, the 1940 International Petroleum Exposition will award twelve engraved gold watches on the basis of accident-free records of individuals, according to W. H. Bogress, chairman of the Safety Committee for the May 18 to 25 Tulsa oil show. Bogress is superintendent of Safety for the Sinclair Prairie Oil Company at Tulsa. The awards will be given in each of the four main divisions of

the industry—production, refining, pipeline and marketing. Four foremen or supervisors in each division who have the greatest number of accident-free man-hours of work up to and including December 31, 1939 will be given awards. Four prizes are to be awarded drivers of passenger cars and four to drivers of company trucks with the greatest number of accident-free miles accumulated up to and

including December 31, 1939—the basis of the awards.

The twelve men winners will be recognized at the Safety banquet to be held May 23 by the Exposition during the oil show.

Official rules and entry forms may be obtained by addressing R. S. Huffman, Box 871, Tulsa, and no entries will be accepted by the committee after the deadline on April 20, 1940.

FAST-ROLLED SMOKES? RIGHT THIS WAY!

GIVE ME PRINCE ALBERT FOR SPEEDIER ROLLING, RICHER, TASTIER SMOKING! P.A. IS A GRAND VALUE!

In recent laboratory "smoking bowl" tests, Prince Albert burned 86 DEGREES COOLER than the average of the 39 other of the largest-selling brands tested—coolest of all!

THERE'S no mess or fumbling when you twirl up Prince Albert "makin'" smokes. P.A. HANDLES EASY—rolls up fast, neat, trim. It's "crimp cut"! And oh, how MILD it smokes. Prince Albert is the COOLER-BURNING tobacco. RICH TASTE, RIPE BODY, and SWELL AROMA come through MELLOW, MILD! Try Prince Albert today. It's the National Joy Smoke. (Sweet advice for pipe fans, too!)



PRINCE ALBERT THE NATIONAL JOY SMOKE

Society Notes

CALENDAR TONIGHT
Y. W. A., 7:30, in the home of Miss Marzelle Wright.

Woman's Day Wednesday
The monthly session of Woman's Day luncheon will be held Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Woman's Clubhouse with the Alpha Delphian Club as host.

Mrs. H. H. Durham will give the book review for the day, reviewing "Immortal Ease."

During the session the linen chest of the Music Study Club will be given away, officials announced today.

Reservations should be made not later than noon Tuesday, Feb. 27, to Mrs. L. C. Brown, Mrs. J. LeRoy Arnold and Mrs. D. J. Fiensy.

B. & P. W. C. of Meet
The business meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Eastland will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the Connellee Hotel in room 210.

Mrs. James Horton will review John Steinbeck's "Grapes of Wrath" at the meeting. All members were urged to be present.

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PRIVATE COACHING for school children. Experienced teacher. Call 334-J.

WILL PAY one dollar per square (10 ft. x 10 ft.) for building rock at two inches thick delivered Olden.—C. H. EVERETT, Junior.

BELL HURST Chicks from pedigreed flocks. Large English White Leghorns, White Giants, R. I. Reds. Custom hatching set every Monday. Bell Hurst Ranch, Eastland, Texas.

WOULD YOU like to own your home with modern conveniences, 5 acres level bottom land, all cleared located at edge of Eastland city limits on paved road. Room for cows, chickens, pigs, garden, in fact live at home. If you have a good credit record and a reasonable income I have a proposition that will interest you. Very little cash required. R. F. WYNNE, West Side Lumber Co.

LET A LOCAN MAN do your mattress renovating. See McCORD at 303 N. Dixie Street. One-day service.

WANTED—Large second hand baby bed. Call 601, or apply at 508 S. Daugherty.

APARTMENT FOR RENT, all bills paid, \$3 per week. Only couples desired. 413 South Daugherty street.

WEY NOT try my meals. During week 30c; Sundays 35c.—MRS. A. M. STOKES, 305 North Daugherty.

Political Announcements

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

For Congress, 17th District: OTIS (OAT) MILLER of Jones County

For Assessor-Collector: CLYDE S. KARKALITS

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

For Sheriff: LOSS WOODS

For Criminal District Attorney: EARL CONNER, JR.

For County Judge: W. S. ADAMSON
R. L. RUST

For County Treasurer: GARLAND BRANTON

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: HENRY V. DAVENPORT

For District Clerk: JOHN WHITE



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

6th District Institute Brownwood Tuesday
Tuesday morning, Feb. 27, the Club Institute of the 6th District Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, will convene in Brownwood at 10 o'clock at Hotel Brownwood.

Mrs. M. H. Hagaman is president of the District.

Mrs. Alex Spears of Cisco will preside during the day's session which has for its theme "Our Federation." The period will open with song service and pledge to the flag.

Invocation will be given by Mrs. Gid Calloway of Brownwood, followed by welcome by Mrs. David Henley of Brownwood. Responses by Mrs. Mason Altman.

Reports of district chairmen will precede the round-table discussion on District Objectives led by Mrs. Hagaman and assisted by Mrs. James Horton.

Greetings from Colorado City club will be brought by Mrs. C. C. Thompson.

Safety discussion will be given by Mrs. C. E. May of Ranger, followed with a vocal selection by Mrs. Leta N. Shelton.

Luncheon will be served at 12:15 with re-assembly at 1:45. The afternoon period opens with musical program by the Violin Trio of Daniel Baker College.

Open forum, discussion led by Mrs. Greenleaf Fisk of Abilene.

Miss Ethel Foster of Sterling City will discuss the Golden Jubilee of the TFWC.

Birthday Parties will be discussed by Mrs. C. H. Fee of Cisco.

The closing address of the day will be given by Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins, state president of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



FOR A FEW EVENINGS BEFORE AND AFTER FEBRUARY 28TH, ALL FIVE NAKED EYE PLANETS CAN BE SEEN IN THE WESTERN SKY. MERCURY, VENUS, MARS, JUPITER AND SATURN.

MOHOGANY COMES FROM WHAT KIND OF TREE?

ANSWER: Mahogany tree, of tropical America.

Eastland Personals

Miss Josephine Riek, Mrs. Virgil Ballou of Ranger and Miss Ava Grindstaff of Desdemona were visitors Sunday in Ballinger.

Miss Sybil Holder and Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Holder of Cisco spent the past week-end in Stanton. They were accompanied as far as Merkel by Miss Opal Huskey, who will return to Eastland after a few days visit there.

Miss Lillian Caldwell was a visitor in Cisco, Sunday.

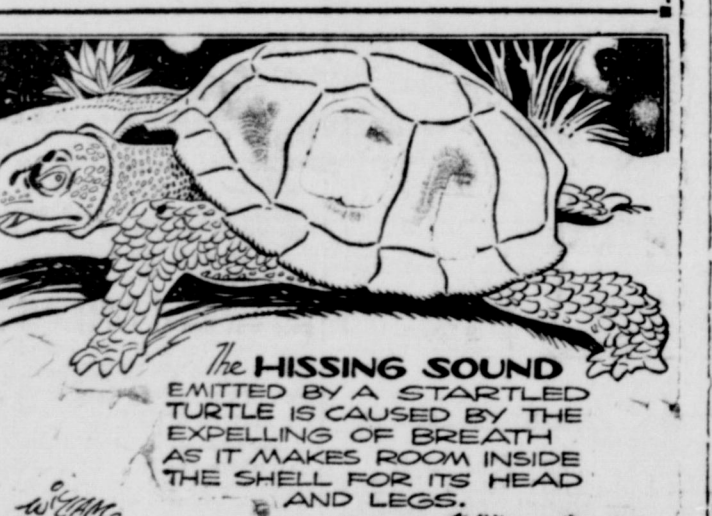
Judges Hear Pleas On Conductors for Pullman Cars

AUSTIN, Texas—Federal Judges, who sat here to pass on a railroad commission order requiring conductors for Pullman cars at all times when the cars are being used, heard that the order would require 17 1-3 more Pullman conductors in Texas.

They learned further that to put one conductor on a car operated at night would take not one conductor but a conductor and a quarter.

Before the judges got to studying what a third of a conductor or a fourth of a conductor would do and what part of him would be utilized, it became apparent that Pullman company officials were talking only in terms of man-

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



ABOUT ONE-THIRD OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK LIES ABOVE TIMBERLINE.

IN A VENDETTA WOULD ONE BE MORE ADPT TO USE A LIBRETTO OR A STILETTO?

ANSWER: A stiletto.

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power, not actual men.

It takes a man and a quarter to do one night conductor's work because labor contracts require that a man at night work shall be given relief every fifth night.

Most of the Pullman cars that are operated for short distances when single Pullman cars are taken of fa through train. At Harlingen a Pullman is dropped with a porter to go to Brownsville while other Pullman cars with both porters and a conductor go on to Mission.

Between Ennis and Fort Worth a car is operated without a conductor while other cars with the

conductor go via Dallas.

Porters who operate cars without a conductor get additional pay. All conductors are white; all porters, negroes. All porters on the non-conductor cars in Texas are Texas negroes. Officials say they are veterans picked on the priority list for long satisfactory service.

Next to the approval of sectional political bosses, the thing presidential candidates seek most these days is a word of damnation from John L. Lewis.

Legislature to Have A New Scoreboard

AUSTIN, Texas—Texas House of Representatives will have a new scoreboard for the 1941 legislative season.

Like a parimutuel board at race tracks, it will be operated mechanically, to show results.

On the board the names of the 150 representatives appear in rows. Like the old electric board that has been in use in the house for 18 years, it will record all votes, but will make the permanent record by perforations. The old board photographed the vote for a record.

Smaller boards on either side will advise members of the status of the voting just as the speaker now is advised by a small recording board on his desk. Whether this will be an advantage remains to be demonstrated. It may cause a rush of votes to the popular side or it may give a member the advantage of refusing to go on record, if he sees the proposition will be decided the way he wishes without his vote.

Early Rising Saves A Preacher's Family

CHILDRESS, Tex.—Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy, wise, and in the case of the Rev. Rank Travis' family—alive.

The wisest habit the pastor ever formed was that of getting up early in the morning. He awakened recently just in time to save his family from asphyxiation. A leaking gas stove which had been left on all night would have killed the family of four, it was estimated, in another hour.

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ALLEY OOP - - - - - By Fred Harman



Wage Hour Laws To Be Discussed At A Meeting In Paris

PARIS, Tex.—A meeting will be held in Paris soon for a round-table discussion by representatives of border towns of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas of means of seeking congressional relief from asserted hardships imposed under present application of the federal wage and hour statute.

The session will be sponsored by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce and will be held on a date to be announced within a few days.

Complaining business men have told and written the chamber that many lines of business in cities and towns on or near state borders sell merchandise to out-of-state customers, thus placing them in the "engaged in interstate commerce" classification of the feder-

al law.

The business men assert that in all cases the business done across state borders comprises only a small part of their total volume, whereas their entire operating setup is under the stringent wage and hour regulations. These regulations, the merchants complain, boost their cost of doing business and put them under a competitive handicap with other small city merchants in similar businesses.

Is as much as the situation is the same in border towns throughout the country, General Manager Hubert Harrison of the East Texas Chamber said that a petition will be drafted at the meeting to point out to congress the inequalities caused by the present interpretation of the wage-hour legislation.

Harrison said it is the hope of the sponsors of the meeting that congress will work out an amendment to the wage-hour law to give relief to businesses handicapped in "border towns."

Safety Record and Car Both Smashed

LUBBOCK, Tex.—"I guess just couldn't stand prosperity," said Jack Douglas, vice president and general manager of the South Plains Automobile Club.

Recently he was awarded a bronze plaque by the National Safety Foundation. He had driven more than 1,000,000 miles without an accident.

You guessed it. Not long afterward, Douglas had a smashup. His car and a truck collided near Abilene. His machine was badly damaged, as was his driving record.

Father Coughlin stirred up more attention by not speaking than he has through most of his broadcasts. That might be a hint.

The Balkans intend to mint their own business—if they can get used to all those people looking over their shoulders.

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