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PARACHUTE TROOPS LAND IN HOLLAND

British Troops Pouring In Upon Belgium

TANKS, HEAVY CANNON NOW BEHIND LINES

Instant Air Raid Alarms Fail To Dim Reception of Rejoicing Belgians

By RICHARD D. McMILLAN
United Press Staff Correspondent
WITH THE BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE IN BELGIUM, by 10—(Delayed)—Thousands of British troops poured over the border from France today and are taking up battle stations behind tanks and guns of all description, including new weapons on the British secret list.

I accompanied the British force which began crossing the frontier shortly after daybreak. The movement of troops continued all day and by the time the last were crossing the frontier the first units were miles inland.

The roads over which the B. E. F. passed were strewn with flowers which Belgian girls had scattered before the rumbling tanks, anti-tank guns and heavy cannon. German and British airplanes were circling in the blue sky, but most constant air raid alarms failed to dim the welcome by the Belgians. Belgian civilians aided German officials in tearing down steel posts along the frontier. In some places, heavy and light British tanks began moving across, even before the posts were removed.

The troops were in high spirits, passing through Flanders under circumstances far more promising of an early victory than those under which their fathers marched in the mud in 1914.

"It was striking to observe the rapidity with which the B. E. F. moved," one witness said. "The whole army, with anti-tank guns and heavy howitzers, is all mechanized. They moved like one great machine and, moreover, moved in safety, for overhead, Royal Air Force fighters were keeping watch day and night to smash any German attempts to repeat the tactics in Poland and Norway, that of machine gunning the advancing columns."

"I was told that the B. E. F. advance was a model of military strategy, that it was '100 per cent perfect in precision and rapidity and executed with not a single mechanical breakdown.'"

As the troops entered the first Belgian village the inhabitants rushed out to greet them with hugs of beer. The troops, thirsty from the heat and dust, gladly accepted.

The mechanized army was not hindered by German bombers. Not a single man was afoot. They rode in trucks well equipped with anti-aircraft guns manned by soldiers who had been kept waiting many months for this zero hour. Others were aboard heavy and light tanks and anti-tank guns. Scouts on motorcycles were racing in all directions.

Many of the vehicles were named after famous race horses. One was dubbed "Old Bill," a fictitious British character of World War days.

The soldiers shouted and cheered as they crossed the frontier. One sergeant shouted, "We are in, boys!"

French troops moving up, like the British, wore sprigs of lilac or lily-of-the-valley in their helmets, some of the English youths calling out to Belgian girls, "Which way to Berlin?" One Tommy carried a sign reading, "Berlin or Bust."

Another sign read, "Now for Hitler."

The first man into Belgium was a Canadian officer in the Royal Air Force. He had been forced to land in Belgium after shooting down a German plane while on patrol and was not aware of the German invasion. When he sought out a Belgian guard to surrender, the guard replied, "But you are our allies now; look, there is your army."

One of the most astonishing aspects of the advance was the vast amount of equipment which had moved into Belgium. Huge quantities of materials had been stored in woods and thickets on the side for months.

Airmen Enroute To Meet Stop Off In Ranger Saturday

Seven airplanes, enroute to the air meet at Stamford, stopped at the Ranger airport Saturday morning, and were joined there by Russell B. Miller and Glenn Stallings, who accompanied them to Stamford.

Those who arrived Saturday morning were Houston Douglas of Stephenville in a Cub, N. C. 21-041; another Cub from Stephenville; Jack V. Newland and C. D. Whately of Waco in a Cub, N. C. 23872; C. E. Howard and E. C. Clark of Waco in a Stinson, N. C. 23738; R. R. Devore in an Aerona, N. C. 330 of Fort Worth; B. F. Williams and C. A. Miles of Liberty in a Stinson, N. C. 23028, and E. E. Paxton of El Dorado, Ark., in a Stinson, N. C. 21126.

Sadler Believes 15-Day Shutdown May Be Needed

By United Press
AUSTIN, Texas, May 11.—Texas Railroad Commissioner Jerry Sadler today said that unless conditions change immediately he believes it will be necessary for the commission to shut down Texas oil fields for the last five days in May and the first 10 days in June.

Sadler said crude oil stocks in the United States now stand at more than 300,000,000 (M) barrels of oil and 155,000 barrels of oil daily is going into storage in Texas.

He said that development of the foreign situation, particularly in Scandinavia, is largely responsible for the situation.

"Several major companies have reported that they are going to have to reduce their nominations for June by 25 per cent," Sadler said. "In North Texas and in many West Texas pools we already have pipeline proration in effect and purchases are not taking on new connections. This is further evidence of waste."

Com. Ernest O. Thompson recently predicted a 15-cent barrel increase in oil prices if the Texas production is held down to market demand as reported by the Federal Bureau of Mines in a three-month order for June, July and August.

The commission hearing at which production after May 31 will be considered by the Commission has been called for May 20.

Thompson reiterated that opinion today and predicted the advance in price by Aug. 1 if all oil states keep production within Bureau of Mines estimates.

"Premiums now are being paid for crude oil in several fields," he said. "Production is being greatly reduced. Consumption is approaching the peak period of the year."

Commission Chairman Lon A. Smith thought that additional idiosyncrasies may be necessary unless conditions change."

"We may have to order additional closing," Smith said, "but we will hold our time pending developments at the statewide hearing."

Bullock Club Has Meeting On Friday

The Bullock 4-H Club met Friday, May 10, in the home of Mrs. Wilson, the sponsor.

Miss Margaret Ploum, assistant home demonstration agent, told the club of plans for the summer vacation. The members talked over plans for a trip to Carlsbad Caverns and to decide which girl would be named to make the trip to the A. & M. College short course.

Also discussed were bedrooms and the poultry goals.

Members present were Bernice Hutton, Lena Mae Bishop, Lillian Ruth Sudderth, Maxine Beck, Lillian Adams, Norma Jean Howard and Helen Dempsey.

BELGIANS ARE HOLDING BACK NAZI ATTACK

By LUCCA RIZZARDI
United Press Staff Correspondent
BRUSSELS, May 11.—Belgian troops, led by King Leopold, held off the Germans on land and in the air today, a noon war office communique said.

"Contact with the enemy is being maintained at many points," the communique said. "Overnight German parachutists descended at many points but a majority were captured. German bombers were active and many places were bombed."

"Fifteen German planes were shot down."

An earlier Belgian communique had announced that Belgian army units were fighting German invaders along the Albert Canal, the River Meuse and in the Ardennes.

There was intense activity at many points as the Belgians strove desperately to ward off the menace of German parachute forces.

Three air raid alarms sounded in Brussels this morning and five bombs fell in a German airplane attack at dawn.

Parachutists were reported landing in military areas to cut barbed wire entanglements and to set up concealed machine gun posts.

German aerial bombardments of Antwerp yesterday resulted in 30 casualties, it was learned today.

German planes today bombed Alois, causing some civilian casualties. The towns of Termonde and Hasselt also were subjected to numerous air raids.

German air raids apparently were directed against Belgian railroads but although a number of civilian casualties were caused the raids were described as unsuccessful.

Reports from Antwerp said that bombs which fell there Friday damaged a motor road. German aerial attacks also were directed against the port of Antwerp.

Military reports said that thus far German advances on land in Belgium were unimportant and confined to the actual frontier, which was not strongly defended.

Prizes In Ranger Golf Tournament Have Been Bought

More than \$300 worth of prizes have been purchased for the medalist, winner of the driving contest, winner of each flight, runner-up of each flight and consolation winners in the Ranger Country Club's annual invitation golf tournament, which will be staged May 31, June 1 and 2.

Jack Mooney, president of the club, has announced that all plans have been completed for the tournament and that the prizes have been purchased and are now on display in the show window of the J. C. Penney store in Banger.

Medalist will be given a radio and winners of the driving contest will be presented 12 Top-Flight golf balls.

Winner of the championship flight will receive a 17-jewel wrist watch; runner-up will be given a leather golf bag and consolation winner will be given a pair of golf shoes.

Winner of the second flight will receive a set of matched woods, runner-up will get a pair of golf shoes and consolation winner will receive 12 golf balls.

Winner of the third flight will get a golf slack suit; runner-up will get a pair of golf shoes and consolation winner will get 12 golf balls.

Winners of the fourth, fifth, sixth and any other flights, will receive suits of golf slacks, runner-up in each flight will receive a pair of golf shoes and consolation winners will receive 12 golf balls.

Home Town Speaker For Ranger Named

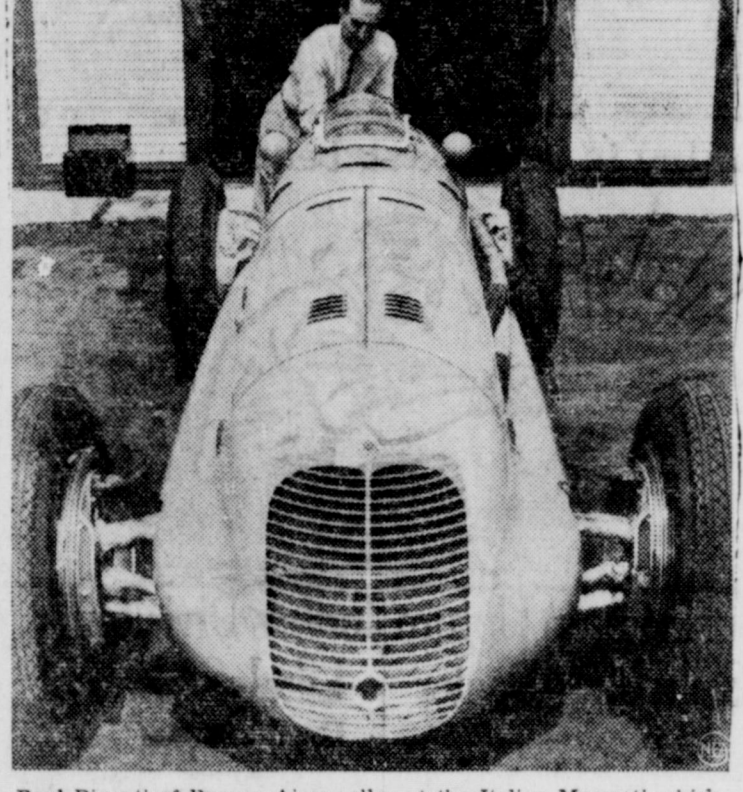
Betty Gorman, a senior in Ranger High School, has been selected to represent Ranger in the "My Home Town" contest of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention at Big Spring, it was announced Saturday. Miss Gorman was selected in a contest among pupils of the school.

Miss Gorman will be in Big Spring in time to compete in the preliminaries on Friday afternoon, May 18, at 5 o'clock. Preliminaries will start Thursday and the finals will be held Saturday.

McKinney Woman Is A Victim Of A Fire

McKINNEY, Texas, May 11.—Miss Sarah Berry, a long-time resident of McKinney, burned to death today when fire destroyed her home. The elderly woman, known as one of North Texas' leading dress makers, lived alone.

Foreign Threat in 500-Mile Race



Raul Riganti of Buenos Aires rolls out the Italian Maserati which he'll pilot at the Indianapolis Speedway, May 30. Riganti is the first foreign competitor in the 500-mile race since 1933.

COUNTY QUOTA FOR WAR AID IS ANNOUNCED

R. C. Kinnaird, chairman of the Eastland County Chapter of the American Red Cross, has received a telegram from Norman H. Davis, national chairman, that a quota of \$1,140 has been set for Eastland County for relief of men, women and children who are civilian victims of enemy bombers in Europe.

Kinnaird has allotted quotas to the principal towns of the county asking that each local chairman contact his local committee in an attempt to raise the amounts. Quotas allotted included \$275 for Ranger and Cisco, \$300 for Eastland, \$150 for Rising Star, \$100 for Gorman, \$50 for Desdemona, \$50 for Olden and \$25 for Carbon. Additional funds are expected to be raised from the rural communities, Kinnaird said.

The telegram which the national chairman sent reads as follows: "With the invasion of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg, the war has entered a phase which will inevitably and at once, bring widespread and appalling suffering to millions of helpless men, women and children. In order to inaugurate widespread measures the American Red Cross is at once launching a campaign for a minimum war relief fund of \$10,000,000. Your chapter quota is \$1,140. Please at once mobilize the entire leadership of your community in order that your quota may be raised, and exceeded, without delay."

Immediately upon receipt of the telegram Kinnaird visited the communities to which he assigned quotas and urged each to do its part in this humanitarian work.

Ten WPA Libraries Are In Operation In Eastland County

The WPA Library Project of the Work Projects Administration, a project of the Professional and Service Division of District 7, has workers in ten communities in Eastland County. Each month 14,500 books are circulated throughout the county by these workers.

In these libraries the WPA clerks perform various duties. They circulate and make records of books in the libraries; keep the libraries in order; arrange posters and displays to encourage reading, file cards and do other library work. Repairing old and worn books is an important feature, 430 books being rehabilitated each month.

The public has been extended an invitation to visit this and all other Professional and Service Division Projects in Eastland County, from May 20 through May 25, when "This Work Pays Your Community" week will be observed.

Candidates For Graduation At Eastland High

Candidates for graduation were announced this week by school officials of Eastland High School.

Miss Winnie Pitzer is class valedictorian with an average of 95.39 for her four years in high school. Miss Gene Petros is salutatorian with an average of 95.31. Both girls have been outstanding during all their years of formal education.

Baccalaureate services will be held May 19, and commencement exercises May 24.

The list of candidates is: Mary Fay Beskow, Georgia Mae Bishop, Francis Brock, Marjorie Butler, Lillie Dale Chambers, Jane Coplen, Ed Freyschlag, Bobby Furse, Bob Galloway, Virginia Garrett, Theima Gibson, Margaret Harris, Wendell Hickerson, Beth Lambert, Martin Jeanne Lister, Ruby O'Neill, Ruby Owen, Gene Petros, Winnie Pitzer, Amy P. Poole, Alva Roper, Gerry Russell, Neal Samuels, Wortham Seale, Sidney Scott, M. C. Sparr, Donald Tow, Henry Watkins, Alma Williamson, Melba Wood, R. Q. Jackson.

Mental Patient Is Taken To Hospital

Loss Woods, sheriff of Eastland County, transported a mental patient to the hospital at Big Spring Friday, where she will be given care and treatment.

The woman taken to the hospital was declared insane in county court at Eastland during the week, making the third hearing of the kind conducted in the courthouse in seven days.

CONGRESS NOW READY TO MAKE DEFENSE PLANS

By JOHN R. BEAL
United Press Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON, May 11.—Congress prepared today to spend additional millions—maybe as much as \$500,000,000—to speed up national preparedness on land, sea and in the air.

President Roosevelt was expected to ask Congress within a few days to increase the \$2,000,000,000 already appropriated this year—the biggest defense budget in peace times. Forecasts of the increase ran as high as \$500,000,000.

The President's request is expected as soon as he decides on the amount. Congressional committees indicated that they were ready to act at once.

Army and Navy officials told Congress earlier this year that supplemental requests would be made. Needs now are being hurriedly revised in the light of the embroilment of western Europe in war.

The general defense program has been outlined to congressional committees by the army and navy. Secretary of the Navy Charles Edison has told a house appropriations subcommittee that the navy would need another \$400,000,000.

Capt. George C. Marshall, chief of staff of the army, was less specific, but he said that the army's urgent need was for money to recruit and equip 15,000 men immediately and to start procuring equipment for a protective mobilization force of 1,000,000 men, which would cost \$240,000,000.

An 11 per cent increase in the navy's authorized tonnage still is pending in the senate. It has been approved by the senate naval affairs committee and probably will be reported next week.

Chairman Carl Vinson of the house naval affairs committee announced that he would begin an investigation Tuesday to determine whether the navy needs more air strength.

The army was believed ready to ask for money to purchase immediately 200 big-four-engine bombers costing \$400,000 each, and about 300 other planes so that its full authorized strength of 6,000 planes may be reached by July 1, 1941.

Authoritative estimates of the complete cost of a 1,000,000-man protective force—including equipment, aircraft, weapons and other essentials—were placed at about \$1,500,000, but congressmen doubted that more than one-third that sum would be asked for at present.

Possible additional naval requests included:

- Funds to increase the present personnel of 142,000 to 152,000.
- Congress refused that item in the regular budget estimate for 1941.
- Renewal of a request for \$20,000,000 for anti-submarine nets to protect vital harbors on the east and west coasts, in the Caribbean and at Hawaii.

Netherlands Queen Appeals To Italy To Guard The Dutch

THE HAGUE, May 11.—Queen Wilhelmina today appealed to King Victor Emmanuel of Italy to use his influence to help guard Dutch civilians "against the evils of war." She asked the king to aid in obtaining respect of belligerents for principles of humanity.

Giles Rules There Is No Vacancy In Land Being Claimed

By United Press
AUSTIN, Texas, May 11.—State Land Commissioner Bascom Giles today rejected three applications of Joyce Richardson of Houston to lease 350 acres in the Hastings Oil Field of Harris county which was claimed to be vacant school land. Giles ruled no vacancy existed.

Giles approved two applications for purchase of vacant unsurveyed school land in Calhoun and Duval counties. He sustained the application of Kathleen L. Welder, John Welder and Lola Welder Children of Victoria for 2,331 acres in Calhoun county and awarded J. Oleott Phillips, Fort Worth, a one-sixteenth oil, gas, sulphur and other minerals royalty on it. The state retained one-sixteenth oil and gas royalty and one-eighth of sulphur production.

The other approval was on an application of P. McBride of Duval county to purchase 27 acres in Duval county. On this tract E. Clyde Patterson of Hillsboro was awarded a sixteenth oil, gas and sulphur royalty and the state retained one-eighth because the tract is within five miles of a producing oil well.

Job 50 Years

MIDDLETOWN, Conn.—When her father, a freight agent, found himself short of help 51 years ago, Miss Edith M. Durham took a "temporary" job to help out. She liked the work so well she remained in the office for more than a half a century.

Senate May Reject Abolishment Of Air Safety Board

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Opponents of President Roosevelt's plan to abolish the air safety board and transfer the Civil Aeronautics Authority to the commerce department predicted today that the senate would reject it by at least "a half dozen votes."

The proposal, incorporated in Mr. Roosevelt's fourth reorganization order, already has been turned down by the house. Senate disapproval would kill it, at least for this session of congress.

The senate reorganization committee late yesterday voted five to three against a resolution sponsored by Sen. Pat McCarran, D., Nev. to reject the entire reorganization order. McCarran indicated that he would attempt to place his resolution before the senate when it reconvenes Monday.

Meanwhile, house proponents of the Hatch "clean politics" bill obtained five additional signatures to their petition to take the measure out of the judiciary committee, bringing the total number of signers to 138. A total of 218 is necessary to make the petition effective.

Latest names added were those of Reps. J. Harold Flannery, R., John C. Martin, Ill., and Donald L. O'Toole, N. Y., all democrats, and George N. Seger, N. J., and Joshua L. Johns, Wis., republicans.

Demonstrations Against British Staged In Italy

ROME, May 11.—Anti-British demonstrations occurred in Rome today after Premier Benito Mussolini had led applause in the senate where Admiral Domenico Cavagnari said that Italy's position in the Mediterranean must be changed.

A Hollander was reported to have been pushed around while attempting to tear down anti-British posters which appeared overnight on walls of hotels catering to foreigners.

More than 100 students, some of them wearing fascist uniforms, marched through the streets, shouting "down with democracies."

The students demonstrated in front of a tobacco shop selling British cigarettes. They were dispersed.

The posters which appeared overnight discussed "England's failure" and the "collapse of the democracies." Others said "be aware of England's help" and "grave menace for England."

In his speech before the senate Admiral Cavagnari, under secretary of the navy, criticized the Allied blockade.

World's Fair Opens With Peace Theme By Warring Nations

NEW YORK, May 11.—The 1940 edition of the \$155,000,000 New York World's Fair opened today with war-orphaned and warring nations sponsoring the dedicatory theme, "peace and freedom."

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The principal ceremony of the day were re-dedication exercises in the Court of Peace. One of the speakers was Y. A. Palotimo, the Finnish commissioner general to the fair.

SPECTACULAR AIR MANEUVER USED BY NAZIS

By JOE ALEX MORRIS
United Press Foreign News Editor
Adolf Hitler launched a spectacular parachute invasion of Belgium and Holland today in an effort to cut the ground front under Allied armed forces on the new battle front in Northern Europe.

Hundreds of Nazi airplanes swarmed over the low countries, dropping fully-equipped soldiers at strategic points while German armies hammered at the Belgian and Dutch frontier defenses.

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THE WEATHER
WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy Sunday with thundershowers over mountains in Southwest portion. Warmer Sunday.

SERIAL STORY

BET ON LOVE

BY CHARLES B. PARMER

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FRIDAY, Pepper Boy loses \$700. Sherry congratulates her. She tells her Pepper Boy she has won with a heavier bet. A strange man questions her about the bet. She says she is worried about money to meet her \$700. She over-ruled and Uncle Willie, Ted and her \$700.

CHAPTER XV

RY flung open the tack-room door, looked inside. Willie's face bagged, his hands up, was backed against the side wall. An infuriated man was facing him, but a new man stood out in a halo of own curls, as if she'd just stepped from a beauty parlor. All this is a pretty kettle of Sherry said, stepping inside, at one, then the other. "You," she spoke scornfully to an, who now fumbled with a toncle, "you persuaded this girl—ignorant of the turf bet on one of your sure and you," she looked at Ted and a bond, "with all your col-earing and degrees, believed could beat the races! The test horsemen admit it can't one. Even I, the owner of her Boy, wouldn't bet a dollar on—and you bet \$700. I over-ruled you."

Sherry hadn't been alone 10 minutes when Sam appeared at the opened door of the tack-room. "Miss Sherry, that oily-talking man's back ag'in, an' askin' for you." The man came in, his hairless skull gleaming like a yellowed billiard ball; his coat cut like an hour glass under his arms; knife-edge crease in his trousers, spats over his ankles. His thick brown lips barely moved as he talked in the lowest of tones. "Miss Bond, there'll be about 20 entries in the Derby this year. Your Pepper Boy has one chance out of 20." "Well, what of it?" Definitely, she did not like his looks. From a pocket he drew forth a wallet. Counted out a sheaf of bills rapidly, put a rubber band around them, and laid them on top of a locker trunk. "There's \$5000—and it's yours, now, if you give me your word you won't start Pepper Boy in the Derby." Instantly Sherry was on her feet. "You take up that money—

touted you, persuaded you to bet on a horse of his choice—" "But it was Pepper Boy!" Uncle William put in, coming up for air. "Shut up!" Sherry snapped. "Guess you were going to get a cut of the winnings—" "Sherry!" Ted flung her arms around Sherry, stayed her. "What on earth?" Sherry demanded, freeing herself. "You mustn't say such things about him." "Well, I like that! And why not, may I ask?" "Because—because—" William Bond stepped forward with great dignity, spoke clearly: "Sherry, Theodosia has honored me by—ah—becoming my fiancée."

Utter silence for one long moment. Then Sherry Bond sank down on a locker trunk. "For the love of Pete," she ejaculated. Then she began to laugh, almost hysterically. At last she controlled herself, stood up. "That's swell! Now listen, you two: you've both helped me out. You saved my horse for me, Willie, when I ran him in that claimer. You loaned me your car, Ted—" "That was nothing!" the pair exclaimed in unison. "Yes, it was, and I don't forget favors," Sherry said. "Now I promise you this—in appreciation, and as a wedding present: 10 per cent of the purse if Pepper Boy wins the Derby. Now scram—both of you. I've got figuring to do."

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at once!" she commanded, trying to control the anger that was rising in her. "There's nothing illegal in what I'm asking, Miss Bond," his voice came now in a silken purr. "I represent a group of future book gamblers—" "You take bets on the Derby nominees in advance of the race, giving longer odds than on race day, and if a horse doesn't start, you don't give the money back. That's where you make your big profit, isn't it?" He nodded, his lips curving in a slight smile. "Absolutely correct, Miss Bond. But we made a mistake this year, Miss Bond. We misjudged your colt. We laid odds of 50 to 1 against him. Frankly, we don't think he can beat Castanets or Monitor at Derby distance—and we'd almost swear that he can't beat Wharton's Red Soldier. But, of course, there's one chance in 20 that he might—" "And if he does win—how much are you out?" Sherry demanded. "More than 50 grand. I'm playing fair—telling you the facts. We've taken in almost \$6500 on Pepper Boy. To play safe, we're willing to pay you \$5000 to keep him in the barn. Then we'll make a profit of about \$1500 on the transaction."

"I see—I see," said Sherry, huskily. "Pretty neat!" "The man misjudged her, went on, speaking with more enthusiasm: "You are using business sense, Miss Bond—and I congratulate you. Your word is good, Miss Bond." "You're right it is," she managed to say. "It's so darn good, that if—if you don't get out of here instantly—and take your filthy money with you—I'll call the police!" "Very well." The man picked up the money, put on his hat carefully. "You'll regret this." Sherry felt unclean after the encounter with the thick-lipped, goggle-eyed gambler. Paul Wharton had warned her that racing wasn't all romance and roses; she never thought the sordid side would touch her—but it had. She walked to her roadster, parked at the end of the barn. An impudently gleaming in its almost-newness, it gave her a sense of well-being just to sit in it. Suddenly an idea struck her. Sherry jammed her foot on the starter—rolled between the barns, drove until she came to a building with a big sign hanging down: "Money to loan on autos—no waiting." (To Be Continued)

"OUT OUR WAY" BY WILLIAMS



DINNER MUSIC

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



ALLEY OOP



Troubled World Should Take Cue From Habakkuk, Who Fought Doubt

Text: Habakkuk 1:12-2:4

BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D. Editor of Advance

HABAKKUK is a prophet of whom we know nothing except what we can gather from his brief prophecy. Some have inferred from the last verse of the prophecy (3:19) that Habakkuk was a singer in the Temple choir, but there is no certainty about this. Yet this unknown man has left us three chapters of a brief prophecy, full of deep insight into human experience and problems and with a rich content of religious truth and guidance. We are reminded that even prophets had their moments of depression. At times their words came like trumpet calls from a mountain top, as in our last lesson concerning the prophet voicing God's great invitation. But at other times they were as souls in the darkness of the night, full of lamentation and crying for the dawn. Habakkuk appears in this mood of depression. He comes before us with a burden. It is the burden of a world of violence from which God seems to have departed—the sort of world out of which some modern prophet in Czechoslovakia, or Poland or Finland, might have uttered some cry of doubt or despair. He is appalled at the evil that he sees around him, at the injustice, the strife and cruelty and the disregard of law and judgment. He sees the power of the Chal-

THE PAY OFF

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Service Sports Editor

NEW YORK.—The almanac to the contrary, next year is this year in Brooklyn. The old cry of "Wait till next year" has been moved up 12 months by Leland Stanford MacPhail, Leo Durocher and the Dodgers. When Flatbush fans start cheering, they open their mouths wider and more comes out. So when Whitlow Wyatt and Hugh Casey shut out the despised Giants in the first games at Ebbets Field this spring, the shout, "The Dodgers are the team to beat," could be heard across the river and then some... up to and beyond the Polo Grounds. And when Tex Carleton turned in his no-hit, no-run game against the champion Reds in Cincinnati, to make it nine in a row for the Dodgers and tie the modern major league record for consecutive victories at the start of the season, "Who's going to do it?" was tacked onto the original cry: louder and louder. Brooklyn is so excited it can hardly wait for the Dodgers to return from their current western trip, May 11. AND the Flatbush following is no more anxious to see their heroes again than the heroes are to get another whack at the hated Giants or than MacPhail is to get his club back in its own park, where it can reap the rich monetary reward to which it is entitled. The Dodgers have reached the challenging stage. They will fly from Chicago to New York May 9 if Bill Terry will agree to bring the Giants to Ebbets Field May 10, an open date on the schedule of both outfits. The proposed game is the one rained out April 21. When the redheaded MacPhail, the ex-lawyer and ex-football official who once tried to capture Kaiser Wilhelm, crashed major league baseball, it was like Joe Doakes, balloon and novelty salesman, bursting into a meeting of the directors of the Graybeards Protective Society, Ltd. Major league baseball was hide-bound with hoary tradition. Owners looked with horror upon anything new. MacPhail's tricks and gadgets sent them into a world scowling series. They feared his wide variety of diversions—night baseball, fireworks, attendance contests, radio teasers, bands, uniformed ushers and other sidelines with which he meant to dress up baseball—would shove the game itself into the background. BUT after rehabilitating debt-ridden Columbus, Cincinnati and Brooklyn clubs, MacPhail is now accepted everywhere as the answer to the frantic appeal of every baseball cashier foundering in a sea of red ink. He's the short cut to baseball solvency. In 1938, MacPhail talked fast to make the Brooklyn trade, which had been taking it on the chin for a lot of years, forget a seventh-place club. It took more than fast talk for Lippy Leo Durocher to shortstop and manage Brooklyn into third place last season, when the Dodgers drew more than a million paid admissions at home... more than the great Yankees... more than any other club in baseball. Larry MacPhail and Leo Durocher are a boisterous, free-talking, swashbuckling pair—a welcome relief in these days of mum and dumb club officials and managers.

Industry And Government Should Go Hand-in-Hand, Investigators Say

By Under-Press. AUSTIN, Tex.—Industry and government should go along hand in hand and not with hands in one's pockets, Texas officials and industrial investigators have said. The state-supported university of Texas has chartered a research corporation to discover, invent, and process, with all patent royalties to go into a fund for further investigations. The first is being sought on a hay filter and air conditioning invented by H. E. Degler, professor in the mechanical engineering school of the university. E. P. Schoch, the university industrial chemist, is working on the other. It is a plan breaking up natural gas now into the air as waste from fields and processing plants in acetylene and other by-products that are commercially available. Under the research plan the corporation provides the necessary equipment for work of the university experts with agreement that the patents shall become its property. The corporation is organized as a non-profit concern and must turn all its income back into channels for further research. Texas also is offering cash encouragement for private industrial research. Its first cash offer is not less than \$5,000 and not more than \$10,000 to be paid to any citizens of the state who by chemical research, invention or other device discovers a process or use that will increase annual consumption of cotton 300,000 bales. A bale of cotton is 500 pounds and cotton is the state's major crop. Many claimants for the prize have come forward but no award has been made. A committee of experts from the state's universities, its agricultural and its technological college is to decide the award. A leading contestant is a Taylor bedding concern and its proposal in the competition has nothing to do with mattresses. The plan sub-

mitted is a low cost treatment of cotton to make it non-inflammable. With such treatment the cotton is offered as "insul-cotton" to be used as a building material. It is to be stuffed in walls and roofing for heat and cold proofing and for soundproofing. State Sen. George Moffett of Chillicothe, cotton raiser and author of the reward act, believes the Taylor entry will meet requirements. He said it has been demonstrated adequately that the treatment given the cotton makes it non-inflammable. Further tests are being required to demonstrate that it does not lose its fire-resistance with time. The familiar warning about Christmas candles and Santa Claus whiskers has impressed on people the inflammability of cotton. If the fire hazards can be eliminated, Moffett predicted, many new uses for cotton will be found. By law the state is authorized to engage directly in oil production. So far it has not attempted to carry on such work though it owns many acres of proven oil land. Instead it has leased such land to private developers and made drilling contracts with private operators to draw oil from state owned

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Society Notes

Music Club Closes Music Week With H-SU Faculty Presentation

A delightful musical treat was enjoyed by a capacity audience in the auditorium of the First Methodist Church Friday evening when the Hardin-Simmons University fine arts faculty entertained with a number of selections.

Piano and violin solos and the superb singing of the vocalist, comprised the excellently rendered concert by the H-SU artists presented by the Music Study Club as a climax to the observance of National Music Week.

Headed on the program was the dean of the school of music at Hardin-Simmons, Dean E. Edwin Young, and professor of piano, Dean Young is a composer and musician of wide recognition and his selections rendered were thoroughly enjoyed by his audience. An original composition of Dean

Youngs was played by Herbert Preston, violinist.

Lola Gibson Deaton, soprano, professor of piano, was accompanied by Dean Young as she sang several selections. Miss Deaton possesses a rich, clear soprano voice with unusual colorative ability and diction so perfect that every word is rendered distinctly.

Other artists heard were Herbert M. Preston, director of the university's symphony orchestra and the Cowgirl Band, who with Macon Summerlin, concert master of symphony orchestra of H-SU, and violin soloist, played Bach's "Concerto in D Minor for Two Violins," in three movements that was greatly enjoyed by their audience. They were accompanied by Thurman Morrison, alumnus of H-SU, and instructor of piano.

Mrs. A. F. Taylor, general chairman for the National Music Week programs presented this week, presided, presenting the artists, and also presented Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins, State President of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, who brought greetings.

Receiving for the evening were Meses Wilson, F. M. Komy, Victor Ginn, Art Johnson, Guy Patterson, Davenport, Wilda Dragon, Pippin, Dragon, Ushers were Miss Melba Woods, Alma Williamson, Sidney Scott, Martin Jeanne Lister.

Eastland Churches to Pay Tribute to Mother's Day Today

Mothers in Eastland and all mothers of Eastland people, will be honored today with special programs in the churches in observance of Mother's Day, May 12.

First Methodist Church will have special music in observance of the day. Rev. S. Kirkpatrick of Olden will conduct the evening service in the absence of Rev. P. W. Walker, who will be on the baccalaureate services of the Olden High School at that time.

Church school begins at 10 o'clock, morning services at 11 and evening period at 8 o'clock.

First Baptist Church to have special mothers day programs in the church departments and special music in observance. Church school begins at 9:45; morning services at 11 o'clock; B. T. U. at 6:45 p. m.; evening worship 7:45. Rev. James Weathers, pastor.

Church of God, with Rev. J. B. Morrison as pastor, will also observe Mothers Day with special programs. Church school begins at 9:50 a. m., morning worship at 11 o'clock; Christian Crusaders at 6:45 p. m., evening worship at 8.

Church of Christ, Rev. A. F. Thurman, pastor, church school begins at 9:45 a. m., morning service at 11 o'clock and evening service at 7:30.

First Christian Church will observe the day with special programs and music and will present a white bound Bible to the oldest mother present during the morning service. Church school begins at 9:50 a. m., morning worship at 11; evening period at 8:00. Rev. J. B. Blunk, pastor.

Presbyterian Church school begins at 9:50 a. m. There will be no church service as fourth Sunday is regular church service day.

County Federation to Close Season With Play Day May 18

The Eastland County Federation of Women's Clubs will close the club season with Play Day and picnic at Cisco Lake next Saturday, May 18, officials announced today.

The session will begin about 11 o'clock, and all members are invited to attend.

"Mikado" to Be Presented Wednesday by J. P. Lealas

Highlighting a very brilliant and entertaining spring season of outstanding presentations in Eastland, the Junior Las Lealas Club brings to the Eastland public Gilbert and Sullivan's famous operetta "Mikado". The operetta will be presented by the Ranger Junior College fine arts department May 15 at 8 o'clock in the Connellee Theatre and will be under the direction of Elwood E. Priesing, head of the department.

A comic opera, the "Mikado" is likened to "Snow White" for its beauty, its fantastic and delightful scenes, with the exception that the "Mikado" is presented with human actors and the story told in song. The members of the fine arts department of Ranger Junior College are splendidly cast in the presentation, which offers a delightful evening of musical entertainment.

It is something unusual, with its suggestion of cherry blossoms of Japan, colorful kimonos, and strange oriental music. Though the opera occurs in Japan, it is really more English than Oriental. In it the author burlesques the follies of English life.

The author and composers of "The Mikado" were specialists in

Blossom Time Is Cabriolet Time



It's hard to realize, in the midst of such weather as the above are just around the corner, chronologically speaking. Experience and the weather man, however, both assert that they are. As a matter of fact, the blooms in the photo are almond blossoms, the locale California, and the car Chevrolet's new cabriolet with vacuum-operated top, controlled from the dash.

their line and have given the world a set of classics which have never been surpassed. They are so gay, so uproarious in comedy that one forgets the fact that they were written in 1880.

The characters in the opera are a race in themselves. They are gay, naive and charming yet they hold a mirror up to life and its follies.

Beauty, humor and side-splitting comedy are found in the story and the music is so tuneful and charming that it sings itself into the mind.

Excellent enacted by the RJC department, the cast of characters bring a story of Nanki-Poo, the son of Mikado; Katish, an elderly lady; Yum-Yum, ward of Ko-Ko, the Lord High Executioner; Emperor of Japan, and Pooh-Bah, the shan statesman.

Miss Marie Conway of Ranger will have the role of Yum-Yum, with Gene Ewing of Breckenridge, tenor, the leading role.

Interesting Social Events Are Listed for Graduates

This next two weeks offers a number of interesting social events for the graduating class of Eastland high school.

Friday night the Junior's traditional banquet for the Senior Class was held at the American Legion Clubhouse.

Tuesday, May 14, the Senior mothers party to be held at the clubhouse.

Wednesday, May 15, the Senior class will have their day at Glenrose.

Thursday, May 16, the West Texas Band trip to Big Spring.

Sunday, May 19, Baccalaureate sermon at the high school.

May 2, Senior play, "Drums of Death," will be presented.

Thursday, May 23, at 7 a. m., Slave Breakfast.

Friday, May 24, Commencement exercises at high school. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Scott will entertain the class with buffet supper following the commencement program at the Connellee Hotel.

National Music Week Observed By Alpha Delphians Thursday

The Alpha Delphian Club featured National Music Week at their regular meeting Thursday of this week with a program on "Folk Songs." Mrs. Luther Bean was hostess and leader for the session.

Mrs. J. Leroy Arnold brought a paper on "Spiritual Music," followed with a paper brought by Mrs. D. J. Flensy on "Indian Music."

Special music was played by Pete Pegues, trombonist, accompanied by Johnnie Lou Hart.

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
- THOS. L. BLANTON
- SAM RUSSELL
- For Representative 107th District: OMAR BURKETT
- For Representative 106th District: P. L. (LEWIS) CROSSLEY
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- WALTER EVANS
- For Criminal District Attorney: EARL CONNER, JR.
- For County Judge: W. S. ADAMSON
- R. L. RUST
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: HENRY V. DAVENPORT
- JOE TOW
- For Constable Precinct No. 1: HUGH CARLTON

During the business session, the announcement of the next meeting, which will be the closing meeting of the present club year and will be held in the home of Mrs. L. C. Brown, May 24. A covered dish luncheon will be served at 1:00 o'clock, to be followed with the installation of officers.

Present: Meses Leroy Arnold, Luther Bean, L. C. Brown, Geo. E. Cross, Jess Day, D. J. Flensy, Herman Hague, Marvin Hood, John LaMunyon, Sallie Morris and Claude Stubblefield.

Attend Industrial Arts Tea in Cisco Thursday

Mrs. L. C. Brown, Mrs. J. Leroy Arnold, Mrs. Herman Hague and Mrs. Geo. E. Cross attended the Industrial Arts tea in the Laguna Hotel in Cisco Thursday, as guests of the club.

O. E. S. Elect Officers At Stated Meeting

The Order of Eastern Star met in regular session for the stated meeting this week and elected the new officers of the coming year.

Mrs. Winnie Wynne was selected as worthy matron, Jess Richardson, worthy patron; Mrs. Carl Timmons of Olden, associate worthy matron; Alvis Roberts of Olden, associate patron. Mrs. Beulah Cooper was elected conductress. Mrs. Bernice Ertadwell, associate. Mrs. Geo. E. Cross, secretary and Mrs. D. J. Flensy, treasurer.

The remaining officers will be appointed and announced May 31.

Initiation for three candidates was held, and was followed with the social hour.

During the business period, the meeting of the district school of instruction was announced to be held in Moran the third Tuesday in May. The session begins at 9 a. m. and all members of the O. E. S. are invited to attend.

Scale Runners Club Met

The members of the Scale Runners Club met in the home of Virginia Ann Creamer this week with Gladeen Womack, president, presiding.

G. W. McEe opened the afternoon's program playing the piano solo, "Grandfather's Clock." Virginia Ann played "Melody in F," followed with an article on National Music Week read by Mary Louise Hardwick. Gladeen Womack played the piano number, "On the Meadow," followed with the piano number "Hop Scotch" by Mary Halkias. Charles Perry played "The Starlight Waltz," with the closing number played by Betty Jones.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and punch were served to those present: G. W. McEe, Gladeen Womack, Mary Louise Hardwick, Mary Halkias, Charles Perry, Betty Jones, Virginia Ann, Wanda Lou Harris, Mrs. Creamer and Mrs. A. F. Taylor.

Music Week Artist Entertained

Entertaining with a dinner at her home Friday evening, Mrs. A. F. Taylor honored the artists who have presented programs during this week in Eastland in observance of National Music Week.

The white linen covered tables were laid for 20, and were centered with bouquets of pink roses and fern placed on a reflector. Color scheme of pink and white was used throughout the appointments.

During the dinner hour, Mrs. Victor Ginn sang two numbers accompanied by Mrs. Donald Kinnaird.

The four course dinner was served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. E. Edwin Young, Mr. Macon Summerlin, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Preston, Mr. Thurman Morrison, and Miss Lola Deaton of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Victor Ginn, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stalter, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Kinnaird, Mrs. F. M. Kenny, Mrs. Guy Patterson and Mr. Nabors, Mrs. Patterson's father.

Co-hostesses for the affair were Mrs. Stalter, Mrs. Kinnaird, and Mrs. Patterson.

Graduating Class Honored With Banquet Host by Jrs.

As has been the custom for years past, the graduating class of Eastland High school were guest

Friday night at a delightfully arranged banquet and dance host by the Junior Class. Mrs. Combs is sponsor of the Junior Class.

Held in the school cafeteria, banquet tables centered with spring flowers and cleverly designed place favors, the evening's entertainment opened with Nancy Seaberry, president of Junior Class, presiding, and brought greetings. Response was given by Miss Jerry Russell, president of Senior Class.

The class prophecy was delivered by Bob Huchingson followed with the Last Will and Testament of the Senior Class, brought by Bob Galloway.

One hundred and forty places were laid at the banquet tables, with more registered at the dance which followed held at the American Legion Clubhouse. Jerry Russell presided at the dance.

A Japanese garden scene decorated the clubroom with Japanese lanterns used for lighting. The stage effect was formed with the use of multi-colored ribbons, where the evening's program was presented.

The Junior Class trio, composed of Nancy Seaberry, Mava Lou Crossley and Glenna Johnson, accompanied by Clara June Kimble, sang "Lilacs in the Rain." Mrs. Vera Huchingson presented three of her pupils, Billy Floy Hunt in a Russian dance; Dorothy Jane and Heidi Throne in two dance numbers, and Patsy Huchingson in a song and dance number.

The Barber Shop Quartet, composed of Wesley Hancock, James Metcalf, E. J. Pryor and Jim Galloway, entertained with a selection of numbers.

Games for the evening were under the direction of Mrs. Winnie Grady.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Campbell of Hugo, Oklahoma, visited this week in the home of Mrs. Campbell's parents, Judge and Mrs. W. S. Adamson.

Fred Tonker of Ranger was an Eastland visitor Saturday.

Sam Brimberry of Odessa visited in Eastland on business Saturday.

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Every one was happy over the good attendance at the last preaching service. There was a splendid group out for the morning and evening services. This was the first Sunday that the new minister preached for the local church. Five people united with the church.

The Bible class conducted each Thursday night by the pastor has been well-attended. There were thirty present last time. We were happy to see so many children attend the special class this being conducted on the same night by the pastor's wife. The adult class will continue their study in Romans this coming Thursday night. It is hoped that other new members and visitors will attend.

The Bible school continues to grow, and every one who is not a regular member of some other Sunday school is invited to attend. You will find a friendly atmosphere here and we believe that you will feel at home.

PENSIONER ON LONELY ISLE

By United Press

FREDERICTON, N. B.—New Brunswick's oldest old-age pensioner, a French-Canadian widow on lonely Shippegan Island, this month started her 190th year. Besides getting the monthly pension check from the government, Mrs. Marie Savoie has a son and a daughter who receive similar compensation.

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