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RAF Makes Smashing Raid on Invasion Coast

TAX MEASURES GIVEN PLACES LOW ON LIST

AUSTIN, Feb. 5.—Rep. G. C. Morris of Greenville hopes that "House Bill 8" of the 47th Legislature will emulate its predecessor in the 46th Legislature. H. B. 8 of the 45th Legislature was an omnibus tax bill, the last revenue bill to become law in Texas.

The present H. B. 8, signed by Morris and a score of others, also is an omnibus tax bill. It puts the biggest levy on gathering of natural gas, one cent per 1,000 cubic feet of such gas transmitted through a pipeline. Morris estimates this tax, already in force in Louisiana, would raise \$8,000,000 a year in Texas.

If natural resource tax advocates compromise upon a single bill for this session, they may use H. B. 8 as a basis. Its low number gives it a preference on the house calendar.

Another natural resource tax bill with a low number, 58, is that proposed by the governor and introduced by Rep. Jasper N. Reed of Texarkana.

Some members believe that it would be best to use the governor's bill as a basis for natural resource taxation, to assure support from O'Daniel.

It hardly seems likely that any measure to come before the 47th Legislature will attract such public attention as Senate Joint Resolution 12 did two years ago. "SJR 12" became almost a household term in Texas. It was the sales tax constitutional amendment which the governor supported unsuccessfully.

The most talked-about tax so far this session is the transactions tax, proposed by O'Daniel this time in statutory form. Its number is 133, its sponsor Rep. Clinton Kersey of Bridgeport. Kersey thinks that the bill has a good chance to be adopted, but some of his colleagues think it will meet an early death.

Conservative members, who think \$10,000,000 or less might cover the state's immediate needs, may try to obtain a state income tax. Economic conditions plus federal and state tax programs already in effect, they say, have so blocked other sources that only an income tax could be levied without causing real injury to some individuals and companies.

A new tax that is creating some interest is one that would apply on processing of gasoline. A one-cent-a-gallon processing tax is estimated to raise \$80,000,000 to \$90,000,000 in Texas. One such bill would eliminate the present four-cents-a-gallon state gasoline tax. Advocates of the processing tax say it would work little hardship on Texans because 85 percent of the gasoline processed in Texas is consumed elsewhere.

Eyes of Italy Are Upon Him



Italy's Crown Prince Humbert, above, is reported slated as Italian chief of staff in new Axis shake-up. Two generals—one a German—would act as his aides in Nazi move to turn tide in Mediterranean.

Brownwood Man Heads Council of The Boy Scouts

Representing eleven towns and every county of the Council area, 93 Boy Scouts and Scouters gathered at a banquet in Hotel Brownwood for their Annual Comanche Trail Meet to review the past and gather leadership for the coming year.

Announced as Comanche Trail President for the year of 1941 was E. J. Miller of Brownwood, who succeeds Russell B. Jones of Breckenridge. Vice - Presidents elected for the new term were: Dr. J. Thomas Davis, Stephenville; John Turner, Eastland; L. C. Ward, San Saba; Port Bludworth, Brownwood and John Gibbons, Richland Springs; Dr. Jewel Daugherty, Brownwood.

Other officers elected were: Treasurer, Cice Pierce, Brownwood; National Council Representative, Russell B. Jones, Breckenridge; O. E. Winebrenner, Scout Commissioner. J. C. Ferguson, District Chairman, Breckenridge; E. P. Crawford, Cisco; J. R. Eanes, District Chairman, Comanche; R. S. Vestal, District Chairman, Dublin; Joe Darrow, District Chairman, Brownwood; Dr. T. C. Graves, District Chairman, Goldthwaite; Rev. Gary L. Smith, Org. and Ext. Chairman, Cisco; Rev. V. Aubrey, Leadership Training Chairman, Breckenridge; B. E. McGlamery, Court of Honor Chairman, Eastland; Henry Wilson, Camping Chairman, Brownwood; Grady Pipkin, Field Service Chairman, Eastland; M. S. Sellers, Rural Scouting Chairman, Rising Star.

Executive Board Members at large are: Oren Ellis, Stephenville; Al Larson, Ranger; Douglas Coakson, Brownwood; Charlie Stokes, Lampasas; Roy B. Melford, Stephenville; Noble Prentice, Richland Springs.

The following are Field and District Commissioners: John Wood, Byrds; D. L. Moody, Brownwood; John Gaithe Brown, Brownwood; Sam Houston, Breckenridge; H. V. Collins, Stephenville; Steve Casey, Dublin; D. E. Howard, Comanche.

Scouters came from Brownwood, Breckenridge, Stephenville, Lampasas, Richland Springs, Comanche, Eastland, Cisco, Goldthwaite, Grosvonor, Mullin and Rising Star.

The coveted Scouting award—Silver Beaver—was presented to Henry Wilson, Brownwood for his outstanding work in Scouting and with all boys work in this vicinity.

Rev. Amos Myers, pastor of the First Christian Church of Breckenridge, was principal speaker for the occasion.

Tribute was paid by the members present to the late Lord Baden-Powell, English founder of the Boy Scouts.

Russell B. Jones, Skipper of S. S. Texan was presented with a Five Year Training Award. Also honored at the banquet were the Eagle Scouts of the Council.

Special music was furnished by the Sea Scout Orchestra of Breckenridge.

STATES STUDY ISSUES RISING FROM DEFENSE

By United Press
CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—National defense proposals covering sabotage, explosives control, protection for property and state home guards occupy first place on the collective agenda of 43 state legislatures now in session, the Council of State Governments reports.

Ranking next in general importance are measures pertaining to welfare, labor, taxation, civil service, education and administration.

Administration—Texas is expected to reorganize its state government, and Kansas its financial administration. New Jersey may revise financial procedure and amend the constitution to strengthen executive control of state departments.

Welfare—Old age assistance payments are scheduled for primary consideration in Kansas and Massachusetts. In addition, the Massachusetts legislature probably will get bills related to state lotteries, reduction of age limits for old age benefits and juvenile courts. Relief will be a cardinal subject in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Minnesota, and the latter also will debate a program for slum clearance.

Finance—Minnesota may supplant the state property tax levy with a sales tax. Ohio probably will abolish the earmarking of specific revenues to give local officials more latitude.

Meanwhile, Massachusetts will be acting on classification and taxation of forest lands, and Texas, a program for collecting delinquent taxes. Bills to improve tax assessments are scheduled for Connecticut, New Jersey, Kansas, Colorado and New York.

Illinois may introduce a measure to improve collection of real property taxes and special assessments by giving tax buyers a mercantile title.

Labor—Workmen's compensation changes will come up in Massachusetts, Tennessee and Connecticut; unemployment compensation legislation in Ohio and Pennsylvania; and an industrial compensation act in Ohio.

Wage and hour proposals may be made in New Jersey and Massachusetts, and proposals to alter the labor relations act in Minnesota.

Civil Service—Texas expects to establish a civil service system, while Connecticut probably will adopt an act allowing cities to use civil service. Maryland legislators may substitute a commission of state employment registration for a single director.

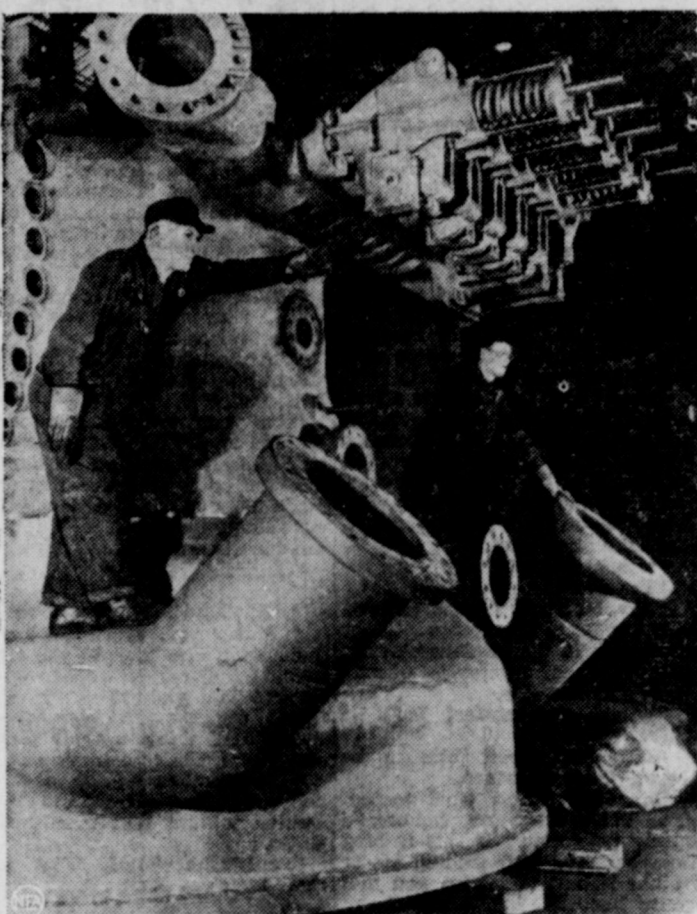
Civil service also is due for consideration in Kansas, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Tennessee and Minnesota.

Agriculture and Conservation—Massachusetts has outlined the busiest program, which includes protection and development of forests, flood protection, state acquisition of certain ocean beaches, revision of the interstate marine fisheries pact. Texas will consider a commission to supervise oil and gas production.

Education—Connecticut and New Jersey lawmakers may extend vocational training, while Massachusetts may change its system of state teachers colleges.

In Kansas, clarifying the school laws, free textbooks for public schools and the teachers' retirement system will share the center of attention. Tenure of office for teachers will be sought in Ohio, and revision and codification of education laws will be the first goal of Minnesota's legislature.

And It Can't Fire a Shot



It looks like the gun turret of some weird super-super-dreadnaught. Apparently a battery of pom-pom anti-aircraft guns such as British use is at upper right. The workmen are standing on what look like huge mortars. But all that "artillery" couldn't fire a shot. The photo shows the upper half of an 80,000-kilowatt turbine shell being built at the General Electric Co.'s Schenectady plant. It will generate power to keep wheels of industry turning for national defense.

Oil Directors Meeting Today In Breckenridge

BRECKENRIDGE, Feb. 5.—Breckenridge today is host to the first quarterly meeting in 1941 of the West Central Texas Oil & Gas association directors.

Executive board of the directorate met in business session at the Burch hotel at 3 p. m., to hear a report on work done toward a new appointive oil and gas regulatory body by C. W. Hoffmann, of Eastland, chairman of the legislative committee; and by F. A. Dunigan of Breckenridge, membership chairman, on plans for the 1941 drive for new members.

The entire directorate will be guests at the Breckenridge country club for a dinner at 5:30 p. m., followed by a dance at the club.

Members of the executive committee are: W. J. Rhodes, Breckenridge; Joe A. Clarke, Albany; F. A. Dunigan, Breckenridge; C. W. Hoffmann, Eastland; J. E. Whiteside, Brownwood; Malcolm Meek, Abilene; J. C. Watson, Abilene, all officials; and John P. Byram, Abilene; George Callihan, Abilene; A. J. Prazier, Abilene; A. H. Furze, Eastland; J. C. Hunter, Abilene; A. V. Jones, Albany; Charles J. Kleiner, Cisco; E. R. Marchman, Graham; E. W. Moutray, Abilene; Harold G. Neely, Fort Worth; P. W. Pitzer, Breckenridge; R. L. Ponsler, Cisco; J. H. Reynolds, Cisco; Jack B. Roberts, Breckenridge; O. B. Stephens, Abilene; W. E. Tyler, Rising Star; E. A. Ungren, Abilene; Joe M. Weaver, Eastland; C. K. West, Breckenridge; Marshal R. Young, Fort Worth.

County Agents Of 19 Counties Meeting Feb. 6th

All county agents and home demonstration agents from the 19 counties in A. & M. Extension District 7 will meet for a conference in Eastland on Thursday, February 6th, according to W. I. Glass and Miss Maurine Hearn, district agents.

Attending the meeting from Eastland County will be Ruth Ramo, Margaret Blount, Elmo V. Cook and A. C. Pratt, county extension agents.

Amon G. Carter Is Divorced By Wife

FORT WORTH, Feb. 5.—Amon G. Carter, jovial Fort Worth publisher, today had been divorced for the second time.

Mrs. Nettie Burton Carter was awarded a divorce which Carter did not contest. She had charged mental cruelty.

Your Federal Income Tax

Compensation of State Officers and Employees
All officers or employees of States, or political subdivisions thereof, or any agency or instrumentality of any one or more of the foregoing, are required to include in gross income, for Federal income-tax purposes, the compensation received by them during the year as such officers or employees.

Retired officers and employees of States, and political subdivisions thereof, or any agency or instrumentality of any one or more of the foregoing, who received in 1940 pensions or retirement annuities based on the services rendered by them while in active service as such officers or employees, are required to include such pensions or annuities in gross income for Federal income-tax purposes. If the pension or annuity is paid in whole or in part from a fund derived from amounts deducted from the compensation of such officer, or employee while in active service, the amounts so contributed are considered the "consideration paid" for the pension or annuity. The amount received by the retired officer or employee shall be included in gross income each year to the extent of 3 percent of the "consideration paid," the balance of the annuity payments being excluded in determining gross income for that year. When the aggregate of the amounts thus excluded from gross income equals the "consideration paid," the entire amount thereafter received as a pension or annuity must be included in gross income.

These taxpayers are entitled to the same deductions and credits as are other taxpayers. Dues paid by teachers to professional societies, the price of their subscriptions to educational journals connected with their profession, and traveling expenses, including railroad fares and meals and lodging, incurred in attending teachers' conventions in the United States, if they are not reimbursed for such expenses, are deductible from the compensation received by them as teachers in determining net income for Federal income-tax purposes. Records of such expenditures should be kept to substantiate the deductions claimed.

Campaign expenses and contributions made to political parties or organizations at any time are not deductible. Campaign contributions received by a candidate for a public office are gifts, and not income, so are not required to be included in the gross income for Federal income-tax purposes.

Woman Pickets The British Aid Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—A woman, shrouded in black and wearing a painted skull mask, arose in the public galleries of the House of Representatives during debate on the British Aid Bill, shouted and waved her fists at members of the house.

Willkie Leaves For United States Today

A WEST ENGLISH AIRPORT, Feb. 5.—Wendell Willkie bade farewell to Great Britain today after a nine-day private investigation of war conditions.

He left today by plane for Lisbon, Portugal, from where he will fly back to America.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Jessie Jones, Ranger, and Mrs. Shirley Bryant, Breckenridge. Paul Eubank, Eastland, and Ouida Mae Wamples, Breckenridge. John W. Geberhardt, Rising Star, and Miss Frieda Krause, Copperas Cove. Willie Casey, Eastland and Miss Helen S. Purvier, Breckenridge. John E. H. Farrar, Brownwood, and Miss Jonie Pierre, Brownwood. Dewey R. Dillard and Miss Mabelle Brooks, Rising Star.

Rotarians And Wives Meet In Eastland Feb. 6

The Rotary Clubs of Ranger, Cisco, Breckenridge and Eastland will meet at the First Methodist Church in Eastland, Thursday night, February 6. About 150 persons, including Rotarians and their wives, will be present to hear an address by Tom Taylor, President of Howard Payne College, Brownwood, a former District Governor of Rotary. There will also be a musical program to be presented under the direction of Miss Wilda Drago, Eastland.

Judge W. P. Leslie, President of the Eastland Club, will preside. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 o'clock.

Program, Inter-City Meet, Ranger, Cisco, Breckenridge, Eastland, Eastland Texas, February 6, 1941.

Presiding, President W. P. Leslie, Eastland.

Song, "America," Julius Krause leader, Eastland.

Invocation, The Rev. Gary L. Smith, Cisco.

Introduction of Rotarians and guests.

Special music, Violin Octette, under direction Miss Wilda Drago, Eastland.

Greetings, Frank Roberts, District Governor, 127th District, Breckenridge.

Address, Tom Taylor, Past District Governor, Brownwood.

Chemist Tests Out Super Bullets To Stop Huge Tanks

MINNEAPOLIS, Min.—A "super" .50 caliber rifle bullet that would penetrate the thick protective armor of any army tank is being developed by a young Minnesota chemical engineer.

James Enright, 29, a University of Minnesota graduate, already has produced a .30 caliber bullet that has the penetrating power of an ordinary .50 caliber machine gun bullet.

Now he is working on a .50 caliber bullet that may be powerful enough to penetrate and stop any tank.

Enright's .30 caliber bullet will pierce an inch and a half armor plate at 400 yards while an ordinary bullet will only dent it.

Ballistic experts agree that if Enright can proportionately increase the penetrating power of the .50 caliber bullet he will have a slug that can pierce six inches of metal. A tank's armor is not that thick.

Enright's special design is a secret but he admits the bullet is made of a hard alloy with its point coated with lead. The lead contains graphite which "lubricates" the bullet.

Enright says he is arranging for the army ordnance bureau to test his bullet.

Criminal Cases Set for Week Of February 10th

The following criminal cases have been assigned by Judge Geo. L. Davenport for trial in the 91st district court during the week of February 10th:

State of Texas vs. J. Campbell, (three cases).

State of Texas vs. Robert Titile.

State of Texas vs. T. J. Barron.

State of Texas vs. W. C. Bryan.

State of Texas vs. Obie Alexander.

State of Texas vs. W. F. McNurlen.

State of Texas vs. W. E. Dawson.

Eastland Man's Mother Died at Comanche Home

Mrs. Mary Francis Carlton, 74, mother of Constable Hugh Carlton of Eastland, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ethel Vineyard in Comanche, Tuesday morning. Funeral services and burial was at Proctor Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Carlton had been ill for some time, but apparently was on the road to recovery when she developed pneumonia.

Survivors, all of whom attended the funeral, are four sons, T. L. and Otis of Fort Worth, Hugh of Eastland, and Walter of De Leon and one daughter, Mrs. Vineyard with whom she resided at her home.

He's Britain's Ace of Aces



No. 1 Ace of the Royal Air Force is reported to be Pilot Officer H. M. Stephen, 26, above. He is credited with 20 enemy planes, more than any other British fighter pilot, although several are crediting him closely. Stephen recently "got" five German planes in a single day.

To Discuss '41 Fair Plans At Feb. 21 Meeting

Plans for an Eastland County fair for 1941 will be discussed by everyone interested when farmers, farm women, business men and representatives of organizations throughout the county meet in Eastland at 2:00 p. m. Friday, February 21, according to Elmo V. Cook, county agent, who states that the meeting has been called in order to give everyone in the county an opportunity to help make plans for the fair and help make it county-wide in scope. It was decided to call the meeting when a group of business men and agricultural workers met in the Eastland Chamber of Commerce last week. The meeting will be held in the Texas Electric Service Clubrooms, across the street from the Eastland Chamber of Commerce on Main Street.

Although all interested persons are urged to attend the meeting, special invitations are being sent to chambers of commerce, service clubs, all womens clubs, farm men and women in each community, 4-H clubs, agricultural workers and other organizations. It is hoped that each organization will send at least two delegates to the meeting.

In stating the purpose of the meeting, Herbert Tanner, secretary of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce stated, "We want this to be a meeting of Eastland county people to plan their county fair for 1941 and we hope people from all parts of the county will attend and take part."

President Batista Has Quelled Revolt

HAVANA, Cuba, Feb. 5.—Sandbags were removed from the presidential palace and a normal police guard replaced the heavy details of soldiers.

It was evident that President Batista believed he had quelled completely the revolt by the chiefs of the armed forces, which had instigated the revolt.

U. S. Of C. Opposes Lend-Lease Measure

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The United States Chamber of Commerce today opposed the British Aid Bill on the grounds that the president could deliver the whole United States Army, Navy and Air Force to foreign powers, with out advising congress.

The organization, in voicing its opposition, added that it might be able to seize private property for delivery to foreign governments.

SMOKE CLOUDS CAN BE SEEN OVER CHANNEL

Bombers, in Formation, Protected by Spitfire Fighters In Biggest Recent Raid

The British Royal Air Force today made a great daylight sweep of the French invasion coast, while crises brewed in France, the Balkans and the Far East.

The Royal Air Force attack followed a smashing night raid by British planes as deep into Germany as Dusseldorf.

The daylight attack was made by the bombers, which operated with a cloud of Spitfire fighter planes to protect them against German attacks, but watchers from the cliffs of England said that they returned in perfect formation after the raid, with no sight of any pursuing German planes in evidence as the R. A. F. planes returned across the English Channel.

Ostend, Dusseldorf, Brest, Calais, Cherbourg, Dunquerque and Bordeaux were among the objectives bombed by the raiders. At Bordeaux it was reported that the naval docks and an oil dump were struck and damage was done to the submarine base at Brest.

Watchers from the Dover Cliffs reported huge clouds of smoke could be seen rolling skyward across the channel as the fighters returned to their bases, and heavy explosions were heard.

An unofficial report said that the Germans lost three planes in an attempted attack upon a British convoy off the southeast coast of England and another German bomber crashed on the southwest-ern tip of Eire, with five of the six crew members being killed. The plane was believed to be enroute to meet an incoming British convoy for a bombing attack.

The British in East Africa reported they had reached a point only five miles from Keren, and just 85 miles from Asrama, the capital of Eritrea.

At home the British were troubled with reports to Scotland Yard of food hi-jacking and bootlegging spreading in the country. Drastic measures are being invoked to curb traffic in "hot" foods.

The Greeks claimed a total of Italian troops captured since the outbreak of the war had reached 20,000 and reported further successes in the operations developing around Valona, only remaining Italian seaport in the southern part of Albania.

The Number One crisis was between Marshal Henri Philippe Petain of France and Adolf Hitler of Germany, which is in progress, although it took the ostensible form of a struggle of Pierre Laval, ousted premier of France, and the Vichy Government.

A new Bulgarian crisis was developing, it was reported in London, and in the Far East the focal point in the rapidly-emerging plans of expansion in the South Pacific. Taking advantage of France's weakened condition, the Japanese seemed to be moving to develop the Indo-China base for further operations.

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This Strange, Cold Man, Lindbergh

About Lindbergh—First, he has an undisputed right to be saying his say about the United States and the European war. Let's be clear about that. If he believes what he says, it is his duty to say it.

He has been freely given that right—he has been given freedom which would never be granted him under a system whose indefinite extension he views with such complacency.

There are two Lindberghs. One is the aviation expert. He has had unrivaled opportunities for surveying European military aviation, and events have all too well justified many of the reports he made before the war broke. On the question of whether it is physically possible or feasible to attack the United States by air, Lindbergh's views are worth hearing, though by no means conclusive. He thinks scattered bombing of U. S. cities from Europe is already possible, but not very effective, while the landing of an actual invading force by air is impossible; that aviation makes the United States safer from invasion than it was before the airplane.

This testimony is competent, but not sensational. Few have maintained that the United States is in danger of immediate physical military invasion, no matter what happens in Europe.

Now we come to the other Lindbergh, the one who has manifested so sudden an interest in foreign policy and political philosophy. And here one wonders whether Lindbergh, who feels able to defy direct military invasion, has not already surrendered within himself to a much more subtle attack.

What need for the Nazis to send ships and planes to the Americas if they can without sending them see American minds come to a state which sees no difference to the United States if it should become a mere island of liberty surrounded by world-wide seas of tyranny? If they can see American minds becoming convinced that the Nazis ride some mystic but irresistible wave of future against which it is futile to swim?

What Colonel Lindbergh says is interesting. What he omits is even more so. If he has ever had a good word for the common man, ever made a gesture of sympathy for plain people less fortunate (yes, even less able) than himself, ever made a sign that liberty may be more precious than efficiency—we have not seen it.

Despite reams of writing and speculating about him, this strange, cold man remains a mystery, inscrutable, hard, and somehow aloof from the people.

PAPAL PALACE

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Pope's palace buildings in Rome.
- 7—Church is next to it.
- 13 Honeybee.
- 14 Indian boat.
- 16 Passport indorsement.
- 17 Every.
- 18 To slide.
- 19 Bird of prey.
- 20 Cupidity.
- 22 Fabric.
- 23 To primp.
- 24 Lubricant.
- 26 Masculine title.
- 28 Appraised.
- 32 Negative.
- 33 Evenings before holidays.
- 34 Note in score.
- 36 To strike.
- 37 Copperheads.
- 39 Sooner than.
- 40 Maintains.
- 42 To saturate.
- 46 Wine vessel.
- 47 Sounds.
- 51 Eye.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

GEORGE COHAN
PLATON M. LION
LATE COHAN
ATE RYET
PATRIOTIC
WORLD IN HOPE
REED TENSE POOR
TRA MEASURE GUM
GR BOSS WEAT TO
HSET ELMA TAWGS
TREAT ROELECT
ACTORS DANCER

VERTICAL

- 1 Go on (music).
- 2 Armadillo.
- 3 Floor block.
- 4 Island.
- 5 Tennis point.
- 6 Nautical.
- 7 Ice cream drinks.
- 8 Golf term.
- 9 At any time.
- 10 To become weary.
- 11 Female slave.
- 12 Musical note.
- 15 To arrest.
- 20 The Pope—the area called Vatican City.
- 21 Female deer.
- 22 To asseverate.
- 23 Wastes time.
- 27 Torpid.
- 29 Hall.
- 30 Commanded.
- 31 Custom.
- 35 Clearings.
- 36 Scolds.
- 38 To bark.
- 41 To eject.
- 43 Balsam.
- 44 Goddess of discord.
- 45 Tree.
- 48 Death notice.
- 49 Breeding places.
- 50 Paradise.
- 52 Male cat.
- 53 Silkworm.
- 54 Mystic syllable.
- 58 Compass point (abbr.).

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-51 and a small illustration of a dome.

SERIAL STORY

CONSCRIPT'S WIFE

BY BETTY WALLACE

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YESTERDAY: Bill is in town, having bought Martha. He's been at the office, then at the boarding house. He has discovered Martha was in New York with Paul. In desperation, Martha goes to Suzanne. The girl has seen Bill, tried to repair the damage her angry words have done. But there's no stopping Bill. Suzanne knows he has been drinking, suggests they search the town for him.

BILL QUITS THE ARMY

CHAPTER XXVIII

THE bartender in Pete's Bar and Grill looked up with what was for him stark bewilderment. An expensive gray car squealed to a stop at the curb outside. In the red and blue glare of the huge neon sign, the two girls who crossed the sidewalk looked ghostly. Their lips were bluish, their faces pale, neither of them wore a hat. And they sprinted into the cafe as if the police were behind them. The bartender put down the glass he'd been polishing and reached up to turn off the burbling radio.

"What can I do for you, ladies?" The redhaired one—she was pretty even though she looked as if she'd been through a steam wringer—asked quickly. "Was a soldier in here tonight? A tall soldier with dark curly hair? He—he might have been very tight..."

The bartender shook his head. "No, ma'am. Not that I know of. We had a couple of sailors." "Thanks," said the blond girl, curtly. "Come on, Martha. Bill hasn't been anywhere we used to go together, and if he hasn't been in any of the places around here, the only thing that's left is to search the joints on South Street." "The bartender wiped a small space in front of him with sudden vigor. "Look, ladies, if I was you, I wouldn't go messing around on South Street after no soldiers this time of night."

BUT the two girls paid no attention. They ran back out to their car and started off with a grinding of gears. Had the bartender known it, it had been like this in a succession of cafes and bars-and-grills all over town. At 4:30, Martha and Suzanne came out of the last smoky joint on South Street. And still they hadn't found him. Suzanne said, "We've been everywhere. Bill must have taken a room somewhere and gone to sleep!" "Maybe he went back to camp," Martha said. "Suppose he—he went back t-t-tight?" "Best thing he could have done."

HENDERSON GOLF Pro Is Boosted As Coming Champ
By United Press
HENDERSON, Tex.—Fred Corcoran, secretary and tub-thumper of the PGA, described him as the "comer" on the national golf scene. Jimmy Demaret said he ranked as the outstanding young golfer in the country. Dozens of other eulogies have been written or spoken about Ray Hill golf pro at the Henderson Country Club, but few know a great deal about him.

His game speaks for itself. He smacks a long ball and plays sure and steadily with his short irons. Last summer his 36 hole 148 gave him a tie with Demaret in the Texas Professional Golfers Association tournament at Beaumont. By virtue of this he qualified for one of the four Texas positions open at the National PGA held last year at Hershey, Pa. Over a rain and wind swept course Hill qualified with a 75.

This close defeat, however, brought him more fame than half a dozen regional victories. For it was after missing that heart-breaking putt that Demaret had a look and decided the 24-year-old had had the "stuff" to make one of the nation's top notch swingers.

Hill is now prospecting for gold in the hills of California where the first tournaments of the winter season are being held. Handsome Ray hasn't been doing so well, but the drum beating for his ability continues to swell in from the Pacific Coast. Only the other day Corcoran took Henry McLemore, United Press columnist, aside to extoll the virtues of the Henderson pro. Hill originally hailed from Dal-

But I have a feeling he didn't go. Listen, we're quitting now. Stay with me tonight. In the morning, we can phone the camp. If he's not there, we'll start looking again." She saw the expression on Martha's face, and shook her gently. "Please, Martha! There's nothing we can do tonight."

WITH the first streak of gray in the dawn sky, Martha got up. Reveille was at 5:30. They'd answer the phone at the camp now. "I want to talk to Private Marshall," she told the gruff mule voice. "I'm sorry to call at this hour, but it's terribly important."

"It's very irregular," said the voice, uneasily. "I'll have to ask the adjutant." After a while, a more authoritative voice said, "Hello, Lieutenant Gresham speaking. What is it?"

"This is Mrs. Marshall," Martha explained. "Mrs. William Marshall. I'd like to speak to my husband, Private Marshall." She gave the number of his company and because she couldn't think of anything else, she added the name of the top sergeant with whose wife she had become acquainted.

"I see," said the voice, in a tone which carried no understanding whatever. "Wait just a moment, please." Then there was another silence. A longer silence, this time. Martha bit her lip, and scrawled nervously on the message pad with the little gift pencil. "Mrs. Marshall?" "Yes, yes."

"Mrs. Marshall, I wonder if you could indicate the nature of your message." In the cautious phrases, Martha sensed an element of surprise and of suspicion. "What's the matter? Isn't he here?" "Did you expect him to be here?" the voice asked.

She didn't know what to say. The voice went on, holding a steady note now. "If this is Mrs. Marshall, the commanding officer thinks it best to inform you that your husband has been absent without leave. We do not know his whereabouts and absents him without leave is an extremely serious matter."

"Absent without leave?" she gasped. "But I thought—I thought he had a pass—!" The telephone shook in her hand. "Oh, I'll try to find him at once, I'll try to make him go back. I—I had no idea—"

"You thought he had returned, after a leave?" "Yes, yes, that's it. He—he was here yesterday. I thought he'd gone back. I'll look for him at once, I'll find him."

"Mrs. Marshall, if he doesn't re-

turn within ten days, your husband will be classed as a deserter."

"Oh!"
DESERTER. The word had an ominous ring. She remembered vaguely that in wartime, deserters were shot at sunrise. Suddenly, the sharp ring of the telephone sounded in both rooms. In Suzanne's, and in the room she had just left. She ran back. The ringing had stopped. Suzanne must have answered already. She lifted the receiver, certain it was the camp, calling back. Perhaps Bill had just come in!

But it wasn't the camp. She heard Suzanne's voice asking, "Who, operator?" "Mr. Paul Elliott in New York is calling Miss Decker. Is this Miss Decker?"

"Yes, yes, put him on." Martha cried. "Suzanne, I'm on the line too. Maybe it's something about Bill. I'd like to listen."

"Of course. Be quiet. Let's see what it is." "Hello, Suzanne?" came Paul's voice. "Suzanne, do you know where Martha is?" "I'm right here," Martha cried. "Right here on the extension. What is it, Paul?"

"It's your precious husband!" shouted Paul. "He came near getting himself murdered! He barged into the hotel at 5 this morning, made the man at the desk tell him my room number. When I opened the door, he knocked me down!"

"Oh, Paul! Paul!"
"THE damn fool accused me of hiding you, Martha, do you understand? He thought you were here!"

"And you wanted me to stay there! Suppose I'd been there. Paul? Just think how it would have been!" She was sobbing.

"It was bad enough. It took two bellboys to pull him off me. They wanted to turn him over to the police."

"Paul," she wailed. "Paul, you should have kept him there. Brought him home. Oh, Paul, he's absent without leave, he's deserted from the army." "Keep him here? He was wild! My God, he blacked my eye, nearly broke my head—"

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AND I SEE YOU'RE ALL SET, TOO, CHUM! THAT'S GREAT, BECAUSE I CERTAINLY COULD DO WITH A GOOD GUIDE!

Y'COULD EH?

OKAY, I'M READY... LET'S GIT GOIN'!

THE FELLA ANGUS, CLAIMIN' TO BE 'A DUCHESS', LONG LOST BROTHER, TURNED UP A WEEK BEFORE 'A DUCHESS' SENT FOR YUH, RED?

DID SHE RECOGNIZE HIM, HANK?

NOPE... BUT HE HAD PAPERS 'A PROVE IT, SO SHE LET HIM STAY TILL HE COULD CHECK UP ON HIM.

HOW'D THEY SEEM TO GET ALONG WITH EACH OTHER?

I HEARD 'EM SPATTIN' A COUPLE OF DAYS BEFORE SHE DIED IN 'A STABLE FIRE!

ME THINKUM BULL-NECK ANGUS NOT AUNT 'A DUCHESS' BROTHER!

HUMM! I WONDER IF SHE WAS MURDERED!

Society Club and Church Notes

OPEN HOUSE FRIDAY AT LOVETT HOME FOR MRS. CARL SPRINGER

Open house will be held Friday, February 7 in the Frank Lovett home honoring Mrs. Carl Springer, who is leaving soon to make her home in Abilene. The Women's Missionary Society and the Home Makers Class of the First Baptist Church will be host for the affair which will be held from 3 until 5. Mrs. Frank Lovett will be house hostess.

All women of the Baptist Church are invited to attend.

DRAGOO STUDIO RECITAL TONIGHT AT METHODIST CHURCH

A capacity audience heard the first presentation of the Dragoo Studio of Music annual spring recital at the First Methodist Church last night. Wilda Dragoo, director, conducted the recital, which was enthusiastically received.

Tonight at 7:30, the second presentation of the student concert will be heard.

Opening with the singing of the Harmony Girls, the following stu-

dents will appear on the concert: Pat Bonney, Emmett Graham, Ray Lerner, Betty Pickens, Marie Gustafson, Mary Jane Wilson, Minta Sam Herring, Lois Lerner, Catherine Cornelius, Estes Halkias, Elizabeth Cope, Betty Cook, Berna Marjory Goldberg, Beverly June Smith, Ella Louis Binney, Mary Page, Doris Roberts, Gloria Graham, Billy Ross Hodges, Charles Osteen, Rose Ann Wood, Billie Allen Kenny, Nancy Seaberry, Betty Slicker, Glenna Johnson, The Dragoo Violin Octett will close the recital.

LAS LEALAS MEET THURSDAY

The members of the Las Lealás Club will meet Thursday evening at the Woman's Clubhouse at 7:30. Mrs. Fred Maxey will be leader for the program, "Stage for the Stay-at-Homes."

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER HELD FOR MISS EDMONDSON

Miss Frances Harris entertained Tuesday evening at her home with a miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Maynel Edmondson, bride-elect of James R. Gilkey Jr., the wedding date is set for Feb. 14.

Bingo was played during the evening with Miss May Taylor winning high score and Miss Marcia Mobley, low.

Guests were Mrs. James Birmingham, Miss Rama Barber, Miss Ruthella Meek, Mrs. Jerry McCullough, Mrs. Andy Taylor, Miss

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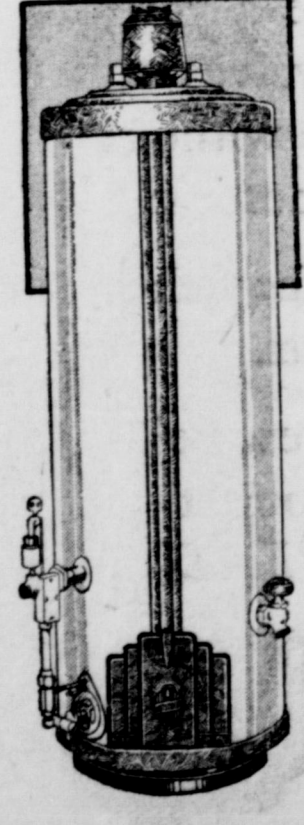
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Gifts were sent by Mrs. Harry B. Brogdon, Miss Jenoice Lovell, Miss Frankie Webb, Miss Ila Mae Coleman, and Miss Lossie Gilkey.

Regulations Of Livestock Show Are Announced

Copies of the rules, regulations and premium lists of the Fifth Annual Ranger Livestock Show, to be staged March 6, have been mailed out to Chambers of Commerce, county agents and exhibitors of Eastland and surrounding counties. The show is sponsored by the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, through its livestock committee.

Dr. Ross Hodges is general chairman, with County Agent Elmo V. Cook being assistant general chairman.

Livestock show officers are: Charles Bell, superintendent; Pleas E. Moore, secretary; L. C. Cooksey, supervisor of the dairy cattle division; E. T. Noland, supervisor of the fat lamb division; Dr. Bob Hodges, supervisor of the sheep division; T. G. Caudle, supervisor of the Hereford cattle division; C. A. Brown, supervisor of the shorthorn cattle division; A. C. Pratt, supervisor of the fat calves division; J. F. Donley, supervisor of the Angora goat division and Raymond Beck, supervisor of the swine division.

Rules and regulations of the show are as follows:

1. Who may compete in the Ranger Livestock Show: Any resident of Eastland County or the Ranger trade territory.
2. Arrival of Animals: All animals must be in their places ready for exhibition by 9:00 a. m., Thursday, March 6, 1941, and must remain until 4:00 p. m. the same date.
3. The Ranger Livestock Show management assumes no responsibility in case of fire, theft or any other damage or injury which might occur to the livestock, exhibitors or visitors while on the grounds of the show or in transit thereto or therefrom.
4. Judging: Judging of livestock will begin at 10:00 a. m. on Thursday, March 6, 1941, the day of the show.
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