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## The U. S. War That Was Not a War

Many people are disturbed today by the fact that the present position of the United States in relation to the war in Europe is neither traditional neutrality nor war. It is described as "non-belligerency," "armed neutrality," "not war" and other phrases, and we think of it as something utterly strange and without precedent.

That is because we incline to think of today's situation in terms of the World War. If we would go back again a little farther in American history, we could recall that there was a period (1798-1800) when the United States did not know whether or not it was at war. War was never formally declared, but it had a lot of similarity to war when the new American frigate, Constellation, was savagely fighting and capturing the French ship-of-war L'Insurgente off the island of Nevis in the West Indies.

Historians usually refer to this as "The Quasi-War With France." The Latin term means "just about, but not quite" a war.

It is interesting to reflect that President Roosevelt is especially well informed on this period of American history, and was instrumental a few years ago in having published an absorbing collection of papers relating to it. Here is how the United States once fought in what was almost like, but never formally, a war:

French naval ships seized American vessels carrying supplies to England, which was at war with France. American indignation mounted, and a frantic preparedness campaign was launched. Three frigates and 30 smaller vessels were built, and ordered to protect American commerce, even if that implied fighting with French ships. An army was hastily improvised, and Washington was recalled from retirement to command it.

In a little more than two years, 84 French ships were captured, mostly privateers, in sea fights to protect American commerce. Yet neither country formally declared war on the other. In 1800 a treaty accepted by both nations put an end to the controversy.

Was it a war? Historians have not yet decided.

Has President Roosevelt's careful study of this period convinced him that there would be nothing new, nothing without precedent, in a decision to protect American ships sailing to a belligerent country? It was done in 1799, and done without formal war resulting.

Could it be done again? And is the possibility now revolving in the mind of the President?

Enough silk stockings were given as Christmas presents to keep skirts short another year.

We'd all live in Utopia if we made as much money as we lead people to think we do.

### COMMON REPTILE

#### HORIZONTAL

- 1 Pictured reptile.
- 3 Mineral spring
- 4 It has an elongated body with no neck.
- 12 To be infested.
- 13 Part of a cask
- 15 Mine shaft hut
- 17 Hammer head.
- 18 Seraglio.
- 19 Nights previous.
- 20 Elderly person
- 22 To reinvigate.
- 24 Musical note.
- 25 North America (abbr.).
- 26 Makes melancholy.
- 31 Dense rock.
- 32 Constellation.
- 33 Striped fabric.
- 35 Dubbed.
- 36 Diamond.
- 37 South America (abbr.).

#### Answer to Previous Puzzle

PETER PAUL RUBENS  
LINANE PROSADOP  
RIDIS REGO EDI  
CAN TREND CAM  
OCEITUISOBRARA  
LEAKAGE DETER ARIT  
KNEEDS DETER RACE  
RAIDED PAUL RACE  
ST RUB RUBENS POAL  
JADINE  
BOOE CRAD EAST  
FATE WETHER OSSA  
ELEMISH PAINTER

#### VERTICAL

- 11 Honey gatherers.
- 13 Luster.
- 14 To rectify.
- 16 Some types of this reptile are
- 19 Boot.
- 21 Inclinations.
- 23 More impartial.
- 27 Altar (star).
- 28 Not bright.
- 29 Female deer.
- 30 To sink.
- 31 Dutch measure
- 34 Commenced
- 38 Berries.
- 39 Goat antelope
- 41 To harvest.
- 42 Girdle.
- 43 Spore sacs.
- 45 Handle.
- 46 Hardens.
- 50 Alleged force.
- 52 African tribe
- 53 Dye.
- 54 Ell.
- 55 To accomplish

## Southland Now America's Land Of Opportunities

The South is America's great new industrial frontier! This is the message of the leading article in the latest issue of "The Advertiser," national magazine of the advertising business, and the statement comes from an authoritative source. The author is Allan T. Preyer, executive vice-president of the Vick Chemical Company, former chairman of the board of the Association of National Advertisers, and a businessman of national prominence.

"The South has advanced industrially while other sections of the nation have stood still or declined," declares Mr. Preyer. "Government statistics on manufactures, from 1900 to 1937, reveal a steady and sustained prog-

ress for the South. The impetus of this progress, backed by new and increasing industrial opportunities, was sufficient to carry the region through the recent depression to 1937, with a loss of only 3 per cent in the value of its products from 1929. The loss by the rest of the nation, on the other hand, amounted to 14 per cent.

Why Southern business weathered the depression better than the nation as a whole, Mr. Preyer can state from experience. His own firm, the Vick Chemical Company of Greensboro, North Carolina, chose the hard economic times of 1931 to bring out two entirely new products, Vicks Vaporub for nose and throat and Vicks Medicated Cough Drops, supplementing the well known Vicks Vaporub salve. With Vicks as with many another aggressive Southern business, sales and payrolls rose steadily throughout the depression.

"The ten-year period just closed (1930-1940) has represented a

decade of progress for the South, for it has brought numerous beneficial readjustments," says Mr. Preyer. Especially important is the widespread diversification of industry, which has proved a stabilizing influence. "Among the industries that have brought diversification and expansion in the South are kraft pulp and paper, rayon, petroleum refining, other heavy industries and textiles."

In proving that industry is now Dixie-bound, Mr. Preyer points out that a survey conducted during 1936 and 1937 showed that more than \$186,000,000 was spent in process industries for new plants and modernization in the South—a sum which was \$60,000,000 greater than that spent in all the rest of the country combined.

"The industrial strides made by the South have been reflected in the whole economic life of the region," says the writer. "The agribanks in 1938, for example, in-

creased by more than six hundred million dollars over 1931. The total Federal internal revenue payments increased from \$552,166,000 in 1931 to \$1,357,516,442 in 1938. Life insurance in force rose during this period by nearly four hundred million dollars, and total wages paid in industry increased by some one-half billion dollars."

"What lies ahead for the South? There are definite signs that even now point the way to new and expanding fields of development. Again it appears that pulp manufacture—newsprint from southern pine, and sulphate pulp for the region's \$200,000,000 rayon industry—will be the explosive spark to set off the new advance."

Development of these new fields is good not only for the South, but for the economic life of the whole nation. In fact, asserts Mr. Preyer, "the picture of the South today is a welcome reassurance that opportunity is still very much alive in this country of gregeite resources of Southern ours."

## Tech Directors To Be Named Soon

LUBBOCK, Texas—Terms of three Texas Technological college directors expire Feb. 19, and a vacancy caused by the death of Chairman Joe T. Sneed Jr., of Amarillo brings the total directorate appointments to be made by Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel to four.

Scheduled for expiration this year are the terms of Mrs. W. R. Potter of Bowie, Thomas G. Pollard of Tyler, and James M. West of Houston. West was elected chairman in December to succeed Sneed. Six-year terms of three directors expire every other year.

Other board members are Mark McGee of Fort Worth, Spencer A. Wells of Lubbock and L. L. Steele of Mexia, whose terms expire in 1943; Milburn McCarty of East-

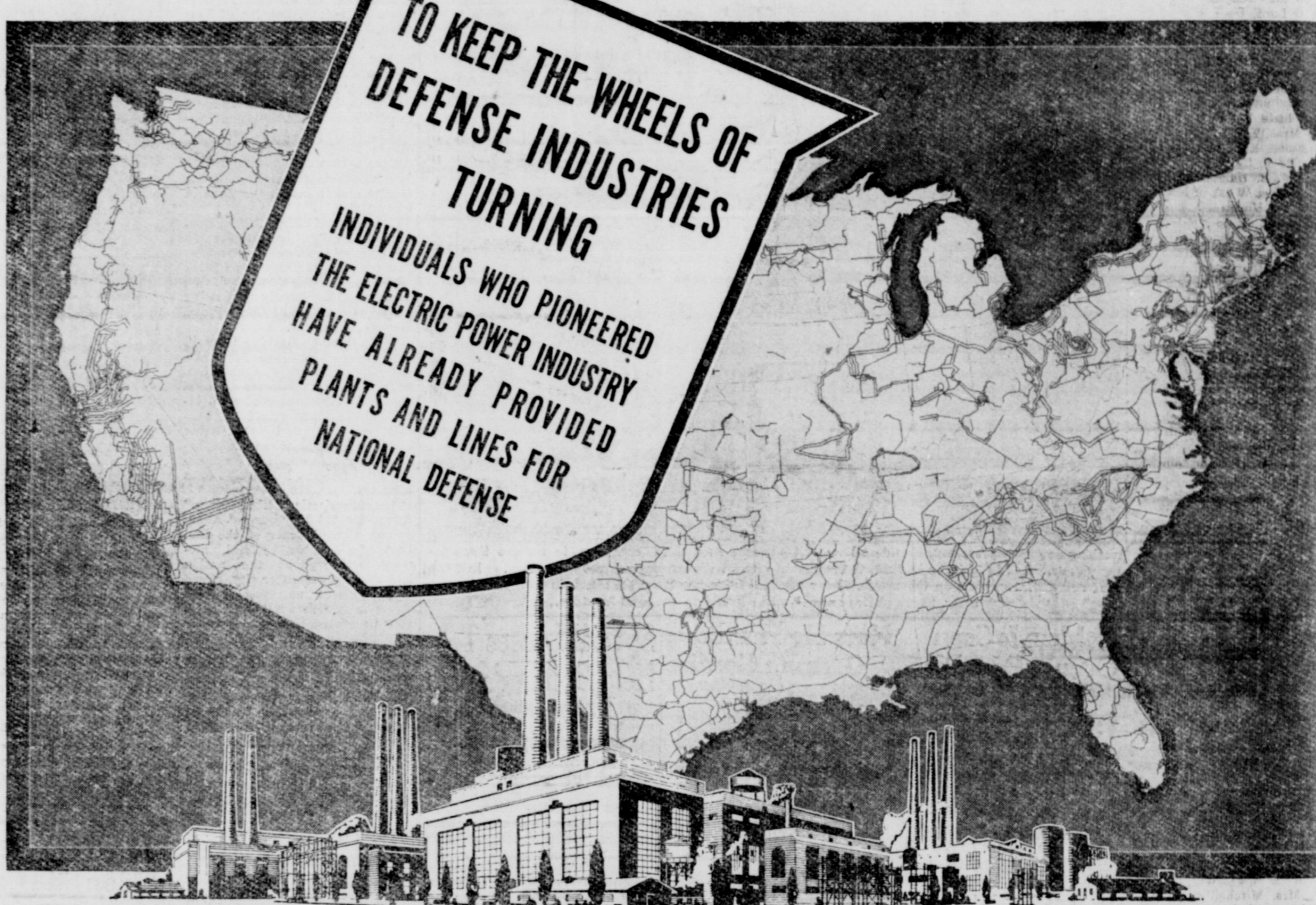
## 66 Snakes Killed Three Young

By United Press  
FORT WORTH, Tex.—This guy Frank Buck, and that's what three of them near here want to know. They admitted that "brings 'em back alive" think they deserve some intrepid animal hunters.

Recently they were mission to sell all the rocks on the S. A. Engle. They found the rocks, but under one they found a nest of snakes—5 heads and 12 chicken snakes. They killed all of the clubs.

The boys were James, Ham, 14, and Albert, 12 English. land and Charles C. The Colorado City, whose pipe in 1945.

# ELECTRIC POWER IS READY NOW



TO KEEP THE WHEELS OF  
DEFENSE INDUSTRIES  
TURNING  
INDIVIDUALS WHO PIONEERED  
THE ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY  
HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED  
PLANTS AND LINES FOR  
NATIONAL DEFENSE

## POWER TO MEET ANY DEFENSE DEMANDS

### AND SO UNCLE SAM... FULL SPEED AHEAD ON URGENT NECESSITIES WE LACK.. PLANES, SHIPS, TANKS, SHELTER, CLOTHING AND FOOD

TODAY the nation is fortified with power. The collective capacity of American electric service plants is greater than England, Germany and Italy combined.

More important still are the systems of distribution. Today the nation is spanned and criss-crossed with high-voltage transmission lines. Current flows constant and unflinching to cities, towns, villages, hamlets... even to the ranches and farms.

Texas Electric Service Company is

but one of several Texas power systems. These transmission line inter-connections give Texas a "network" of power facilities greater in scope than the much publicized British "Power Grid" which still functions, despite the invaders' bombs. The defense needs of the

nation for electric power are in safe, responsible hands. The power companies of the nation have done the job well; completed it in advance of need. Electric power's defense is... "READY."



## TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY

A. J. DUNCAN President

# Society Club and Church Notes

**CALENDAR**  
Tonight, Marjorie Murphey will entertain the Young Women's society of the First Baptist church at her home. The meeting is called for 7:30, and all members are urged to attend.

**WOMAN'S DAY LUNCHEON TO PUBLIC**  
Wednesday, at high noon, the Woman's Day luncheon of James, now year, will be served at the Alpha Delphin Club.

The luncheon will be served in the Woman's Clubhouse and price 50c a person, which should be paid not later than noon Tuesday. The luncheon is over by 1:30 o'clock. Mrs. K. K. McMillan will review Earnest Hemingway's "For Whom the Bells Toll."

**MRS. W. A. DORCAS**  
The Martha Dorcas Class met Monday morning with Mrs. Edger presiding during the opening. Song service was held by Mrs. Geo. Lane at the piano. Mrs. Earl Bender brought the national on the subject, "For Whom the Bells Toll."

Mrs. W. H. Mullings presided over the lesson in the absence of W. P. Leslie, who is ill. Mrs. O'Neal read the lesson. A member, Mrs. Marguerite Welsh, was introduced, and a guest, little Bobby Young, of Mrs. W. A. Martin.

Mrs. Mmes. Ella Ligon, W. B. Cox, Jr., Robt. W. B. Harris, Geo. H. McBee, W. A. Martin, Mrs. Juna Hargus, Annie Marguerite Welsh, Grady Jim Watson, M. B. Griffith, Fields, B. O. Harrell, Jack Dwyer, Lucille Mas O'Neal, Herman W. E. Coleman, C. H. Claude Strickland, Mrs. Bender, a visitor.

**STEEL CLASS**  
Mrs. M. Johnson was hostess for the Susan Steele class of the First Methodist church which met at her home for an all day session and a dish luncheon.

Members were especially Mrs. J. J. Mickle, who lives for Amarillo where she resides. The others were Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Jonna Jones, whose birthdays are celebrated.

Potted plants were used in the dining room, the buffet centered with a bouquet of white Narcissi and Forsythia with autumn shade foliage. The dining table, laid in white, was centered with a huge cake.

An informal visit and needle work was enjoyed during the afternoon, with luncheon at noon.

During the luncheon, the business meeting was held with Mrs. May Harrison presiding. The session opened with a song, "Blest Be the Name of the Lord." Mrs. Mickle offered prayer followed with a discussion on prayer by Mrs. Mitchell on the subject, "To Live or Grow."

Officers reports were made, and reports of visits to the ill, and gifts and flowers given, were made.

She was paid the late Mrs. Steele, Class Mother, for the class was named and her birthday was January 18.

Present: Mmes. J. H. Taylor, E. Barber, Annie Day, W. A. May, May Harrison, J. J. Mickle, Mrs. Mitchell, Jonathan Jones, and the hostess, Mrs. Johnson.

## "Fight Paralysis" Games Tourney To Be Started Tonight

Tonight at 7:30 in the American Legion Clubroom, a games tournament of bridge and "42" will be sponsored by the women of Eastland to give the people of Eastland an opportunity to help in the fight against Infantile Paralysis. Price of tickets are 25c each and all proceeds go to the campaign fund to fight the disease.

Prizes will be awarded to winners at the games tonight, and next Monday, January 27, the finals will be played with Eastland, Cisco, Ranger, and Rising Star winners participating.

Miss Marguerite Quinn is general chairman.

## 32-Year-Old Banker Can't Quit His Job

JOSHUA, Tex. — They just won't let old Angus McMillan quit.

He's 82 years old now and wants to stop being this little community's banker. In fact, he did quit seven years ago, but the folk around here just didn't pay any attention to the posted notice on the door saying McMillan's private bank was to be liquidated.

They kept on coming in the bank and making their deposits. They kept on applying for loans. So McMillan sighed—but smiled—and business went on as usual.

"It looks like I can't quit," McMillan said. "These folks are my friends and they seem to need my little bank, so I guess I'll stay with them as long as they want me."

He was in the old town of Cadde—long since disappeared—when he became ill. A merchant took him in, kept him in his home until he recovered, then gave him a job. That was his stepping stone to a present modest fortune and McMillan stayed in the area to run "this bank for my friends."

## Freckles and His Friends—By Blosser

**YOU'D BETTER HAVE YOUR BREAKFAST BEFORE YOU LEAVE FOR SCHOOL, SON!**

**I'M NOT GOING TO SCHOOL TODAY, DAD!**

**IN WHICH CASE, I SUPPOSE YOU HAVE IT ALL FIGURED OUT AS TO HOW YOU WILL EXPLAIN YOUR ABSENCE TO YOUR TEACHERS?**

**I'LL HAVE MY EXCUSE WRITTEN BY THE GOVERNMENT! I THINK MY ENLISTMENT PAPERS WILL DO THE TRICK!**

**HI-YA, FELLAS! MOVE OVER—I'LL BE RIGHT UP!**

## Air Vigilantes To Be Aid To Army

**By United Press**  
CHELSEA, Mass.—A civilian force of more than 10,000 American Legionnaires and women volunteers, ranging from housewives to society leaders, will scan New England skies this winter in a practice watch against potential air attacks on industrial centers.

Cooperating with the army signal corps, which has assigned two companies to the project, individual watchers in more than 400 scattered New England communities will serve as the nerve-tips of a protective net to guard the strategically important areas.

Army war planes will simulate the maneuvers of enemy bombers in a practice invasion, and another force of army planes will be concentrated at strategic bases to intercept the "invaders" at the first note of warning.

According to the defense scheme, individual watchers will telephone first warnings of the approach of enemy planes while the "invaders" are hundreds of miles from their objective. The telephone reports will go to the state armory here, where an army signal center has been established.

Staffing the local headquarters will be 180 women from more than a score of Massachusetts cities and towns, who are being trained by signal corps experts to plot, correlate and analyze the invasion warnings.

As the calls are received, the women will plot the position, speed and apparent direction of the enemy squadrons under the

## Sheep Will Wear Coats of Cotton

**NEW ORLEANS**—Sheep, freshly sheared and shivering on the cold, blustery ranges of the West, soon will receive new coats of cotton through the combined efforts of several government experimental agencies and the cotton processing division of the Southern Regional Research Laboratory.

The plan is not new is admitted by R. J. Cheatham, chief of the laboratory here. It has been the fashion among the Angora goats of Texas for some time to stroll in their cotton coats after shearing while the elements kick their less-hardy compatriots under cover.

The experiment has been tried in Australia and in other sheep raising countries, but only now is the idea being tried-out under controlled, scientific conditions.

Cheatham said that small scale tests carried out last year were so encouraging that larger scale experiments appeared amply warranted. The preliminary tests, he said, indicated that on certain pasture lands in cold, windy climates, supervision of army officers. On the basis of this information the waiting defense planes will be called to the attack and directed to points where they may intercept the "invaders."

Selected for this duty by the Massachusetts committee on public safety, the force of volunteer women includes Miss Emily Saltonstall, daughter of Gov. Leverett Saltonstall, and other patriotic members of the commonwealth's first families.

use of the rugs or coats saved feed and increased the amount and quality of the wool.

Lambing, however, has been off as much as 20 per cent in the earlier experiments. Whether this was due to the sheep's unfamiliarity with "second-hand" coats or natural causes is not known, but the experiments are designed to find the answer.

The research laboratory here has recommended the purchase of 500 experimental coats. They are of No. 10 duck, unwaterproofed, weighing approximately a pound, and each contains about one square yard of fabric. A waterproofing compound for the inside of the coats is being developed, Cheatham said.

The experiment is being carried

out jointly by the bureau of agricultural engineering, the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Wyoming agricultural experiment station.

Dr. Robert H. Burns, wool specialist of the Wyoming station, is supervising the tests on the Flag Ranch, Inc., near Laramie. Cotton technologists of the research laboratory here designed the coats, on recommendations furnished by Dr. Burns.

**JAYCEES MEET TONIGHT**  
The Eastland Junior Chamber of Commerce meets tonight at 8:30 at the TESCO Club rooms. All members are urged to be in attendance.

## A Three Days' Cough is Your Danger Signal

Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

**CREOMULSION** for Coughs, Chest Colds, Bronchitis

**LYRIK**  
LAST DAY  
JACK BENNY  
FRED ALLEN  
**"LOVE THY NEIGHBOR"**

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No. 6. The Riddle of Whispering Women  
Dr. Kildare saves his romance... and solves his most baffling case!

**"Dr. Kildare's Crisis"**  
LEW AYRES  
With  
LIONEL BARRYMORE  
LARAIN DAY... And the Guest Star... Robert Young  
A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer

## ALLEY OOP

Now your answer, Cleopatra, and quickly! Do you still refuse my request for the belt... or must I visit its curse of destruction upon Egypt?

**CRASH**

Just one fiftieth of a second has elapsed since yesterday's action.

Verily thou art a wizard! Yet I am loath to part with the jeweled girdle.

I come not to quibble... yes or no?

## RED RYDER

Is there not some other way that... great Isis!

**MARC ANTONY!**

Here, Red Ryder, but how you fool! You bad man with little stick!

Sh-h-h... you'll see, little beaver!

## "Lil Abner" and "Daisy Mae" To Be Selected Soon

Merle Baldwin, director of the Eastland High School Band, announces that the band members will conduct a contest among the five high schools for a suitable "Lil Abner and Daisy Mae" to be shown Saturday night at 11 o'clock at the local showing of "Lil Abner" at the Connellee Theatre Monday midnight with a band contest before the crowning of a winning contestant.

Any member of the high school may advance tickets and get the details of how to cast votes for a favorite.

**REACH AN' DON'T MOVE!**

**ME GETTUM THEIR GUNS, RED RYDER!**



# Building

## bring sales volume to every line of business...

Did you think that the only ones who profit financially from building a new home were the builders? They do profit considerably, but so do the workmen, and the lumber supply companies and their employees—in fact, everyone, who has any direct contact with the building, profits. They all have more money to spend for their needs.

Of course, the home furnishers and landscape gardeners and decorators make direct sales to the family who owns the new home. But the businesses that profit the most are those who sell merchandise or services to the workmen, the architect, the furniture store delivery man, and all the others who take part in helping to build and furnish a new home. In turn the butcher, the baker, the grocer, and the laundryman are able to buy new clothes from the man who lives in the new home.

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