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COUNTY MEET OPENS IN EASTLAND

STALIN SEEKS CHECK ON HITLER IN JUGOSLAVIA IS VIEW OF ONE EXPERT

By J. W. T. Mason
There is reason to believe that Russian influences are acting with other considerations to strengthen Yugoslavia's resistance against German insistence that the Belgrade government join the triple alliance. If the Germans received some form of checkmate in Yugoslavia, Stalin would register a heavy gain.

Especially would Russia benefit if the Jugoslavs family refused to allow German troops to move into their country for action against Greece. Stalin rebuked Bulgaria for permitting the entrance of Nazi divisions.

That Russia can still afford to make a formal break with the Germans until the fuhrer's forces are more weakened than now, it is probable that Stalin has found a way to disguise his advice to Belgrade. Nevertheless, there should be no doubt in the minds of Jugoslav leaders concerning Russia's real position.

It would seem that Russia is now quietly working in indirect collaboration with Great Britain rather than in support of Germany. The entering wedge is not because Stalin has any special fondness for the British but because Russia's own fundamental interests require that the Germans be checked in southeast Europe.

The principal power in Yugoslavia is wielded by the Serfs who have long been the leaders of Slavism in the Balkans. It was Russia's support of Serbia against Austro-Hungary that was the immediate cause of the last world war.

The Russians have always had a personal interest in the welfare of the Serbs, and despite differences in recent years between Russia and Yugoslavia, the racial influence persists. At this critical time in Yugoslavia's history, Russian secret support cannot but strengthen the position of the German party at Belgrade.

Nevertheless, Yugoslavia is in a quandary. The Belgrade statesmen can have no absolute certainty about the way the European war will end. They wish to avoid the future of their own country and do not want to take sides now that would ally them with an active or potential belligerent against either side.

If they were to make the wrong choice, they might find Yugoslavia positioned at the conclusion of the war. Powerful groups within Yugoslavia want to see Great Britain win the war. Indeed, there are few who would receive a German victory with enthusiasm, though some are influenced by the strength of the German war machine.

Especially, the Jugoslavs wish to be weakened by the war. The Italians are the chief rivals of the Jugoslavs and it would be almost contrary to Jugoslav welfare if Italy were to be a war victor. The two countries are rivals for control of the Adriatic, which separates them.

Yugoslavia wants to be the dominant Balkan power but an undictated peace would make this impossible. The axis, itself, would then dominate southeastern Europe. Yugoslavia would have an opportunity of expanding its influence if Great Britain won the war.

It is to help the British would it Jugoslavia if Britain would end. But, such assistance would bring down on Yugoslavia the night of the German army. A policy of neutrality might keep the German army from entering Jugoslav territory if Hitler thought it essential to move away, as he did through Holland and Belgium.

The Jugoslavs are showing considerable delay in a decision, especially since Russia cannot promise active help at this time and there are no full certainties of what will happen in Greece. Hitler, himself, is in difficulty. He sends troops into Jugoslavia but Belgrade's consent, he may be certain will add to Russian resentments. If he agrees to a non-aggression pact and abandons his efforts to force Yugoslavia to join the triple alliance, that will be a defeat, commensurate, just as Japan's foreign minister, Yosuke Matsuoka reaches Berlin.

BRITAIN SAYS BLACKOUT IS A DEFENSE FLOP

LONDON, March 19.—N. Pemberton-Billing noted British aviator writer, today termed the blackout a failure and suggested that bright lights—all that could be mustered—would be a more effective defense against night raiding.

The brilliance from a vast network of lights, Pemberton-Billing said, would blind the enemy fliers and make it impossible for them to locate coastlines, harbors and bays, which are easily identifiable in a blackout and are used by raiders to locate objectives.

Pemberton-Billing's idea is to confront enemy airmen on a grand scale with the difficulties of the bright headlights of an oncoming automobile at night. He suggested to military authorities that since motorists are permitted to use only one headlight now, they be forced to surrender the other. All the headlights so collected could be used to turn the sky over Britain into a sea of light.

The German news agency said last week, that the British, during Nazi raids on Glasgow, set large fires to attract attackers to places where their bombs would do no damage.

In his new book, *Defense Against the Night Bomber*, Pemberton-Billing indicted the blackout on the grounds that it can be completely cancelled by flares; that it adds greatly to the terror effect of night raids; that it handicaps air raid precautions and rescue workers.

That it makes the work of fire-fighters unnecessarily dangerous by forcing them to work in accentuated target areas; that it destroys social life, striking at civilian morale; that it hinders transportation and slows loadings; that it accentuates railway lines and running trains; that it is responsible for thousands of highway and street deaths.

CLEAN-UP COMMITTEE HAS BEGUN WORK

Representatives of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Senior Chamber of Commerce, city management, the merchants, churches and various organizations of Eastland met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. T. E. Richardson, general chairman of the Annual Spring Clean-Up campaign, at the Chamber of Commerce, for a further discussion on plans for clean-up week in Eastland, which is scheduled for the first week in April.

Clean-Up, Paint-Up and Fire Prevention Week is held each year and is a state-wide observance. The campaign in Eastland is sponsored by the Civic League and Garden Club.

The committee divided the town in four parts and will assign various organizations to have charge of these parts in urging the citizens to cooperate in the campaign, which is designed to facilitate public health protection, lessening fire loss, promote public safety and for beautification of the town.

Plans were discussed for destroying the weeds on vacant lots and along the streets between sidewalks and streets, and a committee from the Junior and Senior Chamber of Commerce was appointed to investigate the possibilities of obtaining a weed destroyer.

U. S. Consul To Be Allowed To See Man Held By Gestapo

BERLIN, Mar. 19.—The foreign office told the American embassy today that a representative of the consular department would be permitted to visit Richard C. Hottelet, of the United Press staff in Berlin, tomorrow. Hottelet was arrested by Gestapo agents on charges of attempted espionage for an enemy country.

'Ten-Shun! Rookie Oliver Slams One for New Fans



Draftee Ed "Porky" Oliver shows army mates, instead of using shirt-sleeved gallery, how his drives landed him in top golf ranks before Uncle Sam called him for army ranks. Picture made at Fort Dix, N. J.

BRITAIN IS NEARING A GOAL OF DRIVING ALL ITALIANS FROM AFRICA

Great Britain's drive to wrest East Africa from the hold of Italy appeared to be nearing its final phase today as British and German troops jockeyed for strategic positions on the Balkan front.

Capture of the key Ethiopian town of Jigjiga put the British forces within 70 miles of the railroad linking Addis Ababa, Ethiopian capital, with the sea and the coast of French Somaliland.

Foreign Minister Anthony Eden was reported in London to be in conference with Turkey's foreign minister, Sukuru Saracoglu, somewhere in the Near East.

Eden completed conferences in Cairo with Iraq representatives and it may be he is discussing with the Turks provisions for British aid to Turkey through the backdoor route as Iraq adjoins Turkey to the Southwest.

Jugoslavia continued to hold the chief interest in the Balkans. That country is under German pressure to make some move toward sympathy toward the Axis powers, but it is believed they are attempting to drive a hard bargain with the Nazis and are resisting German proposals that would drag her into the Balkan war on the Axis side.

Jugoslavia is reported to be mobilizing troops in expectation of reaching a peak strength at about the end of this month, when the Balkan front may see action.

British pressure in Africa on the crumbling Italian Empire is increasing daily. South African troops in Eritrea have indicated that a final assault on Keren is developing favorably. Capture of Keren, which is defended by 40,000 Italians, probably would enable the British to sweep through Asmara and bring all Eritrea into Britain's grasp.

In the German-British air war Hull in England and Kiel, big German naval base, were the chief objectives of enemy bombers. DNB, the official German News agency, made an unusual admission that Kiel had been attacked for many hours and indicated that considerable damage had been done. A hint that naval objectives might have sustained damage was seen in the admission that "most of the fires" set by British bombers, were in the business and residential sections of the town.

Australians were delighted by the unusual concentration of United States Naval vessels in their waters, which they took as an indication that they might do something about the spread of the war to that section of the world.

Criminal Cases Tried In 88th

The following criminal cases were disposed of Tuesday in the 88th district court:
State vs. D. B. Woods, charged with driving while intoxicated. Defendant entered a plea of guilty before Judge B. W. Patterson. A fine of five days in jail and \$50 was imposed with suspension of sentence.

State vs. A. W. Williamson, charged with driving while intoxicated. Upon plea of guilty before the court, \$50 and five days in jail fine was assessed.

State vs. Randolph Loudermilk, charged with driving car while intoxicated. On plea of guilty was fined five days in jail and \$50. Sentence was suspended.

State vs. Henry Dye, burglary. Plea of guilty. Case under advisement of the court.

Miss Blount Gets Job As Agent for County of Erath

Margaret Blount, who has been assistant home demonstration agent of Eastland County for nearly two years, will succeed Miss Edith Lawrence as county home demonstration agent of Erath County, effective April 1st.

Miss Blount will be succeeded in Eastland County by Alice Wheatley of Italy. Miss Wheatley is a graduate of Trinity University and has had several years successful teaching experience.

Miss Blount has been most successful in the work with the girls during the time she has been here. She has had the full cooperation of the sponsors of the clubs along with the parents of the club members.

Ineligibility Of Families To Get Mattress Stressed

In any case where it is definitely determined that a family who has received a mattress is ineligible under the provisions of the program to receive such mattress, the person receiving the mattress should be advised of this fact by the county committee as soon as the determination is made and given full reasons for the committee's determination and required to do one of two things:

(1). Return the mattress if it has not been used.

(2). Pay for it if it has been used at all. The family will be required to pay to the Treasurer of the United States \$6.55 for the mattress and/or \$1.35 for the comfort.

Life Saving, First Aid To Be Taught At Red Cross School

Eastland County has but two or three persons holding certificates as instructors in first aid and life saving. One of these has already been called to the colors; the others are likely to be called at any time. This would leave the county without any instructors.

The National Red Cross will hold a school for instructors in each of the above activities at Camp Mystic, near Hunt, Texas, beginning June 1st and lasting until June 11.

It is the desire of the County Chapter, that at least a half dozen of the first aid and life saving certificate holders take this course. Either course may be taken separately from the other.

Anyone desiring to take such courses may get in touch with the chapter at Eastland, or any branch at Cisco, Rising Star, Gorman or Ranger, so that arrangements may be made far enough in advance to be sure of admission.

Scrap Iron Ready To Go To Britain

DALLAS, Mar. 19.—The county's first carload of scrap iron for Britain was on a railroad siding today, awaiting movement to the steel mills before shipment to the British Isles.

LAWGIVERS ARE SEEKING WAYS TO AID FARMER

AUSTIN, March 19.— Seeking ways and means of improving the lot of Texas farmers, a committee of three representatives and two senators is holding a series of mass meetings over Texas to explore the farm problem with a view to giving congress its findings and its recommendations.

The committee was appointed by the Texas legislature, and is composed of representatives Roger Q. Evans of Denison, Ben Sharp of Paris, W. H. Rumpy of Winters, and Senators L. J. Sisk of LaGrange and Marshall Formby of Dickens.

The work of the committee was described this week by Rep. W. R. Chambers of May, himself a farmer, who served as a substitute committee-man last week.

"The committee is not concerned with the problem of whether the AAA is good or bad, The AAA is here. Our problem is to see whether we can improve its working," Chambers pointed out.

"Hearings have already been held at Hallettsville and at Houston. This week the committee may go to Lubbock, and it will probably go to Denison about March 29. Farmers have turned out in splendid numbers to discuss their problems.

"The main ideas suggested for the committee's consideration thus far are:
"1. No benefit check should be issued to a farmer owning more than 20 acres. The program should be to aid the small farmer.

"The benefit check amounts should be based on the actual needs of farmers rather than an acreage. One farmer with a large family needs more income than a man and his wife, even though both families may farm the same number of acres. This element of need should be considered in determining the size of benefit checks.

"2. Legislation should be drafted to penalize the large landowner who takes away the livelihood of the tenant farmers. We should make it unprofitable for the large landowner to throw dozens of families out of work and put them off the land.

"3. Parity checks should be issued on a graduated basis, giving the small farmer a greater break than he now is getting.

"4. A top limit should be placed on parity checks. It is absolutely unprofitable that the King Ranch should have gotten \$105,000 in one year in benefit checks.

"I do not know that the committee will include these matters in its report which should be ready with a month, but these views have been urged upon the members by the farmers at these meetings, and they indicate the type of information which the committee is seeking to gather," Chambers declared.

Man's Leg Broken In Fall Near Olden

L. D. Harris, who resides at the Leon Power Plant, near Olden, sustained a broken leg Tuesday afternoon when he reportedly fell from a pole.

At the West Texas Hospital, in Ranger, where he was taken for treatment, it was reported today that he had a badly shattered leg bone.

Wager is Paid with Stamp-Size Check

By United Press
FORT WAYNE, Ind.—A check for \$2, measuring one and seven-eighths inches by three-quarter inches and believed to be the smallest negotiable check in banking history, was received belatedly here by Dr. Cliff D. Carpenter in payment of a wager.

The postage stamp check was made by reducing a photostatic copy of the regular size check. The loser, Richard B. Allemen of Hanover, Pa., then signed the reduced copy.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Cloudy, warmer tonight. Thursday partly cloudy, warmer.

Grip of Death



This strong right arm and hand have hold of a death in the form of a hand grenade. One of Uncle Sam's new soldiers demonstrates proper technique of tossing the weapon.

Abilene Woman Is Guest In Ranger On 80th Birthday

Mrs. R. L. Weekes of Abilene, a former resident of Ranger, celebrated her eightieth birthday in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Lemley in Ranger, Sunday.

It was a pleasant surprise for Mrs. Weekes when she arrived in Ranger to find her children together for the first time in eight years. Also awaiting her arrival were grandchildren, great grandchildren, nephews, nieces and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Weekes moved with her husband, R. L. Weekes, from Ranger to Abilene 22 years ago where he died several years later. Mrs. Weekes found upon her arrival a birthday cake and many delicious dishes. She was also presented a number of gifts and received congratulations from her relatives and friends.

Those enjoying the celebration with Mrs. Weekes were: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weekes and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Weekes, Fort Worth; Dave Weekes and daughter, Edyth of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Weekes and Lois Jean, Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Henderson and children, Betty Jane, Bob, Jack, Patsy Ann and Jerry, Abilene; Mrs. Lula Lindsey, Abilene; Mrs. Margaret Lemley, Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. Bob De Shaza, Abilene; Cade De Shaza, Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Blackwell and David; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Minter and Talnaga Allan; and Mrs. Dick Weekes and Ann; Mr. B. C. Weekes, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dean; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weekes and Betty Frank; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Weekes and Joann; Mr. and Mrs. Willis Weekes, Wayne and Billye; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Clemmer, Buford and Arrieta, and W. C. Gunsalus, all of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brittain, Rosa Jacque and Wanda Lue, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clayton, Bryson; Mrs. Hazel Jonkowiak and son, Louis of Louisiana. Also Mrs. Leola Martin, Mrs. Henry Davenport, Mrs. Vina Tarrant and Mr. Rob Lindsey, Ranger.

Ranger Girl Makes TSCW Honor Roll

DENTON, March 19.—Miss Marie Conway of Ranger is on the Dean's Honor Roll at Texas State College for Women making a high scholastic average in all her work last semester. Only 7.57 percent of the students enrolled at the college are included on the list, announced this week.

Majoring in chemistry, Miss Conway is the daughter of Mrs. W. D. Conway. She is a freshman student. Miss Conway was honored with other students making outstanding records at a special Honors Day in college assembly this week.

Roosevelt To Sign An Order to Create A Mediation Board

WASHINGTON, March 19.— President Roosevelt was expected to sign an executive order today, creating a super mediation board to avert and settle strikes at plants and on projects where work is underway on national defense.

It is indicated that an 11-man board will be named, though there was no indication yet as to who would constitute its membership.

British Aid Funds May Be Approved By House Late Today

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19.—Administration leaders today expected the House of Representatives to reject all amendments to the \$7,000,000 British Aid Bill, and to pass it late today with an overwhelming vote.

TRACK FINALS TO BE HELD IN RANGER FRIDAY

One Act Plays Started This Afternoon With Choral Singing Following This Evening

The annual Eastland County Interscholastic League Meet will be held at Eastland this year, beginning today, and continuing through Saturday, Mar. 22. Track and field preliminaries will be held at Eastland Thursday, with the finals being run off at Bulldog Stadium in Ranger Friday night.

One act play contests started at 1 p. m. today at the Eastland High School auditorium, with T. G. Jackson as director. An admission of 10 cents was charged.

Choral singing will be held at the Eastland High School auditorium at 7:30 this evening, with Miss Vernelle Stinson as director. A 10 cent admission will also be charged for this event and directors of choirs have been urged to have their pupils at the school building by 7 p. m.

Junior track and field preliminaries will be held Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, at Eastland, with Guy T. Smith as director. The preliminaries will be held at Hoffmann Field, South Daugherty Street.

Declarations will be conducted beginning at 9 a. m. Thursday, with Mrs. H. H. Durham as director. Rural declamations will be held in the study hall of Eastland High, with the other declamations in the high school auditorium. The events include sub juniors, all divisions; high school junior girls; high school, junior boys; and high school, senior boys and senior girls. In the rural division rural ward school girls and boys and rural high school girls and boys will compete.

Volley ball contests will be staged at the Eastland High School gymnasium Thursday morning, beginning at 9 o'clock, with Guy T. Smith as director. An admission of 10 cents will be charged.

Typing contests will start at 11 a. m. Thursday; declamations will be continued at 1 p. m. for the ward school divisions; volleyball will be continued at that hour, and at the same time preliminaries in senior track and field events; story telling for primary grades and playground ball in all divisions will be conducted. Short-hand contests will start at 1:30. Bob Lindsay will direct the typing and shorthand contests; Carl Johnson will have charge of the playground ball contests and Mrs. Bennett will have charge of the story telling.

Friday morning the rhythm band contests will be held in the Eastland High School auditorium at 9 o'clock, with Raymond Rucker as director; tennis for all divisions will start on the courts south of the gymnasium building; playground ball will be continued and picture memory will be held in Room 25 with Mrs. C. A. Cla-

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Mr. Henry Has the Floor

The Lend-Lease Bill is law. By democratic process, after two months of strenuous debate in which every opportunity was given all sides to be heard over and over again, the people's representatives in Congress have passed it, two to one. It is the nation's policy, for good or ill.

The armament effort must now go into high gear. We have decided that the national safety and future now rest in our ability to arm, not only ourselves, but those other countries where the battle for their freedom is actually raging.

We arm, and the mind turns back to another crisis. One hundred sixty-six years ago, there was also an appeal for preparedness. In the provincial assembly of Virginia a resolution had been introduced to put the colony in a state of defense, fit out and train militia. Delegates hesitated. Defense? Defense against the homeland of Britain? True, there had been shooting on Lexington Green and at the Concord Bridge, but New England was far away from Virginia.

Patrick Henry, whose resolution was being debated, heard with mounting indignation the objections as the debate dragged on. Then on March 23, 1775, he took the floor, and all his pent-up feeling rushed forth in a flood of oratory which, for a long time, every schoolchild knew.

"There is no retreat but in submission and slavery," Henry cried. "Our chains are already forged. Their clanking may be heard on the plains of Boston. The next gale that sweeps from the north will bring the clash of resounding arms. Our brethren are already on the field. Why stand we here idle? What is it that gentlemen wish? What would they have? Is life so dear or peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"

Today the clanking of chains is heard in Norway, in Holland and Belgium, in Poland and Czechoslovakia and the Balkans. Today our brethren are already in the field. It is not asked or suggested that we do more than put arms in their hands, meanwhile perfecting and strengthening our own.

We want no war. But today's world has given short shrifts to other nations which also wanted no war and thought that to do nothing was the best way to keep aloof. We are at last convinced that the best way to keep war away is to create strength for ourselves and to share it with like-minded nations and peoples. Though we hope it will not, this course may lead to war. So, we have learned, may any other course; so may mere drifting. We now muster our strength as the best available insurance against being drawn into war.

Here we stand, and we stand no longer idle.

PARADISE APPLE

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Common fruit. 7 It is a — of the tropics. 12 God of war. 13 Spurred with a rowel. 16 Mitten. 17 Conjunction. 19 Skirmish. 20 Health spring. 21 Inundation. 22 Biblical priest. 24 Leg. 28 Disorganized retreat. 29 Sheep's coat. 29 Natural power. 31 Meantime. 34 Dutch (abbr.). 35 Married. 37 Cravat. 38 Arcient. 39 Hawaiian god. 40 Long poem. 42 Inclined. 44 Office. 45 Hatred. 47 Pattern block.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

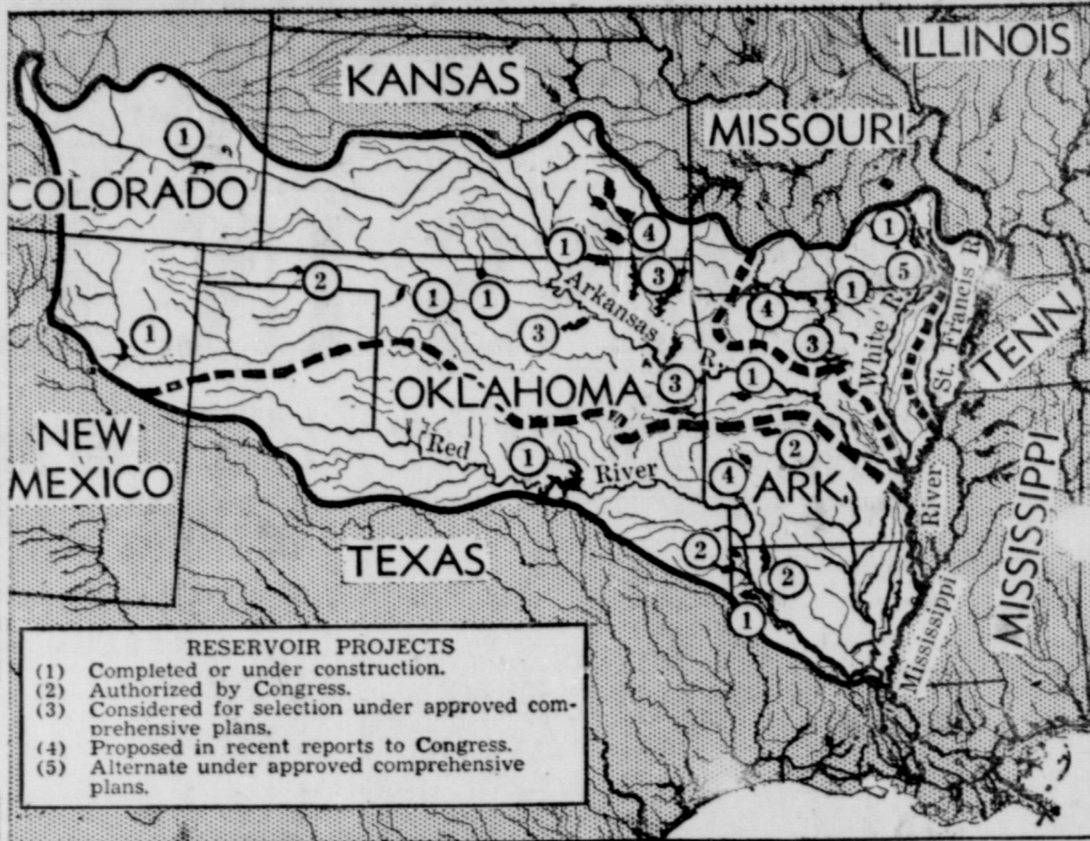
DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS... 22 Song for two. 24 Bartered. 25 Its — is used as a vegetable and for juice. 27 Kite end. 28 To languish. 29 To leave. 32 Intelligent. 33 Children. 34 Dower. 35 Property. 36 To plunge into water. 37 Jordan river. 41 Kind of. 42 Boating glove. 43 Cloth. 45 Clock face. 46 Unit of force. 49 Insects' eggs. 50 To loathe. 53 Fabulous bird. 55 Bugle plant. 57 Cubic (abbr.). 58 Neuter pronoun. 59 Preposition.

VERTICAL

- 1 Palm lily. 2 Spoken. 3 Geld house. 4 Transposed (abbr.). 5 Uncle. 6 Its ripe fruit is either red or —. 7 Born. 8 Advertise-ment (abbr.). 9 To investigate. 10 Glass bottle. 11 And. 14 Tany. 15 Russian coin. 18 Deadly. 20 Book. 21 It has a yellow

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-60 and a small illustration of a globe at the bottom right.

Pile Up Seven TVA' --- and You'll Have the AVA



- RESERVOIR PROJECTS (1) Completed or under construction. (2) Authorized by Congress. (3) Considered for selection under approved comprehensive plans. (4) Proposed in recent reports to Congress. (5) Alternate under approved comprehensive plans.

This map, prepared with the co-operation of the U. S. Army engineers, shows the area to be developed under the proposed Arkansas Valley Authority. It would cover the valleys of the Arkansas, White, Red and St. Francis rivers, all tributaries of the Mississippi. Thirty-six dams are already under construction or authorized at a cost of \$400,000,000 for flood control and power development. The area stretches 1000 miles east and west and 400 miles north and south.

Arkansas Valley Authority Will Affect 300,000-Square-Mile Area

BY PETER EDSON NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—Seven times bigger than the TVA, the AVA—Arkansas Valley Authority—is slated to move into the headlines as the greatest internal development of the United States outside the defense program.

Identical bills to set up AVA have been presented in both houses of Congress, and as they have the political nod of approval from the White House for passage this year, they'll probably go through. It was a pre-campaign promise to Arkansas, contingent only upon the President's election to a third term.

To call this colossal undertaking the Arkansas Valley Authority is a little bit of a misnomer. Really, it takes in four rivers, the Arkansas, the White, the Red River and the St. Francis. Those four rivers drain an area of nearly 300,000 square miles, running from the Mississippi river westward, clear to the Rockies, a full 1000 miles away, taking in practically all of Arkansas and Oklahoma, and big hunks of Louisiana, Missouri, Kansas, Texas, Colorado and New Mexico.

All four of these rivers drain into the Mississippi, and they now contribute an annual flood damage of around \$9,000,000. Checking this flood menace is one of the first aims of AVA. But in addition there are the benefits of water power and navigation to be developed, as in TVA, plus further benefits to be derived from solving three problems which the Tennessee Valley doesn't have:

- 1. Drainage of the Arkansas swamp lands, opening up thousands of acres of new fertile land. 2. Irrigation of semi-arid regions like south-eastern Colorado, and Oklahoma, and north Texas. 3. Dust control and the checking of damage from wind erosion and dust storms over all this area, in dry years.

Not all this development, to cost no one knows how many millions of dollars, will have to start from scratch. A start has been made. There are 36 dams within the area—big dams—built or under construction to get a jump on the flood control and power development. They stack up like this:

Arkansas River: Seven dams under construction at a cost of \$66,000,000. Six more dams authorized, to cost \$50,000,000. Seven more dams recommended by chief of engineers, to cost \$84,000,000. Total, \$200,000,000.

Red River: Two dams under construction at a cost of \$49,000,000. Four more dams authorized, to cost \$6,000,000. One dam recommended to cost \$6,000,000. Total, \$61,000,000.

White River: Two dams under construction at a cost of \$26,000,000. Four more dams authorized, to cost \$33,000,000. Two dams recommended, to cost \$79,000,000. Total, \$138,000,000.

St. Francis River: One dam under construction, to cost \$5,000,000.

That's a \$400,000,000 start for U. S. engineer projects only, and not counting the myriad smaller reclamation dams, irrigation systems and drainage systems, power houses, power lines, river locks, reforestation, recreation, wild life propagation, economic planning and so on, pictured for the final dream.

The power development alone will be one of the big things for the electrification of this area, inhabited by 9,000,000 people. Right now, Arkansas imports about 62 per cent of the electric power used in the state. Some of it comes from as far as Norris Dam, near Knoxville, Tenn., 700 miles away. Some comes from Louisiana and more comes from Oklahoma.

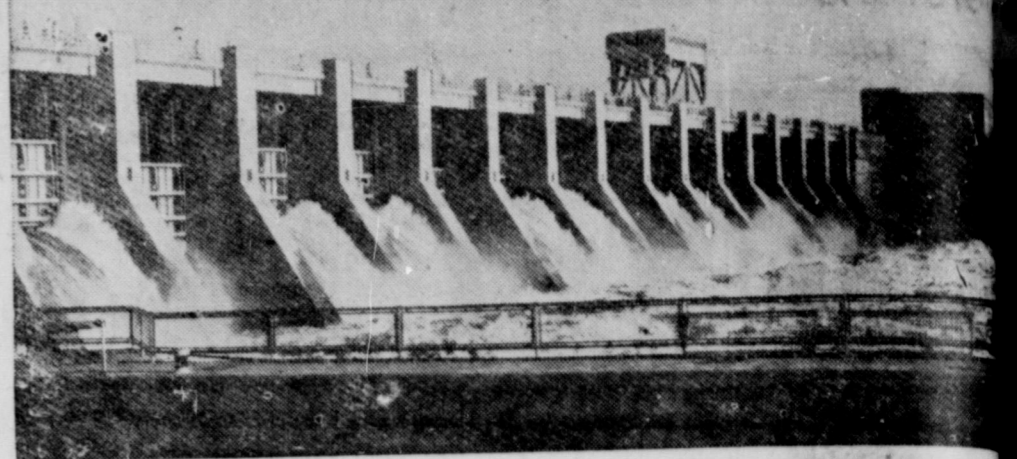
All these long transmissions, with their natural losses, would be done away with under the AVA

solve the flood menace down stream.

The fight may be an issue in the coming Colorado senatorial election. Governor Carr is a candidate for the seat now held by Senator Edwin C. Johnson.

And there will also be plenty of opposition from private power companies, particularly Harvey Couch's Arkansas Power and Light Company, which is controlled by Electric Power and Light Company, which is a subsidiary of the holding company, Electric Bond and Share.

The average cost of sugar used by the U. S. food factories is four and a half cents per pound, Census figures indicate. The food industries in 1939 paid \$211,000,000 for 4,634 million pounds of sugar.



The great Chickamauga Dam on the Tennessee River. Area of the great AVA project includes big dams, built or under construction, in addition to many new ones.

ALLEY OOP

Comic strip panels with dialogue. Panel 1: 'HOW A DOPE LIKE YOU EVER GOT TO BE HEAD OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE BEATS ME... BUT I'VE NO TIME TO FRET ABOUT IT NOW! SO LONG, CHUMP'. Panel 2: 'AT LAST I'VE GOT IT... THE MAGIC BEANS AND NOW IF I CAN JUST GET BACK TO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY WITH IT'. Panel 3: 'MAN, OH, MAN! I'D GIVE MY SHIRT TO CUT AND RUN... BUT I DON'T DARE... IF THEY THOUGHT I WAS SCARED, THOSE ROMAN DOPES WOULD CUT ME TO PIECES'. Panel 4: 'SO FAR, SO GOOD'. Panel 5: 'H...! BEFORE I GET OUT OF THE CITY, I'M GOING TO RISK A LOOK-SEE ABOUT THE RUINS OF THAT GATE I BOMBED'.

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Lucky College Grads Will Sample Real Jobs as Dollar-A-Year 'Internes'



"Internes" from colleges throughout the nation gain practical experience, helping Uncle Sam's business as junior "dollar-a-year" men.

BY GERRY DICK NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—Maybe you're just the type of man or young woman Uncle Sam needs to run his business. If you think you are, make him a trial offer.

Some of them have civil service status before they come. Those who haven't do not get it simply by serving their apprenticeship. They must take the regular examination when it is given.

Experiences of two typical internes will show how their work goes: Stanley Henderson is one of the busiest men in Washington. Hundreds of applicants for civilian defense jobs sit down at his desk in the War Department every day and tell him their troubles.

Nita K. Gavaris was in the 1938-39 class too. She had done research for two years after she graduated from college. One of her college professors called her to have a talk, and suggested she apply for a NIP A internship.

BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON CONGRESSMAN PATRICK'S ADVICE TO NEW MEMBERS ISN'T VERY FLATTERING TO OLD CONGRESSMEN

BY PETER EDSON NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—Is a new congressman a congressman? Luther Patrick, 47, congressman from Birmingham, Ala., since 1936 and in his own words a "World War veteran, teacher, writer, lawyer and radio commentator," took time out on the floor of the House of Representatives the other day for a 30-minute oration on that question.



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Congressman Patrick was very fair about the whole thing. Ten days before he delivered his speech, he warned the House he was going to make it and what the subject would be.

And for Rule 5—Don't try to beat the senator with a telegram relaying news about the letting of a government contract in the home district. That's the senator's privilege, and furthermore, the best way for a new congressman to communicate with a government department is by telephone—through the senator's office.

CONGRESSMAN PATRICK was frank enough to admit that everything he had to say was based on his own mistakes.

Emphasizing that the expected 12,500 or slightly more engineers to receive June diplomas will be woefully inadequate to fill industry's needs, Dr. Hammond concluded the situation is so critical that "the most patriotic course which a student of engineering can adopt is to complete his education without interruption and as quickly as possible."

vitamin D to compile his list of Do's and Don'ts. Rule 1 is to avoid being original. No matter what a congressman has to say, it's safer to attribute it to someone else.

Next is to avoid prophesying the course of the war. Rule 10—"Let not your heart be troubled when those who oppose you say, 'He's been in Congress years, and what has he done?'"

ery practical means should be taken to insure a growing supply of trained engineers," he said. Dean Hammond pointed out that students who drop out in the middle of their engineering courses to accept jobs, even though they be in defense industries, cannot be nearly so valuable to national defense as those who carry their studies to completion.

Most all industries have greatly increased the quota of engineering graduates they are hiring this year, he said. "Even if industrial firms obtained all of this year's engineering graduates, they would be two-thirds short, he asserted. The engineering dean explained, however, that "probably as many as one-third to one-half" of this spring's graduates will enter civil service and military openings instead.

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SERIAL STORY

DOLLARS TO DOUGHNUTS

BY EDITH ELLINGTON

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YESTERDAY: Bee escapes Terry's questioning, learns to wash her own stockings. She remembers her disappearance may cause some commotion, decides to tell her guardian she is going to South America. Clarence will have to find out for himself. Early next morning Toby gets her out of bed, hurries her to Huntington's and Bee finds herself asking for a job at the store she owns.

possibly mean more to the girl she pretended to be than it did to the girl she really was. "That fiend called me useless. But I'm not useless! Huntington's thinks I can work and sell things for them!"

REMEMBERING the owner of that hateful voice brought Mr. Weeming back to mind. She asked a girl, "Where's a telephone?"

BEATRICE GOES SOUTH CHAPTER IX

THE woman behind the desk reached for a white blank. Before she handed it to Beatrice, she looked her over with cold, experienced eyes. She took in the soft, golden curls under the small, pink hat. She noted the thin woolen jacket, the unobtrusive smartness of the dress.

OUT of the past came a remark of Grandfather's she had not paid especial attention to at the time. "We never knew when some world-beating executive may apply to us, in the shape of a frightened, shabby boy who never finished grade school. That's why a store like ours can't afford to be exclusive in the personnel department. I don't believe in this stuff of demanding a college degree and 14 personal references."

At the third floor (she'd always remember to carefully follow the fifth and Mile, Mathilde) she got out and found the corner where the phone booths were. A sale of \$1.98 housedresses was in progress opposite, and the voices of customers made a shrill uproar. She closed the door of the booth carefully before putting her nickel in the slot.

There was a table in the middle of the office. A long table, with pens and ink and blotters and a list of instructions under the glass top. "Be sure to answer each question. Please do not falsify statements as all references are checked. Give exact dates of previous employment and exact salary."

Beatrice thought swiftly. "She'd have turned me down if I hadn't bucked her!" She did not know it, but she was making the same discovery her grandfather had made, years ago, when he laid down the first plank of the foundation of his fortune.

Mr. Weeming, fortunately, was accustomed to her hair-tries; he chuckled for far pastures. He asked, "Is your fiance accompanying you?"

"I need the position," said Beatrice quietly. "That's the main reason for applying, of course. Then, I—I've always thought I'd like to sell. I—I believe I could."

The woman turned her over to the store's medical department for a physical examination. After that she was given an intelligence test. "Aptitude Test" they called it, tactfully. Then she was given a payroll number and a card to be punched and led to the locker room where she put away her hat and coat.

"Why, I—I've taken care of that already," she answered. "Don't give it a thought. If I need anything, I—I'll cable you. Goodby." Beatrice Davenport Huntington hung up. And Bee Davis, newest employe of Huntington's Department Store, came out of the phone booth to face a future which was singularly unlike a pleasure trip to South America.

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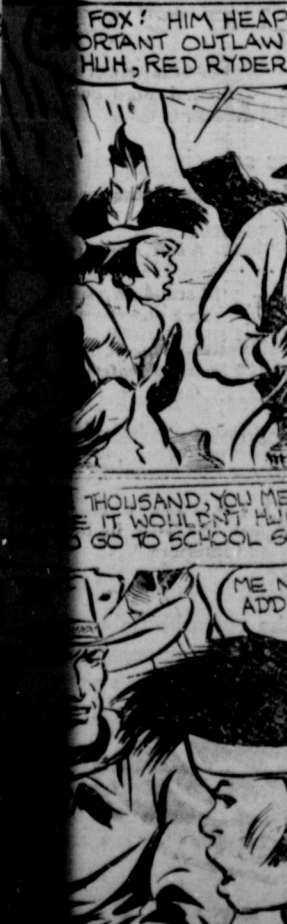
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The Three-R contest will be held in Room 5-T at 3 p. m. with T. E. Robinson as director. Track and field finals will be held for all divisions at Bulldog Stadium Friday evening, beginning at 7 o'clock. An admission of 10 cents will be charged.

Engineering Grads In Demand Now

By Collier Press STATE COLLEGE, Pa.—Engineering schools in American colleges and universities will graduate this June fewer than one-third of the number of engineers required to play important roles in ever-expanding defense industries, according to an estimate by Dr. H. P. Hammond, dean of the

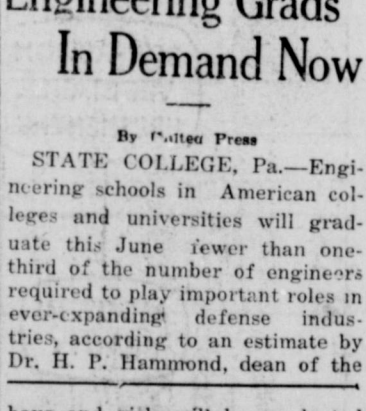
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By Harman



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FATHER-SON BANQUET COMMITTEE MEETS

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NOTICE OF ELECTION BE IT SO ORDERED by the City Commission of the City of Eastland, that an election be held on the FIRST DAY OF APRIL, 1941, at which election there is to be elected three Commissioners to succeed Commissioners C. W. Hoffmann, H. O. Satterwhite and L. J. Lambert, whose term of office expires at that time, and BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the name of all candidates for said office shall be filed with the City Secretary at the City Hall not later than 5:00 o'clock P. M. on the 28th day of March, 1941.

SAID ELECTION SHALL BE HELD at the City Hall in the City of Eastland, Eastland County, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers and clerks of said election:

Oscar Wilson
Presiding Judge and Clerk
J. P. Booles
Judge and Clerk
H. P. Pentecost
Clerk

SAID ELECTION SHALL BE HELD under the provision of the Special Charter of the City of Eastland, Texas, adopted by a vote of the people of said City on the 10th day of May, 1919, and under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas only qualified voters shall be allowed to vote.

A COPY OF THIS ORDER, signed by the Chairman of the Board of City Commission of the City of Eastland, Texas, Attested by the City Secretary of said City, and same to be published according to Article Seven, Section Eight, of the City Charter. C. W. Hoffman, Chairman of the Board of City Commissioners. Attest: M. H. Kelly, Secretary. February 28, 1941.

the home of Mrs. Ella Ligon Tuesday and made arrangements for the banquet and appointed committees for serving the banquet. Mrs. W. O. Tyson was made general chairman.

Each year the Father and Son affair is sponsored by the Men's 9:49 Bible Class of the Methodist Church.

Those present Tuesday were Mrs. W. P. Leslie, W. H. Mullings, Geo. Lane, Robert Ferrell, Mac O'Neal, Grady Morton, Ed Spurr, W. O. Tyson, Josephine Strickland and Patricia Tyson.

LAS LEALAS TO MEET The Las Lealas Club will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 in Woman's Clubhouse.

84-Year-Old Man Enrolls In College

By United Press BELTON, Texas—Dr. J. M. Frazier, 84 "didn't want to stagnate" just because he was getting old, so he enrolled in the Hardin-Baylor College for Women.

His instructor is Dr. E. G. Townsend, 75, who had served for more than 25 years as dean of the college. The two are lifelong friends. They enjoy the teacher-student relationship three days each week, when Dr. Frazier shows up for classes.

A retired Belton physician, Dr. Frazier is taking ethics and new testament history in the religious education department. He was the college physician for 40 years. Two of his daughters were graduated from the school, and two other daughters were students.

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Boy's Ruse To Get a Bicycle May Result In Good After All

DALLAS, Texas—An 11-year-old Negro boy may get a bicycle,

but not the way he had planned. He reported to city detective R. R. Harvill that someone had stolen his "wheel" and furnished a detailed description of it. But Harvill was skeptical. He called the boy's mother. "No, sir, Mr. Harvill," she said. "That boy ain't never had no wheel." Questioned, the boy reluctantly admitted that he hoped police would recover a bicycle similar to the one whose theft he had invented. Harvill gave him a lecture, then suggested he get a job and earn enough money to buy one of the unclaimed stolen bicycles recovered by police and placed in the "bicycle pound."

National Defense Plan of WPA Is Gaining Impetus

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.—Stepped up by State Administrator H. P. Drought's authorization of a 48-hour week on certified national defense projects, the \$6,149,000 WPA national defense construction program in Texas gained additional impetus today.

Currently employed on 48 strategic defense construction projects in Texas are 6,195 WPA workers with the number being expanded rapidly. R. W. Colglazier, Jr., state director of operations, reported. Workers engaged in certified community service and defense industry training activities brought the total WPA employment on the defense program to 7,573.

Projects to expand Texas aviation facilities have been certified by the Department of War as important to national defense in nine localities and WPA work is now going forward at airports in Brady, San Angelo, Big Spring, Abilene, Midland, Lubbock, Dallas, Brownsville, and Laredo.

Hundreds of workers are concentrated in the vital military centers situated in Bexar County where a \$1,980,000 WPA program, involving work at Fort Sam Houston, Randolph Field, Duncan Field, Brooks Field, Kelly Field, Camp Stanley, and Camp Normoyle, is in operation. Erection of buildings, construction of ammunition dumps, extension of sewer systems, improvement of access streets and roads, and drainage of landing fields are tasks being performed with the aid of WPA workers. Included in the program is the mapping of physical plants of Randolph, Duncan, Brooks and Kelly Field and the rehabilitation and rewarehousing of ordnance material held in war reserve.

Access roads leading to Camp Bowie near Brownwood and entering Camp Wallace in Galveston County are included in WPA defense programs. Other WPA

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