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## JAPS CLAIM BIG FEATS IN PACIFIC WAR

TOKYO, Jan. 7. — Imperial Japanese Headquarters today claimed that Japanese forces have shot down or destroyed 569 enemy planes on all fronts and have lost but 81 of their own aircraft in the Pacific War.

The headquarters also asserted that Army fliers sank or destroyed 54 naval and transport vessels, including nine gunboats, four torpedo boats, two destroyers and a submarine. The Japanese said they had lost five vessels sunk and 17 damaged.

The statement set the Japanese casualties in the fighting on all fronts in the four-day period since Jan. 3 at 752 killed and 1,835 wounded, and boast that in the same period 2,105 enemy troops have been left dead on battlefields and that 23,864 enemy soldiers have been captured.

## Eastland Loses In A Triple Header In Ranger On Tuesday

A triple-header between Eastland and Ranger basketball teams was played in Ranger Tuesday night at the Recreation Building, with Ranger being the winner, by close scores, in all three games.

In the first game of the evening the Ranger High School first team defeated the Eastland High School first team by a score of 21 to 13. Mitchell of Ranger was high-point man with a total of 11 points to his credit, and Woods of Eastland was high for his team with 4 points.

In the second game the second teams of the two high schools played, with Ranger winning 14 to 10. Cooper of Eastland was high point man of the game with five to his credit, while Hardin, Gray and Townzen were high for the Ranger team with four points each.

In the third game of the evening the Ranger Junior College girls won from the Eastland High School girls by a score of 37 to 36. The Junior College team was composed of Frances Ferrell, Lucille Briden, Lillian Bishop, Dorothy Ferris, Imogene Ledbetter, Marie Vinson and Dolores Bishop. The lineup for the Eastland team was not available.

The regular Oil Belt basketball schedule, comprising the teams in the Oil Belt football district, will begin next week, with games scheduled on a home-and-home basis.

## Senator's Pasture Is Planted To Crops

AUSTIN.—State Sen. Houghton Brownlee lives in Austin and has a large horse breeding ranch near Burnett. As a result of the war, he is now having the fine pastures of the ranch plowed up and planted in crops.

Many well-known horses on American tracks came from Brownlee's ranch. It was noted especially for the Escoba string of horses, including Escoba Lass.

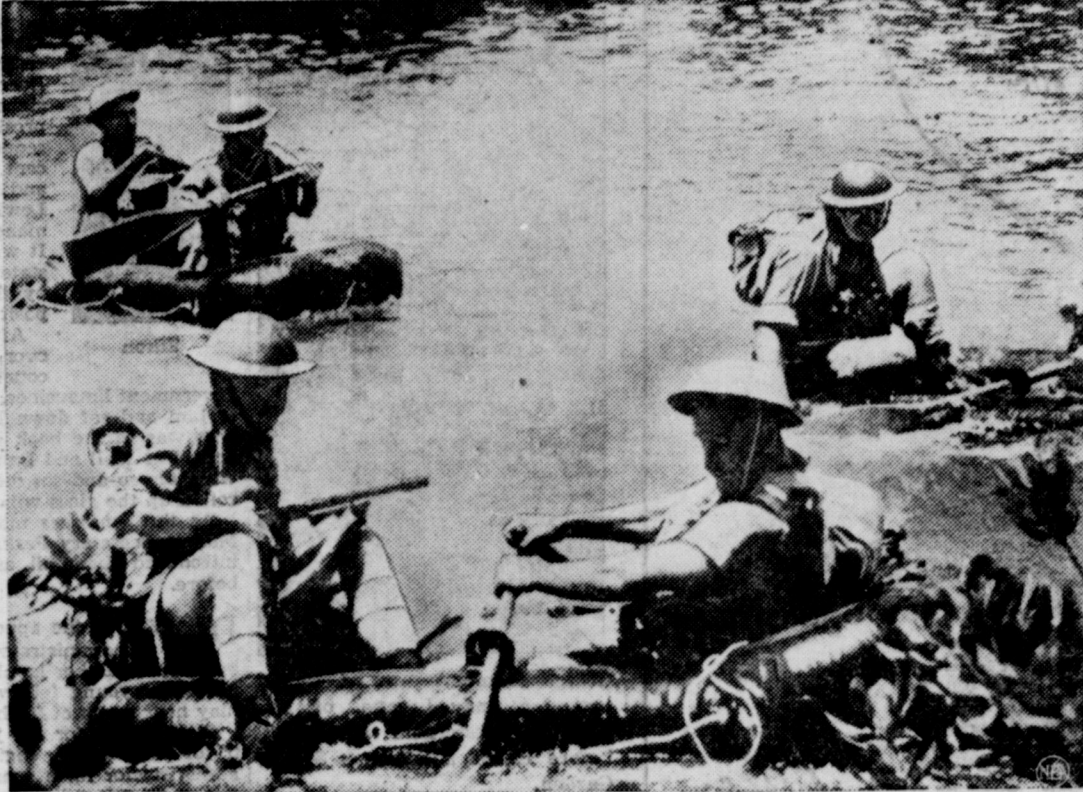
He says he hasn't found a very active market for his race horses. The government is buying horses but they have a top price limit on purchases far below the value of the race horses.

## Eastland County Agent Reports On 1941 Farm Program In The County

More than ninety percent of the farmers of Eastland County were influenced to improve their farming operations in 1941 by some one or more activity of the county agent, according to their annual report just released by Elmo V. Cook, county agent and Joe M. Glover, assistant county agent. This work was accomplished with demonstrations conducted with adult farmers, demonstrations with 4-H club boys, group and community meetings, farm and home visits, letters to farmers and boys, news stories in county papers, bulletins distributed from the office and personal contacts with individual farmers and 4-H club boys.

Demonstrations of better methods of farming or livestock raising were conducted by 197 farmers and 367 club boys. These demonstrations covered the field of livestock improvement, poultry

## Aussies Speed by Boat to Clash With Invaders



Australian troops use tiny boats on forest streams for quick transit through the roadless Malayan jungles. These are some of the British empire troops defending the approaches to Singapore.

## Four Are Held On Disturbing Peace Charge In Ranger

Four youths, who were charged with disturbing the peace, were taken from Texas and Pacific Passenger Train No. 7 early Wednesday morning, after the conductor of the train had wired Ranger officers.

The four gave their names as Cornelius Wells, Rockdale, Texas; George Ratliff, Garden City, Texas; Elaine Rattumble, Avery, Texas and Walter Owen, Hereford, Texas.

Officers M. M. Scott, Henry Harold and Johnnie Richardson of the Ranger police force made the arrests at the request of the railway conductor, who had wired them that the four were creating a disturbance on the train.

Special agents of the Texas and Pacific Railway notified Ranger police that they would arrive Wednesday night to investigate the case.

## Inflation Could Make Cost Of War Even More Costly

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7. — The war will cost the United States an extra \$13,500,000,000 on the basis of appropriations already made, if inflationary trends are not checked, Sen. Prentiss Brown said today in asking the senate to pass price control legislation.

Sen. Brown, opening debate on the measure which has already been approved in a milder form in the House, added that when appropriations outlined in today's budget message enter the fiscal picture "the figures I have given are not only modest, but totally inadequate."

## Mrs. Ed Sparr's Condition Said To Be Critical

The condition of Mrs. Ed Sparr, who suffered a cerebral hemorrhage Tuesday while shopping in Eastland, was reported as very critical at 1:00 p. m. today.

Members of the family were at her bedside at the Graham Hospital in Cisco.

## Tire Board Gets Needed Supplies

The Eastland County Tire Rationing Board, composed of Jack Frost, Eastland, E. A. Ringgold, Ranger, and O. J. Russell, Cisco, has received the needed supplies in forms and literature for carrying on its work, it was stated this morning.

It was also stated that the members of the board would meet this afternoon in the County Commissioners' room at the county courthouse in Eastland.

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## New Pearl Harbor Navy Yard Chief



U. S. Navy announces appointment of Rear Admiral William R. Furlong as first commandant of the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard.

## Morton Valley HD Club Met On Tuesday, Jan. 6

The Morton Valley Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday, Jan. 6, in the home of Mrs. H. C. Pounds.

The meeting opened with the songs, "Star Spangled Banner," and "God Bless America."

The new president, Mrs. Cecile Eubank, was in the chair. The game, "Do You Believe It," was played with Mrs. Josie K. Nix winning the prize. A letter was read from Mrs. R. P. Sneed thanking the club for the Christmas gift they sent her. The new club year books were distributed and the program made out for the year. Mrs. W. E. Tankersley was elected assistant reporter.

The president appointed the following committees:

Recreation — Mrs. Thad Henderson, Chairman; Mrs. T. L. Wheat, Mrs. H. C. Pounds.

Program — Mrs. Josie K. Nix, Chairman; Mrs. H. C. Pounds, Mrs. J. B. Harbin.

Finance — Mrs. R. W. Gordon, chairman; Mrs. W. E. Tankersley, Mrs. W. F. Crouch.

Exhibit — Mrs. W. E. Tankersley, chairman; Mrs. Josie K. Nix, Mrs. Thad Henderson.

Social — Mrs. T. L. Wheat, chairman; Mrs. R. W. Gordon, Mrs. D. D. Franklin.

The next meeting will be Jan. 20, in the home of Mrs. J. B. Harbin.

Present: Meses. J. B. Harbin, W. E. Tankersley, Josie K. Nix, R. W. Gordon, T. L. Wheat, Cecile Eubank, Thad Henderson and the hostess, Mrs. H. C. Pounds.

## Transients Around Railroads Will Be Arrested In Future

Local peace officers and police have received a communication from the State Police Department of Public Safety, stating that their cooperation was desired in stopping all transients riding on trains or loitering around railway properties.

The letter states that after a conference with Army officials it has been deemed necessary to stop all transients riding on trains, or who are loitering on or about railroad properties in Texas.

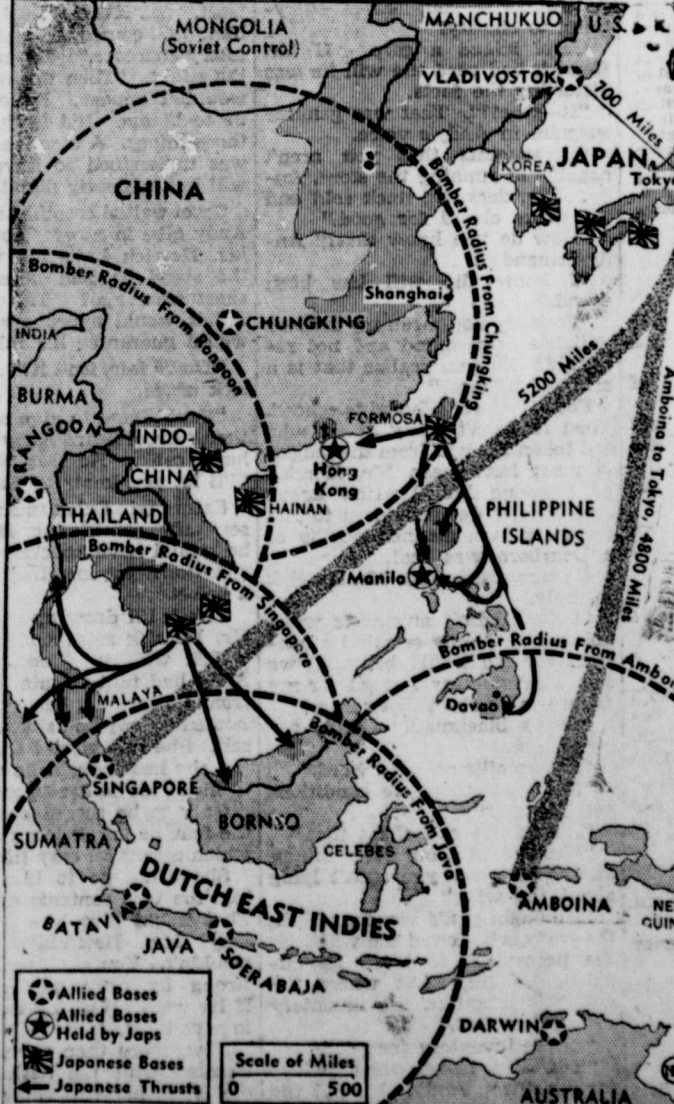
The letter calls upon all chiefs of police, special agents of railroads, sheriffs and other peace officers to cooperate in enforcing the order. The letter was addressed to chiefs of police, sheriffs, Texas Rangers and the Highway Patrol personnel.

## Eastland Boy Is On The U. S. Heron

Clyde R. Colley Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Colley, Box 695, Eastland, was aboard the S. S. Heron, bombed recently when Japanese attacked the vessel along with others. Though damaged, the Heron put up a valiant fight and made port safely.

Colley, who is signal man on the Heron, has been in the U. S. Navy for more than two years.

## Allies Lose Bases, Miles in Orient



Loss of Manila and Hong Kong, only allied bases on the China Sea, puts the allies under additional distance handicaps in the Orient. Map shows how only part of Japanese territory is within allied bomber range unless Russia grants use of Vladivostok and other Far East bases.

## PROFITEERING IN IRON, STEEL BEING BALKED

By GEORGE S. WELLS  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
WASHINGTON. (UP)—Profiteering by steel and iron jobbers and dealers, sometimes raising prices as much as 270 per cent, has prompted the Office of Price Administration to bring virtually every stage of distribution under direct restriction.

Maximum prices for these essential metals in America's war effort are now set for mills, warehouses, jobbers, distributors, dealers, exporters, agents, and brokers.

The soaring prices for distribution apparently caught OPA unawares, since it was expected the jobbers and dealers would keep their prices in proper relation to the restricted prices of primary producers. OPA noted that leading jobbers cooperated "admirably," but admitted "certain others" indulged in profiteering and forced manufacturers to pay prices from 50 to 200 per cent above normal.

Handicapped Small Business  
Jobbers and dealers in iron and steel play an extremely important part in war production since it is their task to keep extensive stocks in their warehouses and be prepared to make quick deliveries when and where there is immediate need. Through these distributors, manufacturers and other users of steel are able to obtain

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## Spiritualist Sees Japanese Defeat By Coming Summer

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—The United States will retake the Philippines and the Japs will be beaten in the late summer of 1942, that is the prophesy of the Rev. C. L. Sharp, spiritualist for the new year.

Sharp, who has made a reputation here as a soothsayer, clung to his two-year-old predictions that Germany would go into a one-way nosedive. He admitted that he had been premature, but now believes that the British will invade Germany through Norway and France in 1942.

"Stalin is a sick man and he won't last long," Sharp said of the Russian leader.

His other forecasts: Governor Stevenson and Senator O'Daniel will be re-elected, there will be a rise in freight rates, but other price rises will be checked during 1942.

## Acting Army Air Corps Commander



Maj. Gen. Walter R. Weaver is the new acting head of the U. S. Army Air Corps. His headquarters will be in Washington.

## BOY ACCUSED IN A ROBBERY IS IN CUSTODY

FORT WORTH, Jan. 7.—J. L. Pinnick, 20, of Denver City, Texas, held here in connection with the robbery of the Sudan National Bank, when \$5,489 was taken, was released today into the custody of Lamb County officials and was taken to Sudan.

Pinnick was arrested after he had purchased a new cowboy outfit, including leather jacket and boots, had paid \$200 cash for a second hand automobile and had tipped a negro shine boy \$11.

When arrested his jacket was lined with \$900 in one and five dollar bills.

Police making the arrest reported that Pinnick had admitted taking part in the bank robbery, and had named his companion.

## Car Believed Stolen Is Being Checked By Auto Theft Bureau

The National Automobile Theft Bureau is checking up on a 1938 Buick automobile, picked up in Ranger recently by Patrolman Johnnie Boyd.

License number of the car was 858-074 and the motor number is 43376118.

The National Automobile Theft Bureau has contacted the State Department of Public Safety at Austin for a complete record on the ownership and any transfer of the car.

## Stephens Rancher Is Buried At Macedonia

Funeral services for Lock F. Gardnere, 64, Stephens county rancher and cattleman, who died in Brownwood while on a visit with his sisters, were conducted Sunday afternoon, with burial in the Macedonia Cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. H. B. Johnson, pastor of the First Christian church of Ranger.

Gardnere had been a resident of Stephens county, living north of Ranger, for 40 years, and was well known throughout the surrounding territory.

## Mann Is Question In Political Race

By United Press  
AUSTIN.—Atty. Gen. Gerald C. Mann remained the question mark of the 1942 political campaign in Texas. He has been mentioned as likely candidate for (1) U. S. Senator, (2) for Governor, and (3) for re-election as Attorney General.

"I have made no plans farther than today," was Mann's New Year declaration.

## MASTADON MOLAR FOUND

SANDUSKY, O.—A prehistoric tooth found by a party of engineers on the site of the army's new Plumbrook Ordnance works near here is as large as a man's two fists and is between 20,000 and 25,000 years old according to Dr. F. J. Wright of Demson University.

## MASONS TO MEET

There will be a stated meeting of Eastland Masonic Lodge No. 467 at Masonic Hall Thursday night at 7:30, according to announcement by Jess Richardson.

## ALL WORLD FRONTS BUT LIBYA ACTIVE IN A BIG DAY OF MAJOR BATTLES

### Philippine Hero Is Small, But Noted For His Bravery

By United Press  
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—The "second Sergeant York" of the Philippines had to gorge himself with bananas and water to earn a commission when he was a college student in the ROTC.

Friends of Lieut. William Porter, 22-year-old Las Cruces youth were not surprised to hear that he saved a Filipino battalion on the northern Luzon front by crouching at the end of a bridge and coolly picking off the Japanese manning a machine-gun nest.

"This 'second Sergeant York' picked off all members of an enemy machine-gun nest with a 30 calibre rifle," a fellow officer told United Press Correspondent Franz Weisblatt.

The 120-pound, five foot, six inch youth earned the nickname of "Wild Bill" when he was a student at New Mexico State College several years ago because of his bravery and his love of bronchoses, rifles, and everything Western.

"When Bill joined the ROTC at State College, he became a leader almost immediately," Ernest Gutierrez recalled.

"Evidently he had learned to shoot before college days because he was an expert shot when he first enrolled.

What he lacked in inches he made up in courage. He was always getting into some kind of adventure, like going off to Mexico to break horses or rescuing a friend from a rattlesnake."

Duncan Scott, a former professor at the college, recalled the snake episode.

"He and another college boy had been far out on a mesa hunting rabbits when a rattler struck Bill's friend. In true woodsman fashion, Bill slashed out the wound and sucked out the poison, and carried his friend to help," Scott said.

"There never was a dull moment about Bill. The episode of shooting up a Japanese machine gun nest is tailored to fit him. Things don't happen to Bill. He happens to things."

## Preacher Was Once Sailor On A Sub

BEEVILLE, Tex. (UP)—He's a Baptist preacher now but four years of his life were spent aboard the U. S. S. Nautilus, a giant submarine cruiser stationed in the Pacific.

That's why the war and the battle for Manila have been especially interesting to Rev. Carl Butler of Waco, pastor of the Little River Baptist church near Cameron. Rev. Butler is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Butler of Beeville whom the younger Butlers and their little daughter Nancy Claire visited for the holidays.

The elder Butler was formerly a U. S. marshal in Oklahoma and Texas and his ministerion gets the law enforcement idea naturally. Thus, although he left the Navy in 1937 for college, he may decide to temporarily abandon the pulpit and return to an undersea craft to help defend his country.

## Greatest Naval Rearmament Plan Is Carried Out During Year

NEW ORLEANS, La. — The greatest naval rearmament program ever planned in world history was carried forth during the 1941 fiscal year by the United States Navy in which 325 new ships, combatant and auxiliary, were commissioned, Secretary of Navy Frank Knox has reported to President Roosevelt.

In addition there were under construction at the beginning of the current fiscal year 696 combatant, auxiliary and patrol craft. Of these 601 were building in private yards and 95 in government owned Navy yards.

In commenting on the outstanding record made, Secretary Knox said:

"I am proud to report that the American people feel fully confident in their Navy. In my opinion, the loyalty, morale and technical ability of the personnel are without superior. On any comparable basis the United States is second to none."

Other major accomplishments, in addition to the commissioning of the 325 new ships, included the acquisition of 2,059 new airplanes, construction of a chain of naval bases to give the nation a first line of defense extending far out into both oceans, and naval manpower increased by 15,259 officers and 100,282 enlisted men.

Of particular interest in the Eighth Naval District was the recent commissioning of five section bases forming a chain of defense extending from the Florida Keys to the Rio Grande. They will serve as supply bases and afford protection to the various craft of the inshore patrol in the Gulf Coast area.

In service during the whole or part of 1941 were 907 ships, 681

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Weighing Rights Against Rights

Just as the American government was devised as a balance of powers between the executive, legislative and judicial branches, each a check against the other, so we are coming to a time when the rights of the citizen must be weighed against the rights of other citizens.

That has always been true, of course, but a complex industrial civilization, in which people live close to one another both physically and economically, is heightening it. All our rights are conditioned and diluted by the rights of others.

There is the right of free speech, but it does not warrant crying "Fire!" in a crowded theater, nor maliciously assailing the character of another. There is the right of freedom to assemble, but it often conflicts with the right of all citizens to use the streets without delay or danger. There is the right to tune in any program one likes on the radio, but not to play the thing all night so loudly that no one in the block can sleep. Others also have rights.

That is the kind of dilemma which the U. S. Supreme Court tackled in its recent decision in the Virginia Electric Power Co. case. The National Labor Relations Board had ordered disbanded what it after hearings decided to be a "company union." In the course of its decision to order the board to make a redetermination of its order, the court discussed a conflict between two rights.

One is the right, now generally accepted, of workmen to organize into unions free from coercive pressure from employers. The other is the ancient right of free speech.

The court came up with the only possible American answer, which is that an employer is as free as anyone else to speak his mind on unions, with this exception, that the manner and matter of the expression of opinion, all circumstances considered, must not be such as to exercise a practical coercion on employees.

That is indefinite, but when rights are in conflict, no lines of black and white can ever be laid down. The area of conflict between two rights is always gray.

Thus if an employer says "No penalty or disadvantage will come to those who join, but it is foolish to do so, and here's why," that would seem to be all right, especially if the acts of the company bear out that no penalty actually will ensue. But it is unlawful for an employer to fall back on free speech as a defense for saying "Unions are lousy and I'll fire anybody who monkey with them."

Closer than that it will be hard to come in a government which is bound to preserve the maximum rights of both parties just as far as they can be preserved and still have a system that functions.

POPULAR COMEDIAN

Horizontals and Verticals crossword puzzle with clues and a small portrait of a man.

Large crossword puzzle grid with numbers and a small portrait of a man.

Give That Gentleman Twenty Silver Dollars!



Profiteering

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a great variety of products in comparatively small quantities.

Important is the fact that many small businesses filling contracts directly or indirectly connected with the Victory program are entirely dependent on the distributing industry for steel.

Even users of "seconds," "wasters" and "rejects"—steel containing imperfections—have had to buy at prices well above those which should be charged for first-grade steel.

In commenting on the situation Price Administrator Leon Henderson asserted the effect of this profiteering, "has been to offset in large part the cooperative efforts of the steel industry and OPA to keep steel prices stable, an objective that must be attained if our war effort is to be successful and if we are to avoid runaway inflation."

Small Orders Excepted

The price schedule covering the industry applies not only to large distributors but to such businesses as plumbing supply warehouses, oil field suppliers and industrial supply firms, forbidding resale at prices higher than the ceiling. Resales in small quantities, however, are excluded. For example,

sale by a hardware store of a few pounds of nails out of an open keg, or a short length of pipe, are exempted from the maximum prices. However, should the needs of this same hardware store call for a full keg of nails or a standard length of pipe, the store must not price the sale at more than the OPA schedule permits.

OPA in making the new schedule pointed out that jobbers, dealers and distributors handle only about 15 per cent of total mill output, the remaining 85 per cent of all iron and steel being sold directly to consuming industries. It is estimated about 11,800,000 net tons of iron and steel still will be distributed in 1941, against 6,686,000 net tons in 1940.

SERIAL STORY

HIS CHRISTMAS CAROL

BY ADELAIDE HAZELTINE

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THE STORY: The terms of Andrew Dearborn's will specifying that his secretary Carol, and five other employees, should judge whether or not his playboy son Andy is running the business according to his father's "best interests" to the people, but Carol, who has loved Andy since childhood, in a difficult spot. Her heart sinks when Andy, currently involved with sleek Linda Julian, turns management over to unscrupulous Mr. Herrick, whose only idea is to make money. Herrick blames elevator Bill Beece for the toyland elevator accident that injured newsboy Nicky, although Nicky discovers that Bill had reported the elevator's condition and was not to blame. Herrick also takes credit for cash adjustments made to customers by Carol without his knowledge. In an effort to save the store's reputation, at the annual store party Andy kisses Carol, indicating he is through with Linda. Next day Carol finds the will's envelope in the vault, but the will is gone. Herrick then fires her for writing a retirement check for an employee who has dismissed, although again she was only following the Dearborn policy. Returning to the office for a file, she overhears Andy telling Herrick he has discovered the truth from Nicky about the elevator accident.

"In fact you're getting ready to give me a ten-year contract to manage this store as I see fit." Andy was aghast. "A ten-year contract?" "Yes, I didn't intend to push it just yet but you've called my hand. You see there's the small matter of a will. The will your father left."

The will? What does Mr. Herrick know about the will? Carol thought frantically.

"I happen to know what that will contains," Mr. Herrick was saying. "I happen to know that it disinherits you, leaves everything to charity!"

Carol stifled a gasp. If Mr. Herrick had read the will he was distorting the facts.

"It—what?" That was genuine surprise in Andy's voice. "It suggests that you aren't capable of running the store, Andy. It orders the stock sold and the doors closed for good."

"How do you know that?" Andy demanded.

"I know the will has been found." "Found? You mean my father's will has been found and not recorded? Do you realize that is a criminal offense?"

Found! Carol's thoughts echoed. Then it wasn't Andy at all who had taken the will from the ledger. It must have been Mr. Herrick or someone Mr. Herrick knew. And Andy's determination to run the store in a manner worthy of a Dearborn was real.

He was waiting for Mr. Herrick to reply. "I don't admit anyone is withholding it. I only say that a contract for me would be, shall we say, a satisfactory reward for my failure to let the will turn up?"

"That's blackmail!" Andy accused him. "Blackmail's an ugly word."

"No uglier than the conditions you suggest!" "I wouldn't call them that."

"You've lied about other things. How do I know you aren't lying about the will?" "I thought you'd wonder. Well, the party who found the will took the precaution to leave its envelope behind, right where the will was found in the inventory record for 1940."

"In the inventory record?" "Yes. Your father was a stickler for exactness, Andy. He put the will where you would be certain to find it. Only someone else happened to look there first. Fortunately."

"I won't do you any good, Herrick," he said after a pause.

"I can prosecute you for this." "Oh, don't take that attitude, Andy." His tone was conciliatory. "If the will should be found, you don't think I'd be fool enough to let myself become involved. Your prosecution wouldn't touch me! On the other hand you don't like the store. You never have. You can turn it over to me and forget it. Take the income and enjoy yourself. That's not asking much of you. That's doing you a favor."

"What's your proposition?" Was Andy's voice less angry? "You give me a ten-year contract," Mr. Herrick hurried to tell him. "Of course, I'd want a slight salary increase." He emphasized the slight. "Then the will simply wouldn't appear. Nobody would be to blame. It'd be just one of those things. A case where a man was understood to have made a will but evidently didn't."

Carol waited breathlessly. Would Andy give in now? Would he let Mr. Herrick have his way after the stand he had taken such a short time ago? The stand his father would approve and which would guarantee his inheritance?

"That's fair, isn't it?" Mr. Herrick urged. "You'll have to give me a little time," Carol heard Andy say. Her heart sank. He was weakening. "I'll let you know by Saturday."

Saturday! Delay meant he was seriously considering it. When he should have knocked Mr. Herrick down for insulting him with a bribe!

"Well, I'll draw up a contract," Mr. Herrick said confidently. Sick with the knowledge that Andy had failed again, Carol fled from the store. For a few brief moments Andy had shown a strong self. She had gloried in him. At last she had thought he was going to make his father proud of him.

Only to be scurred out of it by the fear he might lose the income which meant an easy life!

She could go to him and tell him the true contents of the will. That might give him courage to defy Mr. Herrick. But she wouldn't. You can't make a man strong by removing temptation. If he were saved, he would have to save himself.

Now, more than ever, she was burning with the desire to find the will herself, show up the whole miserable scheme and reveal in the part she would have to take in disinheriting Andy.

It was a resolution that brought her little comfort on New Year's Day.

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Mountain Climber



George Hamburg of Colorado outcaules Andy Levane of St. John's as westerners win 39-35, before 12,968 at Madison Square Garden.

Eastland County

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operation with the Tennessee Valley Authority. Farmers of the county were assisted in setting up soil conservation districts, the running of terrace lines and other soil building problems.

Growers of peanuts, small grains, row feed crops, cotton, legumes, fruits and vegetables were assisted in problems of seed selection, fertilizers, insect control, disease control, seed treatment and marketing. Many farmers and ranchers were assisted in problems of rodent control and eradication of plants that were using space where grass could grow.

Two fruit and vegetable marketing associations were organized and the peanut growers of the county were assisted in marketing five thousand tons of peanuts cooperatively.

Organizations that were assisted in definite programs of improvement were the county fair, state fair, community and district fairs, the county sheep and goat raisers' association, the county dairy association, and the farm bureau federation.

Most of the work done was planned at the beginning of the year by the county land use planning committee, which determined that the main agricultural problems of the county were low soil fertility, poor quality of livestock, shortage of livestock on many farms, not enough feed produced, unsuitable farm machinery, and lack of general information on sources of credit available to farmers.

YEGGS, SUNNY SIDE UP

By United Press

ASHLAND, Ore.—When burglars were unable to open the safe of the Ashland High School, they investigated other possibilities and finally finished up in the home economics room where they breakfasted leisurely on ham and eggs.

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



A WANT AD IN THIS PAPER WILL BRING QUICK RESULTS!

Labor Politicians Display Huffy Streak; Two Considered for Wage-Hour Administrator

BY PETER EDSON

NEA Service Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Some of the by-play of the President's conference to determine labor policy for the war offers marvelous commentary on the way big men act in petty affairs.

John L. Lewis took the President's appointment of William H. Davis to be moderator of the conference as a personal insult. Lewis had been feuding with Davis the captive coal mine case. The two C. I. representatives on the National Defense Mobilization Board, Phil Murray and Tom Kennedy, had resigned from the board in a huff, refusing even presidential coaxing to come back and play. Consequently, when Lewis walked into the magnificent board room of the Federal Reserve building and found Davis seated at the head of the table, Lewis proceeded to the chair at the foot of the long mahogany and challenged Davis on several issues. It was Lewis who forced the decision to issue no statements to the press unless they were approved by the full committee, thereby spiking the Davis position as spokesman.

After the initial session of the conference was over, the delegates went to the White House for a courtesy call and pep talk. As they climbed into government limousines, Lewis opened the front door of the car closest to him and sat down beside the chauffeur. Looking around to see who was in the back seat he discovered—of all people—Bill Green and Matt Woll and Dan Tobin of the A. F. of L. "And do you know what the so-and-so's did?" Lewis asked one of his confidantes. "They rolled up the glass window between us."

As the conferees marched into the President's office, they found Madam Secretary Perkins standing behind the President's desk. She introduced them all as though they had never met the President before.

DELAY over the appointment of a successor to Gen. Philip Fleming as administrator of the wage and hour division of the Department of Labor involves a lot of this disgusting labor politics and a couple of young fellows you may never have heard of before, but may hear much of in the future.

First in line for the job is Baird Snyder III—now acting administrator—an M. I. T. engineer who has been General Fleming's deputy administrator for a year and a half and the man under whose direction some \$17 million in restitutions of back wages due workers have been made this year.

C. I. O. doesn't like Snyder and charges that enforcement of the law has not been pushed to the extent it should be, as evidenced by the turning back to the government this year nearly a million dollars in unexpended administrative funds. This is a curious charge if there ever was one, for the money was really turned back to the Treasury because the division could not find or train sufficient competent personnel.

The other leading candidate for the job of wages and hours administrator is L. Metcalfe Walling, who is now administrator of the Division of Public Contracts in the Department of Labor, handling the Walsh-Healey act. The play on Walling has been to appoint him administrator of both divisions, thereby making it unnecessary for Congress to pass special legislation combining the two units.

THE PAY OFF

BY HARRY GRAYSON

NEA Service Sports Editor

TILLIE KAGEL bowls in an Indianapolis Optical League, which may or may not have something to do with her hook ball finding the pins.

Miss Kagel, a 25-year-old blond, established a national record for women this season by rolling a 756 total. Her games were 256, 233 and 267.

She made only one error when she left up the 3-pin on the 3-6-9 set-up. She strung up seven straight strikes in the first game, six in a row in the second, and had strings of four and five in the final. She had 23 strikes and eight spares.

A WEEK previous, Miss Kagel manufactured a 756 total in open bowling in a different establishment. The men's high for Indianapolis is 754. Miss Kagel holds a 190 average in her league.

Here are other remarkable league three-game totals recognized by the Women's International Bowling Congress: Joan Radtkin, Cleveland, 775; Florence Schlenk, St. Louis, 765; Margaret Slogar, Cleveland, 759, and Mary Sanger, Omaha, 756.

The women well illustrate the fact that it pays to give the ball time to work among the pins.

THOUSANDS of leagues will distribute defense bonds and savings stamps as prizes at the end of the season instead of cash. The move is entirely in the hands of each individual circuit, and sprang up spontaneously in more than 500 cities and towns.

The American Bowling Congress purchased \$15,000 worth of defense bonds the first week of the war, the Chicago Bowling Association \$7,500, the Milwaukee group \$4,000.

With many city associations and hundreds of other wheels certain to follow the patriotic pattern, several millions of dollars will be diverted to war purposes.

STRIKES to spare: Johnny Crimmins of Detroit went through a Chicago charity tournament at a terrific pace. . . . Rolling against new pins and across 10 newly constructed alleys in each of the 15 blocks of five games, Crimmins averaged 207 for 75 games.

The Fords Club of Cincinnati is in its 57th season. . . . Members bowl every two weeks throughout the year. . . . At the annual banquet, 90-year-old Charley Angart regaled "youngsters" with stories about bowling before the days of the finger-held ball. . . . "No Game—Rain" read a sign on an Akron alley. . . . A grain pipe burst during a storm. . . . They are hard enough to hit when standing still, let alone trying to knock them down when they are floating.



By PETER EDSON

No Armistice Likely in Fight for Closed Shop As Unions Hope to Keep Gains of New Deal

BY PETER EDSON NEA Service Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Organized labor's armor-plated adherence to its predetermined policy of putting off—right now—national recognition of the principle of the closed shop and its twined twin the union shop is one of the chief reasons why the President's industry conference was delayed formulating a basic program for maintaining uninterrupted production during the war.



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In that mouthful of words is commandment number one of labor's policy today. It will battle to the last ditch to put the closed shop or the union shop provision in every labor contract negotiated from here on, as long as the war lasts and then some.

The 12 representatives of industry sitting in on this 24-man conference, you'll recall, proposed a freezing of the open shop-closed shop conditions as of today, for the duration of the emergency. Organized labor would accept none of that idea if it could possibly be avoided.

The reason given for this attitude on the part of labor is that the union shop contract is necessary for organized labor to survive the post-war period. Professional labor organizers remember what happened to their movement after the last war. One of the policies adopted by the old War Labor Board in 1917 was the freezing of the open shop-closed shop conditions for the duration. Organization drives by the unions were not restricted and they could sign up as many new members as they could get. New contracts could be negotiated, too, but if a particular plant had an open shop labor policy before the war, the management of that plant could rest securely in the knowledge that it would stay open shop till the war was over.

When the war did end, things went along all right for a time, but when the post-war recession really set in, organized labor took a beating. It lost a number of important strikes. Efforts to organize in some of the major open shop industries failed miserably. It was not until the 1929 boom and the New Deal period of pro-labor legislation that the unions really got going. Remembering that experience, the labor leaders of today are playing their cards so that they won't lose a trick when the present tuit with the totalitarians is through. Labor organizers feel that as long as they have closed shop or union shop contracts in force, they can weather any post-war depression. On the other hand, with open shop contracts in force, the organizers feel that management would have labor over a barrel and that most of the ground gained in the last 10 years would be lost by the unions in the slippery and uncertain times of peace and readjustment.

A. F. of L. and C. I. O. representatives at the President's conference were apparently united on this stand. They showed no inclination to want to wreck the conference, but the inside story of the long sessions of argument revealed the 12 representatives of management lined up solidly for freezing the open shop conditions, while the 12 labor representatives were lined up just as solidly for maintaining their right to drive and bargain for closed shop conditions in every defense industry throughout the war.

THE PAY-OFF

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Service Sports Editor

NEW ORLEANS.—Professional clubs spent thousands seeking infirm football players, the unhealthier the better. A young man of football-playing age and all in one piece is fairly certain to be in Army khaki drab or Navy blue next fall, you see.

That is why robust young athletes like Bruce Smith of Minnesota were placed at the tail-end of the professionals' draft of college seniors.

Virginia's Bill Dudley, for example, celebrated his 20th birthday, Dec. 24, so was Santa Claus' gift to the armed forces, and imagine what will happen to the Japs when Bullet Bill gets tossing things in their direction.

But in their search for disabled football players, the pros discovered that many of our Saturday heroes practically climbed out of a sick bay to get on the field.

FRANKIE ALBERT and Pete Kmetovic, the great Stanford backs, are in 1-B.

It seems that poor Albert is almost a total loss. In addition to flat feet and a nasal obstruction, the brain of Clark Shaughnessy's T lost his front teeth in the U. C. L. A. game early in the season. Kmetovic lacks his own teeth and has a broken nose.

Such luminaries as Bob Westfall of Michigan and Alf Baumann of Northwestern, Al America men, and Johnny Butler and Ray Graves of Tennessee are in 4-F, which means the Army will take them only in a grave emergency.

Westfall, the spinner who made the Wolverines' attack spin, and Tackle Baumann has perforated eardrums. Baumann is deaf in that ear.

Graves is exempt because of an ear operation, Butler because of poor sight.

BOB SWEIGER, Minnesota's blocking back, has a 1-B classification. He remained in the thick of things despite three broken vertebrae in his back, incurred in the Gophers' opener—a little warm-up against Washington.

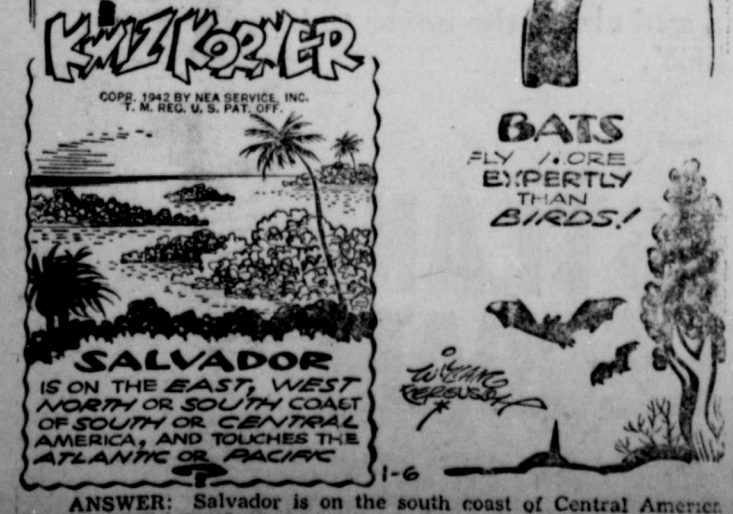
Glen Conley, Washington tackle, has bad eyes. A knee injury may defer Urban Odson, Minnesota's huge tackle. Joe Blalock, Clemson end, has a hernia.

Jack Wilson of Baylor is susceptible to a recurrence of an eye injury, the result of having been struck on the bulb by a corn cob as a child. He also suffered an internal injury playing the game.

CHIEF STANDLEE, the Chicago Bears' fullback, tried to enlist in the United States and Canadian air corps, but was rejected because of color blindness. Lee Artoe of the Bears didn't know whether the 40-yard field goal he kicked against the New York Giants was good. He's nearsighted.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



ANSWER: Salvador is on the south coast of Central America touching the Pacific.

SERIAL STORY

HIS CHRISTMAS CAROL

BY ADELAIDE HAZELTINE

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THE STORY: The terms of Andrew Dearborn's will specifying that his secretary Carol, and five other employees, shall judge whether or not his playboy son Andy is running the business according to his father's policy of "service to the people," put Carol, who has loved Andy since girlhood, in a difficult spot. Her heart sinks when Andy, currently involved with sleek Linda Julian, turns management over to unscrupulous Mr. Herrick, whose only idea is to make money. Herrick blames employer Bill Reese for the toyland elevator accident that injures newboy Nicky. Herrick also takes credit for cash adjustments made to customers by Carol without his knowledge, in an effort to save the store's reputation. At the annual store party Andy kisses Carol, indicating he is through with Linda. Next day Carol finds the will's envelope in the vault, but the will is gone. Herrick then fires her for writing a retirement check for an employee he has dismissed, although again she was only following the Dearborn policy. Returning to the store for a file she has forgotten, she overhears Andy telling Herrick the elevator accident and the adjustments Carol has made. Herrick then says he knows the whereabouts of the will, tries to blackmail Andy into letting him run the store and forgetting the terms. Andy asks for time; Carol fears he intends to agree to the proposition.

closing bell rang she was crouched behind a little used case on the sixth floor. She had taken pains to choose one where there were no windows to be closed and no lights to be turned off.

After endless minutes she heard the last salesperson go down the stairs and dared to straighten up.

The night watchman was her only worry now. He made his rounds on the hour. She knew his schedule. It would be fairly simple to avoid him if she kept tab on her wrist watch.

Her plan was well in mind. When Mr. Herrick found the will in the vault he would have carried it to his office on the second floor. There he would have read it, realized its possibilities and hidden it somewhere neutral and safe. Not in his own office. That would probably be the last place she would look.

SEARCH AT NIGHT

CHAPTER XVI THE fact that Mr. Herrick had told Andy the will was still in existence gave Carol new hope. Maybe she could find it.

Provided Andy didn't let Mr. Herrick destroy it first!

She would have until Saturday morning. She was reasonably sure of that. But where would she look? Where, in a store like Dearborn's, would a man hide a will?

In the end she decided she would have to search the store at night. It was her only chance.

And her time was limited. Once Andy gave an affirmative answer and signed the contract, the will would be burned. Both Mr. Herrick and Andy would see to that.

She must find it before it was destroyed. She must find it tonight!

No one would think it odd that she should come to the store to make a late purchase nor would they bother to notice that she didn't go out with the last shoppers. She could hide on an upper floor, make her search and then jet herself out a side door.

It was that easy. When the

CAROL had remembered to bring a flashlight and used it now. She would search all the general office files first. Then the small safes where various records were kept. She would pry into the desk of Mr. Herrick's associates on the theory he might have planted it on one of them so he would be blameless if the will were discovered.

Carol went about her task methodically. She was in the general offices, thumbing through the files when she heard the watchman's steps. She had been too engrossed in her work to remember the time.

Panicky, she slipped behind the tall metal case and flattened herself against it, then heard the man enter the room, saw the beam of his flash as he surveyed the empty desks. She held her breath. If she were caught, she'd be in real trouble. Even the finding of the will could not explain this!

The footsteps approached her hiding place, hesitated. She was too frightened to think. She could only feel fear inching down her spine, freezing her.

Then, miraculously, the feet turned back!

Greatest Naval

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at sea and 226 in naval districts and stations. Of these at sea, 356 were in commission throughout the year.

The 2,059 new planes obtained—nearly 175 per month—gave the Navy 3,926 aircraft, an increase of 82 per cent in plane

strength over 1940 when 306 new planes were added. Emphasis was placed on dive bomber and fighter types with greater engine power and improved propeller design, and on increase in the relative complement of patrol bomber types.

Pilot personnel increased 48 per cent, Secretary Knox's report showed. At the year's close 3,104 aviation students were in training, more than half of them assigned

to instruction in patrol plane operations.

His report on shipbuilding during 1941 revealed that legislation enacted by Congress authorized new combatant ship construction totaling 1,434,300 tons; auxiliary, patrol and miscellaneous vessel construction, amounting to 725,000 tons, and the acquisition, conversion or alteration of 51 auxiliaries of unspecified tonnage.

The year saw an unprecedented expansion of Naval Shore establishments, made necessary by the large expansion of forces afloat and in the air. A number of the new bases are located on sites obtained from Great Britain in exchange for 50 overage destroyers.

ALLEY OOP

By HARMAN



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### Oregon Taking Over Control Of Timber Resources

SALEM, Ore., Dec.—Oregon, which as the largest acreage of standing timber in the United States, has taken drastic steps to protect that timber, which is the state's most valuable crop.

Forest fires which race through the crowns of trees hundreds of years old have devastated vast areas of the virgin timber already, costing the state millions of dollars.

With the increased use of the forests as recreational area and now the defense boom which has almost doubled the number of men and power driven machines in the woods, the fire hazard is increasing alarmingly.

Added to the fire hazard is the even more direct threat that the state's vast reserves eventually will be depleted, as has happened in many other states, by indiscriminate cutting without leaving seed trees to propagate as new crop.

**Douglas Fir Dominant**  
Oregon's Douglas fir, which comprises most of the timber, is a hard, slow growing wood which unlike the southern pine, cannot be harvested as a fairly quick growing crop, and any move to protect it must necessarily be a long range one.

Gov. Charles A. Sprague of Oregon recognized these complex problems, and presented to the legislature the first comprehensive conservation program to be enacted in any state. The legislature went down the line and passed the 16 measures he advocated.

The most sweeping of the laws is one dealing with sustained yield. Under its provisions no timber may be cut anywhere in the state unless seed trees of sufficient size to carry on propagation are left standing. Only trees above a certain size may be cut—timber authorities agree that trees do get "ripe" and should be cut some time and the law carries sufficient teeth so that the state forestry department may enforce it to the letter.

As a method of checking fires, the forestry department was directed to follow each fire to its source and if possible to fix the blame for its starting. The governor was granted authority to close the forest areas to logging as early as April 1, long before the usual dry season begins.

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### Uses Of Oils For Chemical Purposes Is Hardly Touched

2AUSTIN, Tex. Jan.—Texas has hardly scratched the surface in utilizing its oil for chemical purposes, Dr. Lewis F. Hatch, University of Texas chemist, told a symposium of the oil industry held in connection with the American Association for the Advancement of Science at Dallas.

Dr. Hatch listed toluene, glycerol, synthetic rubber and ethylene glycol as four important chemicals awaiting fuller Texas development.

All of these but toluene—used mainly for explosives—have important peace time as well as war time uses, he pointed out. Glycerol, for instance, may be used in the camp fires that they are not prepared to smother completely at a moment's notice.

Other phases of the program authorize the state to acquire forest lands by purchase, gifts, donation or exchange for other property, and 200,000 in utility bonds were authorized for such purchase.

The counties of the state have taken over 1,000,000 acres of good bad and indifferent timber land through tar foreclosure. Much of it has been badly administered. The state will take it over for administration, returning 75 per cent of any revenues to the counties and retaining the remainder to finance the forest development program.

Timber men, particularly those not connected with commercial enterprises, have pronounced the state's new timber policy to be 20 years ahead of that in any other state.

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making of resins and cellophane, glycol is anti-freeze. Another great new derivative from crude oil is Vitamin E, the anti-sterility vitamin, Dr. Hatch said.

**IS IMPROVING**  
James Dabney, son of Judge and Mrs. Allen D. Dabney of Eastland and who is serving with the United States Army at Camp Wolters, Texas, is improving from an attack of the flu. He has been confined to his room and bed at his home here since one week before Christmas.

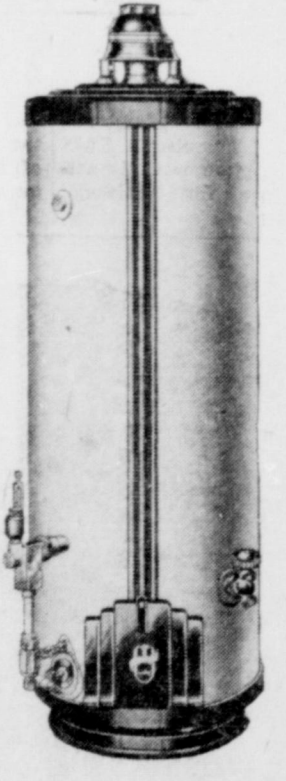
**FARMERS SAY TOO MANY DUCKS**  
By United Press  
MELBA, Idaho.—Farmers say that an estimated 1,000,000 ducks passing the winter in Idaho under full protection of the federal and state game laws are eating \$25,000 worth of grain that could be saved for national defense. Officials are investigating.

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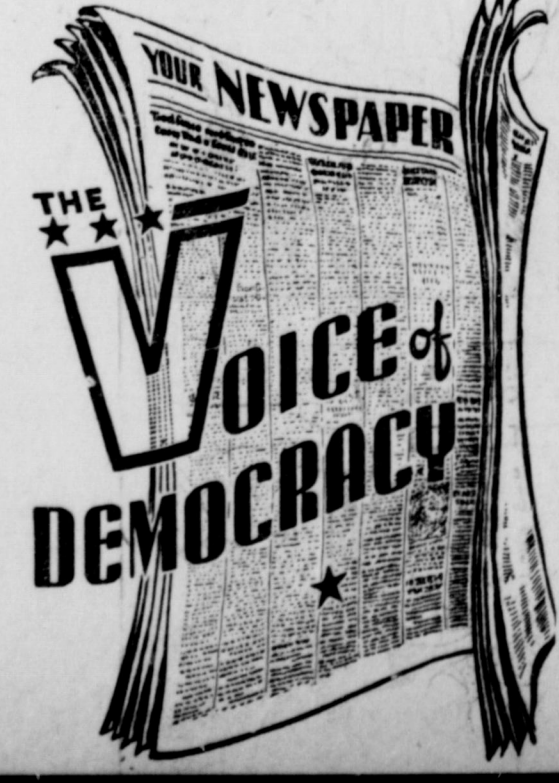
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