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## Sweating Off the Fat

It is always a pleasure to see a public official step right out, grab a problem squarely by the horns, and go to the mat with it. Possibly the pleasure is enhanced by the fact that it happens so seldom.

Anyway, every state and local official knows that in this time of war, with federal debt rising, with costs of living rising, it is highly desirable that state and local expenses and taxes be cut just as far as possible.

Few officials have had the fortitude to buckle the problem squarely. Governor Lehman of New York is an exception. In presenting his budget to the state legislature, he has recommended a 25 per cent reduction in each individual's personal income taxes payable this spring; a similar reduction in same taxes payable in 1943; a cut of five millions in total budget despite unavoidable war expenses and all this in the face of inevitable loss of revenue from auto and gas taxes. He proposes to postpone almost all projected public improvements, cut expenses all around, and actually give the state taxpayer some relief to enable him to carry his increased federal taxes.

How Gov. Lehman will fare with his proposals, we do not yet know, but such a program, actually embodied in a budget and shoved straight at a state legislature, is a fitting subject for loud cheers.

Much of the saving can be made by state and local governments in times like this can be made without injury or handicap to individuals. Many employees will be leaving to join the armed services. The total will fall automatically if new employees are not immediately added, yet it will not be necessary to fire anybody.

All capital improvement projects not necessary to the conduct of the war which can be postponed will not only add their share to present economy, but will be waiting to be launched after the war at a time when jobs and work may be at a premium. Thus the postponement serves a double purpose.

Every state and local government has before it a definite task: to sweat off the fat and get down to minimum operations consistent with safety and effective administration. The taxpayer (and that's everybody nowadays) is going to have to carry a heavier and heavier load for the nation. It is up to the lesser governmental divisions to lighten the burden all they can.

Few of them have as yet faced the situation with as much courage as that shown by the governor of New York.

Germany reports 1744 English planes lost in six months—or don't you care for fairy tales.

We've all turned to autos except the telephone girl. She sticks to the old plug.

### CUPID'S DAY

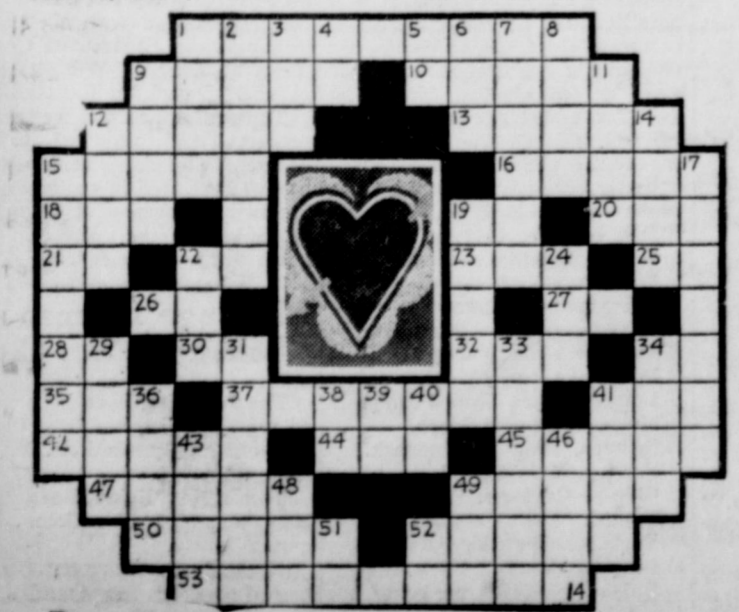
**HORIZONTAL**

- 1 Pictured type of greeting used today.
- 9 Runner.
- 10 Inclination.
- 12 Made with pickets.
- 13 Flower.
- 15 Antic.
- 16 Weight of India (pl.).
- 18 Coin of Thailand.
- 19 Exclamation used to startle.
- 20 Ignited.
- 21 Music note.
- 22 Postscript (abbr.).
- 23 Unit of energy.
- 25 District attorney (abbr.).
- 26 To exist.
- 27 They are symbols of love and friendship.
- 28 Either.
- 30 Like.
- 32 Greek letter.
- 34 Two (Roman).

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

**VERTICAL**

- 11 Ravine.
- 12 Top of head.
- 14 Incursion.
- 15 Pastebord boxes.
- 17 Depot.
- 19 Assault.
- 22 Vegetable.
- 24 Portuguese territory in India.
- 29 Quantity of paper.
- 31 Type of shawl.
- 33 Mollify.
- 34 Metal.
- 36 Wicked.
- 38 Forenoon (abbr.).
- 39 Negative.
- 40 Near.
- 41 To goad.
- 43 Aroma.
- 46 English money of account (pl.).
- 48 Body of water.
- 49 Southern constellation.
- 51 Doctor of Philosophy (abbr.).
- 52 Whirlwind.



## Taking a Punch From Ourselves Too



## U. S. Power

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thing important to say. He is a realist almost to the point of fatalism. These days he spends 14 hours a day in his office.

The latest example of his ability to take a decisive stand is his national economy plan—NEP—which brings manpower, wages, prices and investments under the strictest government control.

I asked Curtin how it felt, as a labor leader, to put a plan so widely affecting labor, into action.

"Australian workers have the most to give and they are giving it," he replied. "What I am insuring is that all sections of the community give their all. The man dealing in stocks and bonds will be brought to the same plane as the worker in overalls. Even though we have been seeking to improve wages and living conditions, these movements must temporarily cease."

This is the man who is leading Australia's 7,000,000 today. Many believe that if he had been premier five years ago the country's position today would be more comfortable.

## Japs Launch

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fighting in the Paya Lebar sector, about three miles north of the city, apparently after losing the reservoirs in the central section of the island. The Japanese claimed to have captured the naval base on the north coast.

A number of British evacuation ships appeared to have reached Java and the refugees reported that they had been under heavy Japanese aerial bombardment all of the way. The Japanese reported that other British vessels, mentioned that he might be called

## ALLEY OOP

**NICE OF YOU, GUZ, TO PUT ALL THESE GUYS TO WORK BUILDIN' CAGES FOR ME**

**OKAY, OOP, BUT WHY DON'TCHA TELL ME WHAT YA WANT 'EM FOR?**

**JUST WAIT'LL WE GET YOUR LITTLE PARTY OF EXPERT HUNTERS ON LOCATION...YOU'LL FIND OUT!**

**ALL RIGHT, MEN... IF YOU'VE GOT ALL YOUR STUFF TOGETHER, LET'S 'GIT GOIN'**

**BUT I SAY, OOP THIS IS TH WAY TO TH CLIFFS! THERE'S NOTHIN' THERE BUT THEM PESKY PTERODACTYLS**

**SURE, I KNOW... BUT WHEN WE GET THROUGH THERE WON'T BE SO MANY!**

## ● SERIAL STORY

# TAMBAY GOLD

BY SAMUEL HOPKINS ADAMS

### REUNION AT TAMBAY

**CHAPTER XXXII**  
I HAD plenty to tell Juddy when I sat down to my typewriter. She wouldn't get the letter till the Kent yacht docked in Brooklyn, which would be a couple of weeks yet. This is what I two-fingered out.

Friend Juddy—  
Trade continues good. My accounts are a mess without you. Bixie Groff shot Maurice. They found his bullet. Angel Todd has quit Welliver. Coach Harley is wild. Sheriff Mowry is still trying to horn in on Tambay. No dice. Loren Oliver has got him checked. You know; Old Doc Oliver, the chess player. Mowry has not found it out yet, but the only gold at Tambay was old Chief Whoozis's watch charm. You couldn't mine enough gold in a century here to fill my hollow tooth. What did I always tell you that Doc was a straight shooter. He is back and looking peaked. If that is not spelled right, spell it yourself. He asks after you. So do the Four Horsemen. Tambay Tree is down. Doc and Old Swoby did it with their little hatchet. So you got no excuse not to come back. Let nothing deter you; not snow nor rain nor heat of the sun nor what have you as Jim Farley wrote on the post office steps. We need you at Tambay.

Yours for results,  
Mom.

Two days before I expected it I get a telegram.

Coming by first train. Love.  
Juddy.

So there was a situation moving in on me! Wishing an illegitimate child onto a couple of imaginary parents called for more explanation than I had in stock at the moment.

I sent Uncle Andy over to the station for my pal. When she got out of the car at Tambay she looked all around her, and stretched out her arms, kind of loving the place.

"Hello, Juddy."

"Oh, Mom! I'm back."

"It's swell to have you. You're looking elegant."

"Where's Loren Oliver?"

"Over in the stockade."

"I'll be back in a minute."

So I went into the mansion and sat down and told myself sad stories of the death of kings, and wondered what form the explosion would take.

BY what Juddy reported to me later, the start was peaceful enough. She tried to apologize about being rough about the gold, but he wouldn't have any of that. He was so nervous, that pretty soon she got nervous, too.

"What makes you keep looking at me so queerly?" she said.

At that Doc turned so red that she got suspicious.  
"You're holding out on me," she said. "What is it? Don't stand there like a dumb bunny."

From then on he was sensing the jitters. The first sense he made was this, and it wasn't too good:  
"I want to help you, Juddy. That's all I ask."

That got under her skin. "I don't know why," she said, "when I've been so rotten to you."

That set him back on his heels. "Do you want me to marry you?" he said.

"So that's the painful subject! Why should I want to marry you?" "You've got to marry someone, haven't you?" "Why?"

"The—the usual reason. You wouldn't have to live with me, you know."

"The usual reason! The usual reason!"  
By this time poor Doc was desperate. "Mom has told me everything."

"And then some, apparently. What has she told you?" "That you were—were going to have a—"

Then Juddy got it. "She's crazy! Or is it you? I'm not going to have anything. How could I? I mean—wait!"

She ran over to the Feederia and gave the three short toots on my whistle that were the come-a-runnin' signal.

It sounded like the trump of doom to me. Coming through the front door. I stopped under the faded sign over the doorway.

**St. Francis & St. Benedict Bless this House from Woful Plight.**

"You two old plumbers have never lifted a finger to help anyone yet," I told them. "Not since I've been at Tambay. Now get busy."

Then I breathed a prayer for those who were about to die and cursed my knees into supporting me over to the stockade. When I saw those two faces, I figured that I might as well get in the first lick and go down fighting. So I gave them the story in words of one syllable.

"And if you don't like it, the devil with both of you," I said.

Juddy begins to laugh. But Doc glares at me like he is ready to bite. I'll be a thiasenthat if the ungrateful twerp wasn't sore. Juddy shushed him.

"I'm not sure yet that I know what it's all about, Mom," she said. "But your Doc has done his part. He says painful as it is, he's willing to marry me, but he won't live with me."

"Lay off him, Juddy," I said, for poor Doc was nearly choking to death, trying to deny he'd ever said any such thing.

"He did, though. He's just the sort that would."

WELL, the tone of her voice ought to have told him plenty. But the poor boob still thought she was only making fun of him.

"I said you wouldn't have to live with me," he explained to me. "You understand, Mom, don't you? I meant she could always divorce me or annul me or whatever it is the courts do, you know."

"Annul you?" she said. "I'd hate to have you annulled, Loren. There's only one of you."

"And the species might die out," I said.

"Not if I can do anything about it," she said.

At last he got it. "Juddy! Juddy!"

I walked over and opened the door. "It's your move, Chessplayer," I said.

Smoke was drifting toward the sun that hadn't quite risen when I got up next morning. Dolf sniffed the spicy air. He put up a paw and nudged my knee.

"Okay, boy," I said. "I know how you feel."

For goodby, I wrote a note and pinned it to the stockade door. At the crossroads gassery the red-headed man came out yawning.

"Hiya, Mom," he said. "Fill her up!"

"Hiya, Monty," I said. "All she'll take, and oil."

He popped his eyes at the Feederia. "Off to the roads again, Mom?"

"I liked Tambay a lot," I said. "But you can't stay one place forever."

"No," he said. "I expect not. Not if a guy has breathed as much dust as you have, Mom. It gets in the blood. And there's always the road."

"Yes; there's always the road," I said.

I put her in gear. The Feederia rolled. The dust banked behind us and rode the breeze back toward Tambay.

I looked ahead at the far turn and wondered what was around on the other side.

**THE END**

## RED RYDER

By HARMAN



## New Officers

(Continued from page 1)  
will be more than pleased to discuss the service and details concerning the Texas Defense Guard to all applicants.

Major McKinney was promoted to the office of major of the 15th Battalion, after the resignation, on Jan. 28, of Major R. H. Hansford, who had organized the battalion and had headed it since it was formed. Hansford stated in his letter of resignation that other duties prevented him from giving the proper amount of time to the battalion's activities.

At a called meeting, held in the City Hall in Ranger on Wednesday, Jan. 28th, with a group of representative citizens and the city commissioners present, the status of the Ranger company of the Texas Defense Guard was discussed, and by unanimous vote the following resolution was ordered: "Be It Resolved: "That Robert H. Hansford, long a civic minded citizen of this community, and a Major in the De-

fense Guard, be commended for his fine work in forming the local Company and the Companies in Breckenridge, Stephenville and Dublin Communities. The multitude of duties attendant to, and carrying on the work, are numerous and weighty. The sincere and conscientious interest he manifested in organizing and promot-

ing public interest in preparing for defense deserves the highest praise and appreciation from our citizens.

"Be It Ordered: "That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Major Robert H. Hansford, also a copy to Major Gagnan of the Texas Defense Guard Headquarters, Austin, Texas."

## FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

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**TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 17, 1942, 8 O'CLOCK. The Public Is Cordially Invited to Attend**

New Diplomat From New Zealand Represents Newer and More Far-Reaching New Deal

BY PETER EDSON

NEA Service Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Your capital has a new diplomat this week in the person of the Hon. Mr. Walter Nash...



Nash

ONE story is told in New Zealand to illustrate Mr. Nash's honesty as a politician and his methods. When he was first called into the cabinet after his election to parliament...

The reforms which the labor government put into effect were in many ways far more sweeping than the social reforms of the Scandinavian countries...

Social security taxes in New Zealand are 10 per cent of all wages in return for that, all hospitals are free and all doctors are paid by the state...

New Zealand's war program is terrific for its size—10 per cent sales taxes and extra war taxes on top of all the regular income and property taxes...

Naming Of Roads Is Not As Easy As Some Believe

By GORDON K. SHEARER

AUSTIN.—If Gertrude Stein had attended the last meeting of the Texas Highway Commission she probably would have decided: "A road is a road, is a road, is a road."

Shakespeare might have remarked: "A road by any other number would be as rough."

But there was nothing rosy about the road outlook to a group of Central Texans who consider the naming of the road between Waco, Houston and Galveston a highly important matter.

It is not just pride that motivates them. L. M. Shepardson, traffic manager of the Waco Chamber of Commerce, explained through the road does pass through

to the Texas highway commissioners that tourists naturally follow a U. S. highway marker and the tourist crop is not to be sniffed at even in these days of tire rationing.

No complaint was made of the road which runs from Waco through Marlin, Bremond, Bryan, Hearne, Navasota and Hempstead to Houston and on to Galveston.

This route, Shepardson said, was once known as part of the "Colorado to the Gulf Highway." Since such designations no longer are placed on signboards, the road should have a U. S. Highway number, he contended.

Texas officials indicated they gladly would grant a single state highway number. They doubted that the American Association of State Highway Officials would grant a "U. S." number even though the road does pass through

U. S. Born Minister Sparks Canada's Huge War Production Machine

Clarence D. Howe Makes Dominion A Real "Arsenal"

By MILTON BRONNER

NEA Service Staff Correspondent

TWO years ago, Canada was incapable of equipping an infantry division out of her own production. Today, she can do so in six weeks.

That fact typifies the speed and energy with which our northern neighbor, starting from scratch, has swung into war production.



Clarence D. Howe

TANK PRODUCTION: 1939—None 1942—200 a month

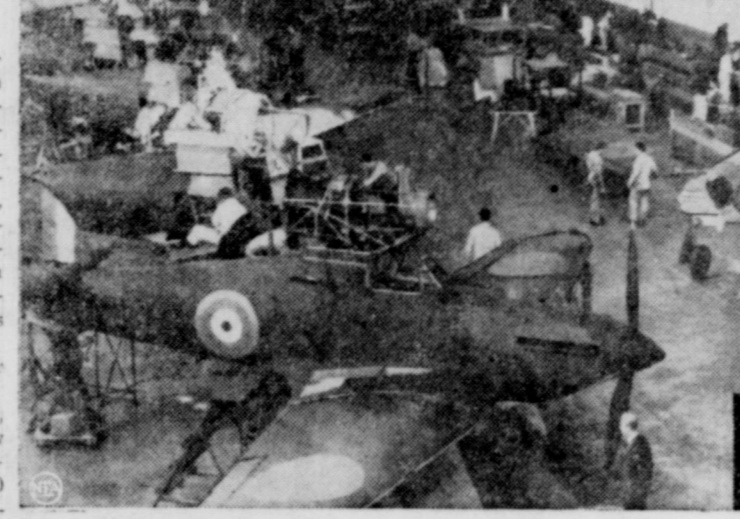


ABOVE: Tank production line at Montreal Locomotive Works. BELOW: Hurricane fighters being assembled at Fort William, Ontario.

In the first two years of the war it sent Britain supplies and equipment valued at \$1,071,000,000 and in the present fiscal year expects to send \$1,500,000,000 worth.

MUNITIONS MINISTER HAS FULL POWER: CLARENCE D. HOWE, Minister of Munitions and Supplies, is the American-born Minister of Munitions and Supplies, Clarence Decatur Howe, and educated in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Today this nation of 11,500,000 people looks back proudly to its record. In the first two years of war it spent \$2,182,000,000 for war purposes. For the fiscal year ending March 31 next, it will have spent \$2,350,000,000 more.



Cannon, Rifle, Shells, Planes and Tanks Pour out in Steady Stream as Canadian "All-Out" War Effort Shows Results

er craft. They are also well on 150,000 armored vehicles, and their way with a program for 100 cargo boats totaling nearly 1,000,000 tons.

In 1939, the Canadian aircraft industry was a puny infant. Up to date it has turned out nearly 4000 planes of both bomber and fighter types and is now making about 40 a week.

LEADING THE WORLD IN AUTOMATIC ARMS: STARTING with a bare site, Canada today has what is claimed to be the biggest automatic arms plant in the world.

THE production of Lee Enfield rifles in 1942 will be at the rate of 200,000 per year. Canada's shell factories have produced 9,000,000 heavy shells, and present capacity is 1,200,000 per month.

Canada has also produced up to date, 500,000 bombs, 150,000,000 pounds of explosives and 70,000,000 pounds of chemicals for explosives.

Capacity for small arms ammunition will be 150,000,000 rounds per month. Over \$500,000,000 has been spent on new plants.

WARPLANE OUTPUT: 1939—"A puny infant" 1942—Forty a week

Dad and Daughter



A famous father strolls with his daughter down the deck of a British warship. That bull neck and familiar nautical costume should tell you it's Winston Churchill. Daughter Mary wears the Auxiliary Territorial Service uniform these days.

information that there are "family groups" of roads. For roads running north and south in Texas there is a group with numbers ending in 81. Those ending in 80 run east and west.

A stockman was asked what difference it made to him that the road was called as long as he knew the route. He replied, "I know it, but frequently I have to hire new truck drivers and they do not know it. If I can tell them to follow one road with one designation, it is easier than to tell them about three differently designated roads."

The application brought out the "Garden of Eden," as State Sen. Karl Lovelady of Marlin described the route. It is largely a matter of psychology that makes people follow a route with one designation, the commission agreed, but said too there is some inconvenience in following a road whose numbers change.

Split routes designated by addition of a letter to the highway number are being eliminated when new routes are designated.

School Teachers To Have Charge of Rationing Sugar

By HILLIER KREIGHBAUM

Washington.—Millions of Americans will flock to their neighborhood schools within the next few weeks to obtain individual stamp booklets to govern their sugar purchases for the duration.

The impending rationing program, outlined by Price Administrator Leon Henderson today, voids any advantage persons who hoarded sugar expected to gain and provides stiff penalties — as much as 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine — for those who falsify statements on the amount they have on hand.

Under the plan, school teachers will be charged with registration consumers and will be required to obtain a signed statement on the amount of sugar they have at home.

If it exceeds two pounds for each member of the family, the registrar will tear stamps from the "hoarders" booklets equivalent to the excess amount, thus depriving him of the right to purchase sugar until his accumulated stocks are used up.

Henderson said the program will be instituted as soon as the stamp booklets — the first of their kind to be issued since the war began — have been printed and distributed to every man, woman and child in the nation. It is, he said, a tremendous job.

Each book will contain 28 stamps, each one good for a week's quota of sugar. Just how much that will be has not been finally decided but Henderson believes it probably will be no more than 12 ounces per person per week at the start.

Only one person from each family unit needs to register at the public school designated for the particular neighborhood. He can obtain booklets for the entire family unit, defined as father, mother, children and wards.

Any other person living in the household but not a member of the family will be required to register personally to obtain his booklet.

The stamps will be numbered so they can be used for purchase of sugar during the week designated. Thus, it will be impossible for anyone to buy several weeks' supply at one time.

In making purchases, the customer will tear out the stamp for the current week and hand it to the retailer. He, in turn, will paste it on a special card which, when filled, will entitle him to replenish his stock for the following week.

A housewife may make purchase of a letter to the highway number are being eliminated when new routes are designated.

Firemen Best Flood to Save Marooned Pup



Here's how Dayton, O., firemen saved a black and tan mongrel marooned by Miami river flood waters on a bit of dry land at the base of a bridge.

LEFT: A 50-foot rope is lowered. CENTER: The dog swings in midair after firemen standing on ledge had tied rope around animal. RIGHT: Pup's safe.



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Co-eds Test Hosiery As A Thesis Topic

By United Press

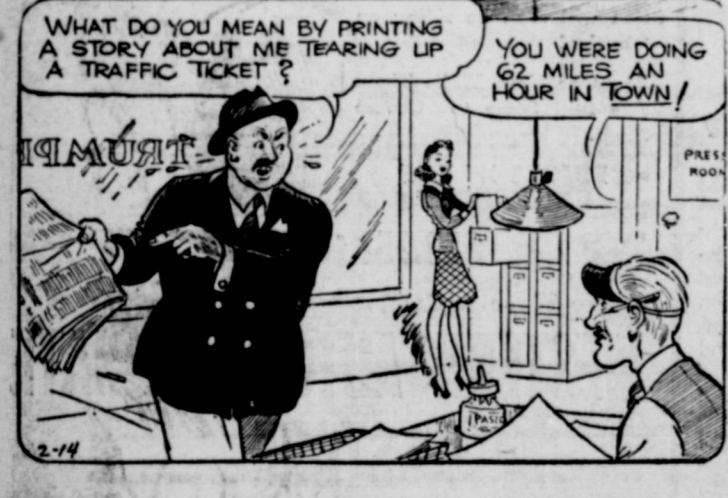
MADISON, Wis.—Most women are guarding their hose like precious jewels these days, but six University of Wisconsin co-eds have abandoned socks for campus wear, and are giving their hose special endurance tests.

Jean Henkel, assistant in the home economics department, has chases for her entire family and for other persons living in her home by taking along their rationing books and presented the grocer with the proper number of stamps, one from each booklet.

been conducting the experiment since November, to determine which kind of hose now available will wear the longest. The co-eds selected because they walk a lot, are wearing mercerized cotton, nylon, and silk stockings an equal number of times, keeping a daily report chart of snags and runs. Results of the study will be submitted for a Master's thesis, Miss Henkel explained. The girls follow detailed instructions for washing and general care, use the same type of soap powder, and note effects of high heels and oxfords. A certain number of "mends are allowed," but so far the only casualties have been the silk hose.

Freckles and His Friends

By Blosser



Eye-Witnessing War—From the scant protection of a "fox hole," a small bomb crater, in the Libyan desert, Virgil Pinkley, of the United Press European executive staff, watches a dog fight between British and Axis panes; and later interviews the commander of a British tank which has seen action against General Rommel's Afrika Korps.

OUT OUR WAY BY WILLIAMS



RUBBER HORSES J. WILLIAMS 2-14

Society, Club and Church Notes

ANN TAYLOR WEDS MILTON PERRY JR. AT HER HOME SATURDAY

Banks of Smilax and fern centered with a heart made of white carnations and candytuft draped with loops of white satin formed a pretty background for the wedding ceremony when Miss Ann Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Austin T. Taylor became the bride of Milton Harper Perry Jr. of Grandview, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Perry, Sr., of San Saba.

The ceremony took place on St. Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, at 7 o'clock in the home of the bride's parents, Rev. S. D. Taylor, uncle of the bride, officiated before the altar. On either side of the prayer bench was a crystal sconce filled with white gladioli with background of fern and tall tapers in floor candelabra.

Mrs. Donald Kinnaird, pianist, accompanied the soloist, Mrs. Victor Ginn, who sang "I Love Thee" as pre-nuptial music, and at the close of the ceremony sang "The Lord's Prayer." Mrs. Kinnaird also played Lohengrin's wedding march, and Liebestraum's wedding march was played during the ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a gown of white slipper satin with sweetheart neckline. The long sleeves and bodice were of duchess lace embroidered with seed pearls, and the full length skirt extended into a long train. Her full length veil of illusion was caught in a coronet of lace and pearls. She carried a hand cluster cascade arrangement of white gardenias and rosebuds with swansonia and satin ribbons.

Mrs. Perry graduated from Eastland High School and attended Texas Tech and Southwestern University where she pledged Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

Mr. Perry is a graduate of San Saba high school and Southwestern University at Georgetown, where he was president of the "S" association and member of the American Blue Book Association for College Men.

At the reception which followed the ceremony in the home of the bride's parents, the bride's table was laid with lace and with a white three-tiered wedding cake decorated with sugar spun roses and topped with a miniature bride and groom. The table was centered with a white satin bowl filled with white carnations.

Larissa Bratton of Brady presided at the bride's book. The guests were received by Mrs. A. F. Taylor, Mrs. E. J. Weatherby, and Mrs. J. N. Weatherby of Brownwood.



Mrs. Milton Harper Perry Jr., who is the former Miss Anna Jane Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Taylor. The couple was married Saturday, February 14, and will make their home in Grandview.

Brownwood, Mrs. Gordon Taylor presided in the gift room. Miss Marion Coolidge of Houston and Miss Maxine Conner of Slaton assisted at the reception.

The bride's mother was gowned in a rose sheer with corsage of orchid sweet peas. The groom's mother wore orchid sheer with corsage of daffodils.

The bride traveled in a two-piece toast gabardine suit with brown accessories and a corsage of gardenias. After a short wedding trip the couple will make their home in Grandview, where the groom is a high school football coach.

Out of town guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Taylor, of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Bert Weatherby, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson and Mrs. J. N. Weatherby and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kilgore of Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. Weatherby; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Weatherby and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Weatherby of Goldthwaite; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sawyer, and Chas. Blakenty of San Saba; Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Weatherby, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Leonard and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Perry of Fort Worth.

WEDDING REHEARSAL DINNER HELD

Mrs. J. P. Kilgore of Brownwood was hostess for the rehearsal dinner of Miss Ann Taylor and Mr. Milton Perry Jr. of Grandview at the Majestic Cafe in Eastland Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

The long table was laid in white linen and centered with pink gladioli and white blossoms. Place cards were Valentines. A three course dinner was served to Miss Ann Taylor, Milton Perry, Jr., of Grandview, Joe Walker of Slaton, Rev. J. D. Barron of Eastland, Misses Maxine Conner of Slaton, Marion Coolidge of Houston, Larissa Bratton of Brady, Patsy Wiegand, Betsy Jones and Mrs. Donald Kinnaird, Mrs. Victor Ginn, Mrs. A. F. Taylor and Mrs. Kilgore.

Political Announcements

This newspaper is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public offices, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

- For District Clerk JOHN WHITE
Criminal District Attorney EARL CONNER, JR.
For Commissioner Precinct No. 1 HENRY V. DAVENPORT
For County Treasurer: MRS. RUTH (GARLAND) BRANTON.
For County School Superintendent T. C. WILLIAMS
For County Judge: W. S. ADAMSON
For Sheriff: LOSS WOODS
JOHN HART
JOHN C. BARBER.
For Collector-Assessor CLYDE KARKALITS
For County Clerk R. V. (RIP) GALLOWAY

MR. AND MRS. COOK ARE FETED WITH PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Glover were host Thursday evening for a farewell party honoring Elmo Cook and Mrs. Cook at their home. Mr. and Mrs. Cook are moving to Abilene soon, where Mr. Cook will be the Taylor County Agent.

Mrs. Roy Young, Miss Gladys Martin and Miss Alice Wheatley were co-hostesses. A large traveling bag was presented Mr. Cook by the office force as a going-away gift.

Refreshments of a salad plate was served to Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Cook, and Betty and Diana, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Powell and son John, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bigby, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Downtain, Mr. and Mrs. Don Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Taylor, Miss Hazel Barrell, Mrs. Wayne Catton, Goldie Butler and Mrs. D. J. Fiensy.

Personal

E. P. Crawford of Cisco was an Eastland business visitor Friday.

Miss Beulah Speer, former Eastland County school superintendent and long time Eastland County school teacher, was in Eastland Saturday from Carbon.

DIVORCES INCREASE WITH WAR

PITTSBURGH.—Wartime conditions have brought an increase in the divorce rate in Allegheny county. During 1941, 3,051 suits were filed compared with 2,587 in 1940, and increase of 464.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

Cartoon titled 'THIS CURIOUS WORLD' showing a man looking at a globe. Text: 'UNCIVILIZED RACES, LIVING IN ALL KINDS OF CLIMATE, EATING ALL KINDS OF FOOD, AND PRACTICING LITTLE OR NO DENTAL HYGIENE, HAVE FAR LESS TOOTH DECAY THAN CIVILIZED MANKIND.' Below: 'The GERMAN AIRPLANE KNOWN AS THE "/>

Local Church To Observe World Day Of Prayer Feb. 28

The World Day of Prayer will be observed at the Baptist church by all the churches of Eastland on February 20, First Friday in Lent. The theme will be "I Am the Way," with Mrs. F. L. Drago as director of the program.

"I Am the Way," the theme for the 1942 World Day of Prayer interprets for the world an approach to the goal sought, and the topics of discussion on the program are The Way Men Have Lost, The Way Back to God, The Way of Self-Surrender, The Way of Peace, of Love, of Light, of Power. The program was prepared by a group of three women now living in the United States. Their chairman, a former teacher in Gilling College, China, now professor in Biblical Seminary; the wife of a German pastor, imprisoned in a concentration camp abroad, and her husband in another both doing pastoral work in the United States; and a French woman who has had no word from her family in France for over a year.

Mrs. A. M. Hearn will be leader for the topic The Way Men Have Lost, which will open with silent meditation. Mrs. F. E. Swaner, Mrs. T. W. Smith, Mrs. W. G. Womack and Mrs. W. A. Owen will have parts on this topic.

The four interdenominational ways of service will be told by Mrs. Aubrey Van Hoy, discussing Migrants; Mrs. H. H. Durham, Christian Literature; Mrs. Iola Mitchell, Union Christian Colleges, and Mrs. L. D. Williams, Indian Students in U. S. Government Schools.

This program will begin at 3 o'clock at the Baptist Church on Feb. 20.

THE PAY-OFF

BY HARRY GRATSON NEA Service Sports Editor

NEW YORK.—A major leaguer is a big leaguer in any uniform. Sgt. Henry Greenberg's speech of acceptance upon being presented with a plaque for extraordinary service to baseball: "This is the second time I've been honored by the New York baseball writers. The first time was in 1935, when I was named the player of the year, and, in due modesty, I felt I deserved it. But this is something different. I am accepting this plaque for extraordinary service not for myself alone but for all the ball players serving in the armed forces—for Feller, Mulcahy, Lavagetto, Berardino, Sam Chapman and all the others."

Sgt. Henry Greenberg apologized for taking precedence over more distinguished speakers. He had to catch a train in order to report at Camp Dix at 6 a. m.

Getting into the armed forces isn't easy, as Billy Soose informs Paul Moss. Soose enlisted in the Navy in Chicago. He was made a chief petty officer on the strength of having majored in physical education at Penn State.

Moss, the Hollywood scenario writer now with Dick Powell on a personal appearance swing, is closing up his affairs to follow in his fighter's footsteps.

Soose not long ago relinquished a claim to the middleweight championship to box as a light-heavy. He recently fought Jimmy Bivins, tough Negro heavy, 10 savage rounds in Cleveland.

So if such a capable young man considers the Navy's physical examination tough, it can hardly be a breeze.

"Went through a helluva exam," informs Soose. "Buddy, if you're thinking of enlisting, you had better get yourself in shape. They are not taking any men who aren't perfect. You can't have less than 15-20 vision. You can't be color blind. If you're too fat, you have to come back another day sans excess weight."

"Goodness, the fellows they rejected on these faults. Wow! So don't think you're going to have a picnic, chum. They found me a perfect specimen. So, you see, good behavior has its reward."

Navy Construction Volunteers Needed In Many Trades

In a call for volunteers to serve in Naval construction regiments outside of the continental limits of the United States, C. L. Wylie, officer-in-charge of the Abilene Navy Recruiting Station, said, "This is a real opportunity that will appeal to hardy Americans in whose veins flow the pioneer blood of their forefathers. There will be plenty of thrills, adventure, excitement, hardship, and real danger, but those volunteering will have the satisfaction of knowing that they are doing something worthwhile for their country, just as their forefathers did when they went forth from established and secure settlements to fight the Indians, brave the hardships, and push into the vast, unexplored country that is now our beloved home."

Wylie further points out that here is a chance for two-fisted, red-blooded Americans, who are not fighting behind a gun, to serve shoulder to shoulder with the combatant forces of the Naval service. These construction regiments will serve in close cooperation with private contractors now engaged in building Naval bases at Atlantic and Pacific outposts. Skilled men in many different civilian occupations are needed.

If you are interested, here are some of the details: Age limits, 17 to 50; enlistment period, two, three, or four years, to serve for the duration of the war; beginning pay of those enlisted will range from \$36.00 to \$133.50 per month, dependent upon individual qualifications. Board, lodging, clothing, and medical care will be provided. Men who are experienced in the following occupations are wanted: automotive repairmen, electricians, blacksmiths, blacksmith's helpers, metal smiths, coppersmiths, welders, supervising carpenters, carpenters, painters, supervising concrete workers, concrete workers, supervising or journeyman excavators, shovel operators, road machine operators, crane operators, crane helpers, engine runners, engine helpers, supervising mechanics, crusher mechanics, drillers, powder men, powder-man helpers, rodmen, chainmen, transit level men, telephone men, wharf builders, pile driver operators, water tenders, firemen, oilers, master divers, gunner's mates, sailmakers, boatmen, boatswains, mates, deck hands, photographers, pharmacists, hospital attendants, stewards, cooks, bakers, mess attendants (colored), clerks, bookkeepers, chauffeurs, truck drivers, tractor drivers, laborers.

Bicycle Riding Becomes Popular

If you don't believe the youths of Eastland are taking the "save rubber for defense" plan seriously just station yourself at any intersection on West Plummer street between Lamar and Hillcrest on any school day and note the number of bicycles being ridden to and from school.

Of course there was always a number of children that pedaled bicycles to school, but since the announcement of a tire shortage and publication of the appeal to the American people to conserve all rubber possible, the number has greatly increased and the number of cars driven decreased.

And the younger boys and girls are not the only ones who are taking a hike on a bike. An increasing number of both men and women are to be seen "cycling" here of late.

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Accused Aviatrix Taking the Air



Fur-trimmed aviatrix Laura Ingalls manages a smile for the camera as she emerges from Washington, D. C., court where she was convicted for failing to register as a German agent.

'Keep 'Em Eating' A New War Slogan

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP) — Under a "Keep 'em Eating" slogan, the state educational department's vocational teachers are burning the midnight oil with their "night schools."

Besides their regular teaching work, they are holding classes for farm dads and mothers and on Saturdays visit farms to offer and demonstrate practical means of increasing food production. County war boards will aid in

this task under the direction of B. F. Vance, state chairman of the Agriculture Adjustment Administration. The board subleaders usually will be the county AAA secretaries.

It's all part of the mobilization called by Secretary of Agriculture Claud Wickard who asked increased production of meats, dairy products, poultry, vegetable oils, peanuts, soy beans, garden vegetables, fruits. One and one-quarter million tons of fruit alone will be shipped to Great Britain in 1942.

Over 35,000 boys are engaged in Texas vocational program while 5733 are taking homecoming courses along with 67,943.

As an aid to increasing food production, and also to aid national defense, the education department has started a "war against waste" with each school or town conducting surveys to determine what materials can be used more sparingly, both by school child and parent.

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