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## JAPS MAKING NEW ATTACKS ON THE ALLIES

The United Nations fought new Japanese thrusts against the defenses of Rangoon and Java today, but on the Russian front the Red Army was hurling strong mechanized forces at the Germans east of Smolensk.

Grave threats to the allied bases in the Dutch East Indies, as well as the shelling of the California Coast by an enemy submarine, emphasized the warnings by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill that bitter days and further setbacks lie ahead for the democracies.

The president's speech was echoed by the prime minister as he opened a two-day war debate in the House of Commons with the statement that severe losses had been suffered in the last two months as a result of Axis submarine attacks.

There were reports from Japan, which the United States Navy greeted with silence, that new naval operations had been undertaken in the islands of the Southwest Pacific, where American warships and airplanes recently battered enemy bases on the Marshall and Gilbert Islands.

## TWO VESSELS OF U. S. NAVY LOST IN GALE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—The United States Navy Department announced today that at least 189 officers and men had died when the United States Destroyer Truxton and the Naval Cargo Ship Pollux were blown aground off the east coast of Newfoundland in a pounding North Atlantic gale and were smashed against the rocky coast.

Lieut. Cmdr. Ralph Hieko, 38, commanding officer of the Truxton was lost, while the captain of the Pollux was saved. The name of the commanding officer of the Pollux was not given.

The Truxton was a flush-deck, four stacker destroyer of World War I build. It was reported to have been lost.

The two ships were a part of a convoy, the Navy department said, and were blown aground by winds in excess of 60 miles an hour during day time hours, but "in extremely low visibility."

Seven officers and 90 enlisted men were lost on the Pollux.

## Friday Thirteenth Is Really a Jinx For Roy McCowan

By United Press  
TEXARKANA, Tex.—You can't tell 17-year-old Roy McCowan that there is nothing to this "Friday the thirteenth" superstition.

He was born on Friday the thirteenth and he started working for his father on Friday, Feb. 13, 1942. On that day, here is what happened to him:

At 2 a. m., he dropped the milk capping machine on the concrete floor of the milk house and broke it. Then, he misplaced a small but integral part of the machine.

When he started on his route, his truck bogged down in the mud and got stuck.

When he tried to pull it out with a bar, the car got stuck.

Finally got them out and started on his delivery. As he was making his first sale, he noticed that his truck had a flat tire.

When he had delivered the milk at this first call he returned to the truck and two policemen gave him a ticket for parking improperly.

He waited two hours to get the tire fixed. At that time he thought he was ready to go, but found that something had gone wrong with the steering gear and he couldn't turn right.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon he finally got something to eat.

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Additional Local News

## Examination For Case Worker To Be Held On March 9

The Department of Public Welfare announces a competitive examination for county case worker's positions in and for Eastland County.

The job involves determining eligibility for WPA employment, selection of boys for the CGC and certification of persons eligible for federal surplus commodities.

The applications will be available at the local offices of the Department of Public Welfare in Eastland, Cisco and Ranger, Texas. The closing date for the acceptance of these applications will be Wednesday, March 4, 1942, at 5 p. m. The applications must be filed with the area supervisor at the State Department of Public Welfare office in Eastland not later than the above time and date. All persons applying and meeting the minimum qualifications will be required to report at the county commissioners court room in the court house at Eastland at 2 p. m. Monday, March 9, 1942, for the written examination. Those persons not meeting the minimum qualifications for this position will not be permitted to take the examination.

The minimum qualifications for this position are as follows: Successful completion of two years of study in an accredited college or university; or a combination of education and experience determined to be equivalent, substituting one year of successful, full-time, paid employment in a social work capacity in a public or private social work agency determined by investigation to have maintained high standards of work and supervision during the period of the applicant's employment therein, for each year of the required college education.

## Foreign Sailors Are Suspicious Of Ranger Stopover

A bus load of 33 French and three Chinese sailors, who had apparently been in a shipwreck, stopped off in Ranger Monday, while the sailors obtained breakfast at a cafe.

But one could speak any English, and it was so broken that few could understand him.

According to the bus driver they were being transported from Los Angeles to New Orleans, and the Ranger stop was the only one made by the bus during which they could be induced to eat.

At first they were hesitant about leaving the bus, but finally several got out and looked over the cafe. Then they went back and held a consultation with the others in the bus, and about half got out that time. After some delay they all entered the cafe and began ordering. The first got bacon and eggs, so about half ordered that kind of breakfast. Then ham and eggs became popular and the remainder ordered that, by pointing to the plates of those who had been served.

After finishing breakfast several went to a grocery and bought sandwich meats. They ordered by pointing, and not knowing the amounts wanted the butcher cut off one pound pieces, which the sailors accepted, and for which they paid.

The bus driver did not know where the sailors had come from, except that his company had chartered them a bus at Los Angeles, and that they were bound for New Orleans.

## Scouters Pow Wow Held In Ranger On Monday Night

The regular monthly meeting of the Scouters of Eastland and Stephens Counties was held Monday night at the First Baptist Church in Ranger.

The last part of a fundamental training course under the direction of Homer Tudor, field executive was given and the organization set-up for another course put forth which will give advanced training in the troop program.

Troop committees as well as scoutmasters are taking part in these programs, that revolve from town to town each month. The next program will be held in Breckenridge the fourth Monday night in March.

J. B. Blevins and Eugene Baker local Scoutmasters of Ranger were host to the group with a chili supper.

## FARMERS ARE URGED TO GO TO BUREAU MEET

Farmers in this country are urged to attend the Farm Bureau meeting at Hotel Wooten, Abilene, at 10 a. m., Friday, March 6, W. B. Starr, president of the Eastland County Farm Bureau, announced today.

This meeting will be one of the series of 19 similar gatherings called by the Texas Farm Bureau Federation, Starr pointed out. "Farmers must realize their position and responsibility during the war," Starr said. We will produce all possible foods and fibers for victory, and we ask only for fair prices and other equalities.

"The Farm Bureau Federation has gained the present fair prices for cotton, wheat, peanut and rice farmers. Producers of every farm product have been helped by this organization, and farmers should not forget these facts, I know of no other force in our nation that can and will do more to avoid price collapse after this war than the Farm Bureau. Fair prices on all agricultural products is the policy of our organization."

Starr stated that the American Farm Bureau Federation was organized by the farmers of 36 states in 1920, following World War I, when farm prices "hit the bottom." At present, 42 states have Farm Bureaus with a membership of near 600,000 farm families. Farmers in 182 Texas counties belong to the Federation.

The local leader reports that J. Walter Hammond, president of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation, Earl C. Hays of Clyde, district director, and other state farm leaders will speak on the day's program.

Topics which will be discussed are: price control and its effect upon the farmer; gaining appropriations for government loans on cotton, wheat, peanuts and rice; extending parity prices to other farm products; protecting our farm program and other services; and the means of preventing a collapse of farm prices after the war.

Starr advises local farmers to see their county agent who will help plan for a large delegation from this county to attend the important meeting.

The officers of the Eastland County Farm Bureau Federation are W. B. Starr, President; Willie E. Cooper, Rising Star, vice president; Mrs. Josie K. Nix, Eastland, secretary-treasurer; and John Love, Ranger; Mrs. E. Barron, Gorman; Herman C. Gordon, Eastland and Walter Hill, Cisco, directors.

## Plant For Victory Week Proclaimed

The week of March 1 has been designated as Plant for Victory Week in Texas by the State U. S. D. A. War Board.

The purpose of the week is to plant or plan for planting to take care of required acreage for various crops to meet pledged "Food for Freedom" production goals.

The agricultural department of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce is calling on the people of its area to enter fully into the spirit and activity of the week.

All-out war production of agricultural commodities cannot be over emphasized in the campaign of "Food - Feed - Fiber - For - Freedom's - Fight."

In this campaign to accomplish their goals our farmers—on the production firing line—must have the backing and cooperation of everyone. The East Texas Chamber of Commerce is doing this very thing and it feels all other business organizations are or will do likewise.

## Ranger Students On College Honor Roll

STEPHENVILLE.—Among the students making the honor roll at John Tarleton Agricultural College for the first semester of 1941-42 were John Lee Bow and Jack Pearsall of Ranger.

The honor roll was announced by the registrar, T. V. Crouse, on a recent date. To be eligible for this honor a student must make at least 30 grade points and not have any failing grades.

A survey of the students of John Tarleton was made and it was found that 175 made the honor roll.

## Job on Japs Well Done, They Sleep



Day after their successful smashing of Japanese bases in the Marshall and Gilbert Islands, U. S. sailors sleep on deck of one of the attacking ships. They're using life preservers as pillows. Other sailors stand guard. Photo passed by U. S. censor.

## Flatwoods Club Met On Thursday

"Growing a Victory Garden and doing my part to help win the war," states Miss Gladys Martin, home demonstration agent.

The Flatwoods Home Demonstration Club met Thursday, Feb. 19, at the home of Mrs. J. S. Turner.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. D. E. Webb.

Roll call was answered by "How I can improve my yard for another year."

Mrs. Pete Hallmark gave a report on parliamentarians meeting from council.

Miss Martin gave a talk on learning the names of five shrubs, how and where they should be planted. Also on arranging your yards where they will be the most attractive.

Mrs. J. S. Turner moved that we buy \$10 of defense stamps. The motion carried.

The Club plans to have a bake sale of pies and cakes in Eastland Saturday, Feb. 28.

Refreshments of coffee, pie and candies were served to Mmes. Lon Palmer, Pete Hallmark, Cyrcy Justice, C. A. Webb, D. E. Webb, A. Dell Tucker, H. C. Jordan, Ed Ramsey, Gladys Martin and the hostess, Mrs. J. S. Turner.—Reporter.

## Local Defense Organizations Have Been Set Up To Salvage Needed Materials For National Defense

AUSTIN, Texas.—Local defense organizations which have been established in 894 areas in Texas will be used in the "salvage for victory" program which the War Production Board has asked the National Defense Committee for Texas to sponsor, Governor Coke R. Stevenson said today.

When the local defense coordinators were named several months ago, a suggested organization chart was given for counties and municipalities. It contained a division on "Conservation, Waste Prevention, and Salvage" and many communities now have such activities underway the Governor said.

With this state-wide organization already functioning, the salvage activity can be expedited and the requests of the Federal agencies carried out without any difficulty.

The desirability of having a state organization for this particular defense activity, supplementing the regular staff of the

## Ranger Coach Has Quit To Accept a Government Post

H. G. Jennings, for the past two years coach of the Ranger High School Bulldogs, has resigned his position to accept one with the internal revenue department.

Coach Jennings received a notice Saturday afternoon, Feb. 21, that he was to report for duty at Houston on Monday morning, and left immediately for his new job.

The work to be carried on by Jennings is that of deputy collector of internal revenue, for the Treasury Department.

Before becoming head coach of Ranger High School Jennings was, for two years, assistant coach, and was for several years head coach of Strawn High School.

No successor to Jennings as coach has been selected, as yet.

## Desdemona May Surrender Charter

Acting on a petition addressed to him as county judge by T. L. Acrea and 55 other property taxpayers of the City of Desdemona, County Judge W. S. Adamson has ordered an election for Saturday, March 21, at Desdemona for the purpose of determining whether or not Desdemona shall abolish its charter and cease to be an incorporated town.

## They Make The Honor Roll At John Tarleton

Among the students making the honor roll at John Tarleton College, Stephenville, for the first semester of 1941-42 were Mary Elizabeth Hearn of Eastland and Dorace Pearl Miles of Desdemona.

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## Ranger Youth In The U. S. Army To Have An Operation Soon

Word was received in Ranger Monday night that D. A. Robinson, who is in the United States Army, was to undergo an appendectomy at the La Garde Hospital in New Orleans.

Young Robinson was stationed, for nearly a year, in Puerto Rico, but was transferred to Oklahoma recently for additional training. He was enroute back to Puerto Rico at the time he was taken to the hospital in New Orleans.

## Tire Thieves Fail To Take Any Loot

SAN ANTONIO.—Thieves were so desperate to steal the tires from Roy Jenkins automobile that they bound him and gagged him when he tried to stop them.

Young Jenkins, 19, fell into the clutches of the thieves when he went out in his back yard to investigate a noise he believed to be caused by a dog turning over a garbage can.

Two men grabbed him as he neared the garage. They bound him and gagged him with cloth they found in the car and then they went back to work.

In a few minutes Eldridge Miller, Jenkins' brother in law, feared that the youth had stayed over-long and called his name from the back door.

The call caused the thieves to run. They took with them Jenkins' bicycle which was found later a block away. The thieves had been singularly unsuccessful.

They not only got no tires, but they left their tools as well.

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## Ranger Home Has Little Fire Loss

The Ranger Fire Department answered an alarm at 7:20 Tuesday morning, when the home of G. J. Moore, Cooper Addition, caught fire.

The blaze, which Fire Chief G. A. Murphy said was caused from a low flue, was confined to the roof of the dwelling, and damage was reported to have been small. This is the second time the house has been slightly damaged by fire, Murphy stated.

The blaze was extinguished by use of the auxiliary tank truck.

## Johnson Murder Trial In Progress In 91st Court

The case of H. G. Johnson of Ranger, charged with murder with malice aforethought in connection with the killing of Joe Watson at Ranger on Nov. 22, last, went to trial Monday before Judge Geo. L. Davenport of the 91st district court.

All of Monday was consumed in obtaining a jury. A special venire of 70 men was exhausted and sheriff's deputies picked up a number of additional men before the jury was completed.

The state began putting on testimony this morning and at noon was still introducing evidence.

Following is a list of the jurors selected to hear and pass on the evidence:

Ben. Woods, W. E. Cooper, Joe Earp, M. N. Seaborn, W. W. Gilbert, I. J. Dobbins, L. B. Gailey, George E. Carter, G. M. Waters, R. E. McMillian, L. R. Haley, Conrad Reeves.

## Texas Is Building And Supplying Ships for Defense

Texas is participating directly in the Nation's vastly stepped up program to build the world's largest and most efficient merchant fleet, the greatest shipbuilding effort in the history of this or any other nation.

In addition to producing raw materials necessary to ship construction, Texas has a number of industrial concerns producing and furnishing equipment vital to the completion of the United States Maritime Commission's huge Victory fleet, now being built at top speed. There are also three shipyards in Texas constructing vessels for the Victory fleet.

Stuffing boxes, valves, checks, and copper sheets are among the list of equipment being furnished by Texas industries.

The equipment may be sent to any one of 48 shipyards strategically located in 21 widely separated states on all coasts and the Great Lakes. In addition to the careful selection of shipyard locations, the Maritime Commission, more than a year ago, pioneered in the spread-the-work policy of "farming out" defense contracts to contractors throughout the nation. As a result machinery and equipment for the huge Victory program are now being received from more than 500 firms in 31 states, making shipbuilding a nation-wide industry.

Anticipating early in 1941 the probably need for rapid expansion of the shipbuilding program, the Maritime Commission and Congress augmented the regular long range program of 500 ships in 10 years with supplemental emergency programs. Now the entire shipbuilding program, under the direction of the Commission, has grown to nearly 2,000 ships with construction and supply facilities correspondingly enlarged. The last expansion of the already enormous program was made to meet the directive by President Roosevelt given simultaneously with his State of the Union address to Congress on January 6, to produce 8,000,000 deadweight tons in 1942 and 10,000,000 in 1943.

On December 1, 1941, the Commission announced the goal of "a ship a day" had been reached. Under the increased pressure of war, ships will be launched at the rate of two each day, within a few months, and during the peak production period, three a day.

A brief summary shows that there are eight shipbuilding yards in the Great Lakes region; thirteen on the Pacific Coast; eleven on the Gulf Coast and 16 on the Atlantic Coast; while industrial concerns, furnishing machinery and equipment, are scattered all through the nation.

## Morton Valley PTA Meeting This P. M.

The Morton Valley Parent-Teacher Association will meet this afternoon at 4:45.

Mrs. R. W. McCawley will talk on Citizenship. Miss Pauline Hancock's pupils will present the program.

## FLIERS SEEK JAPANESE SUB OFF OF COAST

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Feb. 24.—Sharp eyes of United States Army and Navy fliers and the keen ears of Navy submarine detectors aboard surface vessels coursed a widening area of the Pacific today in search for the submarine which shelled an oil refinery while President Roosevelt was addressing the nation last night.

The shelling, which caused little damage and no casualties, was from two five-inch guns aboard a submarine, presumably Japanese. A total of 25 rounds was fired at the Banko Oil Refinery near Elwood, 12 miles west of here, according to the War Department announcement from Washington. Eye witnesses said they counted 12 shots from the submarine, which was visible from the shore.

From the position about one-quarter of a mile off shore the submarine began firing at 7:20 p. m. Pacific War Time, and maintained its fire at intervals for about 25 minutes.

Observers who watched from the shore in twilight said it remained on the surface until after dark. They described it as very large.

## NAVAL BASE AT SOERABAJA RAIDED AGAIN

SOERABAJA, Java, Feb. 24.—Two flights of 27 Japanese airplanes heavily bombed the Soerabaja area today, in an effort to damage the big naval base, still in Allied hands in the Dutch East Indies.

The enemy aircraft were strongly opposed by Allied fighter planes and anti-aircraft batteries during a two-hour alarm which marked the most intensive of a number of recent raids.

The Soerabaja Harbor was the main objective of the enemy bombers.

Some objects were hit, it was reported, but there was slight damage done and a few casualties were reported.

The enemy planes came in from two different directions, but were intercepted by the Allied defense force planes.

There have been seven air raid alarms at the naval base in the last three days, but most of the raids were without results.

There were four alarms on Sunday and two on Monday, in addition to the raid today.

## Mrs. Mellie Bell Buried On Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Mellie Bell of Ranger, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Novella DeVore Saturday afternoon, were conducted from the Killingsworth Funeral Chapel Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock, with burial in Greenleaf Cemetery, Brownwood. Services were conducted by Rev. David M. Phillips of Ranger.

The decedent had lived in Ranger nine years. She was born in Selma, Ala., Dec. 15, 1868 and was a member of the First Methodist Church of Brownwood, the Eastern Star and the Woodmen Circle.

Survivors include one son, Elvyn T. Bell, Ranger; three daughters, T. Bell, W. Byers, Artesia, N. M.; Mrs. C. C. Houston, Kilgore; and Mrs. Novella DeVore, Ranger; one sister, Mrs. Robbie Andrews, Brownwood; one brother, J. T. Taylor, Barnhart; and four grandchildren, Dr. L. A. Byers, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Jack Fautleroy, Artesia, N. M.; Claude Chester Houston, Jr., Kilgore and Jerry DeVore, Ranger.

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ALL YOUR  
OLD IRON  
SCRAP  
THAT'S ONE WAY  
TO SLAP A JAP!

THE WEATHER  
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## A Time of War

"To everything," wrote the wise old Preacher in the Book of Ecclesiastes, "there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; a time to kill and a time to heal; a time to heal; a time to break down and a time to build up; a time to mourn and a time to dance . . . a time to love and a time to hate; a time of war and a time of peace . . ."

It has befallen all of us to live part of our lives in a time of war. At this moment, with millions of America's manhood registering for service, of whom perhaps two more millions will be called this year in addition to two millions now serving, it is a time of goodbye. It is a hard time for everyone; but it is hardest for those who must part, and who must say goodbye.

If there were no more than that, it would be insupportable. But the same old Preacher in his wisdom knew that the time to kill is followed by the time to heal. That, too, will come.

Perhaps all America is saying goodbye to many things. Goodbye to all the old smug feeling that we were in the world, yet not of it. Goodbye to the old tendency to measure every man with a dollar-marked rule. Goodbye to the hectic "easy money" days of the twenties, which so nearly wrought our spiritual ruin. Goodbye to uncontrolled selfishness which made material life so much better than it needs to be for a comparative few, so much less good than it ought to be for so many.

Goodbye to false social standards and cancerous envy. Goodbye to arbitrary and artificial class distinctions, existing in America without a shadow of an excuse for being conjured up sometimes even where they do not exist.

Goodbye to despair and impotence in the face of trouble, to cringing submission to economic misery for which there is no longer any reason except the inelastic workings of the mind of man. Goodbye to fear and doubt and lack of faith. Yes, goodbye to all that.

Out of the fiery trial of this war, with all its goodbyes and heartbreaks, all its pain and suffering, all its destruction and hatred, can come the America of which our fathers dreamed—a land of freedom for all, of plenty for all who will contribute their share toward creating it, a peaceful land set in a peaceful world.

To everything there is a season, and the time for these things may also come after the guns are silent. Anyone who does not dedicate himself to this, as well as to winning the war, has failed himself, has failed America, has failed humanity.

### AID TO DEFENSE

<b>HORIZONTAL</b>	Answer to Previous Puzzle	19 Exist.
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10 Beverage.	SERRAN	24 Hypothetical structural unit
11 Perish.	SLANGY	27 Brink.
12 Afro.	NUGAE	28 Metal.
13 Over (poet.).	UTUS	29 Osculate.
15 Value.	THE MANAGER	30 Either.
17 Gem carved in relief.	GOTE	32 Satisfy.
19 Portend.	SIR AHS	36 Lengthy.
20 Whether.	ODINE	37 Metal tip of a scabbard.
21 Garden tool.	DEMAND	38 Reabsorb.
23 Cravat.	GAMBUR	39 Sequence.
25 District attorney (abbr.).	SELLA	40 Signs.
26 Insect.	DELL	41 Demigod.
28 Writing fluid.		45 Body of water
30 Aged.	51 Ridge of sand.	46 Nickname for Augustus.
31 Finishes.	62 Within.	47 Slave.
33 Bear.	63 Messages.	50 Brown.
34 Plunder.	55 Russian coins.	51 Doctor of Dental Surgery (abbr.).
35 Type of sailing vessel (pl.).	60 These stamps can be used to buy U. S. Defense	54 North Dakota (abbr.).
37 Printed cotton fabric (pl.).		56 From.
39 Therefore.	61 They are sold at U. S.	57 University of Idaho (abbr.).
41 Him.		58 British Columbia (abbr.).
42 Half ems. post.		59 French article.
43 Type measure.	<b>VERTICAL</b>	
44 Tree.	1 To make deaf.	
46 Aeriform fluid	2 Devour.	

**AMERICA ON GUARD**

U.S. POSTAL SAVINGS

## Another Horse Shot From Under Him



## ALLEY OOP

By Hamlin



## THE PAY OFF

By HARRY GRAYSON  
NEA Service Sports Editor

BOSTON BRAVES get a Grade A lobby sitter in Ernest Lombardi, and a worthy battery mate for Manuel Salvo in that department. Pitcher Salvo is the statue, or wooden Indian type. Outside of working hours, he sits there all day and well into the night moving nothing but the pupils of his eyes. A huge pipe protrudes from his mouth, but he never puffs on it. It's just part of the sculptured likeness. If he pulled on the heater, he'd have to fill and light it. Not a few competent authorities consider Slinger Salvo the best straightaway sitter in the business today.

NO one is ever expected to top the record of Robert Moses Grove, however, for the venerable Bob decorated the better American foyers for 22 years, retired last fall as the undisputed champion. Old Mose Grove had such finesse and developed such a following that hotel managers reserved a seat for him. But Lonaconing Lefty required no help. He could ease a lobby quicker than he could throw the ball. He picked the point where he got the maximum view, near the newsstand, with an ash tray handy and a clock directly in front, so he could tell when it was time to go to the park. Maitre d'hotels paged Grove at meal time, cigarette girls kept him in conversation. The man was an artist. Grove knew all hotel shifts except the owl. He departed as an authority on the growth of the American hotel system.

A FIRST-CLASS lobby sitter must be strong physically and constitutionally. He must have back and leg muscles of steel, for some lobby chairs are none too comfortable. He must have good lungs to breathe the stuffy air of crowded lobbies. He must have a sharp eye for position. A novice lobby sitter will gaze at a wall all day long. A seasoned lobby sitter, like Curt Davis of the Brooklynns, quickly obtains a commanding view in a spot where he can grab a morsel of gab here and there.

There is the vanishing spitoon group, disappearing with chewing tobacco. The gum stand does a big business. There is the fidgeter like Johnny Allen of the Dodgers. He appears unhappy, but usually is having a good time just sittin'.

PINBALL machines cut into the ranks of the Amalgamated Order of Lobby Sitters, members of which resent Johnny-Come-Latelys like Lou Boudreau and Ray Mack fooling with new-fangled contraptions while leaving perfectly good seats in the lobby to traveling salesmen and other guests who have no right to them in the first place.

## Local Defense

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collect materials; municipal and county officials; a representative of the County War Board of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; representatives of the local press and radio.

Attention was called to the fact that the local defense organization's salvage committees should cooperate with charity, school and other organizations which are currently conducting such campaigns. Mention was also made of the efforts of the waste paper consuming industries in urging the conservation of that material. The USDA County War Boards have a similar activity underway in the rural areas, it was reported and the petroleum industry has organized such a movement among its

## RED RYDER

By HARMAN



## Manufacturer of Merry-Go-Rounds Now Making Arms

WASHINGTON.—One of the world's largest manufacturers of merry-go-rounds has quit making them to turn out arms.

For more than 20 years this concern has made amusement devices for thrill-seekers in amusement parks all over the world. Its thrill rides were the outstanding attractions at many fairs.

But the making of these devices stopped immediately when the need for war machines came. The employees turned to the making of such wartime devices as the fabricated metal towers used by repair crews to reach the noses of giant bombers. Because of the fame of its craftsmen, the firm was called upon by airplanes to make parts for pursuit ships and bombers. As early as the fall of 1940, it was in armament production.

Men who spent a quarter of a century carving out horses heads for merry-go-rounds were switched to the lathe. Men who had painted modernistic designs on a silver-stream thrill ride went over to die casting. They quickly became soldiers at the machine and bench.

"We realized that if we were to stay in business it would be necessary for our plant to convert to arms work for the arsenal of democracy," the head of the concern explains.

"This meant the need for much planning and the re-schooling of our employees for the work they were to do. We had to change over completely from ordinary machine and structural work. Our engineering department did the job.

"An airplane company gave us our first sub-contract—to make a large quantity of hooks to be used on plane packing cases which were to be shipped abroad. This was an interesting job, as it required the use of a large press to bend the hooks into shape. We didn't have the press, but we did have a horizontal bulldozer which shaped the tracks of many of our thrill rides. And, in spite of the protest that it couldn't be done, we did it."

He says additional sub-contracts came in fast, and he was forced to increase his mechanical staff from 20 to 41 men. Jobs included the making of jigs and fixtures for tank production, and gun mounts, tools, punches, dies and gauges for plane production.

"This kept our machine shop going full blast," he says, "so we turned to other classes of work for our fabricating, erection and woodworking departments.

"The plane plants required hundreds of assembly stands, shop dollies and other devices, all involving metal work of an accurate nature.

"The Navy Department Bureau

of Aeronautics required a special equipment to service large seaplanes. We were commissioned to design and build a sample. This job involves great secrecy, but I can say it was a portable device to be taken down and put up in a hurry and packed in a self-contained haul-away outfit.

"We also developed and constructed many sets of automatic motorized transfer tables, devices used in connection with enormous presses. These tables permit each press to do the work which normally would require four presses."

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SERIAL STORY

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THE STORY: Schoolmates in small town Kings Row are orphaned Parris Mitchell, 12, who adores his French grandmother, Madame von Elm; playmate Renee, daughter of von Elm estate overseer; 'bull boy' Drake Mcintosh; tomboy Bandy Monaghan; beautiful Cassandra Tower, whose reclusive doctor father is town mystery; Louise Gordon, daughter of leading physician, Dr. Tower, famous at social snub from Mrs. Gordon, takes Cassie out of school. Other characters: lawyer Sheelington, editor Miles Jackson, half-wit Benny Singer, brunt of school-boy teasing. Parris avows childish love for pretty Renee.

FIRST LOVE—AND TRAGEDY

CHAPTER VI

A FEW days later when they were coming home from school they overtook Willy Macintosh. He looked very solemn.

"My pa is awful sick," he blurted the words, and tears stood in his brown eyes.

"What's the matter with him?" asked Renee.

"I don't know. Terrible bad though. He's going to have an operation today."

They walked slowly, keeping step with Willy, who delayed as much as possible. When they came to the crossroads where the big white Macintosh house stood in a grove of trees they saw a buggy standing at the gate.

"That's Dr. Gordon's buggy," Willy said as if to prove his story. "I guess he's performin' the operation."

"Well, Willy, I hope your papa'll—" Renee's speech was cut short by a dreadful sound. A long-drawn cry came from open windows. It was more like the howl of a dog. It mounted and mounted as though it would never stop, then broke into several short, quick sobs and died in a long moan. Renee turned pale and caught Parris by the arm.

"Good gracious, Willy!" Renee spoke in a loud whisper, "didn't Dr. Gordon give your father chloroform?"

"I heard Mama say he couldn't take chloroform because he's got heart disease."

The terrible yell began again. Willy threw his books into the ditch beside the road. His face was crimson, and he was crying aloud. Then he began to run toward the house. "He's got to quit that," he sobbed. "He's got to quit that! I'll kill that old darnfool doctor!"

The next day at school Parris overheard Miss Colt say to Miss Venable that Mr. Macintosh had died from shock. He wondered just what that meant.

One thing, however, he was certain of. He was afraid of Dr. Henry Gordon.

PARRIS and Renee would have fallen quickly into their accustomed summer pastime had it not been for the sudden, inexplicable strictness of Sven, her father. "There is danger in mixing classes," he told Gudrun. "More—now that both of them are growing up."

The next week he forbade Renee to roam the place with Parris as she used to do, thrashing her soundly in the storm of tears and refusals to obey him that followed.

Of all this she told Parris nothing until, one stolen afternoon, they went up through the spruce planting and down the other side to the pond—their "secret lake," as they always called it.

"Parris," she said softly. He knelt beside her. "What's the matter, Renee?"

She told him, her hair, silver in the green shadows, falling over her face to hide the tears. "So you see, I can't be your sweetheart anymore," she whimpered.

"Oh, no, Renee!" he cried, taking her awkwardly in his arms, kissing her cheeks, stroking her head, rocking her gently.

"Papa said that if I—look!" She leapt to her feet and cowered against the tree.

"Parris, there was somebody in those bushes—somebody watching us. Maybe Papa."

"Come on, Renee, let's go."

"No." She thought a minute. "You stay here, and I'll go first. You wait a good while."

Later he went slowly down the same way she had gone.

When he came in sight of the little cottage he was surprised. The doors were shut and the shades were drawn. He was about to pass when he heard voices. It was Sven—Gudrun, too. Without thinking he ran up the walk to the door. He could hear Sven cursing, and Gudrun saying something very loud.

There was a thud on the door as though someone had been thrown against it. Then he heard the unmistakable swish of a heavy leather strap. He heard it strike flesh and heard Renee's piercing scream. He hurled himself against the door and shouted.

"Sven! Sven Gylinson—Sven—Sven . . ."

But Sven did not hear. Sven was cursing louder than ever. The sharp slap of the strap came faster and faster. Renee's screams ran together in a continued stream of sound. Still the murderous blows went on and on. The screams changed. They were suddenly hoarse—like the cries of an animal.

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Maid of Mars



"Bad dream" costume of June Chapman, 20, is all in the day's work at Piper Aircraft's Look Haven, Pa., plant. She's an expert welder in the fuselage department, one of many women doing men's jobs in construction of Army training planes.

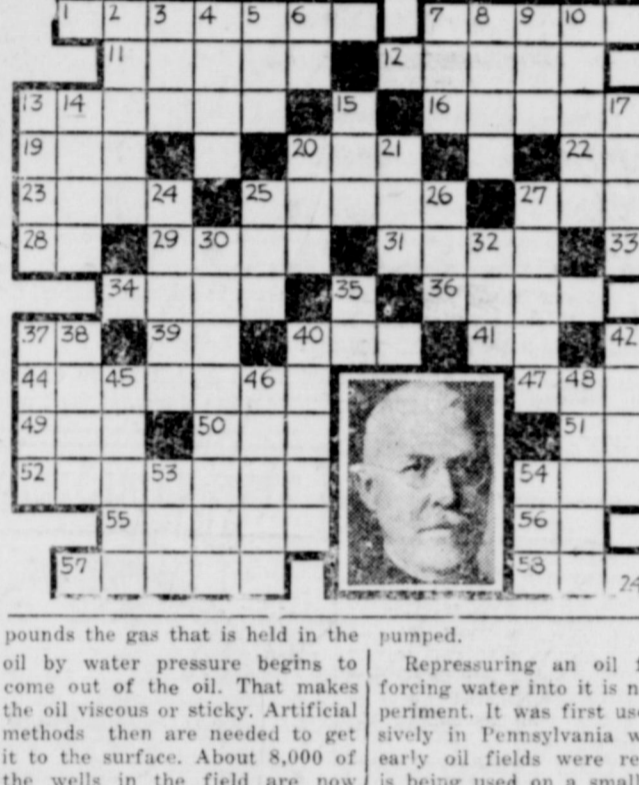
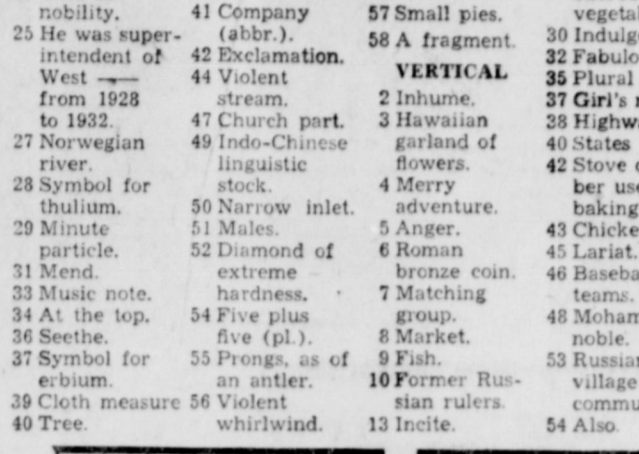
Some leases are small. Some royalty owners have an interest in a single well. The expense of re-injection is too great for each to act singly. The railroad commission permits production of an additional barrel of oil for each 50 barrels of salt water re-injected.

The water drive in the East Texas field moves from West to East, carrying the oil with it. The plan for returning the water met opposition at first. Operators in one part of the field felt that the plan would benefit other parts of the field more than it would them. Some thought it would lessen their oil recovery and force the oil to other leases. These difficulties have been ironed out and the plan for community operation of the re-injection system was submitted to the commission.

How much it is needed was stressed by an engineering report that showed the Feb. 1 pressure in the field was 1,009 pounds to the square inch. When the field operation began, the pressure was more than 1,200 pounds. Petroleum experts say that when the pressure drops to around 950

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Repressing an oil field by forcing water into it is not an experiment. It was first used extensively in Pennsylvania where the early oil fields were revived. It is being used on a small scale in

Freckles and His Friends — By Blosser



a number of Texas fields, but the East Texas plan is the first activity of the sort planned on major proportions. Beside dissipating pressure that is needed for oil production, the salt water that has been brought to the surface with oil in East Texas has presented a serious pollution problem. Fish have vanished from once famous angling streams. Water supplies of Beaumont and other places have been threatened, because the old plan was to let the salt water flow off into the nearest low place or stream bed from which it then found its way into the rivers of East Texas. With salt water re-injection, experts say the East Texas field will have its producing life prolonged by many years.

Town Must Double Its Housing Space

VANCOUVER, Wash. (UP) — Vancouver must double its present size within the next 90 days in order to accommodate 16,000 defense workers due here for employment in a new shipyard. The city is making frantic arrangements for a federal housing program to construct 4,000 portable units, 2,000 permanent homes and barracks sufficient to accommodate 1,500 unmarried men. Since Vancouver has only 700 vacant lots, most of the new housing project must be located outside the city limits. No one became a howling success just by howling.

Rings Curfew



Camera catches Harold Ickes in pensive instead of pugnacious mood as he tells House committee petroleum industry recommends 7 p. m. to 7 a. m. shutdown, no Sunday sales, for eastern filling stations. Alternative might be rationing.

East Texas Field May Play Out As A Flowing Field

By GORDON K. SHEARER, United Press Staff Correspondent. AUSTIN.—The East Texas oil field from which wealth has been pouring for nearly 12 years now threatens to play out as a flowing field unless precautions are taken. The Texas Railroad Commission this week studied details of a plan for field-wide re-injection of salt water to preserve the pressure that forces the oil to the surface. The East Texas field is what is known in oil circles as a "water drive field." That means that it is water pressure that forces out the oil, assisted by gas when outlets are furnished. The outlets are the more than 25,000 oil wells drilled in the field. The water that drives out the oil comes from what is designated as the Woodbine sand. The Woodbine outcrop, or place where the Woodbine strata touches the surface, is on a line running between Fort Worth and Dallas. The slant of the strata is such that it is

about 3,200 feet below the surface at Tyler.

As the water seeps down this incline into the East Texas oil field it pushes ahead of it both the oil, the gas and the salt water that has accumulated through the ages.

Whether oil or water is removed, the effect on the pressure is just the same. So the plan is to separate the salt water from the oil, an easy gravity process, and force the salt water back into the Woodbine sand.

Already 39,444,000 barrels of salt water have been pushed back into the ground. In January 2,474,000 barrels were re-injected, or a little more than 80,000 barrels a day.

The present trouble is that the water is being put back only in 45 wells that have been specially equipped for that purpose and these 45 wells connect with but 1,459 wells in the entire field.

Under plans now being worked out a huge corporation will serve the entire field. It will be a non-profit concern and will have its expense paid by donation to the corporation of extra oil that operators are permitted to produce because they put back the salt water that comes out with the oil.

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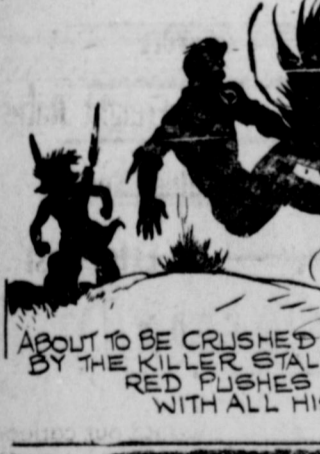
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# Society, Club and Church Notes

## CARBON STUD YCLUB HELD MEETING RECENTLY

The members of the 38 Year Study Club held their regular meeting recently at the home of Mrs. J. W. Beal in Carbon.

Mrs. W. W. Martin presided at the meeting, and Mrs. C. G. Stubblefield gave a review of "The Big Fantasy" by Bellamy Partridge.

The tea table was presided over by Mrs. T. G. Jackson.

There were twenty-three present with out-of-town guests from German and Eastland.

## Annual Father And Son Banquet 7:30 p. m. Thursday

Thursday evening at 7:30 the Men's 9:49 Bible class, which meets regularly at the First Methodist church, will hold its annual Father and Son banquet. Featured on the program for this occasion will be an address by W. Harrison Baker of Sherman.

The Men's 9:49 Bible class is an occasion. Judge Virgil T. Seabery is the teacher, having succeeded Judge J. E. Hickman, the founder.

Members of the class and other men as well are invited to purchase a ticket for themselves and a son, and if they do not have a son of their own to bring, get a ticket for some other man's son and bring him along. Tickets are 40 cents each.

## Personals

Joe Parker of Gorman was among the Eastland visitors Monday.

J. H. (Jim) Brewer of Abilene, formerly of Gorman, was among the visitors in the city Monday.

Joe Niver of Eastland, Route 2, and Will Niver of Ranger were Eastland business visitors Monday. They are brothers.

Sam Huckaby, formerly of Gorman but now living at Abilene, was a business visitor in Eastland Monday.

Percy C. Fowell, Dallas attorney, was representing a client in Eastland Monday.

## Local KP's to Have "Open House" And "42" Party Tonight

The Knights of, Pythias announce their regular open house and "42" party for tonight to which not only members and their families but the general public as well are invited.

These "open house" parties have proven very popular with both the Pythian membership and the general public, and good attendance is expected for tonight.

## FBI Might Probe Low Cabbage Price On The Rio Grande

McALLEN, Tex. (UP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation may be called to investigate the low price of cabbage in the Rio Grande Valley.

Truck farmers are unable to understand why the price of cabbage dropped from \$30 a ton to between \$6 and \$8 within ten days.

Agricultural leaders, meanwhile, petitioned Washington to take action to bolster the price of cabbage—one of the main "money crops" of the winter produce farmers.

M. B. Murray, McAllen farmer, headed a committee of local growers. This group wired secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard asking that the government

## Judges Picked One of These Co-Eds As North Texas State Beauty Queen; Public Free To Guess the Winner



DENTON, Texas—Judged the five prettiest Beauty Queen candidates at North Texas State Teachers College in Denton, the five co-eds above still don't know which has been judged the prettiest—and the Queen.

That secret will be told at NTSTC on March 21 by Charles Dameron, editor of the campus yearbook, the Yucca, at the Yucca Coronation Ball, when the Queen will be crowned and the four beauties will attend her as princesses. Meanwhile the public is free to make its own guess on the identity of Her Royal Highness.

The five beauties are, left to right: Jo Frances Worley, Claude; Velma Rae Bateman, Fort Worth; Jackie McKay, Madisonville; Jewel Taylor, Corsicana; and Rosalie Grimes, Abilene.

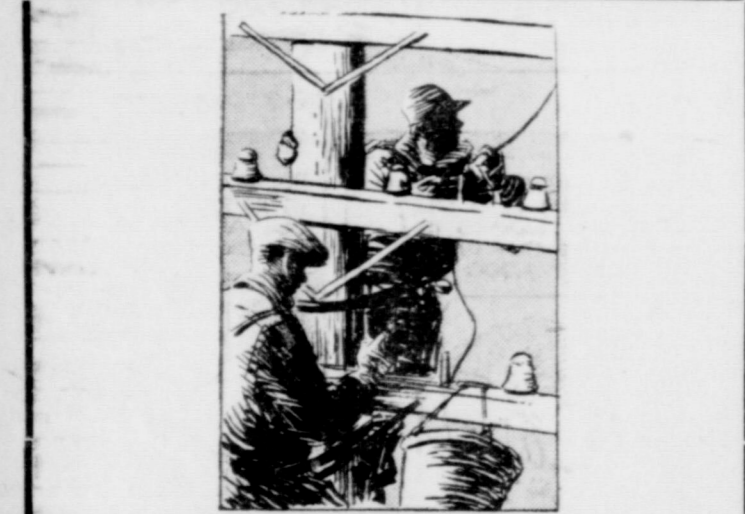
## OLD BELL IS AIR RAID ALARM

SILVERTON, Ore.—Silvertown residents depend on the old town bell for their air raid alarm. "Old Faithful," formerly used for curfew and fire alarms, was brought back to service when residents complained they could not hear a "new fangled" warning signal.

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buy Valley cabbage to stabilize the price.

The wire suggested that the cabbage be turned into kraut and slaw for the armed services.

In Harlingen a similar committee wired President Roosevelt, Senators Tom Connally, W. Lee O'Daniel, Congressman Milton West and OPA Administrator Leon Henderson asking them to work out a plan to bolster the price of cabbage.

The Valley Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations joined in the cry and made repeated charges of price fixing and collusion.

Cabbage raisers indicated that the Federal Bureau of Investigation and state probing bodies would be asked to make an investigation.

A survey showed that storekeepers were selling cabbage for an equivalent of \$60 per ton. Houston buyers reported that they still were paying \$47 a ton when the price had dropped below \$10 a ton in the Valley.

## YARN FOR RED CROSS

The local Red Cross announced that sock yarn is still available, and may be obtained by calling at the Red Cross work room in the Bank building.

## CLASSIFIED

- FOR RENT: Nicely furnished apt. Frigidaire, bath. 612 W. Patterson.
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- FOR RENT—Three room furnished apartment. Bills paid. 103 East Valley. See Mrs. W. S. Barber, 103 E. Valley.
- FOR RENT: Four room house, furnished. Newly finished. 1400 South Lamar.
- FOR RENT—6 rooms and screened porch. Garage. East Sodoso Street. \$20 a month. See or call Mrs. A. F. Taylor, 700 South Seaman, phone 320.
- FOR RENT — Furnished apartment, close in. 107 S. Hill.
- FOR RENT: 7 room house. Double garage. Corner Plummer and South Oak St. See Root Bar-B-Que Pit.
- ROOM AND BOARD—\$8.00 per week. Mrs. A. M. Stokes, Eastland Hotel.
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## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

**BENJAMIN FRANKLIN**  
AS EARLY AS 1784, PROPOSED THE USE OF PARACHUTE TROOPS IN WAR.

T. M. REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

**AN OYSTER SHELL** IS MADE OF ALUMINUM, CALCIUM, COPPER, IRON, MAGNESIUM, MANGANESE, SILICA, ZINC, WATER, CHLORINE, CARBON DIOXIDE AND NITROGEN.

**RELIVING ODDS**  
A DENTIST IS HAPPIEST WHEN HE IS DOWN IN THE MOUTH. Says GERALD GARRY, SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

## THE PAY-OFF

BY HARRY GRAYSON  
NEA Service Sports Editor

THINGS—we-can-do-without dep't (or trivia in the midst of a crisis):

- "Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt would place racing under the supervision of the government." (Congress really has nothing else to do.)
- "Reds take smallest squad in history to Tampa." (The work of Congressman Dies, no doubt.)
- "Lou Boudreau hopes to raise Cleveland Indians' I. Q. (More headaches for Trotsky.)
- "Men entering New York's most beautiful body contest to use oil on torsos." (Within the limits of priority restrictions.)
- "Terriers haven't taken best-in-show at Westminster Dog Show since Ch. Flornell of Spicy of Halesdon went up in 1937." (Class discrimination.)
- "ANGELERS fight for amendment to the feather bill." (That's what we need—more men fighting.)
- "Chicago Cubs will travel to Catalina Island by boat." (Damn the torpedoes.)
- "Lack of bonus puts Joe DiMaggio in balky mood." (45-thousand or fight.)
- "Chalcedon's comeback credited to baths." (A smashing victory on the hygienic front.)
- "Baseball owners fearful of effects of 14 night games." (Black-out.)
- "Chicago Black Hawks thrive on adversity." (We can take it.)
- "Golf not barred, says Larry MacPhail." (Keep swinging.)
- "War culls into Brooklyn farm system." (A shortening of lines or perhaps a strategic retreat.)
- "GIL DODDS got track tips by mail." (An uncensored communication.)
- "Harry Wills in midst of annual month's fast." (Conservation.)
- "Frank Boueher traces New York Rangers' defeat to weariness." (Lack of early foot.)
- "Fireworks due in Palm Beach golf." (There's a little noise in the Far East, too.)
- "City College of New York basketball center finds life a bit complex." (How unusual? We thought things were pretty quiet these days.)
- "Torge Tokle says Norway skiing is no more." (Something going on over there?)
- "Gary Cooper improves batting swing for Lou Gehrig movie." (The show must go on.)
- "Cookie Lavagetto, 3A in draft, says Navy Air Corps is great." (Oops, this belongs in another column.)

**KORNY, BUT WHEAT DID IT**  
BUTTE, Mont. (UP)—The Selection Board here recently passed on the discharge papers of Private Korn signed by Captain Wheat. Matt E. Kohn served in World War I as a private and his discharge papers were signed by Captain Leslie C. Wheat.

**Marriage Jitters Pardonable**  
FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—A pretty girl in traffic court told the judge: "I'm leaving tonight to get married. I was doing some last minute shopping and was too excited to notice the parking meter." The judge suspended the fine.

## Savings and Loan Assets Grow Over The Previous Year

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — A gain of \$11,918,103 in total assets over the previous year was made in 1941 by the 126 insured savings and loan associations in Texas, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Little Rock reported today, in its annual compilation of the statements of the home financing institutions in the State. Included in the report are the figures of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association in Ranger by which the local area is served.

The assets on December 31, 1941 totaled \$113,822,828, establishing a new high record for the State, and included home mortgage loans aggregating \$99,837,711, which increased \$12,559,473 during the year. Savings and investment funds continued to flow freely into the institutions, the Bank reported, showing a net gain of \$9,427,096 in the 12 months' period, bringing the total of those funds to \$96,484,994.

The earnings of the associations were quite satisfactory in 1941, according to the report, for after paying dividends of \$3,162,676 to the shareholders, \$1,144,120 was added to the Reserves and Undivided Profits accounts.

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  - JOHN C. BARBER.
  - For Collector-Assessor: CLYDE KARKALITS
  - For County Clerk: R. V. (RIP) GALLOWAY

## What Carless Days Will Mean to All of Us When War Brings Suspension of "Auto Age"

This is the first of several columns on the effects of automobile curtailment on U. S. life.

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WASHINGTON.—A "revolution in reverse" is headed for these United States in the next few years as the country's normal evolution of transportation is thrown out of gear by the war curtailment of new passenger automobile production and the restricted use of automobiles already built and in service.

Up to now, major attention to the stoppage of new car production has been focused on the immediate effects—the temporary unemployment of the auto workers as the motor car plants are converted to war production, the present difficulty in getting new tires or getting the old ones retreaded. These problems are only the beginning. Ahead lie circumstances which amount to a complete change in the pattern of American life, a suspension in time of the "automobile age."

1. In the next few months, the country will begin to realize fully the degree to which the passenger car has become an economic necessity instead of a luxury.
  2. The success of the war production program will be found dependent on truck transportation to a degree greater than anyone had realized.
  3. Key to the whole problem of auto, bus and truck transport will be the rubber situation.
  4. Railroads, interurbans and street car systems will be found inadequate to care for the increased traffic burdens if automobile transportation is drastically curtailed.
  5. The automobile business with its tens of thousands of dealers and salesmen and service stations will be entirely changed.
  6. Along with the auto business proper, a vast chain of supplementary businesses such as tourist resorts, roadside taverns, travel agencies, stores of all kinds, delivery and service systems will find it necessary to reorganize their normal operations.
  7. Farming and farm marketing methods will be affected.
  8. Federal and state road building programs and city street improvement programs will be shifted to give greater attention to transportation needs.
  9. Real estate values may be upset by reduced demand for suburban residence and suburban shopping centers and greater demand for urban dwelling in closely concentrated work and residence areas.
  10. Federal and state tax rates will be altered to provide revenues which reduced income from normal automobile levies will yield.
- Other far-reaching effects might be listed but these 10 will give a fairly comprehensive picture of how the whole social pattern of American life may be reformed.
- There is one proposal to design a "Victory" car, an inexpensive auto unlike anything now on the road, and assign one automobile plant to make this Victory car and no other for the duration of the war. It would be strictly rationed to people who could prove they needed a new car. Production would be discontinued at the end of the war, or perhaps a year longer. For it will take the auto industry a full year to convert back to automobile production, and that's a point which must not be overlooked.

18,334 loans to home owners in 1941, totaling \$30,143,932, for an average amount of about \$2,000. This was the greatest volume of landing done in any year in the history of the associations. The total for 1940 was: \$25,086,315; for 1939: \$25,172,869; and for 1938: \$20,641,731. The loans last year included 4,182 for the construction of new homes, totaling \$11,330,518 and 4,508 totaling \$9,253,574 to assist borrowers in the purchase of existing dwellings.

The statements revealed the Texas associations to be in a strong financial position, and well prepared to care for additional loans and other demands. Bank officials stated. They have on hand a large reserve of cash and government securities, and in addition have available to them the facilities of the Federal Home Loan Bank System as a reservoir of credit.

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