

WEATHER
WEST TEXAS — Occasional snow Upper Panhandle, spreading southward into South Plains by late Monday. Elsewhere partly cloudy, turning colder Monday and Monday night and with lowest 15-25 Panhandle and South Plains, 25-35 elsewhere. Tuesday partly cloudy and cold.

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Sorrow itself is not so hard to bear as the thought of sorrow coming. Alfy Ghosh do terrify more than men in steel with bloody purposes. — T. B. Aldrich

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Tip-Top Texan



MR. 1955
... he's on everybody's mind

Mr. 1955 Brings Hope

By JIM DEAN
Pampa News Managing Editor
About this time of the year all over the world, one particular little gentleman captures the imagination of people in every walk of life, and today he rates the Tip-Top Texan title.
Young Mr. 1955 is yet to test his tender feet on the rough paths of this old world, but already folks are looking forward to his appearance with eager yearning, prayerful hope and great expectation.
So, perhaps it isn't out of place that we become a bit fanciful and make this selection for our distinguished personality this week.
For in Mr. 1955, we have the personification of hope — and that is a part of us all at the Top of Texas and everywhere else in the world.
This little fellow comes into a confused and troubled world just after midnight Friday. No one can foretell his contribution to mankind in his brief 12-month stay, but his little hands are clean of any guilt of the misdeeds and mistakes of 1954 and all the years before, so he comes in with that bright smile and inspiring optimism.
Whatever the endeavor of man, Mr. 1955, at this stage of the game at any rate, is HIS BOY.
The old man of the house, who right now is probably surveying the stack of bills coming in from a big Christmas celebration, hopes this little guy will turn up a few extra bucks this year.

Ike's Budget Due Jan. 17

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 27—UP—President Eisenhower decided Monday to submit his new budget to Congress on Jan. 17.
He will send his report on the national economy to the House and Senate on Jan. 20.
As these decisions were made, the President kept close touch with the voting Monday in the French chamber of deputies. He talked by telephone with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.
The chief executive spent most of the morning in conference with Dr. Gabriel Hauge, his personal economic adviser, and Dr. Arthur F. Burns, chairman of the council of economic advisers.
Hauge and Burns came here Sunday night to confer with the President on the final draft of the economic report.
Mr. Eisenhower will deliver his State of the Union message to a joint session of the House and Senate on Jan. 8. He will send up a special message on tariff and reciprocal trade Jan. 10.
Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said Monday morning that as far as the French situation was concerned, it was a matter of "watching and waiting."

Christmas Sales May Set Record

Christmas sales in Pampa this season were higher than they were in 1953, Pampa merchants agreed this morning.
In connection with a national survey which showed that merchants coast to coast were enjoying bigger business volumes, a spot check of Pampa business firms showed the same pattern had been set here.
The United Press reported that the Christmas shopping over the nation may have smashed all buying records, according to government experts.
The report continued:
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27—UP—Christmas shopping this year may have smashed all records, government experts report.
Preliminary reports to the Federal Reserve Board indicated a 2 1/2 per cent increase over 1953 figures for the first three weeks of the shopping season.
Merchants had a multi-million dollar bonus this year in the form of one extra shopping day during the fourth week of Christmas. Sales for that week might well have climbed by 5 per cent.

Holiday Mishaps Kill 396

Traffic Deaths Less Than 'Quota'

By UNITED PRESS
Holiday motorists presented the nation Monday with a belated but welcome gift of a lower-than-expected Christmas weekend traffic toll.
A United Press tabulation showed a total of 316 persons died in traffic accidents across the nation during the holiday weekend that ended at midnight.
Fire killed 46 persons, 2 died in plane crashes and 32 met death in miscellaneous accidents since 6 p.m. Friday, making a total of 396 persons who died in accidents.

National Safety Council President Ned H. Dearborn said it appeared the total traffic toll would be "substantially below our pre-estimate of 370, for which we are, of course, very grateful."
However, he added, "the toll is still tragically high and we believe needlessly so."

Few parts of the nation had a white Christmas, and the generally mild weather helped crowd the highways with holiday travelers. The mildest weather, however, was almost as far in the past as Christmas. A blast of cold Canadian air was edging slowly southward.
Early Monday the wintry weather was centered at the North Dakota-Minnesota border where Grand Forks, N.D., reported two degrees below zero and International Falls, Minn., shivered in eight-below weather.
The cold front extended westward from Lake Erie through Illinois and Missouri, to Texas and into southwestern New Mexico.
Light snow fell in parts of Wisconsin, Michigan, Colorado, North Dakota, Montana and Nebraska.
Scattered rains in light amounts were reported in the Mississippi Valley.
In the east, Caribou, Maine, reported an early temperature of 23, New York reported 37, and it was 61 at Miami, Fla.
California had the worst accident record in the nation with a total of 39 deaths, 30 of them in traffic accidents. Four persons died in fires and five were killed in miscellaneous accidents.
Texas was second to California with a total of 31 deaths, 22 of them in traffic. Fire killed four persons and five died in miscellaneous accidents.
Seven states reported a perfect traffic record of no deaths—Nebraska, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, Wyoming and Delaware.
One of the worst tragedies of the weekend was a fire at Parkin, Ark., which killed 10 children and the mother of five of them when a kerosene stove exploded Christmas Eve.

Political Meetings Discussed

Dems And GOP Plan Conventions

By JOHN L. CUTLER
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27—UP—Democrats and Republicans already are thinking about where they will hold their presidential nominating conventions in the summer of 1956.
A site-selecting subcommittee of the Republican National Committee will meet here Jan. 8 to receive bids from cities interesting in playing host to the conventions.
Paul M. Butler, newly-elected Democratic national chairman, plans to make choice of a convention site one of the first items of business when he takes over the post Jan. 1.
Three invitations so far—Philadelphia, Chicago and Atlantic City, N. J., are among the places mentioned before formal bids are made. Others may enter the picture.
A lot will depend on how much local groups are willing to contribute toward convention costs.
It is a good bet both parties will choose the same convention city as they have since 1944. It saves about \$50,000 on erecting speakers' platforms, press and radio facilities, decorations, and that sort of thing if they both use the same convention hall.
Philadelphia attracts GOP
Philadelphia has a sentimental attraction for the Republicans from one standpoint. It was there a century ago, the Republicans held their first national convention and nominated Gen. John C. Fremont as their candidate for president. He lost in the 1856 election.
Chicago has a sentimental attachment of another nature for the GOP. It is closer to the real birthplace of the party, regardless of whether you accept Jackson, Mich. or Ripon, Wis. And it was in Chicago the Republicans picked their first successful candidate, Abraham Lincoln.

City To Let Bids On Cars

City Commission will meet Tuesday at 9 a.m. and bid on six new four-door sedans for various city departments, according to Fred Brook, City Manager.
Three of the sedans will be for the use of the police department, with one each going to the engineering, administrative and the water departments.
The city commissioners will also receive sealed bids on two 1 1/2 ton pickups; one 3/4-ton pickup; three 2-ton trucks with dump beds; one 2 1/2-ton truck complete with 13 cubic yards truck packing body and one 2-ton truck, cab and chassis only.
Brook said the close hearing or dispute will be read regarding the paving of the 100 block W. 30. If the entire commission is present the required three readings will be made.

Pope's Progress Very Encouraging

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 27—UP—Vatican sources said Monday Pope Pius XII made "very encouraging" progress over the Christmas holidays and is steadily gaining in strength.
The sources said the 78-year-old pontiff's condition is now good enough to enable doctors to dispense with the blood and plasma transfusions he has been getting since his near-fatal collapse Dec. 2.

Mendes-France Gets New Allies



SHUCKS, NO SNOW BALLS -- Bobby Meador, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Meador Jr., 428 North Wells, found the sleet cold enough this morning, but also that it makes mighty poor snowball material.

Pampa May Get More Sleet Today

Sleet fell in Pampa this morning about 5 a.m. but only lasted a mere 20 minutes according to radio station KPDM, Pampa's weather station. But the weatherman predicted for this evening the possibility of more moisture in the form of sleet.
This morning's sleet measured approximately half an inch, but the moisture content was only a paltry 10 inches, not really enough to have an appreciable effect on brightening winter wheat prospect. According to County Agent Ralph Thomas it may at least keep the wheat from dying by stimulating the roots, but it will not aid much in the growth of the staple crop.
The Highway Patrol reported the precipitation was not widespread in the area. It was known to extend no further than three miles south and six miles to the east. In the (See PAMPA, Page 2)

McCarthy Hits Policy On Red China

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27—UP—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) pressed a two-pronged attack Monday against the administration's policy toward Red China.
In his first public statement since breaking with the administration Dec. 7, McCarthy: 1. Renewed his demand that U.S. aid to nations which trade with Red China be cut off and said he will do a "lot of public speaking" to win support on this point.
2. Called on the administration to give Chiang Kai-Shek a free hand in attacking the "soft underbelly" of the China mainland.
McCarthy said Chiang's Nationalist forces will "withstand the assault" if they are not allowed to see action in assaulting the mainland. He said such an attack would have a good chance of success without American manpower.
McCarthy has clashed frequently with the administration on the issue of cutting off U.S. aid to nations trading with Red China.

City Hall Folk Sporting New Gift Attire

Christmas was in evidence this morning at the City Hall with most everyone sporting some new Christmas finery.
School business manager Roy McMillen was wearing the latest craze in shirting, the gift of the girls in his office — pale pink — topped with one of his vast collection of bow ties, a gift of the family.
A jokingly sour note was voiced by City Engineer Jim Cowan who waxed proudly that he received a new pen and pencil set but that he was also the recipient of "a new set of debts."
In the inner recesses of the building within the confines of the Public Library, Mrs. Lillian Snow uncovered a small but exotic set of three perfume bottles which her son Charles had sent her from New Orleans.
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If it comes from a hardware store we have it, Lewis Hardware. Adv.

Independents Aid French Premier

PARIS, Dec. 27—UP—Premier Pierre Mendes-France won important new support Monday in his all-or-nothing fight for approval of German rearmament.
The national assembly plunged into the final hours of its agonizing debate over West European Unity (WEU) and German rearmament at 3 p. m. (8 a. m. CST) with the outcome hinging on three votes of confidence in the Mendes-France government.
The powerful independent bloc of deputies, with some 145 votes, announced it was urging its members to vote for the premier, or at least to abstain from voting against him.
Gen. Pierre de Nouville, a follower of Gen. Charles de Gaulle, announced he was switching his vote from abstention to approval.
He said, however, it would not mean "confidence in the overall policy of the government."
It appeared the tide was swinging in favor of the fighting "Mr. France."
Some 35 of the independents voted against the Western European Union (WEU) when France stumbled into the western world Friday by rejecting this phase of the Paris accords to rearm West Germany. Another 40 abstained, while 61 voted in favor.
Mendes-France staked the fate of Big Three western unity and his own premiership as well on the votes Monday afternoon. Long debate on the two votes could carry the chamber into a night session.
Heavy police guards took up position before the columned assembly on the left bank of the Seine several hours before the opening of the debate. The Communists have called for demonstrations in their fight to block German rearmament.
Informed sources said Mendes-France himself was increasingly optimistic as the showdown approached. The action of the independents may well have pushed him over the top, since many have voted against him on recent issues by burning cigarette papers.

Pampa Man Found Shot Dead In Bed

Ervin Smith, about 45, 408 Pitts, was found shot to death in his bed this morning by his two sons who had been sleeping in an adjoining room, sheriff's deputies reported at noon.
A 12-gauge single-shot shotgun was found in the bed with Smith. The sons told deputies they had not heard a shot and that apparently it occurred while they were sleeping and it failed to awaken them.
Smith had worked for the OK Construction Co. and had been a taxi driver.
Justice of the Peace D. R. Henry at noon today had not made a ruling on the death.
The shot entered Smith's body below the ribs on the right side. He was discovered about 11:20 a.m. today, officers said.

Scientists Split Over Cancer Cause

BERKELEY, Calif., Dec. 27—UP—Two researchers have sharply disagreed on whether there is a link between cancer and the tar and smoke produced by burning cigarette papers.
The disagreement came to the fore Sunday during a chemistry section meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.
Dr. D. V. Lefemine of the Miami Cancer Research Institute reported he had burned the paper from 1,000 king-sized cigarettes and isolated large amounts of a cancer-causing agent known as 3,4-benzopyrene. This substance has caused cancer in laboratory animals.
Lefemine said the amounts of the compound in the tobacco itself were "negligible."
Lefemine said he and his colleagues are now trying to discover the possible carcinogenic effect of benzopyrene on human lung tissue grown in the laboratory.
Dr. Paul Kotin, of the University of Southern California Medical School immediately challenged Lefemine's report.
"The relation between the Miami laboratory tests and the actual burning of cigarette paper in normal human smoking is so remote as to make it incapable of comparison with human experience," Kotin said.
Kotin, noted for his studies of the effect of smog and other air pollutants on lung cancer, described a long study of the cancer-producing effect of tar and paper and the atmosphere.
"We have compared the potency of tars from cigarette tobacco and paper with that of tars collected from the atmosphere," Kotin said.

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Chuckle Corner

By HAL COCHRAN
Lots of sleep is lost by parents because they wait up to kiss the kids goodnight.
A health expert says two apples a day are better than one. Would that keep the dentist away, too?
This is the time of year when autoists as well as fenders, are bent on careless driving.
Politicians take the simple way out when they're in the dark — simply cloud the issue.
There are schools for weather-men and when you calls one in correctly just blame it on the day he played hooky.

FIRST DAUGHTER IN 200 YEARS BORN TO OLD CHICAGO FAMILY

CHICAGO, Dec. 27—UP—Mrs. Belle Shabsin said Monday a daughter had been born in her family for the first time in 200 years.
The baby was born Christmas to the wife of Mrs. Shabsin's son, Edward, an Air Force Captain stationed at Bolling Air Force Base, Washington.
"There never has been a girl born to a Shabsin before that we know of and the history goes back 200 years," the happy grandmother said.
Mrs. Shabsin has another son and four grandsons. Her husband was one of four sons, his father was one of five sons, and his grandfather had no sisters.



WHITE STUFF TOO LATE

The sheet that gave Pampa a white look today arrived too late for a White Christmas, so Pat Reynolds and Judy Dante, a guest from Dumas, Ark., toss away the old Christmas tree. Pampa got a white covering before and after Christmas this year, but a clear, bright holiday.

Mainly About People

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dwight and children, Larry, Linda, and Janet, of Dallas, left Sunday after spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. Dwight's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Dwight, 1047 E. Kingsmill. Also visiting in the M. D. Dwight home for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dwight and children, Kenny, Dan and one, of 713 Magnolia, Pampa.

Oxygen-equipped ambulances, Ph. 4-3311, Duenkel-Carmichael.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Caldwell and children, Sandra, Ronnie, Gerald Don and Wanda, 422 N. Somerville, returned Sunday from Abilene where they spent Christmas with relatives.

James Daniel Sackett, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Sackett, Sr. of Pampa, has enrolled at Wisconsin State College at River Falls for the winter term. He is enrolled as a junior in agriculture.

The Texas Panhandle section of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers will hold its December meeting Tuesday at 8 p. m. in the Berger Elementary School auditorium.

Visitors for Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M.

Hahn, 1150 Neel Rd., were Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Springs and children of Clayton, N. M.; and Mrs. Nathan Malone and children of Dalhart; Mr. and Mrs. Norris Hoyt and daughter of Wellington; Mrs. Augusta Melton of Tahlequah, Okla.; and Mr. and Mrs. Ned Malone, Jack Malone, Jr. and Mrs. J. M. Hahn and John George Hahn, all of Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lundy returned to their home in Lovelady after spending a short visit with Mrs. Lundy's sister and family, Mrs. Horace McBea, 408 N. Somerville.

Mrs. Clara Mealer, 408 N. Somerville, left Sunday for a short visit in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Green and daughter, Francine, 805 N. Russell, returned Sunday evening from Frederick, Okla., where they attended the golden wedding anniversary of Mrs. Green's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hutton, on Christmas Day.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Pepper, Le-fors, are the parents of a boy, born at 12:40 a. m. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Lee Danner, 619 N. West, are the parents of a boy, born at 2:32 p. m. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard F. Green, Pampa, are the parents of a girl, born at 11:45 p. m. Sunday.

(*) Indicates Paid Advertising.

Pay Hikes Sought For Military

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 —UP—The Defense Department will ask Congress to raise the pay of hard-to-get and hard-to-hold military technicians.

This was disclosed Sunday by Assistant Defense Secretary Fred A. Seaton in a television interview (Meet the Press, NBC). Seaton also defended the administration's proposed new military manpower cuts, but four Democratic senators were demanding, meanwhile, a full study of the proposal.

Seaton said a pay raise for the military will be sought on a "selective basis." Asked if privates would get a hike in their base pay of \$55.80 a month, Seaton answered "No."

He said the "major raises" would go to "those areas where men require a good deal of training, are hard to get and difficult to hold."

Pay Is Out-Ranked

He said careful studies indicate pay is important to servicemen but that "other things are even more important." He mentioned more medical aid for dependents, an improved system for stationing men in the United States and better housing abroad.

Seaton said the new 403,000-man reduction planned for the armed services can be safely carried out in view of "all the modern weapons we have."

But Sen. John C. Stennis said Monday Congress must investigate carefully to determine whether the proposed cuts can be "justified" by the modern concepts of atomic warfare.

Monroney Asks Study

The Mississippi Democrat is a member of the Senate Armed Services committee. He made the statement as another Senate Democrat, Sen. Mike Monroney (Okla.), urged that committee make a careful study of the entire defense program, emphasizing the cuts in ground force manpower and the proposed reserve program.

Monroney said the cuts in Army and Marine strength constitute "one of the biggest gambles" the nation has ever known. He said decreasing the strength of the Army and Marines could be an invitation for more of the "rubbing tactics" employed by the Soviet Union.

Sen. John Sparkman (D-Ala.), and Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.) also called Sunday for a "go-slow" attitude toward the manpower cuts.

Earlier the committee, headed by Sen. Dorsey B. Hardeman, San Angelo, heard testimony from State Rep. Tom Cheatham, Cuero, and his son, DeWitt County Attorney Wiley Cheatham.

The elder Cheatham testified briefly.

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Crime Wave May Be Just An Illusion

NEW YORK, Dec. 27—UP—Fortune Magazine said Monday the U.S. "crime wave" of 1954 may be a statistical illusion.

The magazine said the apparent rise in "everyday" crimes may be explained by improvement in police recording.

Fortune said FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover noted in his 1954 semiannual report that major crime had risen 8 per cent over the comparable period in 1953.

"Mr. Hoover's statement was based on crimes reported to the FBI by municipalities," Fortune said. "But local police frequently have their reports."

The magazine said in Philadelphia, Police Commissioner Thomas J. Gibbons, who assumed office in 1952, found that for years records had been distorted in order to minimize the amount of crime in that city.

"One center-city district in one month handled 5,000 more complaints than it recorded," Fortune said. "When a new central reporting system was installed, the number of 'crimes' went up from 16,800 in 1951 to 28,800 in 1953—on the record an increase in 'crime' of over 70 per cent."

The magazine said a similar "falling" had gone on for years in New York city.

Texas Solons Open Land Deal Probe

AUSTIN, Dec. 27 —UP—State Auditor C. H. Cavness testified Monday two ex-GIs went in California at the time they applied for loans to purchase Zavala county farms under Texas' multi-million dollar veterans land program.

Cavness, reeling off dates and figures from a bulging brief case of records before him on the table, was the third witness called as members of the state Senate's investigating committee opened its inquiry into the veterans land program.

The state auditor testified C. P. Ernster of Cuero, a key figure in the initial investigation, flew to California to obtain signatures of two veterans on loan applications.

Ernster, previously charged with alleged fraud in connection with a South Texas land sale to a veteran, has denied he did anything wrong. He is free under bond.

Quotes Records

Cavness said records of the Winter Garden Development Co., Yoakum, showed Ernster turned in an expense account totaling \$57.38 on Dec. 6, 1952, and was paid Dec. 14, 1952.

That expense account, Cavness said, included one item of travel to San Francisco and Fresno, Calif., to "secure the final signatures of two veterans."

The law, the state auditor said, requires that to receive a state land loan, the veteran must have a "bona fide resident of the state" at the time he entered service and a "bona fide resident of the state" at the time application for purchase of the land is made.

Both veterans, among a group of 20 who purchased Zavala county land from the Winter Garden Development Co., formerly lived in California, Cavness said. All others, 18, lived in DeWitt county, he said.

The state auditor testified the expense account of Ernster also included among its items: "1200 commission for Henry Robinson, 20 veterans at \$10 each"; "\$20 for 20 discharge papers"; and "\$45 for notary signatures."

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Texas Violence Claims 69 Lives

By UNITED PRESS
Christmas violence — wrecks, fights, fire, suicide and plain foolishness—will fill at least 69 graves in Texas.

A survey conducted by United Press and the Department of Public Safety showed a total of 69 dead since 12:01 a. m. Thursday.

And at that, it was a slight improvement over 1953. A total of 72 persons had been killed by this time during the Christmas holidays last year.

Wrecks on the state's highways were, as usual, the worst killer. They took a total of 42 lives. A separate tally, from 6 p. m. Friday to midnight Sunday for a national holiday casualty tabulation, showed Texas with the second highest traffic toll in the nation, California was highest.

The others died in fires, by homicide and suicide and in other diverse ways. One old man fell out of a pecan tree and was killed. A band leader in Houston lost a game of Russian roulette, and his life, with a pretty girl sitting on his lap.

The Department of Public Safety which will continue to tabulate violent deaths in Texas through 11:59 p. m. Jan. 2, has predicted that 203 persons will die by the time the New Year is ushered in, including 108 in traffic mishaps.

One automobile accident Sunday and another Christmas day, both of which killed two persons, were attributed to slick highways.

Near Jasper Sunday, an automobile driven by Mrs. Theda McNaair, 31, of DeQuincy, La., went out of control on U. S. 190 as she attempted to pass another car, left the road and hit a 14-inch tree. Her two sons, Sidney, 10, and Michael, 7, were fatally injured. She and her husband, Herbert, 35, were critically hurt.

Near Hearne, Christmas day, two members of another family, Mrs. Jesuita Sifuentes, 31, of Houston, and her five-year-old daughter, Lydia, were killed in an automobile accident also attributed to a slippery highway.

Falls From Pecan Tree

Chester A. Elkins, who was 77, died in the fall from a pecan tree near Tioga Saturday.

The band leader and featured singer with Johnny Ace's band who lost in Russian roulette was John Alexander, 28, of Memphis, Tenn. He had just sung a song, "Yes, Baby," and had gone to a dressing room at Houston City Auditorium, where 2,000 persons were attending a Christmas dance.

Houston detectives P. Y. Snow and D. M. Fults said everyone at the dressing room party, including a 22-year-old Houston girl and three other persons, had been drinking. They were playing Russian roulette and the young girl was sitting on Alexander's lap when he "lost" the game. He died from a .22 caliber revolver bullet in the head.

The old West-style gun battle occurred on a country road between Jasper and Brownfield in the "big thicket" country of southeast Texas. It apparently started when one of six hunters accused two ranching

brothers, Dalphens and Sterling Garlington, of killing his dog.

Take Nine Guns

When the smoke cleared, Roy Muench, 51, of Port Arthur, one of the hunters, was dead and three other persons were wounded. The site of the battle, said Deputy Sheriff Wayne Pullen, "looked like a battleground" and nine guns were confiscated.

"Bushes were shot away, trees were hit and there was blood all over the road," he said.

Mrs. Philip Rocha, 28, of Pecos, who died Sunday at Mission Municipal hospital of injuries received Christmas night when an automobile driven by her husband hit a cow on U. S. 83 and left the road six miles west of Sullivan City.

Two Children Die In Odessa Crash

ODESSA, Tex., Dec. 27 —UP—Two children were killed, their mother critically injured and the father seriously hurt Sunday in a head-on collision of two automobiles at an Odessa intersection.

All four members of the M. B. Arnett family were thrown from their car by the impact and the children—Donna Sue, age 2, and Miles Burns, age six weeks—were killed outright.

Tom Yandell, driver of the other vehicle, was not seriously injured.

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Jane Talk

By JANE KADINGO
Pampa News Women's Editor

NOW THAT THE EXCITEMENT and Hurry of Christmas has passed, we can all settle down to the old routine again—until Friday, that is. After weeks of talking about gift ideas, it's hard to switch back to the regular topics again. However, let's start on how to avoid damage to woodwork.

Damage to woodwork caused by fastening curtain or drapery rods to the window frame with nails or screws can be avoided by using some of the new plastic "stick 'em up" hooks to support the rods.

Particularly in new or redecorated homes, it's undesirable to hold the curtains or drapes, but this will show if the location of curtain rods is altered at a future time.

Here's how to eliminate such woodwork damage: Instead of using rods which have brackets requiring screwing or nailing to the window frame, use a round rod to hold the curtains or drapes. To support this rod, stick two or more plastic hooks, depending upon window width, to the woodwork.

The hooks go up without nails, screws, or tools. They have their own patented, adhesive-coated backing molded into the plastic. Just moisten the adhesive with a few drops of water, work it into a fleshy consistency, and press the hooks into the proper location on the window woodwork. Do not use the hooks for 24 hours, to permit the adhesive to "set," then they're ready for the curtain or drapery hanging.

These handy hooks are available in red, white, yellow, green, and black colors and you can let them show so they blend or contrast with the woodwork. They can be covered by the curtains or drapes, however, and kept invisible if desired.

The hooks are among an array of inexpensive, "stick 'em up" plastic accessories available for the home. Others include towel bars, soap dishes, tumbler and tooth-

Visitor In Canadian Honored At Coffee

CANADIAN — (Special) — Mrs. Jule Kelley of Las Vegas, Nev., was honored with a coffee recently in the home of Mrs. Harry Wilbur Jr. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Dale Nix and Mrs. Logan Owens.

Guests were Meses. Frank Shaller, J. B. Waterfield, Leo Cantrell, Calvin Isaacs, Vera Tepe, Gohar Lee Mitchell, Jack King, George Carver, Leslie Webb, Frank McMorde, Charles Wright, Lucille Wright, Cap Kelley, John Isaacs, Harry King, Bob Ward, Frank Chambers, Russell Carver, G. B. Mathers, Virginia Ingwerson, Charles Douglas, Rush Snyder, John Caylor, J. G. Wells, William Bartlett, Norman Magill, Lee George, Wayne Cleveland, John Glenn, Robert Cochran, Ike Kelley, and Cap Kelley. Mrs. Randy Van Horn of Hollywood, Calif., and Mrs. Earl Wilbur and Mrs. Charles Hyde, both of Higgins, were out-of-town guests.

RUTH MILLET

It is easier for a marriage to survive hard times than when the broad smile of Lady Luck?

Strange as it seems, a lot of couples who pull together as an unbeatable team when the going is rough start pulling apart once they are on Easy Street.

In explaining why she and her husband were separating, Mrs. Rita Purdom, wife of actor Edmund Purdom who became a movie star overnight due to a couple of lucky breaks, said:

"We had four years of poverty and misery and we clung together like babes in the woods. But when Ed became successful it all changed."

Success comes more slowly in most places than it does in Hollywood. But even when it comes gradually, couples often lose the closeness they had when they were struggling together.

Perhaps this wouldn't happen so often if, instead of straining to get to the top of the ladder without a backward glance, couples would pause at each point along the way. They can look back over the distance they have come together and say to each other, "Together we have come this far — and together we can go even further."

Unless they learn how to share small successes along the way, they may not know how to share a big success if it should come along.

So it is a wise young couple who stops now and then to take credit as a team for what they have accomplished.

There is no reason why a couple who can pull together in bad times, can't learn to share success.

Rummaging in the bottom of an enormous pocketbook can ruin the most carefully planned appearance. Spend an evening organizing your bag, add compartments, pin a change purse in an easily accessible location.

If the stiff undershirt you have bought has an elasticized waist, replace it with tape and a zipper for the smooth line necessary to the feminine waistline. For economy, the elastic one with the zipper installed by you will be cheaper than the ready-made zippered model.

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Cheerful - Living News For Transients, Budgeters On Using Ingenuity To Save

By KAY SHERWOOD
NEA Staff Writer

How can you make a depressing, rented room a gay and inviting home, with practically no money to underwrite ideas? That's the puzzle for the pioneering lassies who keep house in temporary quarters for a husband who's doing a stint in the army, finishing a college course or tackling a construction job in a remote boom town. Furnishings must be good-looking, but they must also be lightweight and space-saving to keep down moving costs, or so cheap they can be left behind when the job is finished. At least that's the thinking of a young couple I know and for whom I've been shopping around for ideas.

Here's the advice I gleaned for them. If the room or apartment isn't as large, airy and sunny as the want-ad said, try, at least, to create the illusion through the use of color and light-colored furniture. If the landlord okays it, paint the walls a light color, off-white, pale yellow, pale pinkish gray or light beige. By the time the walls are dirty, you'll probably be on the move.

The floor covering can pace a gay color scheme and, at the same time, hide any flooring defects. One of the least expensive coverings is the felt-base rug. Yep, I mean the old-time enamel-paint finish which is baked on asphalt-saturated felt. It may be bought for about a dollar a square yard, or figured in room-size rugs, at about \$11 for a 9 by 12 size.

Before you turn up your nose at the suggestion, take a look at new patterns. Modern plaids, tile, straw, brick and spatter-dash patterns are bright, but not garish in coloring. Some companies have translated their expensive, popular linoleum patterns into low-priced felt-base items.

You lay the material as is, with or without special installation, and trim it to fit with heavy scissors. If you wind up on an unpaved street (it can happen) you can then handle the problem of tracked-in mud with a mop.

Second-hand stores may yield good buys in furniture, but the offerings have usually been picked over. A sagging, upholstered chair that needs a lot of repair and a new covering is no bargain at any price.

You might consider light, folding deck chairs with canvas seats, which repeat one color in the rug.

Rattan chairs are also comfortable and inexpensive. In either case, they don't add bulk to a limited space. Watch newspaper ads for sales of this type of furniture, which is usually marked way down at this time of year.

One table that must serve as dining, buffet, desk and work space should be sizable and sturdy. A piece of plywood, painted or covered in bright oilcloth pulled taut and thumb-tacked to the bottom and supported by sawhorses with tubular aluminum or iron legs will handle all the assignments of a conventional table for a fraction of the price.

Another trick worth remembering is the use of dark-toned terry cloth or bath towels for tier curtains. The darker colors combine good-looking texture with opacity which insures privacy.

So that they won't look as though you'd snatched them off the bathroom rod, applique a scroll design across the hemline in heavy white cord or nylon fish twine. When you have more imagination than cash, apply individual touches that give a room character. A big straw basket, for example, to hold the newspapers and magazines in orderly confinement, flowers or fruit to match a still-life picture on the wall.

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Furrrfectly charming furnishing can be managed by those working on a tiny budget, or by those whose work keeps them gypsying. Felt-base rug covers warped, cracked floor. Red-and-white folding deck chairs are inexpensive and easy to move, and tier curtains of red terry cloth applied with white nylon twine are easy to make. Oilcloth-covered plywood and aluminum-legged sawhorses make a sturdy, all-purpose table.

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Large Bookcase Hides Wall Jogs

Jogs jutting out from a wall look homely. To make them vanish, build ceiling- to - floor bookcases flush with them. When they occur at the ends of a wall with windows in the center, carry the bookcases all the way to the window frame, and hang ceiling-to-floor draperies at the window from a track on a line with the bookcases, recommend Desley experts. Or omit bookcases, and use wall-to-wall draperies on a ceiling track attached outside the jogs. The drapery fabric should be highly decorative, like a birch bark Tracery print of criss-cross diagonal lines and leaf and stem tracery done in black and gold, on white.



BLUE CHEESE cocktail sauce, made in the United States, is something new for shrimp.

Canadian Bridge Club Has Christmas Party

CANADIAN — (Special) — Mrs. Lawrence Teague was hostess to the Delta Deck Bridge Club Christmas party recently.

A covered dish dinner was served. Secret pals were revealed and Christmas gifts exchanged.

The tables were decorated with star candles and individual Christmas corsages. The hostess presented each member with a pair of hand-embroidered pillow slips.

Members attending were Meses. Bill Jackson, Dorsey Tubb, George Earl Tubb, Elton Miller, Raymond Newell, Quentin Isaacs and Glen Fite. Mrs. Bob Ward was a guest.

High score was won by Mrs. Ward, second high by Mrs. Jackson and low by Mrs. Newell.

Cook's Nook

A Blue Cheese Sauce Sparks The Popular Shrimp Cocktail

By GAYNOR MADDOX

NEA Food and Markets Editor

Shrimp cocktail is about the most popular of luxe American first course. Blue cheese, now being made in the United States with considerable success, is also popular. So we did a little experimenting with these two favorites. The result is a blue cheese shrimp cocktail. We think you'll enjoy it at one of your holiday dinner parties.

Blue Cheese Shrimp Cocktail (Makes 6 servings)

One cup catsup, 2 tablespoons minced onion, 3 tablespoons lemon

on juice 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce, dash Tabasco, 1/2 cup crumbled American blue cheese (about 3 ounces), 6 small lettuce cups, 1 1/2 pounds shrimp, cooked, shelled and deveined, 1-3 cup chopped celery.

Combine catsup, onion, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce, Tabasco and cheese. Mix well and chill. Place lettuce in cocktail glasses. Arrange shrimp and celery in lettuce. Serve with cheese cocktail sauce.

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MATURE PARENT

By MRS. MURIEL LAWRENCE

An airplane pilot flying high over a river does not see the slum and rich men's street that border its banks. His perspective erases the details, showing him only the eternally flowing river.

An historian gets something of the same perspective. The other day our century's most distinguished one said to me: "Religion holds the solution to all problems of human relationship, whether they are between parents and children or nation and nation."

He is Britain's Arnold Toynbee, the biographer of many civilizations. Like the airplane pilot, he sees, not the details that agitate us as the children of this civilization, but what has been eternal reality to the human race.

I said: "I shall report what you said. As Americans, as well as parents, it may help us to reconsider the sense of helplessness that we've accepted. We fear our parenthood because we aren't psychologists. We fear the atom bomb because there's no refuge from it. If we weary enough of helplessness, we may turn to the spiritual solution."

Dr. Toynbee smiled. "We're never allowed to evade it long," he said. "Sooner or later, man has always had to decide whether he worships his own power or the power of God. When threats force him to look at the limitations of his human power, he's often ready to seek his spiritual one."

"We used to trust ours," I said. Dr. Toynbee nodded. "Yes, your original colonies had spiritual conviction. It was the momentum of this conviction that founded your United States out of what otherwise might have been just an obscure military skirmish. That's the good thing about history. It restores our vision of God's creative activity in the affairs of man."

"There are those who will say that your spiritual solution is the answer of despair," I said. Dr. Toynbee laughed. "So we should despair of human power," he said. "Its victories are never permanent, you see. The conquests of Buddha, for example, have outlasted those of Genghis Khan and the empire of Jesus, those of Napoleon and the Roman emperors. That is the lesson of history — anything but spiritual conquest is not worth the time of any conqueror."

He paused before he added, "What we need now is patience and awe of God's plan in human history."

Pass the dangling earrings, the turtle neck, the long glamor bob if you have a short neck. A V-neck, a hair trim off the nape of your neck, small earrings will give you a more swanlike look.

When buying a winter coat that will have to do for many seasons, avoid the fuzzy fabrics. When the fuzz wears off at the cuffs and front, no one can save the coat's looks. A hard finish wool with a fur, lamb's wool or millium interlining will give longer wear.

Fabrics that must be dry-cleaned are not a good bet for the teenage wardrobe. Paste and chemistry experiments do sad things to wool. A corduroy suit is wonderful for the young teen who craves femininity and it is cheaper than flannel or tweed.

For this pattern, send 30 cents in COINS, your name, address, size desired, and the PATTERN NUMBER to SWE-BURNETT, Pampa Daily News, 372 W. Quincy Street, Chicago 6, Ill.

Basic FASHION, fall and winter '54 contains a wealth of sewing ideas for every woman who sews for herself and her family. Send 25 cents now for your copy.

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White Deer HD Club Has Luncheon Meet

WHITE DEER — (Special) — The Busy Bee Home Demonstration Club met recently in Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church for its Christmas luncheon.

Those attending were Meses. L. A. Puckett, Richard Barnes, Tommie Townsend, Dale Burch, Our Bertrand and Joe Wheeler. Mrs. Jack Puckett was a guest.

Next meeting will be in January for installation of new officers.

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Skellytown Brownies Given Holiday Party

SKELLYTOWN — (Special) —

A party was held for the Brownies Scouts, Troop 49, recently in the clubhouse at Skelly Schafer camp.

Each girl wrapped the Christmas present she had made for her mother and games were played. Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and hot chocolate were served by the leaders, Mrs. W. L. Aulbert and Mrs. R. E. McAllister.

They also gave each of the Brownies a bag of treats.

Attending were Jan Aulbert, Kay Hanna, Jean Fields, Rosalie and Rita McAllister, Sheryl Stroh, Nan Harmon and Beverly Heaton.



"It looks pretty, but will it wear?" This homemaker doesn't count on appearance; she checks weave and fabric content of upholstery, and inspects tag which lists material in the "stuffing."

Check Weave, Fabric Content, Stuffing Prior To Buying Upholstered Furniture

By KAY SHERWOOD

NEA Staff Writer

Buying upholstered furniture is a challenging shopping experience for most of us. We can't afford to make a mistake and we do expect style, comfort and durability for our money.

Shopping with an intent to buy a new couch or chair is not an everyday routine. I think you'll be as interested as I was in some suggestions of what to look for, what questions to ask and how to plan our shopping trips. These tips come from a noted textile firm famous for fine upholstery fabrics.

Before we leave the house, let's measure the space where we hope to place the new piece. If the room's color scheme is set, either take swatches or color samples with you of study draperies, wall or carpeting closely to get a clear idea of what colors could blend well with the whole.

When you are considering the purchase of a couch, let's say, examine the upholstery fabric closely. The degree of wear you will get depends on the fabric's density, or number of threads to the square inch. A "flat" material has threads interwoven with each other, forming a design. It may be of a single color such as damask, or it may be composed of many shades such as the tapestry-type fabrics. A matelasse weave will have a quilted look.

Pile upholstery fabrics, characterized by upstanding fibers looped like a Turkish towel, or cut as in the case of velvet, boast great durability, and resistance to wear and tear.

And I intend to ask the salesman if the upholstery has been treated with any of the new chem-

ical finishes. One of the newest is a spot-shedder treatment which makes liquids run off like water off a duck's back (so they say). This should be of real value where growing children are around. Animal fabrics, such as wool, are frequently mothproofed.

Another question to ask is: What is the fiber content of the fabric? Combinations of nylon and cotton, for example, are becoming increasingly popular and ally the durability of synthetic fibers with the elasticity of cotton.

What's underneath the upholstery? Look for the tag that will tell you. On it the law requires manufacturers to list the upholstery content. Foam rubber (for example), which used to be limited to high-priced pieces, now shows up in lower-priced merchandise. Sometimes it is used alone, sometimes in combination with cotton felt or rubberized hair to complete the filling.

In making major purchases, I think it's sensible to shop around but I must add that our most successful buys were made in reputable, well-known stores.

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'Big Lie' Technique

If there is one "Big Lie" that need to be attacked in America wherever and whenever it raises its head it is the notion that government can "get things done" better than private enterprise.

Much of the woe that has befallen us in recent years has been the adoption of this socialist idea by leading citizens who give their blessing to the free enterprise system, but who, in actual practice, are opposed to free enterprise and want government interference in the affairs of men.

Hitler is credited with the explanation of his rise to power as being the use of the Big Lie. Tell the lie often enough and make it big enough and it will not be long before everyone will believe it to be the truth, was the general idea.

And apparently it is working out in this country as well as it did in Germany for we see paraded before us daily examples of people, well-meaning people, who have become victims of the Big Lie that government can do things better and cheaper than private enterprise. Our people have been told this particular lie over and over again until there is scarcely anyone anywhere who doesn't believe it to be the truth in some form or other.

Some believe it in the field of power. Others hold that the government ought to control the field of medicine and healing. Many think that it is up to government to provide housing and that it can be done "better and cheaper" than in the field of private enterprise. Some see evil in all of these fields but think that the handling of mail through a government post office is a fine arrangement. Most Americans are still opposed to the idea that the government ought to control the field of religion but on the other hand they are in favor of control by government in the field of education.

These beliefs in various fields of human endeavor that the government is the proper agency for conduct of the endeavor are the result of the Big Lie technique. In the field of education, for instance, our people have been told for generations now by the "educators" and preachers and other "civic leaders" that the best and only way in which our people can become literate is through government controlled schools. For generations this has been repeated until today to even question such a belief is considered heresy and proof that the questioner is a "crackpot."

We have a long way to go in bringing understanding to people that there is NO instance in which, if given an opportunity, private enterprise is not more efficient and more economical and more beneficial to everyone than government action can be.

Hankering



Christmas Always Makes Hank Wish He Were A Boy

By HENRY MCLEMORE

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day! Those were the only days in the year I ever wished that I were a younger man. I wished I were 17 years old when I went to bed Friday night, and that I'd stay eleven until the sun went down on Christmas Day. Those are the most glorious hours of all, and they're doubly glorious if the Christmas turns out to be the one on which you get your first bicycle.

I can see mine now. I thought I was going to get it, but I couldn't be sure. I said a bunch of prayers before I went to sleep. And I said them kneeling by the bed. None of that cheating and saying them when I was under the covers, all warm and comfortable. That first bicycle of my very own is as clear this minute as if it were leaning in the corner across the room. I'll never live enough years to erase the joy that swept over me when I saw a tag on the handlebars with my name on it.

rack back of the seat and over the tire, on which to carry all manner of things, including a playmate. It came equipped with a bell, but that wasn't enough. Someone—some loving genius—had thought to equip it with a siren that worked off the front tire. All I had to do was get it rolling and then pull a string, and I sounded like the Chief of the fire department on his way to a ten-alarm blaze. What was in my stocking, and the rest of the presents, didn't matter. It couldn't have been much after dawn, but that meant nothing. I was out of the house and on my bike, with both bell and siren going wide open. I wasn't long alone. Other kids all over the small town were out on their first bikes, and soon we had gathered to compare our respective machines. We swapped ideas, and I am quite sure we came back to say that our bike had it all over the others. Then impromptu races were arranged. "Betcha I can beat you to the schoolhouse!" "Betcha can't." The girls were out on their new bikes, too, and what fun it was to streak past them—siren going, both hands off the handlebars—as they rode sedately along. What a thrill it was to learn how to jump a curb and get up on the sidewalk. Just get going as fast as the wind and, just before you hit the curb, give an upward yank on the handlebars, lifting the front wheel clear. I'll bet you I rode a good 100 miles that Christmas Day. And I didn't take any chances of having it stolen that night, either. I remember taking it to my room and leaving it against the bureau. I hope each and every one of you had the happiest, happiest of Christmases. The merriest, merriest of Christmases. Straight from the typewriter and the heart.

BETTER JOBS

By R. C. HOILES

American Education Undermined China

Here is the remainder of Dr. Kao Chien's article, as published in The Freeman, showing how the American educational system undermined China.

Under the heading of a "New System Made Obligatory" Dr. Kao Chien writes:

"Under the strong influence of this (pragmatism) movement, the National Ministry of Education in 1922 adopted a new educational policy for all schools, public and private, throughout the country. The policy, called the 'new school system,' abolished the traditional aim of education in China and replaced it with a program of 'progressive education.' The program was obligatory.

"As a result of progressive education, young people were trained in the spirit of revolution and reform. They learned to ridicule the traditional Chinese moral principle as impediments of progress. At home they had no respect for their parents or elders, whom they considered the victims of old Chinese traditions. In the schools they learned to call student strikes against the authorities. When this generation graduated from the schools, a serious social problem was created; besides being unprepared for making a living, these youngsters lacked the proper social graces needed for mingling with their fellow-men. The older educators and leaders of China protested strongly against the system; the Nationalist government, in view of the results, abolished it in 1928 and substituted the 'new school system' with an educational program patterned after the 'three principles of the people' advocated by Dr. Sun Yat-sen, founder of the Republic of China. Unfortunately, the spirit of progressive education could not be banished and it continued to dominate the intellectual, educational and cultural circles.

"The new culture movement very successfully undermined Chinese culture and traditions, but it had no philosophy to guide the individual and social life of the people. The advocates and followers of the movement brought to China Western ideologies of pragmatism, experimentalism, positivism, naturalism, evolutionism, materialism, socialism and atheism. But they never stopped to consider whether or not these theories could satisfy the needs or solve the problems of China, or could be adapted to the character of the Chinese people. The 'great' introducers of new theories revelled in their glory.

"Because these new ideologies are doctrines of change, in which there is no absolute truth and no reality, they offer no philosophy of life, without which one's life is incomplete. The new movement destroyed the old Chinese design for living and did not provide another; the people were led to the crossroads and abandoned there. They were lost. Even the leaders of the new culture movement began to lose confidence in the ideologies they had introduced.

"This tremendous vacuum in the minds of the Chinese made them easy prey for Communism. The people were told by the underground Communists that communism is the only cure-all for the ills of China. The underground Communists introduced the doctrine of class struggle and underlined the necessity of creating a classless society. They gave new interpretations to the whole history of the development of Chinese society to prove that communism is the only course to follow. Gradually the bewildered people gave communism a favored place in their thinking, not because they liked communism, but because they had nothing better to follow.

"A harsh awakening. Thus, the path for the swift taking over of China by the Communists in 1949 was prepared by the materialistic philosophy introduced by the 'progressives.' But the Communists seem lacking in gratitude, for they have treated these intellectuals as shameful opportunists and have subjected them to extremely harsh brainwashing. They are forced to condemn themselves as reactionaries, remnants of feudalism, exploiters of the people and running dogs of Western imperialism. These intellectuals awoke in horror from their rosy dream, but too late. Countless were liquidated. A few fortunate ones escaped to the free world. Those who could come to the United States are fighting Communism, not because the Communists enslave the people, but because they treated these intellectuals badly. Often they declare themselves liberals and protectors of freedom, but few have repented or even admitted that they were largely responsible for the loss of freedom for 450,000,000 Chinese. They have not abandoned dialectical materialism, nor have they ceased trying to propagandize this deadly doctrine. Strangely and sadly, many of them are still considered by some Americans to be prototypes of the 'modern Confucius' or 'foremost Chinese scholars.'

"Almost all Chinese living abroad are dedicated to the struggle against the Communists. Unfortunately, the line of attack is not clear. Many of the intellectuals are opposed only to the cruelty and inhumanity of the Communists, not to the philosophy of communism, simply because this philosophy is in keeping with their thinking. They do not realize that the inhumanity of the Communists is the logical conclusion of communist premises. Fighting Communism without fighting communism is meaningless and ridiculous.

"As to the Chinese on the mainland, they have been rudely and

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One-Third Of Year-End Sales Violated Trade Law

By RAY TUCKER



WASHINGTON — Approximately one-third of the merchandise purchased during the year-end holiday season has been sold in acknowledged violation of the "Fair Trade Law," according to unofficial statistics here. It parallels the bootlegging of liquor under the unenforceable prohibition statutes.

The unprecedented buying before Christmas and New Year's has subjected this two-year-old law to its severest test. Discount houses have sprung up in almost every large city to undersell the prices which the law permits manufacturers to fix for their products. In order to meet this competition, regular stores have shaved prices below standards or offered unrealistic trade-in values.

The United States Chamber of Commerce estimates that 18 per cent, or \$25 billion worth of goods, obtains an outlet through discount houses. But it says that the total reaches \$50 billion, or 36 per cent, when the bargain rates of regular stores are included.

The economic confusion has led to a large number of squabbles among both retailers and manufacturers. Numerous labor and consumer groups have started a movement for repeal, denouncing the "manufacturers' lobby." Actually, it is the small retailers who want the law as protection against larger and more powerful price-cutters.

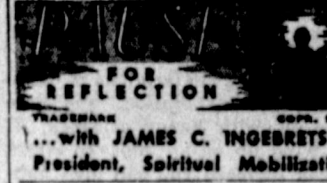
General Electric has announced that it will no longer fix prices for its products. But most of appliance firms, headed by Westinghouse, insists that the law be retained and enforced. They are refusing to sell to those who flout the statute.

Many reputable retailers in New York, Washington, Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis and elsewhere are meeting discount house competition in novel ways. When they do not suit prices outright, they open suburban warehouses for bootleg sales, offer generous trade-in bargains or produce their own lines. But only the big fellows can afford to resort to these devices.

Several manufacturers have brought suit against the price-cutters, with Gimbel's and Macy's named in one action by Lionel Lincoln. Gimbel's lawyer summed up the reaction of the larger retailers. He said that Gimbel's

brutally awakened. They now see the worthlessness and evil of the alien ideology of communism, and not only seek to free themselves from this viselike control over mind and body, but also feel the need for a sound philosophy of life. Undoubtedly many will return to the familiar ways of Confucianism, but many others will seek a higher and more inspiring plan for life.

"Christianity embodies all the virtues of Confucian teachings plus a well-developed and thorough program for living. More important, its complete theology in the supernatural order, lacking in Confucianism, will fill the gap in the Chinese people's way of life. After their experiences with the Communists, only Christianity can satisfy the needs of their minds and souls."



...with JAMES C. INGERSOLL, President, Solvitur Mobilization

Picture to yourself all the farms and farm families in the United States. Try to imagine all the work these farm families and their hired help perform in producing, harvesting, and marketing all the various agricultural crops — from potatoes in Maine to persimmons in California.

Now, just offhand, would you think it reasonable if the annual cost of the U. S. government consumed every penny of income of every one of those farm families? Well, the facts are that it will take more than five times the estimated farm income for next year (12 billion dollars) to pay the estimated cost of next year's Federal budget (\$4 billion dollars).

In the 'twenties the Federal budget hovered closely around 4 billion dollars a year, or less than 5 per cent of the nation's total output of goods and services. Today it amounts to 17 per cent of the gross national product.

I'm not saying this to depress you, but simply to impress you with the fact that, unless you and I, as citizens of this republic, do something about it, the cost of government seems likely to continue to rise until it consumes so much of our income that there will not be enough left to support our free economy.

If a single retailer signs a "Fair Trade" agreement with a manufacturer, the law then becomes binding on every other retailer in that same state.

Proposed revision would require that a certain percentage, possibly 50 per cent, of a state's retailers agree to abide by the law before it becomes effective in that selling area. As a result, there would be more people interested in seeing that the law was obeyed.

Answers to Previous Puzzles

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Fair Enough



One Editor Ordered Never To Criticize Eisenhower

By WESTBROOK PEGLER

A man in editorial charge of the printed word in a monopoly tells me that he has received five orders to print nothing derogatory to President Eisenhower. The proprietors laid it down that President Eisenhower is, by their decision, the greatest man in the United States. He must not be criticized.

I must say that I also have encountered a similar arbitrary attitude in some quarters of the newspaper business. Gentlemen take it upon themselves not merely to guard Ike's personal dignity from gratuitous insult but to suppress information and comment which would help the public to arrive at intelligent political decisions. Information is the raw material of which intelligent opinion is made.

Aside from the question of an American journalist's hypocritical responsibility to the public which endows him with prestige, honors him with its confidence and rewards him with a standard of living never enjoyed by any other journalism in this world, there is another terribly important issue here. This is the Fuehrer principle.

There is no man that good. For years many of us in the United States and millions of other poor fools in other parts of the world thought it was akin to blasphemy to speak ill of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Little of our press would publish disrespectful matter about him. He might be criticized but the criticism had to give him credit for great wisdom, honor, love of "mankind" and "democracy," and absolutely selfless devotion to a set of "ideals" which were summarized in a batch of claptrap called the four freedoms and the nonexistent Atlantic Charter.

At one stage of the game, I published some verified information about his wife, and the editor of the Chicago Daily News, then owned by Frank Knox, a mixed-up Republican who died bearing a great load of guilt for Pearl Harbor, wrote an editorial headed "Pegler is out." This editor, a New Dealer, took the editorial position that no matter what disclosure might be made of whatever misconduct by this holy figure, it was precluded by suppression by his personal, passionate decision. That element of the public which was, in theory, at least, dependant on the daily news for information was thereby denied any such information as might turn up concerning this highly "controversial" historic figure. He told the public so to its teeth and he had the authority to make his decision stick. A few years later he resigned and I have never heard of him since. His entry in Who's Who suggests that his last job was that of European editor of the New York Post in 1945. I don't have to remind you of the political character of this thing at that time.

We should not have to remind ourselves that presidents of the United States are mortal men, elected for four-year terms, who are not entitled to the slightest claim or seeming of majesty. We have had a few bad ones but most of them have been conscientious citizens of our Republic. Andrew Jackson lives in affectionate memory because he was a man of absolute, scrupulous honesty in his personal affairs, an impetuous Knight who would actually kill in defense of his women, and a patriotic fighter. He was also, however, the most brutal man who ever held the office. It is not mere scandalizing to suggest that if he had hanged and shot American soldiers for military failures in our time as he did in his time, we would have stood him before a firing squad himself.

Andrew Johnson's weakness and cowardice have been glossed over but he was a bad one, nevertheless. However, an accident of fate was at the bottom of the tragedy of his reign. He was vice-president by the same kind of political mishap that made slapsy Wallace vice-president in Franklin D. Roosevelt's third term.

And there we had the worst of all the men who, nevertheless, lies beside his dog in a pagan shrine at Hyde Park which foreign visitors are by protocol compelled to visit in mocking homage. The superintendent of the military academy at West Point is compelled, by unlawful military orders from the White House, to lay a wreath on his grave every Memorial Day. This is revolting to many Americans who are better citizens than this man ever was. But The Press condones and connives at the perpetuation of this sentimental, political, historic fraud and the resultant damage to truth which is not our ideal.

Eisenhower is bad and never has been a Republican. He is another Wendell Willkie. He is a hard,

man whose imposition is the rise because we have been belied by a publicity program of venial nonsense about his "boyish" smile and his "homely" leasure in fomenting potato-said a chef's cap and in sucking turkey-dressing off his index finger at Thanksgiving.

In politics, he is a fabian Democrat and he is either the chief or the tool of a cabal of Democratic conspirators. They have either shouldered off all the true Republicans who would not submit or found the price, so to speak, of those who would submit and paid it and bought them. I doubt that he is a mere tool. He feels his power and he breaks people who resist him.

Ike is personally to blame to a great extent for our inferior position in relation to Soviet Russia. Roosevelt made him by favoritism and he never uttered one single syllable of protest against the division of postwar Europe and the surrender of our victory to Soviet Russia by Roosevelt at Yalta and by John G. Winant, a servile non-entity who had the decency to blow out his brains as he counted the cost of his stupidity.

For God's sake, are we going under the ether again? Can't we even be permitted to appraise Eisenhower's politics, his character and his competency? We sneered at the servile Press of Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany for exactly the same attitude toward their supermen.

The Nation's Press

FAIR TRADE—FOR SOME (The Wall Street Journal)

A former member of the Federal Trade Commission recently had some words to say about the so-called "fair trade" laws, and his remarks added up to one more reason why the statutes lend themselves more to unfair trade than any other kind.

The immunity from prosecution under the anti-trust laws which the McGuire Act grants is right now under question by Attorney-General Brownell's commission studying the anti-trust laws. Yesterday our Mr. Clark, in his story on the Eisenhower legislative program for the coming year, wrote that the Brownell commission is "almost sure" to include a proposal to repeal the Federal "fair trade" law.

The point has often been made that it is a strange concept of fairness that holds that a contract signed between a manufacturer and one retailer in a state should bind all other retailers to a set price for certain goods.

Now, to this point, Mr. Albert A. Carretta, Washington attorney, adds another: That of the double standard. "It's totally immoral, unethical and illegal for the same manufacturer to distribute identical merchandise to two distributors in competition with each other and then compel one distributor to abide by a fair trade agreement and permit a competitor of that distributor to disregard the fair trade price."

The suspicion has existed for some time that some of the cries about the discount houses violating the fair trade laws were uttered more for the record than anything else; we never could quite understand how the so-called price cutters could sell the goods unless the manufacturers and other people habitually are willing to supply the goods.

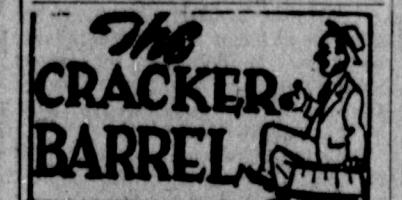
It is a sad thing that some of the fair traders so critical of free traders are themselves setting up the double standards Mr. Carretta described. Yet finally it may be a good thing; for the sooner the unfairness of the price setting laws is disclosed in all its manifestations, the sooner they will fall competitive trade return to the market place.

And the answers he gave are one more reason why the laws aren't working—as, indeed, laws which are intended to change the habits of people seldom can be expected to work. It is a habit of people to try to buy the best goods at the least possible cost; and other people habitually are willing to supply the goods.

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The President is right. The danger of global war diminishes as he lets the Reds take anything they want without a fight. But the danger of global slavery increases. Jonathan Yank

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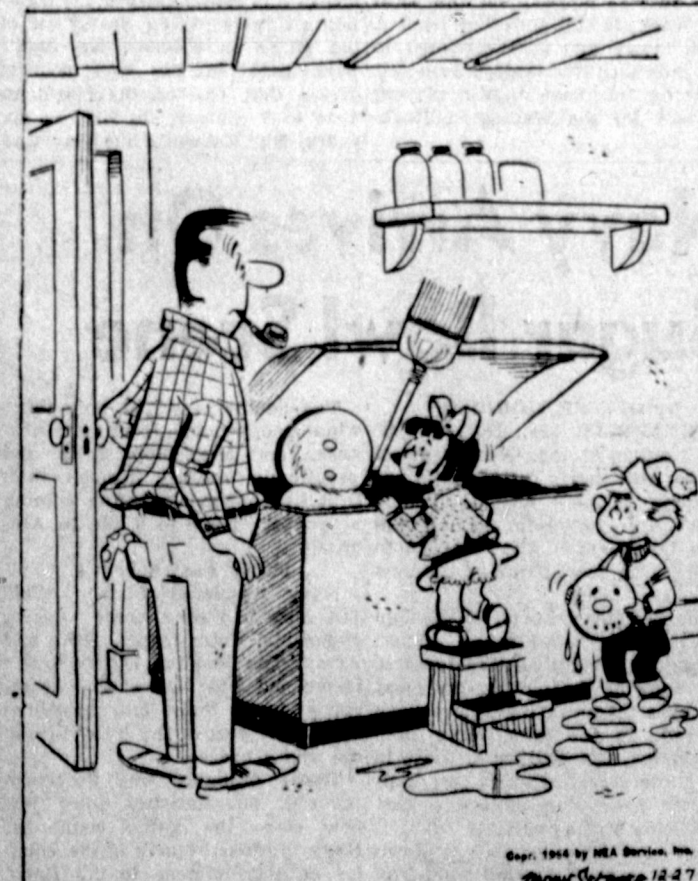
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Storm-Tossed Ship Is Safe

LONDON, Dec. 27 — UP — The 1,371-ton Swedish steamer Petra missing since Thursday with 20 men aboard in storms battering northwest Europe radioed Saturday it was safe with all hands off the island of Silt.

Deaths attributed to the storms mounted above 150. Show after four days of howling gales and heavy rain dotted the continent with Christmas postcard scenes, but brought fears of possible avalanches in the Alps. The Davos Avalanche Warning Institute warned Christmas holiday dangers of heavy snowslides. It advised skiers to avoid long mountain tours and stay within marked and guarded areas. Icy highways in eastern France caused motorists to abandon scores of cars when temperatures dropped below freezing.

Arlene Judge Picks Mate, Sets Date

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 27 — UP — Arlene Judge, who gave up a movie career for husband, has picked out her seventh — Edward Cooper Heard, 40, Beverly Hills, Calif., inventor-businessman. The 42-year-old actress disclosed Sunday she and Heard, whom she has been dating recently, will be married "some time" after Jan. 1. It will be Heard's second marriage.



REALLY IN TROUBLE—No one knows exactly how these Persian kittens got into a pair of boots in Paris, France. Maybe curiosity got the better of them and they climbed in. As usual, it was easier to get into trouble than out of it.

Servicemen Getting New Weapon -- Vote At The Polls

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 — UP — Our men in service have become more aware of a weapon their friends in overalls and business suits have had for a long time. A vote at the polls.

It took a bit of organizing, and some propaganda. It also has taken a little time. The Fleet Reserve Association was formed in 1921. Idea was to band together and go before a congressional committee and plead the cause of the common seaman.

Vote Is The Thing!
The notion gave birth to little notions and today, there are 40,000 tars and leathernecks who are willing to sing the song that the vote is the thing!

As a matter of fact, with 3 million or so men and women in the armed forces, if all of them voted and if all were of voting age — they likely could swing an election. Perhaps, they could face about a lot of local, senatorial or gubernatorial fights.

The plain facts are that in 1952, when the election fever was white hot, less than five per cent of the eligible servicemen voted. (Most of them have to cast absentee ballots.)

Gives Two Reasons
According to Mike Cantania, national president of the Fleet Reserve Association, (non-political and non-profit) there were two reasons for this.

"But we are learning, though," Mike said. "We put the boom under a lot of servicemen in the last off-year election, and the vote was twice what it had been — ever."

Congress To Have Political Interests

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 — UP — Five journalists and five political science teachers will be picked next year for \$4,000 fellowships and a chance at working as "congressional interns."

The American Political Science Association established the program financed by a grant from the Edgar Stern family fund of New Orleans, to give budding experts in both fields, some practical experience working in offices of senators and congressmen or on congressional committee staffs.

Wisconsin Eyes Rural Folk In Defense Plan

EDITOR'S NOTE: Every U.S. city is considering the possibility its citizens may have to be evacuated in the face of a threatened atomic attack. But what about farmers and people who live in the country? What dangers do they face in the H-bomb era? What is their role in civil defense? A partial answer to these questions comes from Wisconsin, a rich agricultural state where officials are tackling a rural defense problem that is typical of those in all the 48 states.

By DICK BRYDEN
MILWAUKEE, Dec. 27 — UP — Wisconsin hopes to enlist her vast rural population in an elaborate civil defense organization that would keep thousands of city dwellers from starving if they fled to the country to escape an atomic bomb.

Evacuation of cities and target areas has been accepted as the best defense against wholesale loss of life under atomic attack. Civil Defense planners here, in Washington and in every state also are recognizing that any evacuation plan must involve the farmer.

Adm. George A. Parkinson, who has turned his mind to the farmer in his capacity as a Wisconsin Civil Defense official, sketches the problem as one of three aspects:

1. The farmer's major market for perishables—milk, eggs, poultry, fresh vegetables—will disappear if the population of nearby cities is dispersed.

2. Evacuees from the cities will flood uncongested areas and the distribution channels of the farm products will have to change overnight if the evacuees are to be fed.

3. The normal exchange of money will be at least temporarily disrupted. Few people, in an emergency, would be carrying enough cash to pay for their needs. Parkinson believes some kind of voucher or credit plan will have to be worked out to prevent large scale thievery.

"If such a procedure isn't established before a bomb drops we can expect only anarchy—the indiscriminate, forceful butchering of livestock, vandalism and looting," the admiral said.

On top of this, Civil Defense planners are considering that the farmer himself may be an evacuee. The radioactive "fall out" from a nuclear explosion may threaten the countryside 200 miles from a target area.

In Milwaukee, the Civil Defense organization has two men trained to interpret meteorological data from the weather bureau in terms of high atmosphere conditions that would determine the direction of the fall out.

"Farmers are in as much danger as city people if they are in the path of the fall out, but they probably will have three to four hours to evacuate valuable herds and livestock after a warning comes," Parkinson said.

"Farmers in Wisconsin — and everywhere else — should be planning for two possibilities," he said. "They should be ready to receive evacuees or to flee themselves."

El Yunque tropical rain forest in Puerto Rico has an average annual rainfall of more than 200 inches.

How Reporters Get State News Items

EDITOR'S NOTE: Diplomatic and foreign policy news from Washington — some of it important, some not — frequently has as its source "a State Department spokesman." The manner in which reporters assigned to the State Department obtain the news is described in the following dispatch by the chief diplomatic correspondent for the United Press.

By DONALD J. GONZALES
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 — UP — The State Department and the newsmen who cover it are keeping alive a 33-year tradition of meeting together five days a week to swap questions and answers on foreign affairs.

Sometimes the meetings produce nothing. Other times big stories on war, peace and in-between world problems break out of the department's news conference system.

The chain of meetings has been broken over the years but never for long. Charles Evans Hughes personally started the daily briefing system in 1921 when he became secretary of state. In fact, he ordered his undersecretary to meet with newsmen for a second time each day.

Stettinius Had Spotty Record
Secretaries Frank B. Kellogg and Henry L. Stimson tried to follow Hughes' rugged schedule but often missed. Secretary Cordell Hull kept a general one-a-day pace from 1933 through 1944. His successor, Edward R. Stettinius Jr., had a spotty news conference record.

Newsmen were determined they would get Secretary of State James F. Byrnes on a daily news basis. But Byrnes said he didn't see why he should hold more than one news meeting a week when the President did no better than that.

The ensuing battle ended in a compromise system in which there was a briefing by some department spokesman every day. Byrnes did not meet with reporters. This system still is in effect, Monday through Friday at 12:15 p.m. or 80.

Russian on Hand
One day recently, 30 newsmen in the briefing room represented newspapers in Washington, New York, Baltimore, Chicago and Kansas City. The remainder were from magazines, radio networks, television and financial media.

Newsmen found it impossible to force news from Lincoln White, that day's spokesman, on the American fliers jailed by Red China. White read a long statement prepared at higher levels which merely gave historical and known facts in the case.

When newsmen are satisfied they have pumped all formal information out of the State Department, the traditional "thank you" breaks up the traditional briefing.

HIGHLAND GENERAL HOSPITAL NOTES
Admitted
Howard Shoopman, 843 S. Faulkner
Thelma Kall, 712 S. Somerville (also dismissed)
Baby DeLoss Slocum, 935 S. Barnes
Mrs. Helen Danner, 619 N. West
Mrs. Eunice Robertson, Lefors
Baby Jerry Bruce Holt, 1121 Huff Rd. (also dismissed)
Truitt Toss, 512 LeFors

On The Record
Mrs. Clarice Voyles, McLean
Mrs. Ann Green, 801 N. Sumner
Baby Jacquelyn Johnson, Arnette, Okla.
Mrs. Opal Groff, Rockport
Mrs. Sandra Ann Green, Pampa
Mrs. Maurine Curtis, Morgan City, La.
Baby Gayle Brown, 1025 S. Banks
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Press Box Views

By BUCK FRANCIS Pampa News Sports Editor

THE WAY THINGS ARE SHAPING UP, this year's Top o' Texas basketball tournament is going to be a "tutu." Every team in the tournament appears to have a pretty good chance of winning the tournament crown.

The field is made up of the same teams that competed here last year and all four appear stronger than last year. Coach Paul Landrith of Ada has the following to say about his ball club: "We had our first ball game Nov. 29 and were not ready but we are coming along now and I think we will be stronger than we were last year."

"Bill Hanson was ill last year and missed your tournament. He's 64 and is our leading scorer and rebounder."

"McKeel made the all-tournament team last year and may be ready to play. He's working hard now and looks better every day."

To clarify that latter statement, McKeel has been out most of the year with a sprained ankle. But it looks like he'll be ready for action in the tournament here.

Ada has a 2-2 record. They lost their first two games. As Coach Landrith said, his charges weren't ready at the outset since several of his charges are football players and got a late start with the squad.

There's no doubt that the other two visiting teams, Chickasha and Birdville, are back with stronger ball clubs. Chickasha, who advanced to the finals here last season, has three of its regulars back and several squadmen. And Birdville has those big boys back. Ronnie Stevenson and Don Davis both 6-5. The two are averaging 47 points per game between them this season.

In Stevenson and Davis the Birdville team probably has the best one-two punch of any team in the state.

Stevenson has won the "most valuable player" award in the two tournaments Birdville has entered this year. Harlin-Simmons invitational and Denton invitational.

With a 29-point average we can readily see why Stevenson is a valuable cog in the Birdville lineup.

The Bufts have won 15 and lost one this season which is a very fine record. And the Birdville team might be unbeaten today had Davis not been injured when the Bufts met Berger in the H-SU tourney finals.

Borger handed Birdville its only defeat, 57-47, but Davis did not see any action in this tilt because of a foot injury.

The fourth team in the tourney, the host Harvesters, are also back with another strong outfit.

Despite the loss of fabulous Jimmy Bond, the Harvesters don't seem to have lost much of their steam.

It's the opinion of most observers that the Harvesters have better balance this season and are deeper in reserve strength.

Well, you can readily see that competition is going to be extremely keen in the Top o' Texas cage tourney at Harvester Fieldhouse this weekend, Friday and Saturday.

If you haven't picked up your tickets yet, you better do so pronto. They are available at the school business office in the City Hall.

Read The News Classified Ads

For Pro Title Browns Smother Lions, 56 To 10

By DICK FALES CLEVELAND, Dec. 27.—UP—The Cleveland Browns, described by coach as "the best team I ever saw on any particular day," are the new National Football League champions, but face the new year with the prospect of playing for the first time without the fabulous Otto Graham.

Graham ended one of the finest careers in professional football history Sunday by throwing three touchdowns and running for three others as Cleveland walloped the defending champion Detroit Lions for the title, 56 to 10.

The 33-year-old Graham, who passed Cleveland to six professional titles and nine division crowns in as many years since the Browns were organized in 1946, received a tremendous ovation from the 43,827 fans and his teammates when he left the game with 2 1/2 minutes to go. They cheered the top individual scoring spear ever produced in an NFL championship.

But curly-haired Otto repeated his previous announcement that he had played his last game for Coach Paul Brown's team.

"I haven't changed my mind," Graham said although he had just set records for most touchdowns scored, most touchdowns by

running and most points scored (18) in an NFL championship. Graham threw two touchdowns passes to Ray Renfro, one to Pete Brewster, scored himself on lunges of one and two feet and five yards and pitched out to fullback Fred Morrison for another TD in the best "touchdown responsibility" spree in title game history.

Cleveland, beaten by Detroit 17 to 7 and 17 to 16 in the last two title games, scored its first victory over Coach Buddy Parker's Lions in nine exhibition, regular season and championship meetings.

The pent-up fury of those failures against Detroit finally exploded in a torrent of perfect Graham passes, amazing catches, recovered fumbles, intercepted passes, stolen balls and furious tackling that buried the Lions under the second worst defeat in play-off annals. Only the Bears' 73 to 0 victory over Washington in 1940 was more one-sided.

Donk Walker kicked a 36-yard field goal for Detroit in the opening minutes after linebacker Joe Schmidt intercepted a Graham pass. But Graham then hurried his first TD pass in regular season or title play against Detroit—a 37-yarder to Renfro—and the Browns began to roll.

Niagara opposes UCLA in the opener of the Garden tournament at 1 p.m. (est) with LaSalle meeting weak Syracuse in the second game. At night it will be Dayton vs. St. John's of New York and Duquesne vs. Villanova.



DRIVER -- Ken Hinkle, who makes a lot of his points on drive - in jump shots, is the third leading scorer in the Harvester ranks this season. Hinkle has bucketed 112 points in 10 games for a 11.2 average. He'll figure heavily in the Harvesters' efforts of repeating as Top o' Texas tourney champs this weekend. (News Photo)

Following is the District 1-AAAA Northern bracket calendar:

Table with 4 columns: Team, SEASON STANDINGS, Pct., Pts. Op. Pampa, 19, 0, 1,000 719 471; Amarillo, 19, 1, 209 689 561; Borger, 9, 2, 378 738 607; Lubbock, 7, 3, 790 695 507.

Harvester scoring: Gary Griffin 57 34 214; E. Jay McIlvain 59 49 167; Ken Hinkle 44 24 112; Buddy Sharp 26 19 71; Gene Brown 11 18 40; Jimmy Enloe 11 8 28; Harold Lewis 4 4 12; Gerald Clark 3 3 9; Dickie Mauldin 3 3 9; Melvin Romine 1 0 2.

LaSalle 5 Eyes Comeback In Tourney

By JOHN GRIFFIN United Press Sports Writer LaSalle's 1953-54 NCAA champions were favored to take the first step on "the long road back" toward the nation's No. 1 ranking Monday when they tackle Syracuse in the opening round of the Holiday Festival Tournament at Madison Square Garden.

Jolted by losses to Utah and Kentucky, the Explorers were installed as tentative favorites to win a tournament graced by such other national powers as sixth-ranked Niagara and 10th-ranked Duquesne. The tournament continues on Wednesday and Friday and marks the high point of the regular basketball season for the customer-starved Garden.

The Festival Tournament shares top interest with the Dixie Classic at Raleigh, N.C., but is only one of 19 tournaments which begin Monday and Monday night and provide an abrupt end to the Christmas lull. At Raleigh, fifth-ranked North Carolina State is heavy pre-tournament favorite but can expect stern opposition from several quarters.

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North Carolina State begins its bid for victory in the Dixie Classic against Cornell, while in other first-round games Southern California meets North Carolina, Wake Forest plays Minnesota and Duke takes on West Virginia. Duke is the defending champion despite the fact North Carolina State won the Atlantic Coast Conference title last season.

In non-tournament games involving strong teams, St. Louis plays Indiana and Seton Hall, which may be the strongest of the metropolitan New York teams, goes against Stanford.

The schedule for the other eight tournaments beginning Monday: Southwest Conference Tournament at Houston: Baylor vs. Alabama, Texas vs. Texas A&M, Rice vs. Arkansas, SMU vs. TCU.

Queen City Invitation Tournament at Buffalo, N.Y.: Fordham vs. Georgetown, Columbia vs. St. Bonaventure, Canisius vs. Yale.

Big Seven Tournament at Kansas City: Colorado vs. Oklahoma, Nebraska vs. Missouri.

Motor City Tournament at Detroit: Wayne vs. Penn State, Detroit vs. Toledo.

Kentucky Invitational Tournament at Louisville, Ky.: Eastern Kentucky vs. Western Kentucky, Louisville vs. Murray State.

Gator Bowl Tournament at Jacksonville, Fla.: Florida vs. Florida State, Georgia vs. Spring Hill, Ala.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 27.—UP—Oklahoma A&M, and Occidental College were scheduled Monday to meet in a night intercollegiate track and field meet here next April 7.

Harvester Five Preps For Busy Week

Top O' Texas Tourney Set This Weekend

The Hustlin' Harvesters, winners of 66 straight games including 10 in a row this season, will start a busy week of activity tomorrow night when they journey to Childress for a return engagement with the Childress Bobcats.

Following the Childress game, the Green and Gold will return home to begin preparations for the second annual Top o' Texas Tournament at Harvester Fieldhouse Friday and Saturday nights.

The Harvesters will meet Chickasha in the first game of the tourney Friday night. Meeting in the other first round game of the 4-team tourney will be Ada, Oklahoma, and Birdville of Fort Worth.

The winners will clash Saturday for the title while the losers will play for third place honors.

These same four teams made up the field in last year's tourney here. The Harvesters won the crown with a 41-17 win over Chickasha in the finals. Ada won third place honors with a 75-54 win over Birdville.

Three of the five boys making the all-tournament team here last year will return this year. They are E. J. McIlvain of the Harvesters; Ronnie Stevenson of Birdville; and Moe McKeel of Ada.

The other two boys making the all-tournament team last year were Jimmy Bond of the Harvesters and John Lynch of Chickasha, both of whom graduated last spring.

The Harvesters, at present, own the best season mark of the tourney teams, 10-0. Birdville has a 15-1 record; Chickasha, 3-1; and Ada, 2-2.

All except the Harvesters will not see any more action until the tournament.

The Harvesters also top the field in the Northern bracket of District 1-AAAA with its 10-0 mark. Amarillo follows with 10-1; Borger 9-2; and Lubbock 7-3.

Gary Griffin hiked his scoring lead last week by pouring in 37 points against Childress to run his season's total to 214 points in 10 games.

E. Jay McIlvain is second with 167 points.

The Harvesters defeated Childress 72-58, in their only action last week.

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South 11 Wins Dramatic Tilt

MIAMI, Dec. 27.—UP—The pros scouts reviewed their notes Monday on the dramatic North-South football game with an unbiased outlook game which was matched by straddling the Mason-Dixon Line.

At least a dozen of the keen-eyed crowds were scattered among the rows of 37,847 which watched the South rise again in the final quarter to edge the Yankees, 20 to 17, Saturday night.

But while the fans were cheering, the scouts were busy making detailed notes for use in future drafting.

Joe Thomas of the Baltimore Colts was particularly pleased by rival fullbacks Dick Bleski of Maryland and Alan Ameche of Wisconsin. But he said they probably would be used as halfbacks in the professional league.

Bleski was named the game's most valuable player after he carried the ball 25 times for 105 yards. Two final quarter plunges set up the South's "come-from-behind" touchdowns.

Ameche, the North's most valuable member, helped the Yankees outplay the South for nearly three periods. His 18-yard run sparked an early drive which put the North ahead 7-0 at halftime.

Paul Bengston, line coach for the San Francisco 49ers, kept a close watch on Frank Mincevic, a guard from South Carolina, and quarterback Charley Boxold of Maryland, who the 49ers have drafted. But Bengston said "I'll have to see more of them."

The scouts agreed Oklahoma's Kurt Burris, the hard-hitting center, lived up to his advance publicity. Burris and end Ed Culppeper of Alabama were defensive standouts for the Southerners.

Three in a Row The Deer Park victory climaxed three great seasons for the tiny school, which sent a team to the finals in 1952 only to lose to Wink 28 to 20 and to the semifinals last year when Luling knocked it out of the running 33 to 7.

Boxing, Golden Gloves style, will be unrereled Wednesday night at the Top o' Texas Sportsman's Club arena where the Pampa Optimist Boys Club boxers take on the Clovis mittmen. Ring is the defending Pampa District Golden Gloves champion in the 126-pound division. (News Photo)



RING VET -- Jesse Ring, who has several years of boxing under his belt, will see action Wednesday night at the Top o' Texas Sportsman's Club arena where the Pampa Optimist Boys Club boxers take on the Clovis mittmen. Ring is the defending Pampa District Golden Gloves champion in the 126-pound division. (News Photo)

Clovis Glovers Here Wednesday

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Wilhelm, however, whipped Burton in the Regional GG tourney later.

Pidellia also holds a win over Homer Cleas of Clovis, who reached the National GG tourney semifinals in Chicago in 1952.

Wilhelm is attending University of Wisconsin at present where he is on a four-year boxing scholarship. He has been working out for the past couple months at the Badger school.

Wilhelm was ill last week with influenza but is expected to be ready for action Wednesday night.

Several other top-notch bouts are on tap Wednesday. Some of the Pampa ring stalwarts are Jesse Ring, Gary Green, Gary Wilhelm, Rabbit Ramirez, Tommy Richardson and others.

About 10 or 12 bouts will be unrereled.

Dugie Jameson of Wellington who was to appear on the card last week, is still suffering from a knee injury and isn't expected to be ready this Wednesday. Jameson suffered the knee injury playing football for the Wellington Rockies.

W. Texas 11s Win 3 Of 4 State Titles

By OLIVER MORRISON ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 27.—UP—A fired-up 37 man Navy football squad will begin after-Christmas practice Monday on the Tulane University grounds in football-happy New Orleans for what figures to be the best bowl game of the new year.

The Middles take on Mississippi in the Sugar Bowl in an annual classic which this time features Navy one of the lightest but most versatile teams in big-time college football. In Ole Miss, Navy runs up against the stoutest defense in the game. The Rebs also just happen to have one of the fastest backfields of the year.

Navy will try to hold it down with an unusually small line. The Navy has in guards Leonard Bensi and Alex Aronia two of the finest, at 183 and 184, End Ron Beagle goes only 185.

Navy Slight Favorite Pitted against the Middles slight line will be a team with a 210-pound-plus line that is led by tackle Rex Boggan.

Navy is a three-point favorite but the trouble facing both Coach Eddie Erdelatz and the odds-makers is that there is no real basis for comparison between the Eastern kingpins and the South-eastern champions.

Ole Miss played Southeastern and Southwestern foes almost exclusively. The Rebs only eastern opponent was weak Villanova, turned back 62 to 0.

The Rebels had driven 60 yards in 13 plays and were something less than three feet from the North goal line when the fumble came. Ironically, it happened on a wide hand-off from Johnson to Tharp.

For North Coach Don Faurot of Missouri, it was "a team victory." But he picked a series of four plays as decisive.

The first was Missouri quarterback Tony Scardino's spread pass to end Charles Fairbanks of Michigan State, a 37-yard pass for 37 yards that put the Blue on the South 15 yard line.

Like Calame's Calls The other three followed the pass. They were the line plays called by Oklahoma quarterback Gene Calame that brought the North its first touchdown. Faurot said Calame's play-calling in the series was "almost perfect."

The clinching touchdown for the North came on an 89-yard drive sparked by another Missouri quarterback, Victor Easton. He threw five completed passes, including the scoring pass, during the drive. Doggett threw a 23-yard pass to halfback Howie Wright of VPI for the lone South touchdown.

SWC Cage Meet Underway Today

HOUSTON, Dec. 27.—UP—The individual scrap for most valuable player honors will share the spotlight with the battle for the championship of the Southwest Conference pre-season basketball tournament opening Monday afternoon at Rice Field House.

Four players from as many schools stood out as the top contenders for the honor and their presence made their teams the top choices in the eight-team field.

They were Jerry Harper, the sharp-shooting junior of title-favored Alabama's Crimson Tide guest team; Dick O'Neal, the smooth sophomore who sparks Texas Christian's Horned Frogs; Jim Krebs, another soph who is the mainstay in the Southern Methodist attack and steady Murray Bailey, the senior stalwart for Baylor.

Alabama, on the basis of its 5-1 record, stacks up as the team to beat with either SMU or TCU looming as the Tide's title foe. If Alabama is to be stopped short of the finals, Baylor is given the best chance to do it in this afternoon's tournament opener at 2 p. m.

The individual honor usually is voted to a player of the championship club, thereby making Harper the slight favorite to grab off the laurels.

However, the six-foot eight inch Tide star has to give ground to O'Neal for point-getting honors at this stage of the season. O'Neal, an inch shorter than Harper, has pumped points through the baskets at a 24.9 point per game pace compared with a 21.2 average for Harper.

Krebs, also a 6-8 pivot man, has averaged 19.4, while Bailey, the "shortie" of the lot at 6-2, has averaged 18.1.

If there's a pre-tournament dark horse for the most valuable honor, it probably is SMU's Art Barnes, a slender, fragile hustler who missed the last two SMU games but who is expected to be ready for the tourney. Barnes averaged 17.5 until he was hurt.

O'Neal and Krebs wage their personal duel in Monday night's feature first-round game at 9 o'clock while Harper and Bailey collide in the tourney opener.

Other first-round tilts send Texas against Texas A&M at 4 p. m. and Rice against Arkansas at 7:30 p. m.

TCU carried a 5-3 won-loss record into the tournament. SMU and Baylor each sported a 4-4 mark. Rice is 3-4, Arkansas 2-4, Texas A&M 1-5 and Texas 1-6 with one of Texas' losses being to Alabama, 89 to 54, in the Birmingham Classic 10 days ago.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: Southwest Conference pre-season tournament at Houston with Alabama as guest team.

Thursday: Arkansas vs. Tulsa at Fayetteville.

Friday: Texas Tech vs. Texas A&M at El Paso.

Saturday: Baylor vs. Texas Tech at Waco.

Sunday: Baylor vs. Texas Tech at Waco.

Sooner Ag Guard Wins Top Lineman Award In Blue-Gray

By RAY LACKEY MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 27.—UP—A rangy guard from Oklahoma A&M and a stubby halfback from Alabama Monday shared individual honors from the 17th annual Blue-Gray football classic.

Dale Meinert, six-feet, two inches and 197-pounds) of the Oklahoma Aggies played nearly all of the game on defense. He didn't participate in the two scoring drives that carried the North to a 14 to 7 victory, its first in six years. But Meinert's line play was

outstanding enough for the newspaper, radio and television men to name him the best lineman on the field.

For Corky Tharp, who didn't have the satisfaction of playing on the winning team, his selection as the outstanding back of the game was probably even more pleasing.

Tharp Was Workhorse The workhorse of the Rebel backfield, the five-foot nine-inch, 150-pound Crimson Tide star carried the ball 12 times Saturday for a net of 58 yards rushing. He also caught five passes thrown by quarterbacks Jerry Johnson of Texas Tech and Al Doggett of LSU.

In addition to individual performances, like those of Tharp and Meinert, coaches of both teams had lots of praise for their entire squads.

Head Rebel Coach Frank Moseley of VPI, praising the South for a "good game," admitted "we didn't happen to click at the right time." Picking the decisive play of the game, Moseley thought it might have been a fourth down fumble by his team on the Blue one yard marker in the first period.

Team Victory The Rebels had driven 60 yards in 13 plays and were something less than three feet from the North goal line when the fumble came. Ironically, it happened on a wide hand-off from Johnson to Tharp.

For North Coach Don Faurot of Missouri, it was "a team victory." But he picked a series of four plays as decisive.

The first was Missouri quarterback Tony Scardino's spread pass to end Charles Fairbanks of Michigan State, a 37-yard pass for 37 yards that put the Blue on the South 15 yard line.

Like Calame's Calls The other three followed the pass. They were the line plays called by Oklahoma quarterback Gene Calame that brought the North its first touchdown. Faurot said Calame's play-calling in the series was "almost perfect."

The clinching touchdown for the North came on an 89-yard drive sparked by another Missouri quarterback, Victor Easton. He threw five completed passes, including the scoring pass, during the drive. Doggett threw a 23-yard pass to halfback Howie Wright of VPI for the lone South touchdown.



Thalander Wins SINGAPORE, Dec. 27.—UP—Some Songkrate of Thailand, well-treasured champion of the Orient, knocked out Ray Rico of the Philippines with a short right to the stomach Sunday in the eighth round of a scheduled 10-round bout.

Kentucky Invitational Tournament at Louisville, Ky.: Eastern Kentucky vs. Western Kentucky, Louisville vs. Murray State.

Gator Bowl Tournament at Jacksonville, Fla.: Florida vs. Florida State, Georgia vs. Spring Hill, Ala.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 27.—UP—Oklahoma A&M, and Occidental College were scheduled Monday to meet in a night intercollegiate track and field meet here next April 7.



BALL ON THE LOOSE—New York and Philadelphia players scrambled for an elusive ball during their pro clash at Madison Square Garden. Over the ball with all fours is Warrior Joe Graboski, while Nat Clifton of the Knicks, in white jersey, tries to lift it. In on the play is Philly's Neil Johnson, left. Number 7 is Warrior Danny Finn.



TWO YOUNGSTERS—Two-year-old Elyse DeVries climbs astride 18-month-old Blitz, a Great Dane that seems to be scaled along the right proportions for little girls who long for a ride. The huge pooch already has a seven-foot reach when he stands on his hind legs.



THE REAL THING—Proud to be a 100-per-cent Indian, and therefore a 100-per-cent-American, pretty Jenny Collins is now singing at a nightclub in Paris. She is a descendant of an Indian princess, and that makes her the genuine article.



CURB SERVICE—A dentist in Hanoi, Indo-China, has set up an open-air business on a busy street for the convenience of pedestrians—or anyone else. Patients with cavities can get curb service by making thing-of-the-moment appointments. Many such shops still operate under the Communists as they did during the French occupation.

PICTURE NEWS AROUND THE WORLD



IN THE ACT—Mrs. Ruth Miller is writing a traffic ticket as she checks up on the parking situation in Miami Beach, with the help of Mrs. Virginia Phillips, right. With four other women, they recently trained to serve as motorcycle cops for parking meter collections. Both gals are former residents of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Miller's husband, also a policeman, is on the Miami force, too.



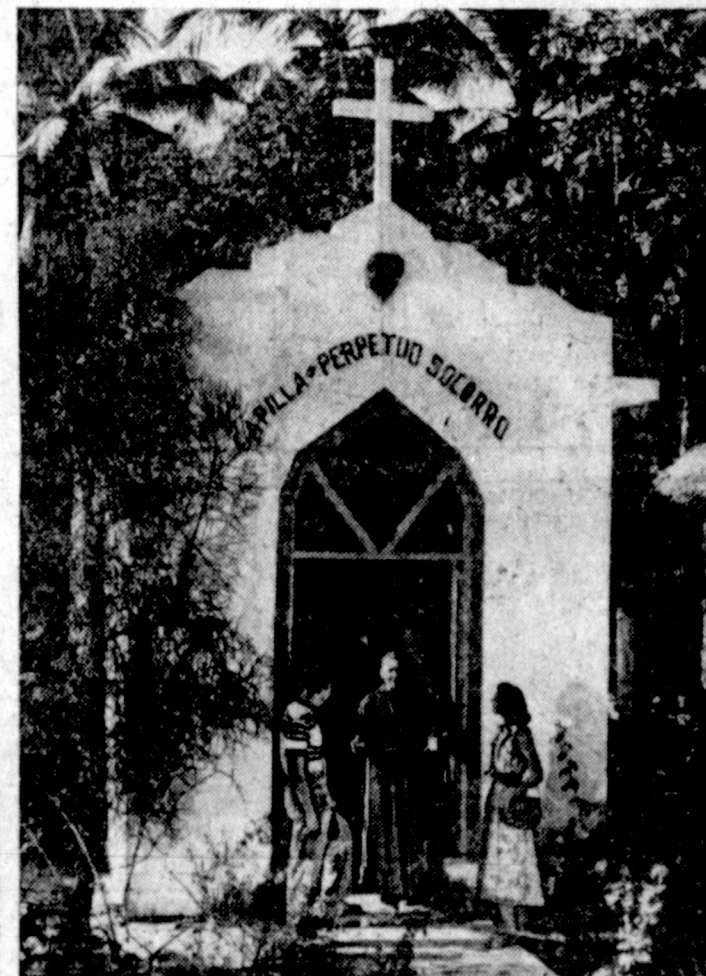
JUST RELAXING—Attractive actress Lauren Bacall, who's also known as Mrs. Humphrey Bogart, is all set to enjoy some sun at her home in Brentwood, Calif. Miss Bacall gave up her career for a couple of years to superintend the welfare of a growing family, but now she's back in pictures and working harder than ever before in her career.



RIDING IN PROTEST—Members of the Social Democrat Party rode bicycles through the streets of Munich, Germany, with signs that protested the re-militarization of that country. The anti-rearming demonstrations are a daily occurrence.



FATHERS AND SONS—There seem to be more and more such combinations at the movie studios in Hollywood. At left, when actor John Wayne was making "The Sea Chase," he was visited by his 15-year-old Pat, who was working in another film. David McCrea, youngest son of actor Joel McCrea, got some fatherly—and expert—advice from his dad when he visited the location of "Stranger On Horseback" in Sedona, Arizona, right.



MIGHTY SMALL—Only 18 persons can attend services in this tiny chapel at Loiza, Puerto Rico. The tiniest chapel on the island, it is actually intended as a place where children may continue religious studies. Occasionally, an itinerant priest conducts services and Father Bernard, of San Juan, is shown here with a couple of visitors to the chapel.



NEW WAY OF LIVING—Big-billed Brazilian toucans were a most popular pair in their cage at a special show in Paris. Rare species from all the continents were being exhibited, and these toucans attracted their fair share of attention.



MINIATURE PARENTS—Young Peter Baird is giving a thorough examination to a puppet version of his father, puppeteer Bil Baird, in New York. When he has really sized this one up, the lad will probably turn to the puppet form of his mother, Cora, in background, and be convinced it's a "small" world.



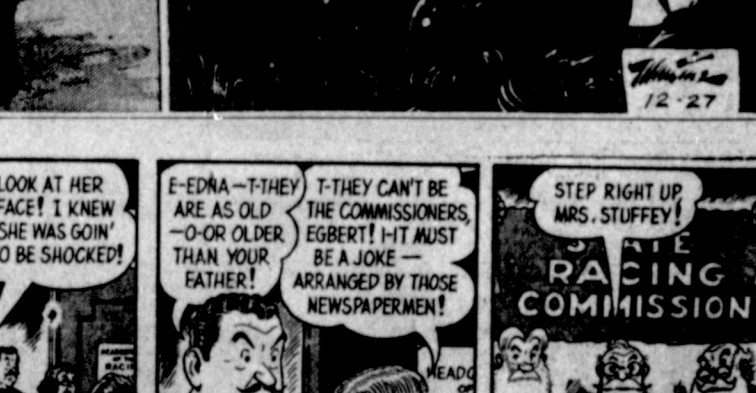
WHEN DOGS MEET CATS—Italian Countess Maria de Lazzara is talking with some of her kennel keepers as most of her 160 dogs romp away their last days on Capri. By request of annoyed neighbors, and orders from local authorities, the countess is transferring her pets to her villa up north. There are already 300 cats there, however, so this good lady is hoping for the best. The dogs' surroundings on Capri include modern kennels, baths, infirmary and a cemetery.



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Fight The Wild River

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THE STORY: Capt. Irving Crotch of the riverboat General Heath operated up the Colorado River, carrying miners and supplies during the gold rush of the early '60s. He had more passengers than room and Captain Crotch sometimes fought them off aboard in a young miner named Cal Dreyfus, who battled for his passage.



Modest had opened a trading store close to the Yuma landing, as an easy gamble that some day he'd be rich.

THE lank Pennsylvanian wiped the stain of a bloody fist from his cheek. Frowning darkly, his words were sharp. "When a man asks for it he's got an honest answer comin'."

"You've got your rights," Crotch consented.

For the time being they were alone and Dreyfus turned his talk into another channel. "Something you might not know about La Paz. My claim's back in the hills where the crowd's not yet found its way. Plenty of ore in the Hassayampa country. This placer gold's only the first excitement."

Crotch gave him a scrutinizing look. Knew Dreyfus was repaying a favor. "I figured on that," he admitted.

"It's so, Captain. When I stumble on the real thing you'll be haulin' steady pay cargoes—Sugar Logan's new mill won't be big enough."

Now two of the Cocopah deckhands arrived, too late to join the fighting, and Crotch murmured, "Thanks for telling me, Dreyfus."

His Indian deckhands were dressed merely in breech-clouts and carried four-foot lengths of firewood from the bunkers, a wild

crew when they got to fighting. Crotch made a gesture with his hand toward the gangplank, signaling they were to run it out to the river bank. It was time to allow those ashore who were hungering for pleasure.

Dreyfus was the first to climb down the gangplank. Slyly, then Crotch offered his friendly warning, a glint touching his eye. "A man can get in trouble in Yuma. Be careful!"

But Dreyfus gave him a sober look. "None of them trollops for me. It's the Queenie's pastry shop."

"So it's the Queenie, eh? Well, they say nobody can teach a man new ideas better than a young widow."

There was a bond between these two that went deeper than political convictions. Both loved this new land of their adoption, both understood it, even as they understood each other.

Crotch's remark had caused Dreyfus to chuckle good-naturedly as he moved down the plank. "Wouldn't know about that, Captain. If she's got something new, it ain't showed up yet."

A SHORT time later Crotch saw the slim figure of his agent coming up the single-file pathway from Yuma. The man was not hurrying but there obviously was a sense of purpose about him. Crotch waited beside the rail, sensing in some mysterious manner that Modest had a message for him beyond the ordinary. Those machinery crates they had loaded would bear explaining.

Fernand Modest was an out-

shot of several nationalities, a young man with dark features and quick eyes and shiny hair groomed to perfection so that it matched the meticulous appearance of his black suit coat. He had opened a trading store close to the Yuma landing, and if this influx of miners continued it was an easy gamble that some day he'd be rich.

He smiled as he stepped onto the deck planks. "Captain, I passed many of your passengers racing like horses for the landing. Tonight will be a big fandang'o."

"Tonight," Crotch replied, "a good many heads will be sore. If they don't get back there'll be that many less to contend with tomorrow."

"Captain, you are to meet the fort commandant at the Gila House. You are to go to room 11—do not tell anyone who you are to meet."

"Why not see him at the fort. If this is army business?"

Modest merely lifted a shoulder.

"It's about the cases?"

THAT side sweep of Modest's eyes momentarily cut into Crotch, and he understood Crotch knew what the cases contained. But this was not his business; again he lifted a shoulder. "I know only that they were brought to my warehouse in the dead of night. I was to consign them to La Paz."

"In care of Lieutenant Lane."

Modest nodded. "Perhaps the commandant has more to say."

"He better have!" Crotch made a gesture to his mate who was climbing down from the texas deck.

When Ben Goss moved closer he warned him to allow no one aboard who had not already paid his passage. Goss was a bushy-bearded, virile man whose mind, once made up, could not be easily altered. When Crotch went over the gangplank with Modest he was leaving the General Heath in capable hands.

At the outset the Federal government had forsaken them by withdrawing troops from the isolated posts. To make matters worse, the blundering policy of the army before its recall had

JOHNSON ★ IN HOLLYWOOD ★

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HOLLYWOOD (NEA)—Close-ups and Longshots: Joan Fontaine and Olivia de Havilland, both reared near San Jose, refer to themselves as "The Prune Belt Sisters." . . . Vivien Leigh's pet name for Sir Laurence Olivier is "Ba Ba." . . . John Hodiak's pals call him "Grape Eyes." . . . As a skinny youngster, Jane Russell was known to her playmates as "Bones." . . . And the tots who played jacks with June Allyson knew her as "Bubbles."

Tyrone Power never writes fan letters to other actors, but he takes pen in hand when he reads impressive books to scribble fan notes to authors.

Dana Andrews was born in Don't, Miss.

The name of the two has since been changed to Collins.

A Hollywood shop does a flourishing business selling photo stills of Valentino, Theda Bara, Mae Busch, Wallace Reid and others stars of yesterday. (You see what old movies on TV have started!)

Ginger Rogers, generally believed to be a Texas product, was born in Independence, Mo. Because of it, she's been on friendly terms with Harry, Bess and Margaret Truman for many years.

VIC MATURE and Jim Backus (Joan Davis' hubby in "I Married Joan") were classmates at the Kentucky Military Institute. . . . Richard Widmark's wife met him while he was a professor at Lake Forest University and she was a student in one of his classes.

Leslie Caron's daily lunch when she's working in a picture: Two enormous steaks and a cup of tea. . . . Jacques Sernas, the handsome hunk of man in "Helen of Troy" and "Jump Into Hell," spent two years in the notorious Buchenwald concentration camp during World War II. He was captured by the Nazis while serving with the French underground.

Jeff Morrow, the Broadway stage star recently imported to Hollywood, once played Dick Tracy on the radio.

Producer John Champion, still a handsome fellow, was under contract to MGM in 1943 as an actor. Appeared in "The Canterville Ghost" and "A Guy Named Joe." . . . Owen Verdorn, who became a star on Broadway in "Can Can" after toiling for years in the Hollywood vineyards as an assistant dance director, was born crippled in both legs.

DOROTHY DANDRIDGE'S father in Cleveland, Ohio, is April Dandridge, a minister.

Eva Marie Saint, scarcely busy in "On the Waterfront," was once elected Sweater Queen of Bowling Green State University. . . . Wherever Barbara Stanwyck goes to act, the stool given to her by the crew of "The Lady Gambles" in 1948, goes along. She plunks herself down on the red leather top with "Missy," her nickname, painted on it.

William Powell's wife, who's known to one and all as "Mousie," calls him "Daddy" right in front of everybody.

Donald Curtis of the "Fhhht" cast, is the spiritual leader of a church at Santa Barbara.

He puts up an "On TV Tonight" sign for his congregation whenever one of his films is shown on a local station.

Once a month a technician from a major studio drops around to Marion Davies' mansion and reads all her old movies just to keep them from fading and drying out.

Marion never looks at the flickers.

LILLIAN GISH straps herself to a tilt board every day—head a floor level and feet high—as a health gimmick. . . . Dolores Gray attended Hollywood's Children's Professional school with Mary McCarty and failed to make the grade as a moppet actress.

Florence Halop, who's Mama Bronson on "Meet Millie," has retired from show business three times so far.

She's exactly 29 years old.

Nickname for Marilyn Monroe when she was just plain Norma Jean Parker as a kiddie was "String Bean." . . . Peter Ustinov, who runs away with "The Egyptian" and "Beau Brummel," is David Niven's army batman during World War II.

Patrice Wymore, who wears contact lenses (she's near-sighted) once held up production on a Warner Bros. picture when one lens dropped out of her orb.

It was finally located in the cuff of her leading man's trousers.

The largest antlered creature on earth, an Alaskan bull moose, may weigh 1,800 pounds, stand nearly eight feet high at the shoulders, and carry antlers six feet across, the National Geographic Society says.

NBC's 'Today' Gets Puppets

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 — UP — NBC's "Today" program is bound to be brighter all next week because Bill and Cora Baird will bring their hand puppets and marionettes to this Monday-through-Friday morning show.

The Bairds and their little people are no strangers to those wide enough awake to make out the images on a TV screen as early as 7 a.m. They were in the original cast of the "Morning Show" on CBS from its inception early this year until mid-fall, when it was suddenly announced by CBS that they had been dropped.

Jack Paar, who had become head man of that program shortly before, disclaimed in public announcements that he had anything to do with their departure and regretted it exceedingly.

Return With Garroway

The Bairds' return to a.m. entertainment with Dave Garroway's "Today" for NBC is just for next week, according to present plans, but the possibility exists that some more permanent connection might be in the offing.

"Working on the 'morning show' five times a week was rugged because we constantly had to come up with new puppets and new numbers week after week," Baird said. "But we loved it nevertheless."

"We will get it a little easier next week on 'Today' because we will do our part of the program from our own studio and will have everything right at hand."

Bill Cullen really doubled as Santa Claus this year.

On Dec. 24 he put on the stuff, the whiskers and the red suit and did the Kringle bit for children in a New York hospital. Then he hopped a plane for his weekly jaunt to Hollywood to MC "Face the Music" on NBC-TV. As soon as he stepped on the coast, he put on the costume again and appeared at a party in a Los Angeles hospital.

Sunday's Best

Highlights Sunday: "The Great Theater" on CBS has

Elizabeth Hails Home In Message

SANDRINGHAM, England, Dec. 27 — UP — Queen Elizabeth Saturday hailed the home with its family ties as a haven from "the darkness of uncertainty and doubt that envelops the whole world."

She broadcast her annual Christmas message to the British commonwealth from the little study of Sandringham, where her father, King George, made broadcasts to the nation in wartime.

For the first time in two years she was with her children for Christmas, and she compared the family ties binding both regal and common man with the ties of the commonwealth.

She and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, drove to church Saturday morning. Some 500 persons gathered to watch the royal family. Princess Anne tumbled out of the royal car and bounded first up the church steps. The rest of the family followed.

After services, the royal party dismissed the cars and walked home through the park.

The queen, in her annual broadcast, recalled that last year she and her husband were 13,000 miles from home in Auckland, New Zealand, on their world tour.

She referred to Christmas as "a time for family reunions, for paper decorations, for roast turkey and plum pudding."

"It has, before all," she continued, "its original the homage we pay to a very special family, who lived long ago in a very unimportant village in the uplands of a small Roman province. Life in such a place might have been rather uneventful."

"But the light, kindled in Bethlehem and then streaming from the cottage window in Nazareth, has illuminated the world for 2,000 years. How amazed the neighbors would have been had they known this,

Red Paper Urges Army Vigilance

MOSCOW, Dec. 27 — UP — The Soviet organ Red Star, in an editorial calling for vigilance by the armed forces, said Saturday that "each soldier should be ready at any moment to engage in decisive combat with the enemy and deliver a crushing blow."

"Vigilance was and is one of the most important qualities of the fighting morale by the Soviet soldiers," it said.

By heaving strictly to the line of army regulations and stepping up discipline, Red Star said, officers can raise the fighting preparedness of their units and close loopholes which may be exploited by enemy agents.

"The significance of keen vigilance and political foresight increases still more under present conditions, when aggressive forces inspired by U. S. monopolists are preparing for a new war," it said.

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