

The Weather

West Texas—Moderate temperatures, except colder tonight in Panhandle. Rather windy.

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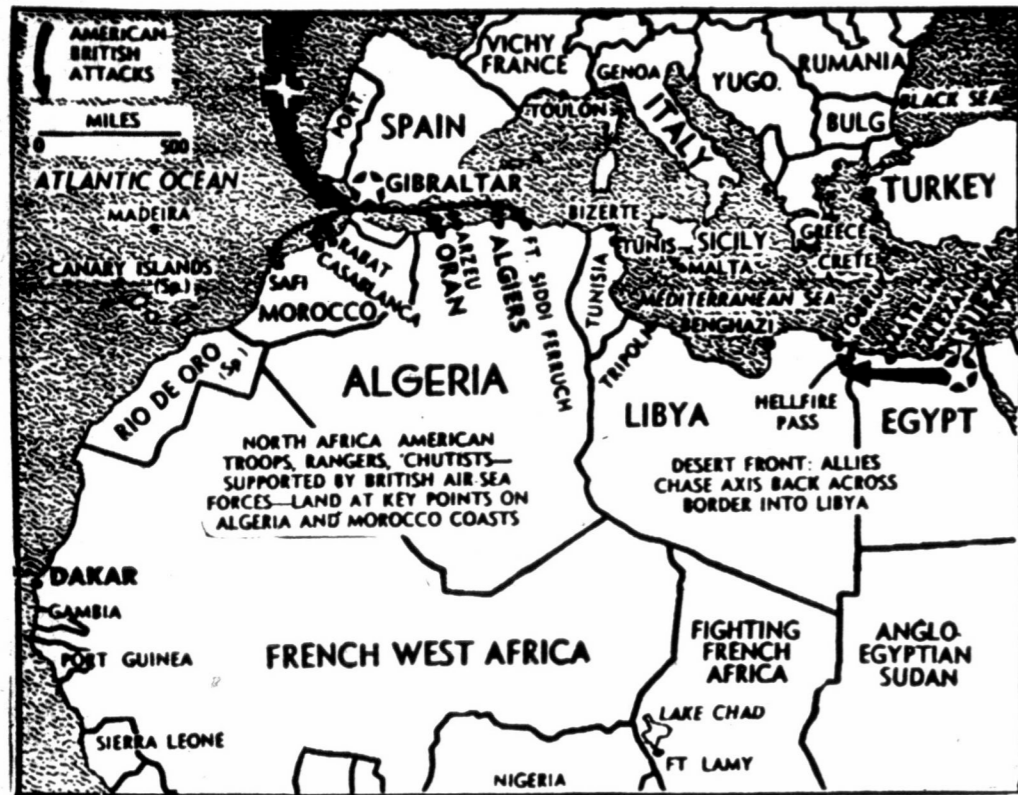
(VOL. 40, NO. 196) * (6 PAGES TODAY) MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1942 PAMPA, TEXAS Wide World News—AP Leased Wire (PRICE FIVE CENTS)

Good Evening

To take up half on trust, and half to try. Name it not faith but bungling bigotry.—Dryden.

AXIS HINTS DEFEAT NOW FEARED; PETAIN'S RESISTANCE GESTURE

ALLIES INVADE NORTH AFRICA



The Allies invasion of Vichy North Africa which opened the second front is shown in this telemap.

Vichy Musters Limited Power To Fight U. S.

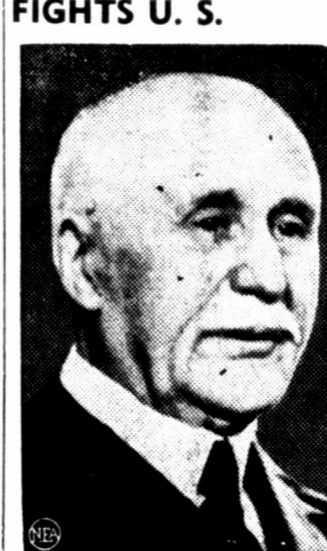
BERN, Switzerland, Nov. 9 (AP)—The Vichy government, having severed diplomatic relations with the United States in a week-end of rapid-fire development, mustered its limited resources today in an effort to fight off United States forces invading its North African possessions. The decision to resist was taken by Marshal Petain, chief of state, yesterday after he had called in his highest advisers to study reports of a situation which Vichy dispatches described as grave.

Rommel Army Now Cut To 20,000 Men

CAIRO, Nov. 9 (AP)—Remnants of Marshal Rommel's fleeing Africa corps shook lose from the advancing British eighth army today and plunged across the Egyptian border into Libya in the vicinity of Halfaya (Halfire) pass despite a heavy American and British air bombardment which made that route nearly impassable. By FRANK L. MARTIN

Rome Foresees Gloom Ahead; Hitler Worries

By JAMES M. LONG Associated Press War Editor United States troops took over Algiers today, and cut coastwise rail and road communications at perhaps 10 landing places along a 1,000-mile coast of French North and West Africa in swift establishment of a second front, labeled "Made in U. S. A.," and aimed across the contested Mediterranean at Hitler's Europe.



Aged Marshal Petain, chief of the French Vichy government, has ordered relations with the United States severed, and that French colonialists resist invasion by the American armies which have landed in French West Africa. Gen. Weygand, former commander of the French African armies, has been restored to command.

Supreme Court Upholds Right To Impose AAA Wheat Penalty

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—The supreme court held constitutional today legislation imposing a 49-cent-per-bushel penalty on wheat produced and sold in excess of AAA quotas. Justice Jackson delivered the opinion on a challenge of the 1941 legislation by a group of Montgomery county (Ohio) farmers. The litigation was considered of far-reaching importance by the Roosevelt administration.

House Rejects Plan To Require Year's Training For Boys

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—The house refused to go on record today in favor of a senate proposal that teen-age drafted soldiers be given one year of training before being sent into combat. It voted down a motion by Representative Rankin (D-Miss.) to instruct house conferees to accept a compulsory training amendment written by the senate into house legislation lowering the draft age from 20 to 18 years.

Vichy Ships In U. S. Are Seized

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Secretary of State Hull disclosed today that all Vichy French ships in American ports had been taken into protective custody. Hull also said that passports for Vichy's ambassador, Gaston Henry Hays, were ready and would be handed to him in due time.

Paris Outbreaks Reported By Radio

LONDON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Reuters reported today that clashes had broken out between demonstrators and police in the German-occupied French capital. The demonstrations, described as "a few small incidents," followed a meeting of the French People's party at which Jacques Doriot demanded "an immediate declaration of war on Britain and America and the immediate conclusion of an alliance with the Axis powers."

MacArthur Called War's Turn In '40

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur predicted two years ago that the European war would be won in North Africa. J. Weldon Jones, an assistant director of the budget, recalled today that MacArthur told him at a party in Manila, while Jones was acting high commissioner of the Philippines, that whoever controlled North Africa would win the war.

Jap Holds In Pacific Shaky

By The Associated Press Japan's last hold on the teeming green jungles of southeastern New Guinea—stepping stone to Australia—was shaken today by American soldiers who hacked their way into the island, cutting the invaders' base at Buna after probably the greatest air-borne infantry movement in history had caught the Japanese flat-footed.

Berlin Claims Six Allied Ships Down

BERLIN, (From German Broadcasts), Nov. 9 (AP)—The German high command asserted today German and Italian planes have been in action against British and American vessels off Algiers since Friday night and that six Allied warships and four merchantmen have been hit by bombs.

'We'll Hold What We Have' Hitler's Promise To Nazis

LONDON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Adolf Hitler promised the German people last night he would strike back at the American forces in North Africa, and assured them that he would flee Germany if the situation became difficult. The German leader, speaking to his Hitler Youth party associates in Munich on the anniversary of the 1923 Munich Putsch, brushed aside the smashing of his army in Egypt by the British as "an advance of a few kilometers" and declared that "those who deal out the last blow will win the war and the Germans will do that."

War Problems Bring Oil Men Into Meeting

CHICAGO, Nov. 9 (AP)—War-time difficulties of the petroleum industry, ranging from transportation, cost and supply, lack of necessary materials to the tremendously accelerated demands for war products, brought scores of the industry's leading authorities together here today. A series of committee meetings, mainly of a highly technical nature and dealing with production, research and accounting problems, started the 3rd annual meeting of the American petroleum institute on its way this morning.

Troop Moves Held Biggest In All History

LONDON, Nov. 9 (AP)—United States forces, striking with overwhelming might and exquisite precision, closed today upon the key defenses of French North Africa after inflicting serious losses on the Vichy Navy at Casablanca and capturing Algiers. This powerful American challenge to Hitler, still only at its start, has been achieved with but slight United States losses, an Allied headquarters spokesman said.

Air Base Applicants Urged to Hurry

If you have your "paper work" on the way, but not completed, for enlistment as an air corps specialist with assignment to the Pampa air base, you'd better hurry it up. Although all applications had to be postmarked not later than November 1, there are cases of some men who have not followed through on their applications.

French Africa Coup Is Fruit Of Months Of Close-Mouthed Work

By EDWARD E. BOMAR WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Months of close-mouthed secrecy and painstaking labor were coupled with the high strategy that preceded America's move into North Africa. It was estimated authoritatively today that probably hundreds of American and British officers and a number of civilians were fully aware for weeks of the developing coup. Yet, until the first landing boats appeared off the African coast, the Axis was kept guessing.

Temperatures In Pampa

Table with 2 columns: Time and Temperature. Rows include 6 p. m. Sunday, 9 p. m. Sunday, Midnight, 6 a. m. Today, 7 a. m., 8 a. m., 9 a. m., 10 a. m., 11 a. m., 12 m., 1 p. m., 2 p. m., 3 p. m., 4 p. m., 5 p. m., 6 p. m., Sunday.

Poppy Sale Total Reported At \$496

For the first time in Pampa, sale of the V. F. W. Buddy poppies was conducted by the auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, instead of by the post. A total of \$496 was raised by the women in this sale of the cloth flowers, made by disabled veterans of World War I. A portion of the money remains with the local post, the balance going to the national headquarters of the V. F. W. In all, there were 20 workers.

I SAW . . .

The name of the first Harvester submitted for the list of former Pampa football players to be honored in the All-For-America football game at Amarillo Thanksgiving day. First to be named is J. P. Matthews Jr., who was on the 1936 and 1937 teams, and who is now a seaman first class, U. S. C. G. R., New Orleans. Come on, folks, send in more names, we want them all—there's no obligation, and no catch to this—we simply want the names so we can have as complete a list as possible. Names must be submitted by Saturday so get your names in on the list now.

I HEARD . . .

All the court house 'gang' signing 'good luck' to F. L. Stallings, assistant county auditor, for the past three years, who leaves tomorrow to begin bathing at Big Bend, Texas, for a job at the sub-depot of the Pampa air base.

SOLDIER HANGED

MELBOURNE, Australia, Nov. 9 (AP)—Private Edward J. Leonski of the U. S. Army, former grocery clerk in New York City, was hanged today in an Australian jail for the murder of three Australian women.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Suspension of the 40-hour work week for the duration of the war has been urged by two Texas representatives who blamed the administration's labor policy as partially responsible for the surprising Republican gains in last Tuesday's election.

Peace-Making To Be Speakers' Theme On Armistice Day

Public opinion will decide the type of peace we have following the end of the war and now is the time to begin thinking of the kind of peace we want. That will be the theme of a speech by the Rev. R. Thomsen, pastor of Central Presbyterian church, of Amarillo, at the Pampa community Armistice day program at 8 o'clock Wednesday night in junior high school auditorium.

Pampa Store Reports Burglars Get \$1,000 Loot Sunday Night

Clothing valued at \$1,000 was stolen sometime Sunday night by two men who entered Edmondson Dry Cleaners, 115 S. Ballard. Entrance was gained apparently by use of a key. Police believe the burglary occurred shortly after the scout car had made its round flashing a spotlight on the place at 10 p. m. A Pampa woman saw two men hurrying from the place, carrying armfuls of clothing, which they put in a car, and drive off. She obtained a description of the men which was furnished to the police.

Rome In Gloom

Rome began to see its fate. An Italian French communiqué said "the horizon is black for Italy—we must expect attacks from any side." See ROME, page 3.

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Mrs. Quarles Named Honoree At Layette Shower Recently

Mrs. F. E. Matheny was hostess at a layette shower honoring Mrs. Homer Quarles, Jr., in the home of Mrs. Dan Williamson.

Surprise Birthday Shower Given To Honor Mrs. Brown

Mrs. D. B. Brown was honored recently at a surprise birthday shower in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sam Eddy.

Officers Elected At Meeting Of YWA Girls In LeFors

LEFORS, Nov. 9.—Y. W. A. girls of LeFors Baptist church met at the church for a business session with Mary Ellen Reider presiding.

Ladies, they used to say: "That's TABOO!" Now read these facts

Not long ago, women didn't discuss periodic pain. Now they openly praise CALPO, the 2-way help.

Thank You

For the nice business you have given us. We have sacrificed a lot of merchandise and we still have some Real Bargains Left.

WE ARE ABSOLUTELY GOING TO SELL EVERYTHING IN OUR STORE

We still have bargains in China, Pottery, Glass and Pottery Gifts, Builders' Hardware, Garden Hoes, Fine Paints and Varnishes, Oil Cans, Fishing Tackle, Toys, Moys, Brushes, Keds (1/2 off), Files, a Few Other Tools and Rope.

Hilson Hardware Co.

304 - S.W. FOSTER

Miss Charlotte Tubb Becomes Bride Of Ensign Robert Lembke

CANADIAN, Nov. 9.—Mr. and Mrs. George Tubb, Canadian, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Charlotte Alice, to Robert Leon Lembke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lembke, Byron, Oklahoma.

Miss Werth And Sgt. Rose Wed In San Antonio

Miss Althea L. Werth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Werth of Skellytown and Sgt. James M. Rose, 427 South Banks, Pampa, were married October 23 at 4 o'clock in a double ring ceremony in San Antonio, with Bat Corrigan officiating.

Mrs. Cockrell Named President Of Entre Nous Club For Year

Meeting in the home of Mrs. Maye Skaggs, members of Entre Nous club elected new officers for the ensuing year.

Layette Shower Given As Courtesy To Mrs. Randolph

Complimenting Mrs. Mac Randolph, whose husband is a staff sergeant in the United States Army, Mrs. Clay Gambin was hostess at a layette shower in her home Friday afternoon.

Nautical—and Nice



With a song in her heart for her boy friend in the Navy and a button from his pea jacket adorning her bracelet, songstress Peggy Lee sets a new nautical mode.

Mind Your Manners

By MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX Save cooking gas. This saves fuel needed for war industry, cuts your own bills, and often you will improve your cooking by following these scientific hints for better use of your gas stove.

Tenth Birthday Of George Wayne Dollar Observed

George Wayne Dollar entertained a group of friends at his home, 614 Reid street, in observance of his tenth birthday Sunday.

U. S. NAVAL OFFICIAL

HORIZONTAL 1, 5 Pictured U. S. Naval official. 11 Peels. 12 Beginnings. 14 Morindin dye. 15 Erbitum (symbol).

Crossword puzzle grid with clues and answers.

SCOUTS LAUDED

Boy Scouts of America have received high praise from the OPA and OGD for their work in distributing price control leaflets to 25,000,000 homes.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—The Navy announced today that a small British merchant vessel was torpedoed and sunk by an enemy submarine during the latter part of September in the Atlantic Ocean off the northern coast of South America.

If you are buying a laxative, answer these three questions first

Guess why do most people choose a leading laxative instead of a lesser known product? Ans. Because a best-seller can generally be counted on to give satisfaction.

The Social Calendar

TUESDAY B. M. Baker Parson-Teacher Association will have an executive board meeting at 2:30 o'clock in the office of the principal.

Altar Society To Sponsor Parish Dinner Tuesday

First in a series of monthly covered dish dinners being sponsored by the Altar Society of Holy Souls Catholic church for members of the parish and their families will be served Tuesday night at 6:30 o'clock in the school hall.

SUIT FOR YOUTH

Designed for the younger girls, this suit has the longer, four button jacket approved in junior circles and a skirt with pleats in front.

COAT HANGERS "OUT"

Reasonable deposits, not over 5 cents, may be charged by dry cleaners for the return of wire hangers, the OPA has ruled.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek

as a youth studied military science in Tokyo and was a member of the Japanese army.

SOLVENTS RECLAIMED

Close to a billion pounds of solvents were reclaimed annually, and this amount will be doubled through a program instituted by the Industrial Salvage Section of the WPB.

American Defense Discussed By Junior Art And Civic Club

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Chest Colds

To Relieve Misery VICKS VAPORUB. Rub on Tested.

Look At Your Hat! Everyone Else Does!

Factory Finished by Owens Optical Office.

For this attractive pattern, send 15c in coin, your name, address, pattern number, and size to The Pampa News Today's Pattern Service, 211 W. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Ill.

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Mrs. Cox Hostess At Monthly Meeting Of Fidelis Matrons

Fidelis Matron Sunday School class of Calvary Baptist church held its regular monthly business and social meeting in the home of Mrs. E. O. Cox, 321 North Banks street.

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Sunday hours 10 a. m. to 10 p. m.

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28—Miscellaneous
WANT ads. reach many readers. Advertising your "don't want" and see how quickly they will sell. Call 666 for advertising rates.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE
54—City Property
FOR SALE—Three room semi-modern home to be moved, 2 miles north of Skellytown. Inquire at Geo. Fetter's Gulf Laundry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
2—Special Notices
BUY cardboard, construction paper and Christmas cards from the Pampa News. We will appreciate your cooperation and continued patronage.

32—Musical Instruments
FOR SALE—Good used Piano cheap, upright style. See it at 113 1/2 South Cuyler, Mrs. G. Williams.

FINANCIAL
Money To Loan
LOANS \$5 To \$75
FOR ANY PURPOSE
Immediate Service—Convenient Pay Plan For Any Loan

3—Bus-Travel-Transportation
DUE to shortage of help we ask that subscribers to Amarillo News-Globe please pay all subscriptions at the Pampa News.

34—Good Things To Eat
FOR SALE—200 bushels of good turnips, without heads, \$42.50. See Taylor, 503 N. Gary, South of Hill Top Grocery on Doyle St.

AMERICAN FINANCE CO.
Loans \$5 or More
PHONE 2492
AUTOMOBILES

4—Lost and Found
LOST—One green plaid snow cap to snow suit, between Pampa and Amarillo. Please leave at Pampa News or call 1232.

42—Sleeping Rooms
FOR RENT—Comfortable modern sleeping rooms, furnished, down town district. Over Modern Pharmacy, phone 1925.

USED CARS FOR SALE
1929 FORD SEDAN \$85
1937 CHEVROLET COUPE \$250
1939 CHEVROLET TUDOR \$585

5—Male Help Wanted
BOY WANTED at Highway Service Station, across from Jones-Everett Machine Shop.

47—Apartments or Duplexes
FOR RENT—Two room furnished duplex, close in, bills paid. 307 East Kingsmill, phone 202-4.

WE BUY USED CARS
Tom Rose (Ford)
AUTOMOBILES

6—Female Help Wanted
WANTED—House keeper, must be capable and good cook. Apply 406 N. Cuyler.

49—Business Property
FOR RENT—One of best located and equipped stations in McLean, excellent for right party. Plains Lubricating Company, Tele. 2-642, P. O. Box 1099, Amarillo, Texas.

Six College 11's Finish Schedules Without Defeats
NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (AP)—Six of the nation's college football teams have finished their 1942 schedules with all-victorious records, a survey disclosed today, while at least 19 others still are unbeaten and untied.

7—Male, Female Help Wanted
MAN or WOMAN for night telephone dispatch work. Apply Peg's Cab, 104 W. Foster.

53—Wanted to Rent
WANTED TO RENT—By couple with infant 5 or 6 room strictly modern home located in north part of city. Furnished or unfurnished. Contact Lieut. Col. R. C. McElride at Headquarters Tom Rose Bldg.

AMERICA'S MOBILITY ON THE HOME FRONT DEPENDS ON YOU
We Have Every Service To Aid You in Securing MAXIMUM MILEAGE & WEAR
Calhoun Chevrolet
212 N. Ballard Phone 366

27-A—Turkish Bath, Swedish Massage
TRY a full course of Turkish Baths and Swedish massage this month. Feel and see the results. Lucille's Bath House, 823 S. Barnes, Ph. 97.

54—City Property
FOR SALE—Large five room house on N. Charles. Write P. O. Box 599.

Go By Bus
Buy War Bonds and Stamps With What You Save!
For Schedule Information PHONE 871
PAMPA BUS TERMINAL

CONFERENCE TITLE IN TEXAS REACH

A&M NOSES OUT SMU 27 TO 20



The Texas A. & M. Aggies nosed out the SMU Mustangs at Dallas, to win with a final score of 27-20. In the first play in the first quarter, Shaw of SMU carried the ball back to his 30-yard line before being tackled by Sibley of A. & M. Other players are: Number 82, Simmons and number 62, Maples, of the Aggies, and a SMU back running interference. (NEA Photo.)

Hopes Of 12 Years Hinge On 2 Games

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
Associated Press Sports Editor
Only two teams stand between Texas and the Southwest Conference championship it has been seeking 12 years.

Pampa - Amarillo All-For-America Football Game November 26, 1942

Plans are underway to dedicate the Pampa-Amarillo football game to be played at Amarillo Thanksgiving day to the former Harvesters and Sandies now serving in the armed forces. The Pampa News wants to obtain the names of all former Harvester football players now in the Army, Navy, Marines, or Coast Guard. Persons who can supply those names are asked to fill in the blank below and mail or bring the blank to The Pampa News.

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (AP)—Think you're a pretty husky, healthy specimen, do you? ... How about testing yourself against the records set by cadets at the Iowa Navy Pre-flight school? ... Here are some: Pushups from floor, 70; pushups, on fingers, 35; situps, feet not anchored, 535 (no. not set). They'll anchor your feet; hand balance on floor, 1 minute 50 seconds; straight up chin, 30; one-finger chin, 12; 20-foot rope climb 27.5 pounds pack, 11.8 seconds. ... These are not all the records, of course, but we think you'll be ready to stop before you get any farther.

"BOWL FOR HEALTH" 8 Regulation Alleys For You To Play On PAMPA BOWL Stanley Brake High Club 112 N. SOMERVELL

PLEASE TRANSACT YOUR BANKING BUSINESS TOMORROW! WE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY ARMISTICE DAY WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11

First National Bank Citizens Bank & Trust Co.
Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, Pts., Op.
Wichita Falls 7 0 284 26
Lufkin 7 0 252 27
Amarillo 7 0 231 19
Sweetwater 7 0 231 20
Highland Park, Dallas 7 0 225 49
Sunset, Dallas 7 0 204 18
Vernon 7 0 203 45
Denison 7 0 141 19

CLEANING THE CUFF

Cleveland, once a basketball hot-spot, is trying to line up a Great Lakes-Ohio State, Wyoming-Western reserve court doubleheader for Jan. 2. ... Milton Berle, the comedian, made a round in the locker room at Los Angeles' Hillcrest club the other day and collected 184 clubs for the scrap metal drive. That's once when the high score won. While Ohio State grid fans are getting excited about Sophomore Gene Fekete, the folks at Athens, Ohio, merely ask if he's as good as his brother John, who does a whale of a job of halfbacking for Ohio university.

BETTER CLEANING ALWAYS
Pampa Dry Cleaners
204 N. Cuyler Ph. 58 J. V. New

THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...
Illustration of an old man with a cane and a younger man.
"Judge, would you mind tellin' Charlie here what you told me the other night walkin' home from lodge. I can't word it just the way you did."
"Sure thing, Tim. Here's what I told him, Charlie. There's no such thing as votin' a nation, a state, a county, or even a community dry. We had proof enough of that during our 13 years of prohibition. What you really vote is whether liquor is going to be sold legally or illegally... whether the community is going to get needed taxes for schools, hospitals, and the like, or whether this money is going to go to gangsters and bootleggers. That's the answer, boys... simple as A-B-C."

SERIAL STORY

PLAY BY PLAY

BY PAUL DAVID PRESTON

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BATTLE ROYAL
CHAPTER XXVI
WHEN Blythe entered the clothes closet of Nancy Hale's living room, she thought herself entirely alone. She had carefully made her plans for coming out later with the two gamblers at gun point. But as she pulled the closet door shut on herself, a man spoke in the darkness, then grasped her arm.

"Okay, sister, who are you?" he said.

Blythe screamed in terror.

She didn't have to ask who the man was. She already knew! Indeed, there were two of them in the closet with her, she realized at once. It meant only that she had come up too late to carry out her plan. The gamblers had gotten there ahead of her!

Nevertheless she didn't wilt. All the days of pent-up sorrow and anger seemed now to pour out. Blythe, an athletic coach's daughter, was plenty athletic herself, though small of stature.

"Wham! ... Unh!"

She drove one elbow backward smack into a man's midriff! He grunted, and grunted again.

Overcoated arms reached around her then from the other side.

"Stop it!" she shrieked.

She jerked up her knees. That threw all her weight downward.

"Lord, what a hellcat!" The man gasped.

Her quick maneuver had dropped her right out of his grasp. In the darkness he was fumbling for her again, and, too, the other man was back in the fight.

"Hold her, Ed, hold her!"

She heard that, and heard the answer. "I can't get a hold!"

"Don't do her no harm!"

"I'm the one getting harmed—unh ... UNH!"

Blythe was making that statement of his true! From the floor she kicked out wildly, and a dainty heel found a masculine shin.

NANCY'S dresses had begun to fall on them now. Altogether the clothes, the two men, and the scuffling girl made a fantastic kind of hurricane there in the dark closet. Blythe wouldn't use

the pistol she held. She couldn't, because it was Pop's starter's gun loaded only with blanks! It might be of some value if the men could see it. They wouldn't know but what it was real.

But at the moment Blythe felt certain she was fighting for her very life. Those gamblers had already threatened Pop and they would know that exposure and capture here would cost them prison sentences. They wouldn't hesitate to kill her if they could.

"Stop ... fighting ... sister!" one man said, straining. "Give us a chance to ..."

Blythe struck at the sound with her fist. She felt it hit his cheek.

"Ed, for the luva Mike, what have we got comered here?"

She heard that over the falling. "Where is she? ... Open that door!"

Voices were getting louder.

"Lay off, sister, before you get hurt! Okay, Ed, let's rush it! ... GO!"

They made a concerted push, carrying Blythe, clothes, shoes, some of baby Scooter's toys, and themselves all out onto the living room floor in a grand pile-up. It could have been compared to a scrimmage in football.

Blythe was entangled and scared witless now.

"E-e-e-e-e!" she yelped involuntarily. And just as involuntarily she called out, "Help! ... Duane! ... Oh, Duane! ... Duaneooooom!"

The outcry was muffled in a dress. She scrambled wildly, clutching at their legs, hoping to trip them, striving to regain her own feet.

"Look out, Ed! She's got a gun!"

She did still grip the pistol. On impulse she fired it now.

The fellow named Ed dove onto her right hand, forced the harmless gun away from her. She expected him to strike her but he didn't. She had a flash of feeling that these two gamblers weren't really fighting as aggressively as they might. Were they afraid? Coward? Or—

She kicked at them with renewed fury. Regaining her feet, she knocked over a chair, then kicked it at one of the men to trip him.

HE was a large fellow, and made quite a thump and a grunting when he fell. Next moment

Blythe knew she would be conquered. They leaped up and drove at her with full force. But she would try once more. As both dashed toward her she threw her body headlong across their knees—in exactly the maneuver Pop taught his football tacklers.

The fierceness of that clash seemed to stun her a little, and when she found her senses again she was sitting on the floor quite unmolested. But she was having a crazy dream.

She thought she saw Duane throw him one man bodily and throw him onto the other, thus driving both gamblers against the kitchen wall. Then she thought she saw Duane standing over them, alert, waiting, fists tight. As they shook their heads, holding bruises and trying to talk coherently, Duane spoke to her.

"Bly! ... Bly!" he said. "Are you hurt?"

It wasn't a hallucination, it was still real!

"No! ... They—those men ... gamblers ... they're gamblers ... they were ..."

"You got it all wrong sister!" one man managed to gasp. "Boyl, what a punch you two kids carry! Lay off, Hogan—take it easy. ... I know you ... but you don't know us. ... Sister, we ..."

"Duane! Look out! They're desperate! I'm surprised they haven't used guns!"

"Do I have to bash in your brains?" Duane asked. He had lifted one of the chairs from Nancy's ready-set dinner table.

"Both men of the floor managed to grin. "Save it for the game, son. Listen—your lady friend got us wrong!"

"Duane, don't you believe them! They're crooks! Dangerous!"

Duane looked confused, but he was waiting for more explanations. One of the men half groaned and made a move to stand up.

"I can kill you in one blow," Duane mentioned. "And I will!"

"Get down, Ed!" the other man ordered. "The boy ain't lying. But listen, son. I tell you we ain't what you think."

Blythe pointed her finger at them, gesturing. "They—they were hiding in Nancy's closet! They were! They got here too soon! I found them, and—"

One of the men chuckled a little wryly. "Didn't you, though? And you went into action. Unh! I'm glad you two bruisers are on our side in tomorrow's game! But you listen to me now, both of you. We can prove what I say. Here's our badges, and you can phone in and verify. We ain't gamblers. We're detectives, from the city police bureau!"

(To Be Continued)

No Threat To U. S. Standards Now Evident

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—The Office of War Information said today this country could meet its manpower problem "without sweeping away the high standards which the United States has set up to protect working men and women."

In a report on the manpower situation, OWI said:

"The United States has great unused resources after spending the first two years of this country's war production in taking up the slack in its labor force. x x x

"That talk about manpower in America is not interpreted as a sign of alarm at a serious shortage such as Germany has known for more than three years. It is merely evidence that America is preparing to meet a problem before it develops into a serious form."

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Contrasting the status of labor in dictator countries with that prevailing here, the report said:

Germany has, of necessity, forced its workers to put in the maximum possible number of hours. Latest figures released by the United States Department of Labor show the average worker in our aircraft industry is working 46.7 hours per week; the shipbuilder 46.5; the iron and steel worker, 42; the automobile worker (now on war work) 43.3; and the electrical machinery worker, 46.1.

"The average industrial working day in Japan in 1937 was 12 hours, with 15 in certain essential industries such as steel. The development of the war has maintained and even increased these hours.

President Roosevelt, in a press conference Friday, said it had been proven that production from a work week beyond 48 hours does not increase after the first few weeks or months.

Coincidental with the OWI's report came word of labor problems in the transportation system. The office of defense transportation said that eventually at least 300,000 women would be holding down jobs in railroad shops, terminals and yards and in airplane hangars, in addition to women office workers.

—BUY VICTORY STAMPS—

Boosts On Onions, Spuds and Turkeys

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Stores get permission today from Price Administrator Leon Henderson to increase the price of potatoes, onions and turkeys.

These and a number of other foods were placed under temporary price "freezes" October 5. Today's order is the first of a series designed to increase the price of commodities.

For the housewife, Henderson said, the effects of the order, some of which probably will be noticeable within a week, will be:

About one cent a pound increase on Maine potatoes, but probably no change on Western potatoes; about one-half cent a pound increase on onions; no material change on turkeys during the holiday season but about a three cent increase in February.

Meanwhile, the labor department reported the food bill of the average American family rose 2.4 per cent between Sept. 15 and Oct. 13.

—BUY VICTORY BONDS—

TWO MEDALS OF HONOR

Sgt. Maj. John Quick, U. S. Marines, won a Medal of Honor for bravery in Cuba in 1898, and 20 years later almost to the day, won another one for heroism in France.

Ireland was once known as Inis-Fail—the isle of destiny.

RED RYDER



ALLEY OOP



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



WASH TUBBS



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



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Books, Magazines Wanted For Camps

Since reading has proved to be one of the most popular army diversions, Pampa branch of the American Association of University Women is sponsoring collection of books and subscriptions to magazines for the library of the local Army Air Force Advanced Flying school. Books may be sent to any one of six school libraries, or to the city library. Emphasis is being given to this drive during Book Week, November 15 through November 21, but books will be taken at any date.

Reading tastes of soldiers, as of civilians, varies from a thick book of history to a slender volume of poetry; from murder mystery to the Harvard classics. The annual library report for the Army shows that the soldier's reading is about evenly divided between fiction and non-fiction. At the beginning of 1942 the following books were the headlines in many camps: "Berlin Diary" by Shirer; "America" by Coyle; "You Can't Do Business with Hitler" by Miller; "Inside Latin America" by Gunther; "Blood, Sweat and Tears" by Churchill; "For Whom the Bell Tolls" by Hemingway; "The Revolt in Washington" by Leach; and "H. M. Pulham, Esquire" by Marquand.

Any book that you have enjoyed would be enjoyed by some soldier. Magazines are popular in the Army camps, with illustrated weeklies leading the lists. Among other popular magazines are Reader's Digest, Time, Collier's, Saturday Evening Post, Popular Mechanics, Liberty, American, and good detective stories. Special subscription rates are given on some for men in the service. Any club or individual wishing to give subscriptions to these or any other magazines may see or call Mrs. G. F. Friauf, 806 N. Somerville, phone 2467; or Pearl Spough, 1318 Mary Ellen, phone 1795.

Small Prospect For Renewal Of Old And Bitter Wet-Dry Battle Seen

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Members of congress could find today but few signs from Tuesday's elections to point the way national opinion now runs on the liquor issue, and there appeared little immediate prospect of the old and bitter wet-dry conflict breaking again on Capitol Hill.

Wets and drys alike probed for significance in dry Oklahoma's defeat of Senator Josh Lee, while results from scattered local opinion votes were mixed—some going wet, some dry, most maintaining a status quo.

The liquor question was reinjected squarely into national pre-election politics by Lee's proposal to ban the sale of spirits from army camp areas. But his amendment to the 'teen-age draft bill was shunted to the Senate Military committee, by a 49 to 25 Senate vote.

Joseph Daniels, first World War Secretary of the Navy, and former Ambassador to Mexico, has sent a personal request to Chairman Reynolds (D-NC) of the Military committee, that the measure be brought out for immediate consideration.

However, many members believed the liquor issue would remain bottled-up in both houses.

An effort by dry forces to outlaw

Sees Non-Stop Air Yanks Bombers Hit When Peace Comes

AUSTIN, Nov. 9 (AP)—Dr. John H. Frederick, University of Texas professor of transportation and industry, oceanic flights for ordinary citizens would be commonplace in the post-war period.

Speaking before the Southwestern Warehouse and Transfers' association, Dr. Frederick declared: "In the field of air cargo we have just begun to scratch the surface. Every form of transportation begins as a passenger, mail and express service and then winds up handling cargo as the major part of its activities. This pattern is due to be followed by the airlines."

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