

MANPOWER AND HOUSING SHORTAGES MORE CRITICAL HERE THAN IN ANY OTHER AREA:

Pampa's War Production Is Desperately Needed on World Battle Fronts

Pampa's war production area has one of the most critical manpower and housing shortages in the United States. It is so critical because production from practically all Pampa industries goes into the nation's war effort.

The manpower shortage in local industries because of inadequate housing facilities stabs directly into the front lines of battle in Europe and in the Pacific.

The major portion of the world's carbon black, used in the manufacture of war material, so badly needed on the fighting fronts, must be produced from the plants of Pampa and Borger.

These and many other pertinent facts, some of them military secrets, have caused the war manpower commission to certify the need for a minimum of 400 additional workers for the Pampa area in order to keep Pampa war industries at full production.

But, the WMC is unable to furnish additional men in the Pampa area because there is no available housing. In fact, it has been brought out by industrial leaders, that many workers in this area now are inadequately housed and living in undesirable quarters.

These are the chief reasons that, following a recent meeting of representatives of the entire carbon black industry with war production board officials in Dallas, a representative of the national housing authority was given the go-ahead signal to provide at the earliest possible moment suitable and adequate housing facilities for war workers of the Pampa area.

Thomas Poore, NHA representative who conducted a survey here, has recommended construction of a minimum of 150 houses in Pampa. Poore will return to Pampa next week to meet again with industrial and city leaders to get the housing program started on its way.

It was at this Dallas meeting the statement was made that the housing needs in Pampa right now are more critical than in any other area.

Here in the heart of the world's carbon black industry, that product has been placed on the "must" list by the production urgency committee because of trucks, tank treads, and other rubber articles are so urgently needed at the

fighting fronts. Carbon black is a necessary component of rubber, both synthetic and natural.

Pampa has the largest stock of rubber "black" in the world. One of the crying needs today is that it be shipped in order to supply the critical needs until additional carbon black facilities can be put into production.

An official of one of the carbon black companies told The Pampa News today that the "black" cannot be shipped because the manpower is not available to ship it as fast as the war agencies are demanding it. These shipments are behind schedule because the manpower is not available in this area to do the necessary warehouse and loading work.

So badly are men needed that soldiers from Pampa army air field are working their off days in Pampa war industries, but that only gives partial relief to the manpower shortage.

Likewise, the use of soldiers is only temporary until the housing shortage can be relieved.

One of the reasons carbon black is in such urgent demand is that much more carbon black is needed in synthetic rubber than was used in natural rubber. Leaders of the industry say the post-war need for carbon black will be im-

mense. Carbon black will be required to put the whole world back on rubber. Carbon black has many other important uses, too numerous to mention here. Many of these also are military secrets.

General Eisenhower only a few days ago sent his personal plea to the home front telling of his dire need for more truck tires and more tank treads, because so many of his armies' supplies have to be moved by motor transport. And that means that General Eisenhower needs Pampa's carbon black.

The U. S. government, through the defense plant corporation, is now constructing a pipeline from Borger to the carbon black plants in the Pampa area in order to help bring Pampa carbon black plants to maximum production. This will increase the need for men here and is another reason why the WMC has certified the need for 400 more men locally.

The fabricating work at Cabot Shops, Inc., west of the city, probably is just as important as carbon black work because the fabrication work is a part of the construction of

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Japs Report Seeing Convoy

By LEONARD MILLMAN Associated Press War Editor
The Japanese high command today reported a big, heavily-guarded convoy of American transports moving westward through inland Philippine waters and claimed six were sunk in a two-day attack.

Unconfirmed Tokyo broadcasts recently have reported a seemingly endless movement of U. S. transport convoys in and around the Philippines. If only part of them were true it would mean Gen. Douglas MacArthur's troops were being heavily reinforced for their next amphibious operation.

Today's enemy communique said the convoy consisted of 30 transports escorted by more than 20 warships. Japanese planes, the report said, attacked Wednesday through Mindanao sea from Surigao strait south of Leyte Island, perhaps headed for Mindoro within 150 miles of Manila.

Tokyo radio claimed Nipponese air assaults on Mindoro were continuing. But General MacArthur said there was no trace of air, naval or land activity after U. S. PT boats and planes routed a Japanese task force that erratically shelled the airdrome and lost three destroyers. No mention was made of further damage to enemy warships by pursuing planes.

New major naval-air battles are expected to develop soon in the Western Pacific, said Vice Adm. Marc A. Mitscher, on his way back from six weeks' vacation to resume command of the fast carrier forces he has led in devastating raids up to the doorstep of Japan.

The Nipponese continued to throw bombers — in diminishing numbers — at the Saipan Superfortress base. They came from daily raided Iwo Island, 750 miles south of Tokyo.

OPA Seeks Price Ceiling To Curb Meat Blackmarket

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Proposed changes in the price ceiling program on live cattle would deal a "body blow to the illicit trade in meat," John J. Madigan, assistant director of food prices for the office of price administration, said yesterday afternoon.

The proposed changes, Madigan said, would not cause a sharp rollback in fat cattle prices. "We have no intention of sharply rolling back the price on fed cattle," the OPA executive asserted at a luncheon recess of a meeting here attended by OPA officials and 28 members of the advisory committee of the livestock industry of the Middle West.

Madigan said the proposed price ceilings on live cattle would be announced "within a few days" from Washington. Madigan asserted that the OPA proposal was for an over-all ceiling for beef and was not a ceiling by grades.

Ex-Sailors Die For Mississippi Murder

WAYNESBORO, Miss., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Two youthful ex-sailors went to their deaths calmly in the state's portable electric chair here today.

Texas Listed Among Plane Crash Victims

WESTHAMPTON BEACH, N. Y., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Flight Officer William D. Sanders, 23, of Troupe, Texas, was in a crew of eleven men who died Wednesday night in the crash of a B-24 bomber at West Mattituck, approximately 12 miles north-east of here. It has been announced the plane was on a combat mission from Westover field, Mass.

Bing Crosby Takes No. 1 Spot with 'Going My Way'

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Bing Crosby is the boy who made the box office cash registers in movie theaters jingle the most during 1944. The Motion Picture Herald, announcing results of its annual nationwide poll of movie exhibitors, said Bing's pictures sold the most theater tickets and that a single picture, "Going My Way," was responsible for moving him to the top. Last year he was fourth.

Bing Crosby

Denison Dam Is Under Capacity

DENISON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The \$55,000,000 Denison dam across the Red river faces the new year with its hydro-electric power output still on a temporary basis, Denison district army engineers said today.

Water in the reservoir behind the huge structure is still 16 feet below normal pool level for full-time power production, they explained.

The engineers have declared the dam, stretching between Texas and Oklahoma, will be capable of handling the greatest flood ever recorded on the stream. The flood of 1908 on the Red river, largest ever recorded, could be handled by the reservoir without water going over the spillway, the engineers said.

'44 Cotton Ginnings Decrease From '43's

Gray county cotton ginnings for 1944 showed a drop of over 50 per cent from the level of 1943, R. H. Wilson, special agent of the department of commerce bureau, has reported.

Texans Subscribe 136 Per Cent In Sixth War Loan

DALLAS, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Texas has rolled up a score of \$563,246,405 in war bond sales—136 per cent of its quota in the sixth war loan drive—in support of the nation's hard-fighting combat teams, Nathan Adams of Dallas, chairman of the War Finance committee of Texas, said today.

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Not a Gobble In A Whole Carload

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Not an alarm-sounding gobble in a truckload of turkeys! That's what Helen Goodrich of Suburban Van Nuys concluded after thieves in the night trucked away 200 birds.

One Killed, One Is Missing, One Hurt

CLARENDON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brock, parents of the fighting Brock triplets, said the war department had advised them that Boyd had been wounded, Floyd killed, and Lloyd missing in action.

Branniff Will Begin New Air Route Soon

DALLAS, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Inauguration of a new service on Jan. 2, between Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas, has been announced by Braniff Airways.

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Barge Sunk, Fireboat Damaged at Houston

HOUSTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A tug boat and a barge were sunk and a fireboat damaged by a terrific explosion in the ship channel east of here early today.

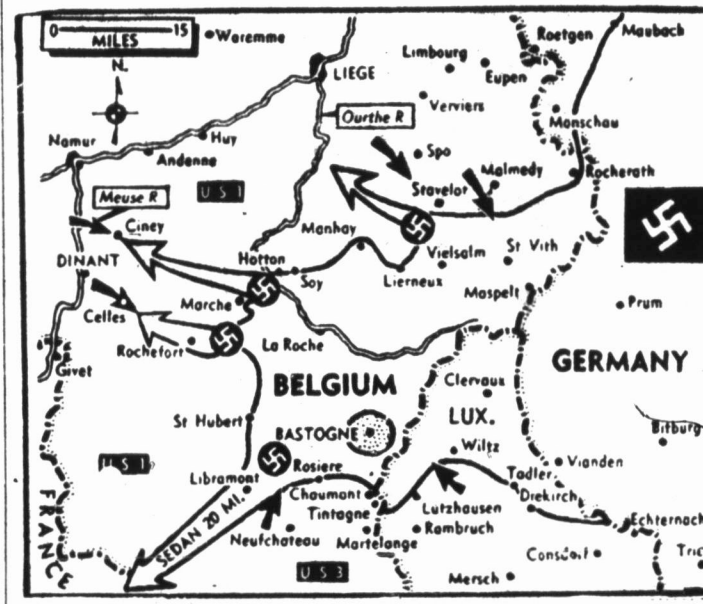
'AMERICANS KAPUT' PAMPAN, WITH BUDDIES, GIVES GERMANS 'SLIP'

Pvt. Mandred E. Davis of Pampa was one of nine men who hid in an old creamery in Belgium and watched gleeful Germans ransack a supply of American clothing, according to The Associated Press.

The men hid seven hours in the creamery watching the Germans picking the clothing up, waving it in the air and yelling "Americans kaput" (meaning "Americans finished"). The "finished" Americans left the town just in time to see U. S. artillery fire open up on the village.

NAZI DRIVE STOPS

WESTERN FRONT



Today's war map shows that American forces have regained Celles, four miles from the Meuse river. Nazis have beaten back from Celles as the U. S. 1st army rallies, averting immediate danger of a Nazi breakthrough. (NEA Telemap.)

Patton Forces Go 20 Mi. in 6 Days

By WILLIAM L. RYAN Associated Press War Editor

Field Marshal von Rundstedt's most advanced spearheads have been hurled back more than ten miles and chased across the Lesse and Homme rivers into Rochefort, as the Americans hammered the German bulge in Belgium and Luxembourg on all three sides, knocking the Nazi drive into reverse.

U. S. planes, artillery, flame-throwers, tank destroyers and infantry smashed the Germans from the hamlet of Humain, four miles southwest of Marche and four miles north of Rochefort. The Lesse and Homme at that point are about 14 miles east of the Meuse and 10 miles southeast of Celles, deepest German penetration.

On the southern flank, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's battering counter-assault on a 35-mile front, advanced up to 20 miles in six days, and field dispatches said it had broken the back of the German drive.

But in order to do so Patton had to give up the hard-won bridgehead across the Saar at Dillingen, where his forces had bitten into Siegfried line. Patton's troops, which hacked out the corridor to Bastogne and relieved its heroic garrison, widened the wedge in its eastern side by recapturing Hemptre and Salvaucourt, and reached Sibtret, five miles southwest of Bastogne.

Political Crisis Seen in Panama

BALBOA, Panama C. Z., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Intense political activity directed against President Ricardo Adolfo de la Guardia developed today.

WOMAN IDENTIFIED

HOUSTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The body of a woman found floating in Buffalo bay, has been identified as that of Mrs. Grace S. Berry, 33, by her mother, Mrs. J. H. Hawkins, who said Mrs. Berry was almost blind.

WAR IN BRIEF

WESTERN FRONT—American armored blows send most advanced German spearheads reeling back ten miles; Yanks slam into three sides of Belgian-Luxembourg bulge.

AMERICA PARADES: WORLD'S LARGEST NAVY NOW CONFRONTS ENEMY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The largest navy in the world, fighting the most extended war in history, now has 1,162 men-of-war to carry the battle to the enemy. And it is still growing.

Council Selects 1945 President

H. V. White, prominent business man of Borger, was selected president of the Adobe Walk Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, at the annual council business meeting held last night in the city commissioners' room.

REDUCTION PROPOSED

DALLAS, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Reduction of the Texas legislature from 150 to 72 will be proposed in a bill to be offered at the next session, Representative Preston Mangum has announced.

Mexican Is Sought In Stabbing Case

EL PASO, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Eusebio Valdez Guerrero was charged yesterday with murder in connection with the fatal stabbing of Ruben Romo Alaniz, during an altercation on a Mexican labor train near the Union station Dec. 22.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS: Mostly cloudy this afternoon, partly cloudy, warmer, with a few showers, except in Panhandle tonight; Saturday partly cloudy, warmer.

Harvesters Lose To Lynx 26-24; Play Panthers Tonight

Spearman Wins Tenth Game In All-Victorious Season

The Panhandle Panthers will meet Pampa's Harvesters tonight in the local junior high gymnasium. However, the "A" game will be played first and the "B" game last, reversing the usual order. Game time is 7:30 and admission will be 25c for students, 35c for adults.

Spearman's undefeated Lynx took the lead in the first period of play last night and fought off Harvester threats in the third and fourth quarters to win, 26-24. It was the second defeat in nine games for the Harvesters.

Inability to sink their free shots may have cost the Harvesters the game. Pampa made only four out of 22 attempts while Spearman made eight out of 15.

Randall Clay rang up 10 of the Harvesters points to take scoring honors for the night, but the team as a whole was missing too many shots.

Coach Otis Coffey told your writer last night he believed that Spearman would win the state championship in the Class B division, of which they are a member. The Lynx were excellent ball-handlers, and their undefeated record shows their prowess on the court.

Fouls were heavy in the game, Pampa getting charged with a total of 15 and Spearman with 16. Turner and Clay of Pampa went out via the foul route while Becker took the count for Spearman. Becker led his team in scoring with seven points.

Griffith On Ballot For Hall of Fame

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Baseball writers have a long list of candidates in the 1945 balloting for a new member of the Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, N. Y.

Among those under consideration are President Clark Griffith of Washington, Johnny Evers of the old Chicago Cubs, Fred Clarke of Pittsburgh, Bill Dickey of the Yankees, Rube Waddell of the Athletics, Roger Bresnahan of the Giants and Cards, Big Ed Walsh of the White Sox and Miller Huggins of the Yankees.

BASKETBALL Results

By The Associated Press
Oklahoma City All-College Tournament
(Semi-final round championship)
Oklahoma A & M, 42, Rice 28.
Arkansas 54, Oklahoma 51.

BOWLING

Player	Score
Moore	150
Head	140
Becker	130
Wilson	120
Davis	110
Jones	100
Womble	90

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THE BOX SCORE

Player	PG	FT	PF	TP
Lane	1	0	3	7
Dixon	3	1	0	3
Lane	1	0	3	2
Winborne	2	2	3	6
Brown	0	1	0	1
Fahle	0	0	0	0
Humphries	0	0	2	0
Totals	6	4	11	16

Spearman "B" (11)

Head	1	0	3	3
Womble	0	0	4	0
Davis	2	0	0	4
Berry	0	0	3	0
Larson	1	0	3	2
Totals	5	1	15	11

Pampa "A" (24)

Campbell	1	0	2	2
Head	2	0	1	4
Winborne	1	0	1	2
Turner	1	1	5	3
Clay	4	2	5	10
Davis	1	1	1	3
Totals	10	4	15	24

Spearman "A" (28)

Robertson	2	0	4	4
Becker	2	3	5	7
Wilson	2	1	1	5
Davis	3	0	2	6
Jones	0	3	1	3
Womble	0	1	3	1
Totals	9	8	16	28

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Ganders Installed As Favorites In Dallas Cage Meet

DALLAS, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Goose Creek became prime favorite in the Dallas High School invitational basketball tournament by outsting defending state champion Sunset, 27-23, last night.

Joining the Ganders for the quarter-final round today were Waco, North Side (Fort Worth), Adams (Dallas), North Dallas, Denton, Arlington Heights, and Woodrow Wilson (Dallas).

Goose Creek finished third in the state race last year. Other last night scores in the championship bracket were: Waco 38, Crozier Tech 35; Denton 23, Forney 20; Arlington Heights 53, Denton 25; North Dallas 46, Marins Hill 20; North Side (Fort Worth) 51, Tenaha 16; Adamson 26, Bowie 24, and Woodrow Wilson 40, Willis Point 11.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

36th Fighter Group Works on Germans

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The 36th fighter group, which boasts five Texas pilots, had a field day at the Nazis expense near Trier Saturday, downing 20 out of 85 German planes in one of the most furious air battles of the war.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

BRAMHAM SAYS NO TO BASEBALL

DURHAM, N. C., Dec. 29.—(AP)—An application for the Mexican national league for membership in the minor baseball leagues will probably have to wait until after the war.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

Britt Scores 23 Points as Kelton Beats Mobeetie

KELTON, Dec. 26.—David Britt scored 23 of his team's 25 points as the Kelton basketball team beat the Mobeetie Hornets 25-23 in an overtime game in the Kelton gymnasium Friday night.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

Perryton Rangers Schedule Four 1945 Conference Games

PERRYTON, Dec. 29.—Coach Tom Slack has announced a four-game football schedule for the Perryton Rangers in 1945. Two games will be played at home and two away.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

TOO CAGEY

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Prof. W. J. Lemke of the University of Arkansas has given sports writers a job some of them don't relish.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

STEELCHASE PAYS OFF

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark was the leading money winner of Steelchase horse racing in 1944 with a total earning of \$89,215 in taking 21 races, twice as much as any other stable.

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Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLETON JR.
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The biggest reason why Herbert Bayard Swope resigned as chairman of the New York state racing commission probably was that he was the only real "racing man" on that body.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

TODAY'S GUEST STAR

Eddie Britz, New York World-Telegram, "Well, whoever wins the war, the New York state athletic commission probably won't recognize him."

ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE

When Wilbert Robinson made seven hits in one game at Baltimore in 1892—the only time it ever has been done in major league baseball—not one Baltimore paper mentioned the feat.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

SERVICE DEPT.

Lt. Birdie Tebbets, former Tigers' catcher, has one of Texas' strongest basketball teams at Waco army air field. . . . The Red Cross Columbia club on the Rue de l'Espee in Paris has installed a gym with boxing equipment and has hired Cleo Locelli, former European lightweight champion, to run the place.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

MY GOSH, LOOK WHAT TIME IT IS! DON'T YOU WANT TO GO TO A CLOCK?

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

BOWL NOTES

DALLAS, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Both times that big Jim Lookabaugh saw Texas Christian's Horned Frogs play they were defeated but the coach of the Oklahoma Aggies said today he had no illusions of any easy job when his Cowboys meet the Frogs in the Cotton Bowl.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

EL PASO, TEX., DEC. 29.—(AP)

The old razzle-dazzle, the wide-open brand of football which has marked many a grid game in the Southwest, promises to give an interesting afternoon crowd when the University of Mexico meets Southwestern of Texas in the Sun Bowl New Year's day.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

PAAF Officers Play Childress Tonight

Stinging from a 38-24 defeat at the hands of the Liberal army air field quintet, the PAAF officers team will play the Childress army field five tonight at the post gymnasium.

—BUY MORE AS BEFORE—

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WASH TUBS

TREE TOPS BACK THAT SAP KITES FALL, IT'S HARDLY DAMAGED!

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THEY'LL PROBABLY WANT THAT NEW MODEL TO GO SHIPPED TO WRIGHT FIELD FOR STUDY!

YES, SIR, BUT THERE'S A LITTLE GADGET IT CAME OFF THAT WE NEED!

WHAT'S THAT, EASY?

THE DEVICE USED BY THE JAPS FOR AUTOMATICALLY IDENTIFYING THEIR PLANES AS FRIENDLY WHEN CAPPED BY ALLIED AIR FORCE. THIS LITTLE INSTRUMENT, COLONEL, MAY HELP GET THE PHOTOS WE NEED TO PLAN OUR FOLLOW-UP RAID ON KONOBE!

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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

I MUST BE SEEM' THINGS, YOUSE LOOK SUS' LIKE ME!

AND YOU LOOK LIKE ME!

SA-AAA-AAY!!

WERE YOU AT A RESTAURANT RECENTLY AND DID A YOUNG MAN TRY TO SPEAK TO YOU?

YEH! BUT MY HUMAN TOLD 'IM OFF-TH' FRESH TING!

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CAPTAIN YANK

YOUR PARDON, O WISE ONE— BUT ALL CAPTAIN I HAVE JUST RECALLED THAT THESE BEES (ALERT—NO ONE MAY MOVE THROUGH THE STREETS.)

NOT QUITE, ANCIENT SAGE— CERTAIN 'TIS UNDER THE FRIENDS OF NIPPON... PLEASE TO EXCLUDE THIS MOST UNMANNERED QUEST...

I COULD NOT WASTE ANOTHER MINUTE WITH THAT SECRETY TOOL— THE STRANGE COINCIDENCE OF RAID AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME MUST BE INVESTIGATED AT ONCE!

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OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS

LOOK AT THOSE MEN! THEY LOOK LIKE GENTLEMEN, AND YOU LOOK LIKE A BUM! WHY DON'T YOU HAVE MORE RESPECTABLE CLOTHES AND DRESS UP?

OKAY, I WILL! I'LL GET SOME NEW DRESSING UP HIMSELF BUT WANTED HER TO MAKE HIM DO IT!

I SEE NOW WHY HE WAS SO ANXIOUS FOR US TO STOP AN' PICK HIM UP— HE DIDN'T DARE START DRESSING UP HIMSELF!

I DID MINE GRADUALLY SINCE GIRLS STARTED WORKING IN TH' SHOP— MY WIFE NEVER NOTICED IT 'ER ELSE IT'S 'TAT SHE'D BE GLAD TO GET RID O' ME.

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ALLEY OOP

KING GOZ NEVER HAD NOTHIN LIKE THIS IN HIS MOOVIN' PLACE— NOT WITH O' QUEEN UMPATEEDLE ON DECK!

WOSH O' KING WUR HERE? ALL THESE GALS— WHOOEY! SOME STUFF!

MRS. MAZ? WHY SIR, KING 'IS UNDER THE THINK ABOUT ALL THIS COURT GAYETY?

OH! WELL... GEE! THAT MAKES THINGS DIFFERENT! SO A GUY DON'T WANT HAVE A QUEEN TBE A KING HERE IN LEM.

SHUCKS, I DON'T KNOW WHY THE SHOULD'N STICK AROUND FOR A SPELL... OOP... HEH!

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Good Time Had By All

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U'L ABNER

HAH NEVAH SEEN YOU IN ALL MAH LIFE! STRANGER AN' HE'VE SEEN YOU NEVAH SEEN YOU AGIN SIN' POTTY YARS!

GUILTY RECKON HE WAREN'T HANFAT COOK AFTER ALL 'TH' CONFOOZIN' THEY O'N' HE'VE SEEN 'TH' SAME CLOES HANFAT BIN POTTY YARS!

AN'—?— HE'S MARCHIN' INTO HANFAT'S HOUSE?

AN' MISSUS HANFAT IS A MISSUS NIM? HE MIGHTY PEEVED WHEN HE HEARS 'BOUT THIS?

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It's Onnotcherol!

HYAR COME IN— MARVIN! MARVIN!— TOO LATE! TUCKER! AN OWE HIM FIVE CENTS FOR IMMY YANSHUN GOLD GOLLER BUTTON.

HE SEES YO' PAPPY? NO SENSE A RUNNIN'! YO' KNOWS HOW GAY IS ABOUT COLLECTIN' NOW THET HE SEES YO' HE'LE NEVAH SPO' YANMERIN' FO' TH' FIVE CENTS.

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RED RYDER

TH' KRONE BROTHERS SURE, I KNOW 'EM!

AREN'T THEY IN TOWN SHERIFF?

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An Important Meeting

YEP, RED! I SEEN 'EM GO IN TH' HOT SPOT TWENTY MINUTES AGO!

I RECOLLECT THET HAD SOMETHIN' TO DO WITH TH' NEW ROAD!

PLENTY— THEY'LL FIND IT! NOW LET'S FIND OUT WHO'S BLOWIN' TH' ROAD! AN' INTRODUCE OURSELVES TO TH' KRONES!

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE

By MAJOR HOOPER

EGAD, JAKE! YOU ARE THE SAME CRUDE LOU— SCOFFING AT MY ABILITY AS BODYGUARD AND OFFERING MR. PIKE YOUR OWN UNCOU' PERSON FOR THE JOB? AND THAT COARSE GUFFAW OF YOURS WHEN I TOLD HIM I ONCE PROTECTED THE PERSON OF THE BEY OF BOOPWAR.

LOOK, STUPID! YOU CAN'T DEFECK YOUR OWN BLOWN-UP TROOP GONIN' THROUGH A RECKLIN' DOOR! PERSONALITY, MUSCLES, GOOD LOOKS, I GOT YOU SKINNED IN EVERY DEPARTMENT EXCEPT WIND VELOCITY!

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE

By MAJOR HOOPER

EGAD, JAKE! YOU ARE THE SAME CRUDE LOU— SCOFFING AT MY ABILITY AS BODYGUARD AND OFFERING MR. PIKE YOUR OWN UNCOU' PERSON FOR THE JOB? AND THAT COARSE GUFFAW OF YOURS WHEN I TOLD HIM I ONCE PROTECTED THE PERSON OF THE BEY OF BOOPWAR.

LOOK, STUPID! YOU CAN'T DEFECK YOUR OWN BLOWN-UP TROOP GONIN' THROUGH A RECKLIN' DOOR! PERSONALITY, MUSCLES, GOOD LOOKS, I GOT YOU SKINNED IN EVERY DEPARTMENT EXCEPT WIND VELOCITY!

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Conversation Prints



By EPSIE KINARD
NEA Staff Writer

NEW YORK.—Able to step out now with coats and to go their bright way alone through the spring and summer are town-minded suits and dress frocks which break into print with such "conversation piece" designs as rule pins, question marks and other amusing motifs.

Although patterns are as a rule small-scaled for tailored prints—whopping big poppies and roses bloom more often on dressy dresses—background colors come straight from the paint box in brilliant hues as well as watered down shades. Bright appeal is further clinched by inventive treatment at the hands of designers, who, for instance, give a new look to the shirtwaist dress by tacking a sarong-shaped skirt onto it, as shown on the model at the right.

One of a collection of Joseph Halpert's imaginative prints—this one has black safety pins on a background as pink as lipstick—the shirtwaist top is combined with a sarong skirt which wraps around, pulls through a black fallie belt to swing like a handkerchief lodged at the waist.

Clever manipulation of print and solid color fabrics freshens the appeal of dress suits, as does the model, shown left, featuring a colorless string-tied jacketed dress in a black and white question-mark print, lines of which are boldly emphasized by a black crepe hip sheathe and simulated gilet.

Ration Calendar

(As of Wednesday, Dec. 27.)

MEATS, FATS, ETC.—Book 4 Red stamps Q5, R5 and S5 valid indefinitely. Five new Red stamps will become valid Sunday, Dec. 31, on which date new point values for meat become effective and many cuts will be returned to rationing. Butter point value was increased from 20 to 24 points a pound on Dec. 26.

PROCESSED FOODS—Book four Blue stamps K5, Y5, Z5, A2 and B2 valid indefinitely. On Jan. 1 five new Blue stamps will be validated. Changes in vegetable points become effective Dec. 26, when canned peas, corn, green and wax beans, asparagus and spinach were added to ration list. Other changes in processed food point values will take effect Dec. 31.

SUGAR—Book four stamp No. 34 good indefinitely for five pounds; all other coupons have been cancelled. Another sugar stamp will be validated Feb. 1.

SHOES—Book three airplanes stamps 1, 2 and 3 valid indefinitely. **GASOLINE**—14-A coupons good everywhere for four gallons each through March 21. B-5 and C-5 coupons good everywhere for five gallons; B-4 and C-4 coupons will expire Dec. 31.

FUEL OIL—Old period four and five coupons and new period one and two coupons good throughout the current heating year. In midwest and south period three coupons also good now and valid throughout heating season.

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—It is estimated that 60 to 65 per cent of our surpluses will be so purely military in character as to be unusable for civilian use.—Sen. James M. Mead of New York.

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USO Camp Show Slated Saturday At Pampa Field

SGT. KEN WEAVER

A concert soprano, a comedy musical team, a veteran juggler, and girl sextette, who appeared with a fan dancer Sally Rand Camp Show unit, are on the 90-minute "Hot Off" USO Camp Show which will play before PAAP audiences for two shows tomorrow night.

Shows are called for 7 and 9 p.m. in the post theatre. USO Camp Show publicity men—with blushing phrases known only to publicity men—describe the show as follows: "This is an eye-filling array of talent, rated among the year's best 'packaged vaudeville' shows, with click comedy beginning with the clever M. C., and carried on by comedians who are masters in the art of nonsensical absurdities. Add pretty girls, singing and dancing, spectacular novelties, and you have "Hot Off," with the compliments of USO Camp Shows."

A list of the cast includes Olga Dubnietz, concert soprano, who joined the show from Chicago, where she was active in the musical affairs of the Windy City, gave recitals at Orchestra Hall, and made an appearance as guest soloist with the Chicago Symphony orchestra under direction of the notable conductor, Serge Koussevitzky.

Others on the show are: Le Van and Bolles, a comedy talking and singing act; James Evans, a veteran juggler who reverses the usual pitching by hand technique and whips up an act in which he does his tricks with his feet; Park Avenue Sextette, former members of the chorus line for Sally Rand of fan dancer fame; Herron and Richardson, musical and singing act; and David L. August, pianist and conductor.

Commission Appoints Safety Committee

A safety committee, composed of J. B. Massa, Don Conley, and James McCune, has been appointed by the city commission to study the traffic and safety conditions in Pampa. The committee will investigate needs for new traffic lights, speed laws, and other factors which might contribute toward making Pampa streets safer for motorists and pedestrians alike.

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—Read the News' Classified Ads.

Ex-cel-cis Beauty Treatments
Sold in Kits or in Separate Pieces at
Wilson Drug
300 S. Cuyler—Phone 600

Lions Club Entertains Guests At Banquet; Rev. Bowen, Guest Speaker

"This is a great period in history to be living," said the Rev. E. E. Bowen in his address last night to Pampa Lions club and guests when the club held its 14th night at the First Methodist church hall.

"Our world has become a small world. This physical nearness is bringing about a closer relation with the peoples of this world and now we are living in a complicated world; a mass of human misery exists in our world, the like of which our earth has seldom, if ever, seen.

"If only we could hope that war would solve the problems it has set on foot to solve, then that would redeem, in part, our estimation of our time, but war never does that.

"When the conflict is over and the sacrifices have been made, Hitler, to be sure will be gone, but the basic problems that confronted us before will remain, and endless new problems will arise.

"Our day is a day when we cannot seek personal ease. It is also a time when we cannot remain static. We dislike change and we love to stay safe by staying put; we cling to familiar things rather than risking the unknown that alteration brings.

"The three major forces of our times are fascism, communism and democracy, and on one point these three forces agree: they are all demanding a radical change. Fascism insists on political change; communism on economic change, and democracy insists that we cannot continue to plunge from one war into another. Consequently, when these three most powerful forces of our day call for a change we are likely to get it.

"We fought in the last war with two clear objectives in mind: to end the military threat of Germany, and we did not achieve that. We fought in the last war to make the world safe for democracy; instead we opened the door to one dictatorship after another," Bowen said.

"I ask you now," said Rev. Bowen, "what are we going to do with Europe when we win the war? What kind of unconditional terms will those at the peace table demand? How are we going to feed and clothe those of other nations, and, most of all, how are we going to help them rebuild?" Rev. Bowen asked.

He also added that when the last war was over we in America insisted that we had won the war and that we now wanted our soldiers home. "If we do this again," Bowen said, "in another 25 years we will be in the same position as we see ourselves today. We have trusted in education and in science; this is good because it brings us back to the fundamentals, but there is one more thing that must be included in thinking and that is a more concise adaptation of human relationships. Until we get a firm grasp and understanding of this, then I see no hope for the world," Bowen concluded.

Dr. E. A. Webb, Lion's club president, was in charge of ceremonies and introduced Sgt. Mickey Ledrick, stationed at Ephrata, Wash., who is visiting his family here. Ledrick was appointed "tailwister." Lt. W. L. Campbell, former Panaman, now stationed at Mare Island, Calif., was introduced, as were other guests, including members of Gene Lively's orchestra, who furnished music throughout the evening. A sing-song was led by Leonard Belden.

D. L. Parker, toastmaster, introduced C. A. Cryer, former member of Pampa's Lion's club, now of Berger. Cryer presented the Bergerettes, composed of Doris Spensh, Dottie Chitwood, Louelyn Pennington and Wanda Lucas, who gave a number of vocal selections.

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—Thomas Jefferson founded the first state university in the United States—the University of Virginia.

Crocheted Kitten 5653



By MRS. ANNE CABOT
A nice big, cuddly pussy-cat made of black and white wool and wearing a red satin bow will be the most admired toy in the house. Whiskers are crocheted, green eyes are embroidered on. Body is stuffed—"fur" is made of soft loop stitch. Really a very handsome cat! To obtain complete crocheting instructions for the Pussy-Cat (Pattern No. 5653) illustrations of stitches used, send 15 cents in COIN, plus 1 cent postage, YOUR NAME, ADDRESS and the PATTERN NUMBER to Anne Cabot, The Pampa News, 1150 Sixth Avenue, New York 19, N. Y.

Designs for "winter woollies" of all sorts and for all ages are found in the new Fall and Winter Anne Cabot ALBUM. Ideas for gifts, home decoration are included. Send for your copy, 15 cents.

Saddler-Tinnin Vows Exchanged, Home Ceremony

In a single ring ceremony read at 6 p. m. on Christmas day, Mrs. Katherine Saddler, 443 N. Hill and W. L. Tinnin of Borger were married.

The ceremony took place in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cecil, 445 1/2 N. Hill with the Rev. E. Douglas Curver reading the ritual. Vows were exchanged against a background of Yuletide decorations. Red candles, holly and baskets of cedar wreaths tied with red ribbons completed decorations with the lighted Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil were attendants. Mrs. Cecil wore an afternoon dress of powder blue with black accessories.

The bride wore a navy blue suit with black accessories and an orchid corsage.

Following the marriage ceremony a reception was held in the Cecil home where Christmas dinner was served. The couple left shortly after the dinner for a wedding trip to Denver.

Mrs. Tinnin has been a resident of Pampa for several years and has been employed with the Texas company here.

The bridegroom is engaged in grocery business in Borger where he owns and operates his own store. Temporarily they will make their home at 443 N. Hill.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Sam W. Turner, Jr., and sons Don and Robert of Cody, Wyo.

Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Thayer, Mrs. M. Peoples, Mrs. L. W. Watterson, Miss Katherine McConnell.

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—

Secret Pals Named At Recent Social

A party was held recently in the home of Miss Mary Francis Keffer when she entertained members of the Chitler chat club.

Following a social hour, secret pals were revealed and gifts were exchanged. Miss Dorothy Barrett and Miss Keffer distributed gifts. Refreshments were served to the following members and guests:

- Mrs. B. Rose, Mrs. Howard Archer, Miss Mary Griffith, Miss Ronda Lattard, Miss Bea Clark, Mrs. James Culppeper, Mrs. Lawrence Willis, Mrs. L. E. West, Mrs. J. L. Harrison, Mrs. J. C. Payne, Miss Martha Walker, Miss Dorothy Barrett.

Mrs. J. L. Harrison will be hostess at the next meeting.

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4:30—The Publisher Speaks.
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5:20—Interlude.
5:30—Superman.—MBS.
5:45—10-24 Ranch.
6:00—Fulton Lewis Jr., news.—MBS.
6:15—Vincent Lopez Orch.—MBS.
6:30—First Christian Church.
6:45—Sinfonietta.—MBS.
7:00—Singing up the News.—MBS.
7:15—Funeral Home.—MBS.
7:30—Freedom of Opportunity.—MBS.
8:00—Gabriel Heatter.—MBS.
8:15—Real Stories from Real Life.—MBS.
8:30—Double or Nothing.—MBS.
8:40—Bosnie Match.—MBS.
10:00—Radio Newsweek.—MBS.
10:15—George Starkey's Orch.—MBS.
10:30—Good-night.

This is MUTUAL

CHURCHES

Calvary Baptist Plan Midnight Watch Service

The Calvary Baptist church is presenting a New Year's Eve watch service and the pastor A. L. James has extended an invitation to Pampans to take part in the following program: Prayer service, 9:15 a. m.; Sunday school, 9:45; morning worship, 10:30.

The house will be open throughout the afternoon for those who wish to come for prayer and consecration. In the evening, prayer service, 6:30; training union, 7; song and praise, 8; evening worship, 8:30; baptismal service at close of evening service; recreational time in basement for all, 11 p. m. consecration time for everyone present, 11:40 p. m.

Rev. James has urged all who are interested in the welfare of our nation, and those who have loved-ones serving in the armed forces, to attend these services.

Christian Science Sunday Study Topic

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 31.

The Golden Text is: "The prophecy came not in old time by the spirit of man, but by the word of God Holy Ghost" (II Peter 1:21).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge, that I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?" (Proverbs 22:20, 21).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The 'still, small voice' of scientific thought reaches over continent and ocean to the globe's remotest bound."

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—Belgium, occupying an area of 11,800 square miles, is about the size of Maryland.

Canadian Resident Succumbs at Age 68

CANADIAN, Dec. 29.—Albert P. Knollenberg, 68, resident of Canada, died following a long illness in his home here at 2 p. m. Wednesday.

He came to Canadian in 1913 and was in the insurance and real estate business until illness prevented active work. He organized the Canadian Building and Loan association, was a bank director for a period of years, served as mayor of Canadian, 1923-1931, was a member of the Canadian volunteer fire department a member of the I.O.O.F. and Rebekah lodges.

Mr. Knollenberg is a native of Illinois. Interment will be made in Pleasant Hill cemetery.

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—Only a cold and prosaic soul could be unmoved at the passing of the old year and the coming of the new. It is not a year that is passing—just a day, for the transition from December 31 to January 1 is not different from that which transpires at any midnight. But there is an immense psychological difference, inevitably we think of time in its artificial divisions, and the "year" marking a full cycle in the earth's movement, in the cease-long experience of man has marked a similar cycle in his inward life. "The days of our years," "we spend our years"—the reference is to life in terms of years is all through literature, secular and sacred.

It is not strange, then, that the coming of each New Year brings to every normal person a thrill of expectancy, if also a pang of regret for just failure and for the inevitable, impending death that is appointed to all men. It is then, if we have anything of the seriousness of the ancient Psalmist, that we pray, "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—

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Pampa Red Cross To Hold Annual Meet January 9

The annual meeting of Pampa chapter of American Red Cross will be held Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 7:30 p. m. in the Junior High auditorium, according to Mrs. Carl J. Wright, publicity chairman.

"This is the annual meeting and there will be a report from the nominating committee and officers will be elected at this time. The meeting should be attended by all who have donated any amount of money to the Red Cross. The program will be announced later," Mrs. Wright stated.

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—

Gen. Ike Doesn't Forget the Folks

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Gen. Dwight Eisenhower has plenty on his mind these days, but he hasn't forgotten the folks back home.

Mrs. Annie Eisenhower, the general's aunt, has received his condolences on the recent death of her husband, Dr. Abraham Lincoln Eisenhower, 79. The message, cabled from Europe, read: "Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of Uncle Able.—Dwight D. Eisenhower."

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A FEW DROPS Daily Relieve Distress of HEAD COLDS!
It's so easy to get prompt, effective relief from distress of head colds with Vicks-Vapo-Rol! Works right where trouble is to reduce congestion—soothe irritation—make breathing easier. Also helps prevent many colds from developing if used in time. Try it! Follow directions in folder.
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"At Home" in YOUR HOME
When folks talk about the housing situation these days, they don't have to worry about Reddy Kilowatt. Whether city, town, or country, he lives right in your home, at every outlet. He has no housing problem, so he is always available, ready to be of service to you.
At even lower wages than he drew before the war, Reddy is performing dozens of jobs in every wired home. Your electric bill is certainly one bright spot in your present-day living expenses.
Whether you ask him to do much or little, Reddy will work cheerfully and well. Call him day or night. You won't need to wait—you're always first on Reddy's list. And he still performs work of prewar quality and amount. Whatever the job, the time, or the place, call on Reddy Kilowatt.
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Ogdensburg's Good Idea
The end of the Sixth War Loan drive obviously does not end the need or desirability of buying war bonds, nor should it end regional and national efforts to stimulate such buying. And in the latter connection, it seems to us that the people of Ogdensburg, N. Y., have hit upon a scheme worth copying elsewhere.

When the bonds are bought the sponsor secures a "Win-the-War Certificate," an engraved document issued in honor of the sponsored person in service, which lists the names of purchasers on the back. The certificate is then sent to the sponsored person.

The merit of this scheme is evident in the letters from recipients which Ogdensburg sponsors have received. The certificate, a small but tangible evidence of home-front appreciation, is welcomed by fighting men, the sponsors report. And certainly the sincerity and good taste of this plan takes it out of the "promotion stunt" class.

Jap Strategy

The enemy was forced to make the Mindoro landings due to the terrific pressure exerted by our victorious forces on Leyte Island. The enemy was just squeezed out of Leyte," says Jap Gen. Masaharu Homma.

It appears that the Japs, by a stern threat to bury their use in Gen. MacArthur's fist, compelled him to kick them in the seat of the pants instead.

Crystal Ball

Back in 1939 a St. Louis millionaire engaged a hotel room, entered it, and hasn't been out since. Any man who could foresee the hotel room shortage five years, to say nothing of the long line to get outside just long enough to tell us when the war will be over.

The Nation's Press

Why do the United States and England make fish of Italy and Greece and force of Soviet Russia? Secretary of State Stettinius' statement of December 4, directed mainly at the Churchill government, says that "the composition of the Italian government is purely an Italian affair" and that the United States "expects the Italians to work out their problems of government along democratic lines without influence from outside."

He further says that "this policy would apply to an even greater pronounced degree with regard to governments of the United Nations in their liberated territories."

These statements record the State Department's dissent from Churchill's antagonism to the ascension to power of Count Starza in Italy and his indorsement of the monarchist regime in Greece. Why has our government not said the same things to Soviet Russia?

Why is it that "the composition of the Italian government is purely an Italian affair" and the composition of the governments of Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Iran and Finland is purely a Russian affair?

Why do we expect the Italians (and presumably the Greeks and the Belgians) to work out their problems of governments along democratic lines without influence from the outside? and remain fearlessly neutral when Soviet Russia does not allow the countries she forcibly annexes to work out their problems "along democratic lines"?

She did not! The treaty these nations precisely as Hitler treats conquered nations—"Play the game our way—or else—"

Why, then, does our State Department slap Churchill in the face because he is interfering with Italian, Belgian and Greek affairs and salama to Stalin for doing the same thing—only on a more colossal and dangerous scale?

If we have the courage to dictate to one of our Allies, England, why have we not the manhood to dictate to another one of our Allies, Soviet Russia?

And while we are on this important subject let us ask Mr. Churchill a pointed question: Why does he condemn the Communist movement in Greece and Italy while supporting it in Yugoslavia and Poland?

All of which apparently boils down to this: Soviet Russia can do as she pleases. She can violate all agreements and "charters" and the comity of allies. She can destroy "democratic processes" wherever she sees fit. What secret power has made this Kremlin oligarchy exempt from criticism, let alone interference?

It is the fear or the sinister working of the worldwide Communist revolution—which is aimed mainly at the conquest of the United States? Is this heroic, mighty nation at just afraid?

Laissez-Faire Means Unrestricted Rights To Full Production

By ROSE WILDER LANE
(Author of "Let the Hurricane Roar," "Give Me Liberty," and "The Discovery of Freedom.")

Laissez-Faire is a French idiom, imperfectly translated as idle idiom, and it is entirely misunderstood by those Americans who suppose that it means "do nothing, let things remain as they are." The best translation of laissez-faire into the American language is "let a free man do as he pleases." It appears, too, in a poignant and profound work of art in American literature, William E. DuBois' "Dark Princess," where the American hero, humble and self-doubtful as a guest at dinner among cultured Europeans, suddenly "made a decision, as though some great voice crying and reverberating within him, spoke for him and yet was him. He had started to say, 'I reckon there's as much high-born blood among American Negroes as among any people. We've had our kings, presidents and judges...' He started to say this, but did not finish. He found himself saying calmly and with slightly lifted chin:

"I reckon you're right. We American blacks are very common people. My grandfather was a whipped and driven slave; my father was never really free and died in jail. My mother plows and washes for a living. We come out of the depths—the blood and mud of battle. And from just such depths, I take it, come most of the worthwhile things of this old world. As though some great voice said: 'LET MY PEOPLE GO.'"

"The table was very still." (But, later on) Pab! blurted the Egyptian. "Pardon, Royal Highness, but what art ever came from the cannibals?"

"The blood rushed to Mathew's face. He threw back his head and closed his eyes, and he heard again the Great Song. He saw his father in the old church by the river, leading the mourning singers in the Great Song of Emancipation. Clearly, plainly he heard that mighty voice and saw the rhythmic swing and beat of the thick brown arm. Mathew swung his arm and made the table, the silver tinkled. Since that day, on all and sundry, Mathew found himself singing. His voice full, untrained but mellow, quivered down the first plaintive bar:

"When Israel was in Egypt land—Then I gathered them from out of a strange land: Let my people go! "He forgot his audience and saw only the shining river and the bowed shouting throng: Oppressed so hard, they could not stand, "Let my people go. "Then Mathew let go restraint and sang as his people sang in Virginia, seventy years ago. His deep voice, gathered in one long, deep breath, rolled the Call of God.

Go down Moses! Way down into Egypt land. Tell old Pharaoh To let my people go! "That is the meaning of laissez-faire as an Egyptian word, as Hitler, true for all people in all ages. Outside our United States, there is not a person of "middle" or "low (working) class" birth, who can not truthfully say, "My grandfather was driven slave; my father was never really free. I am not let to give freely now."

CONSUMERS INCREASE THEIR PRODUCTION
Historically, laissez-faire in economic means, abolish police-control of an economy. It was the reply made by French manufacturers and merchants to the king who, at his wit's end asked them what he could do for the bankrupt treasury and the starving people of France. The reply was "laissez-faire; let us act as we see fit, preventing Frenchmen from making, doing, acting. (Fair: to do, to act, to make.) Take off your restrictions; let people freely make and sell goods. Pharaoh, let the French people go." The king, of course, did not do it.

When the State does not prevent people from acting freely, when the police let men control their own actions in working, in making and selling and buying goods; then they produce more than they consume, and they use this surplus wealth as a tool to increase their production and distribution of useful things. When surplus wealth is used as a tool of production, it is called capital; a not-State-controlled economy is called capitalism.

LAISSEZ-FAIRE: (in economics) removal of police restrictions from economic action.
CAPITALISM: a free economy; an economic result of laissez-faire.
LAISSEZ-FAIRE CAPITALISM: a meaningless phrase, frequently used, confounding cause and effect, and adding to the confusion of these times.

So They Say

As the tempo of the war increases, the troops overseas demand more and more from us here in the United States. The production of the necessary tools for final victory is far from an accomplished fact.—Lt. Gen. Breton B. Somervell, army service forces chief.

One could not help being aware of a growing restiveness and indignation among the men upon receiving news of strikes, as well as the reports of high wages and luxury spending.—Rev. Theodore C. Speers of New York, back from Alaska.

The earliest examples of wood carving are some remnants of Scandinavian carving dated from the ninth and tenth centuries.

Where There's Strife



NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS The National Whirligig

By RAY TUCKER
FACTS—Moscow's negotiation of treaties with London and the De Gaulle government has provoked considerable suspicion in this country, especially among supposed insiders at Washington.

These offensive-defensive agreements have been assailed as a return to balance of power politics, as anti-American moves and as a violation of the tentative Dumbarton Oaks pact. These external tie-ups strike some observers as hostile and contrary to the ideas behind the world council.

Our highest diplomatic spokesmen, however insist that these fears are unfounded, and that our Allies are not double-crossing us in this instance. The setup provided by the imperfect and far from completed Dumbarton Oaks council does look like a definite prevention of conflicts through international action against aggressors. But it does not prevent member nations from making separate agreements with each other.

Indeed, it is hoped that negotiations concluded under these bilateral documents will permit the signatories to settle many provocative issues between themselves, and thereby make it unnecessary for the over-all organization to intervene. Thus, if France and Russia should have a difference over the future treatment of Germany or over the handling of any serious European problem, they would first try to come to terms on the basis of the Paris-Moscow treaty. The same would apply with respect to the Russo-English pact.

But if the controls should fail to harmonize their differences, then the matter would be submitted to the juristic body formulated (or contemplated) at the assembly of the "United Nations" representatives here last summer.

BOMBING—It is Stalin's military standstill rather than his diplomatic aggressiveness which causes chief concern to America's High Command at the present moment. And their blood pressure has been rising steadily as they receive daily reports of our setback and loss of life on the Rhineland frontier.

In view of our own critical shortage of heavy ammunition, Germany's ability to feed its attacking troops with vast supplies of shells naturally sparks amazement on this side of the water. So does her possession of tanks and artillery, reported to be qualitatively superior to our own. The American press has been given the impression that our bombing had pulverized her munitions plants.

So it had in Western Germany. The war missiles and machinery which Marshal von Rundstedt has

Peter Edson's Column: OWI SELLS UNITED STATES TO FRENCH

By PETER EDSON
The Pampa News Washington Correspondent

French people still have a number of misconceptions about the United States and the American war effort which the psychological warfare division of the army and the Office of War Information are trying to correct, says Edward W. Baggett, director of the OWI's overseas division, just back from an inspection trip in England, France, Luxembourg and Belgium.

One of the OWI jobs has been to run a public opinion survey group to keep abreast of what the French think about the Yanks and from these analyses it has been learned that sizable elements of the population believe such things as that German war prisoners are coddled in the United States since they have a better and softer life than the average Frenchman; that the present shortages of coal, food and clothing for the French civil population are unnecessary or are being deliberately held back; that there are large numbers of U. S. troops in Paris who are somehow responsible for the shortages; and that Americans are still barbarians with no regard for the finer things of life.

All such beliefs are considered justifications for pouring out information which will explain what a lovable character the American GI really is and which will overcome French prejudices long been built to meet its requests.

Crowds of 800 an hour have been visiting "Since 1939," an exhibition of news photographs set up in Paris. Excitement implies large lines built to tour the information-hungry

Around Hollywood

By ERSKINE JOHNSON

The movie version of "Winged Victory" on the wing—Producer Mack Hart did not accompany the GI cast to Hollywood for Darryl Zanuck's celluloid version. When the company arrived in movietown, there was a telegram from the playwright posted on the headquarters bulletin board. It read: "Absence makes the Hart grow fonder."

Pvt. Lon McAllister, who has one of the leads, made his film debut at the age of 13 in "Romeo and Juliet," in which John Barrymore appeared. Watching the Great Profile apply his makeup one day, Lon asked him what kind of liquid he was rubbing on his face.

"That's unimportant, m'boy," replied the great Jack. "If you want to succeed, the best lotion for your face is good honest perspiration." Pic. Ray McDonald, former screen dancer, tried to get out of going on an eight-mile hike, contending it would affect his dancing. "Something will have to be done about that," Lt. Col. Walter M. Durham, his commander, said. "The, does dancing affect your feet?"

"No, sir," said Ray, "just marching."

"That's fine," the colonel replied. "Hereafter when you're ordered to march on an eight-mile hike—dance it."

THREE BROOKLYN SPROUTS

When George Jessel saw Cpl. Red Buttons, Cpl. Jack Slate and Pfc. Henry Slate, three comies he knew from prewar days in Brooklyn, on the set, he commented: "Hmmm—A Trio Grows in Brooklyn."

Sgt. Peter Lind Hayes, who plays a B-24 mechanic, saw Gregory Raloff carrying a "prop" came around the lot one day and commented, "That Raloff certainly is a character—he even walks with an accent." Filling out a publicity questionnaire for the film, Sgt. Hayes wrote in the space reserved for "remarks": "Comedian, singer, mimic. Will sleep in."

Eugene Conley, tenor star of the San Carlo Opera company, who has one of the finer voices in the country, was one of the GIs assigned to "Winged Victory." But though he appears in the picture, he doesn't sing a note! There's mis-casting in the air force, too.

"Winged Victory" has three sets of twins—Billy and Bobby Mauch of the "Perrod" series; Ramon and Paul Blackburn Broadway dancers last seen in "Sons of Pun," and Claude and Clarence Stroud, former radio comedians.

Before he joined the air force Henry Royland was stamped as a "nazi type" with Hollywood casting directors and appeared in 27 pictures in the role of a German officer. In "Winged Victory" for the first time in his film career, Royland doesn't play a German officer. He plays an American army officer.

Gertrude Lawrence's daughter, Pamela, received fabulous offers from movie producers who wanted to star her in pictures, and she turned them all down. But she accepted a small role in "Winged Victory" because she wanted to be near her husband, Capt. William Cahoon, who is medical officer with the company.

CHVT. McALLISTER MET PERRY COMO

Pvt. McAllister met Perry Como, the singer, on the bus coming into the studio one morning. Pvt. McAllister was wearing his GI uniform and Como was dressed in civilian clothes. Half an hour later, they met again leaving the dressing room building. McAllister, who plays a civilian in the early part of the film, was wearing "civvies." Como, who was playing a soldier in "Something for the Boys," was wearing a soldier uniform.

WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED

A PURITAN VILLAGE IN 1680
The basic principles of human conduct in the Puritan civilization were Work and Piety, but they were inseparable and had to be practiced together. If you had been a Puritan of the 17th century you might have been possibly one of the most willing, industrious and capable workers in the colony. But if you had lacked Piety, if you had neglected the church, if you had played games on Sunday, if you had observed Christmas as a holiday and a time of merrymaking, the heavy hand of authority would have fallen on you and most of your holidays would have been spent in the stocks.

But on the other hand, let us suppose that you were as pious as Cotton Mather, that you never failed to pray and to attend church, to read the Bible and to keep the holy commandments; but let us suppose further, that you never got out of bed until 10 in the morning, that you never did a stroke of work and scorned industry of all kinds. In that case, though your Piety would have been commendable you would have found yourself in the stocks, side by side with the atheist who made work his religion.

The Walling family combined Work and Piety in such sound proportions that the two parts fitted together perfectly. Every member of the family—except the very young children—had some kind of work to do. Even little daughter Patience, who was only 8, had been taught to embroider samplers and to hem table napkins.

HENRY, the oldest son—he was 22—was employed by his uncle in Boston. This relative owned a number of vessels that made trading voyages to the West Indies. Young Henry did not expect to remain permanently in the shipping trade. His father

WAR TODAY

By DEWITT MCKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

The German counter-offensive finally has been clubbed down to a near standstill and we now are witnessing the preliminaries of what is likely to develop into a vast, liquid battle which may determine the duration of the European conflict.

This is one of the really great moments of the war, for there's a fighting chance that General Eisenhower may be able to trap and annihilate a large part of the Hitlerite forces. He foresaw this possibility exists, it should be remembered of Nazi Marshal von Rundstedt's surprise breakthrough, and developments have kept the opportunity open for the allied commander.

While recognizing that this possibility exists, it should be emphasized that we have no right to bank on such good fortune. The Allies will win the battle, but circumstances are such that no man can foresee the details of the victory.

The position is that the Allies have stopped the German drive short of the Meuse river and our vital communication centers of Liege, Namur and Sedan. Not only that, but American forces have been making dangerous slashes into the perimeter of the big bulge which Von Rundstedt has thrust into Allied territory.

von Rundstedt has ceased, at least temporarily, to try to expand his salient and seems to be devoting his energies to consolidating his positions, bringing up supplies and giving his men a rest after a fortnight of terrific strain which has taken them fifty miles or more into enemy territory. We mustn't assume, though, that this necessarily means the Nazi commander has abandoned his counter-offensive.

TAKE A LAUGH

Laughter comes hard these days—another tragedy of war. But that there are a few chuckles left, on the home front is indicated by some definitions given by a group of high school students. They are good for what ails you:

A myth is a female moth.
A brunette is a young bear.
A blizzard is the inside of a fowl.
Edison was the inventor of the "indecent lamp."
A socialist is a man who goes to parties all the time.
Immortality is running away with another man's wife.

In the west the farming is done mostly by irritating the land.
To protect the North American Indians the Government has put them in reservations.
An optimist is a man who looks after your eyes. A pessimist looks after your feet.

May—the artist says that 10,000 won't buy that picture he has on exhibit.
Sam—I'm one of the 10,000.

HOLD EVERYTHING



THE WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED

The large number of napkins was due to the fact that forks had not come into use as table implements. Food was picked up on the flat end of a knife, or in a spoon, or with the bare hands. Whenever bones were encountered, as in a turkey or a piece of pork, both hands were used. In the course of an ordinary meal the hands became soiled several times. Before a new napkin was used, a small cup of water in which he would dip his hands and wipe them with napkins. As a rule it was many napkins were used: each meal.

wanted him to pass a few years in that occupation, to make voyages in the ships so that he might learn something of the world at first hand. After his experience in business and travel he was to come home and give his time to the Walling farm, and other properties.

The second son, who had the Puritan name of Feagood, worked on the farm under Samuel Gaylord. He was no laborer but a kind of student, learning what he could. Feagood Walling cherished a deep and rankling discontent which broke out occasionally in tantrums, or fits of temper. He did not want to be a farmer; he had no interest in the soil, in agriculture, in stock breeding, yet he was bound to these occupations, probably to life. If he lived today he would be called an intellectual. In 17th-century New England the only pursuits open to an intellectual were the ministry and schoolteaching. Feagood, although faithful Puritan, was no sufficiently theological in his views. He was often preaching on Biblical texts. As to schoolteaching—that was impossible. In all colonial communities the schoolteacher stood low in the social scale, and usually with good reason. He was often a drunkard or a miser-do-well. His pay was so small that he had to live in a state of perpetual shabbiness. No Feagood Walling did not want to be a schoolmaster.

Another of her jobs was the compounding of household remedies. Every girl, before her marriage, was trained to make palsy drops, mithridate, Venice treacle, snail water and pokeberry plaster, besides a long list of other salves and ointments. There were no physicians in Sudbury, and the nearest apothecary was in Boston, so the housewife had to be prepared to meet sickness in the family with remedies from her own medicine chest. (To Be Continued)

Argentina Won't Sit at Meeting

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29—(AP)—Foreign ministers of the American republics—except Argentina—will meet prior to a United Nations conference on world security.

This was learned from a high official who would not be quoted by name. Time and place for the meeting will be disclosed within the next few days.

While Argentina will not be invited to the conference, it has not yet been determined whether or not that country's position in Western Hemisphere affairs will be discussed.

The disclosure implies that Argentina's request for a meeting of foreign ministers, at which Buenos Aires would present her case, will be turned down flatly.

Most of the Latin American nations have replied to the Argentine request in the negative. The meeting is likely to be held late in February or March because of the anxiety to finish it before a United Nations conference, for which the state department is pressing.

Airways Withdraws Line Application

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 29—(AP)—Southwest Airways and its affiliates have withdrawn their application which proposed to establish 34 feeder airline routes serving 310 cities in Texas and Oklahoma.

The application was among 56 which the Civil Aeronautics Board will consider in a hearing beginning at Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 31. The application was withdrawn because "the capital requirements for our proposed feeder routes in the Pacific Coast region are sufficient to satisfy our stockholders' investment needs," the release said.

U. S. Army Leader

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Well, it certainly was a nice Christmas. I was reading where the President's dog, Fala, received almost as many gifts as Mr. Roosevelt. Goodness, where's he going to bury all of them? Fala's probably got as much digging to do at the White House as the new republican members of Congress.

And I certainly hope someone remembered Canute, the Great Dane belonging to Mr. Dewey. The poor thing got so many gifts last year when the governor's presidential boom was beginning! That's one Dane who's melancholy—probably as much as the republican national committee.

Mother just called to thank me for her gift; I was going to get her a negligee to wear so she'd look good to papa, but George had gotten her a war bond instead. I did, but it's certainly going to leave a lot of mummy exposed.

Brussels Says Flu Affects Germany

LONDON, Dec. 29 (AP)—The Brussels radio said today an influenza epidemic had broken out in Germany.

The broadcast said the situation was particularly serious in the southern sections of the Reich, where the cold weather and shortages of food, doctors and medicine have been felt acutely. It said there have been many deaths in children.

GERMAN DEEDS

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—The Moscow radio declared today 129 Germans were employing 10,000 Italian workers to fortify the Austrian frontier against Russian forces now driving across Hungary.

Another of her jobs was the compounding of household remedies. Every girl, before her marriage, was trained to make palsy drops, mithridate, Venice treacle, snail water and pokeberry plaster, besides a long list of other salves and ointments. There were no physicians in Sudbury, and the nearest apothecary was in Boston, so the housewife had to be prepared to meet sickness in the family with remedies from her own medicine chest. (To Be Continued)

Gallup Poll Had Expected Lighter Vote in November

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Dr. George C. Gallup testified yesterday his early campaign samplings showed President Roosevelt with more popular vote strength than was reported in his Gallup poll.

The samplings, he said, showed a civilian vote trend of 53 per cent for Mr. Roosevelt and 47 per cent for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey. Gallup added that he discounted the Roosevelt edge two per cent because he expected a light vote.

When registration figures began indicating a heavy vote he abandoned the discount, the poll taker told the House campaign investigating committee, adding that his percentage predictions remained the same because "there was a definite Dewey trend."

Gallup consistently reported a close election in the 1944 campaign until his final report when he forecast a Roosevelt victory.

"Was that last forecast based on your personal judgment rather than poll results?" asked Rep. Brown (R-Ohio).

Gallup said the final results were based on information that reached him only a few days before the election—too late to be included in earlier tabulations.

Chairman Anderson (D-NM) asked Gallup why his poll under-predicted President Roosevelt's popular vote strength in all but one of 13 states which cast more than 1,000,000 votes.

The witness replied that one of his problems of the 1944 campaign was the voting intention of migrant war workers.

"We didn't take the migrant vote wholly into account," he said. "The PAC (CIO political action committee) really did a good job in those states."

Anderson said "there are many things we want to go into beside political vote sampling. You know a lot of people think public opinion polls can be of substantial value in preparing for the post-war period."

"In view of that opinion we are going to find out for the Congress the exact methods used in such polls, how the systems are chosen, the mechanics of poll-taking and their degree of accuracy."

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Nazi Drive

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101st airborne division was in Bastogne, and the Germans also credited the 10th armored and 28th infantry divisions with participating in the epic American stand there.

On the western rim of the Nazi drive, the Germans were said to be fighting a losing battle of encirclement. The Americans had cut off a strong spearhead thrust beyond Rochefort toward Celles in the attempt to reach the Meuse in strength. More than 1,000 Germans were taken prisoner there, along with many armored vehicles, and a battle continued against a pocket of 3,000 Germans.

In the east, shock troops of two Russian armies in an all-out bid to win strategic control of Budapest in a matter of days, smashed into the first of three inner defense rings of the encircled Hungarian capital, and hurled the Germans from 12 eastern suburbs, against fanatical Nazi resistance.

At the same time Red army troops to the north drove along both sides of the Danube on the approaches to Austria. A battle raged before Komárom, but of four rail lines leading to Vienna, less than 85 miles away.

The British launched a three-pronged attack on left wing ELIAS forces in the eastern suburbs of Athens after a prolonged artillery barrage, in a new phase of operations designed to clear the embattled Greek capital.

Fighting slackened in the Serchio valley in Italy, where strong Nazi counterthrusts had driven U. S. Fifth army troops from Barga and from the area of Galliciano, 2½ miles from Barga on the Serchio river's west bank.

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CORN STOCKPILE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The war food administration is making plans to purchase and stockpile 50,000,000 bushels of corn for use of industrial processors, making war materials in the event of a corn shortage next year.

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upon the nation three times this year for history-making war loans. Each time Texas has far exceeded every quota assigned to it. Big money and little money have joined hands in these war-financing drives to write records for this state. The sixth was a great success, a great farewell to the old year and a grand promise that Texans, as well as all good Americans, are still on the war job.

Of Texas' 254 counties, 152 have officially reached or surpassed their sixth war loan quotas. (Editor's note: Gray county went over the top in its quota of \$1,160,000.)

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Pampa's War

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plants outside of the area so "black" production can be increased. The additional production is needed at the earliest possible date, and the fabricating work is being pushed to the limit.

The Cabot ordnance plant is now going into the manufacture of 10 mm. gun tubes which also are on the "must" list.

Pampa industry as a whole is a vital part of the industrial war effort of the nation.

There isn't an industry in Pampa that hasn't been forced to lose workers because of the inadequate housing situation here. Potential workers come through almost every day they sign up, ready to go to work and then start house-hunting. In a day or so they come back and report they're going to "move on," because there is no place to live. Some of the industrial leaders reached by The News today gave their reactions to the local situation.

Reno Stinson, of the Cabot Carbon company, reports that his company is in need of many men for the carbon black industry, ordnance plant, and fabricating shops.

Fred Shroyok, superintendent of the Danziger Oil & Refining company, says that men are being doubled up on shifts in order to get out the production. At least 25 men are needed immediately at the Danziger plant.

Frank M. Perry, manager of the Atlas Carbon company, says there is an urgent need for more men by his company which is engaged in a plant expansion program. The company is constructing four additional units which will double the plant's capacity.

"The construction work on the expansion program is being affected by the shortage of construction workers," Perry said. "We could use from 25 to 50 men right now on the construction work, and when that is finished we can absorb them into a plant operating force on permanent basis."

Perry stated the expansion program construction now is only about 40 per cent complete.

"We are having to put in force an extended work week in order to make the most use of what manpower we do have," he said.

Dan Glaxner, district superintendent of the Columbia Carbon company, reports the manpower shortage at his plant is felt chiefly from the demands for increased production of carbon black.

"One of our biggest problems has been to get an additional unit installed at the Sunray field," Glaxner said. "We have tried for five months to get enough construction workers. There were from 12 to 20 men on the job when we needed 50. Finally, we gave up and decided to try it by contracting it to an outside firm."

Noel Dalton, manager of the Baash-Ross Tool company, said today his plant hasn't had a full capacity of workers for two years.

One of the principal functions of his company, Dalton said, is to take care of the repair work on the natural gasoline plants which feed synthetic rubber and 100-octane aviation gasoline.

"We haven't been able to get around our normal repair work on the plants already in operation due to the demands on our services in other areas," Dalton said. "As a result the plants here are in dire need of repair services, and we are far behind."

Dalton says a minimum of ten men are needed immediately, particularly for the night shift, to get orders on hand. Other companies are facing similar pinches because of the manpower shortage.

Meanwhile city, county, and chamber of commerce officials are banding together to do everything possible to alleviate the situation.

As a temporary relief, until the housing program can go through, it has been suggested that Pampa residents rally to the aid of industry as they did to the officers and men when Pampa army air field first opened.

At that time a survey was conducted to find any and all possible living space for newcomers. Hundreds were accommodated.

This can be done again, officials say, if families will take stock once more and double up where possible and make rooms, apartments, or houses available for war workers.

This would be necessary only until the new housing program is completed, making available 150 more houses in the Pampa area.

"We should keep in mind that this sacrifice is made to help win the war—to get our war production up to the point needed and give our men on the fighting front the material they have to have in order to win," one official said.

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Auditor To Seek Interest Payment On State's Debt

AUSTIN, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The State of Texas bonded indebtedness as of Aug. 31 and \$4,102,200 and principal and interest of \$1,939,487 due on that date has not been paid, reported State Auditor C. H. Cavness who today recommended that the next legislature put this part of the state's business in better shape.

With the exception of one relatively small issue the bonds were issued prior to 1916—some of them as early as 1890—and they are owned by various state permanent funds.

Thus the state owes itself the money. None of the principal of these bonds has ever been retired. Since 1933 the legislature has authorized payment of interest on bonds owned by all funds except the permanent school fund which owns by far the larger amount of the issue.

To last Aug. 31 the issues earned \$5,479,149 in simple interest. Of this \$4,463,181 had been paid. Cavness recommended that bonds and interest now due should be paid and that the legislature provide regularly hereafter for retirement of bonds and payment of interest.

In a second section of his report he compiled the bonded debt of the state's institutions of higher learning at \$7,556,000. These bonds were issued by the University of Texas, Texas A. & M. college, Texas Technological college, Texas State College for Women, Texas College of Arts and Industries and seven state teachers' colleges and are not a direct obligation of the state.

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National Service Law Would Demand Yearly About One Million Men

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Congress will have to work carefully on the details of any compulsory peacetime military training plan.

That law, if it comes, will affect the country's future safety, the lives of perhaps one million young men yearly, and therefore, directly or indirectly, the lives of all of us.

Just assuming such a law is passed, here are points to be considered:

1. How long should the training period last?
2. At what age should a young man have to start his training?
3. Any refresher courses, after the compulsory training period, to keep men physically and militarily alert?

This probably would be necessary for a certain number of years for each man. Here's one method that has been suggested:

Compel each man to spend a number of weeks each summer—or every other summer—in a military refresher course at an army camp behind.

Here are some other questions which will have to be settled:

- Will a trainee be able to choose where he wants to serve: in army, navy or air force?
- Besides pay to the trainee, how much allowance should be given his dependents; a lot of boys at 18 will have dependents.

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Council Selects

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Phillips of Borger; W. E. Reno and W. Paris, of Paris; L. C. Hartman and Roy Stinson, of Perryton; E. D. Moore, of Spearman; Sandy K. Parson, Jr., Wellington; Harry Wofford, Wheeler; Joe E. Boyd, Panhandle; Tom Cozart, Amarillo; D. D. Meredith, Boise City, Okla.; V. L. Curtis, Hooker, Okla.; Rev. George C. White, Guymon, Okla.; W. B. Halle, White Deer and J. W. Dillard, U. S. Navy, honorary members.

Gene Worley, of Shamrock, and Rev. J. Edmund Kirby, Borger, were re-elected national council representatives.

The executive board approved the renewal of the council charter and also the council budget for 1945, as submitted by C. A. Huff, chairman of the council finance committee.

W. B. Weathered was appointed co-chairman along with W. E. Reno of Phillips, to make arrangements for the annual council banquet which will be held after the first of the year.

Reports given by the chairman of the council operating committees showed a healthy growth in all phases of scouting throughout the council area, with a grand total membership of scouts, cubs and leaders at 2747, it was announced.

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REPAIR JOBS

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—American shipyards have done more than 23,000 repair jobs this year, H. Gerrish Smith, president of the shipbuilders council of America, said yesterday.

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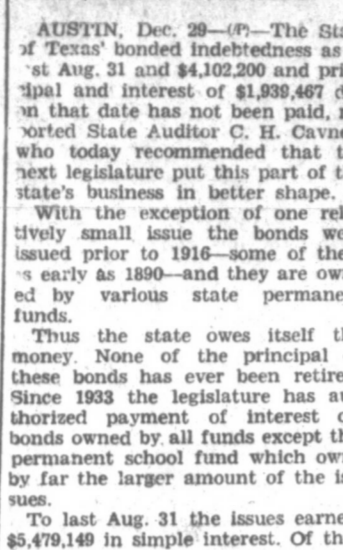
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Leaves From A Correspondent's War Notebook

By HAL BOYLE
IN BELGIUM VILLAGE, Dec. 19.—(Delayed)—(AP)—Over hills came the faint boom of German guns.

In the morning the sound was no louder than the soft thud of a falling snowball, but as the day wore on it became louder. Then, although it still was miles away, it became so loud that windows rattled faintly in the long, white-walled hospital room and the major looked up from his task.

He was a medical officer, and there was no one else in the room but a neat nurse—a young lieutenant with brown hair and disturbing hazel eyes.

They were sitting on cots, checking patients' charts. But the patients themselves were gone. They all had been "walking cases."

Only a few moments before, they had hurriedly bundled together shaving kits and toilet articles and fled. They were sick men who had given up their neat beds for wounded men who would mark them with blood.

"We won't keep any patients here from now on except those too desperately wounded to be moved," said the major.

"We'll be plenty busy when they start to arrive."

"You know, the Germans already have overrun two of our hospitals. The first one we got our patients and our own people out all right but we lost all of our equipment—yes, all of our equipment."

"We don't know what happened to the second hospital the Germans took," said the major. "So far no one has come back. We just don't know yet."

The major knew that some medicines had been in that line of 150 men which one German armored column had ordered into a field and machinegunned. There was no fear in his eyes nor in the eyes of the nurse. But they both knew that if the Germans broke through to this village there could be no escape for them. They couldn't leave the helpless wounded men who would die without their care.

American and German guns boomed in distant hills—and the beds were waiting.

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Something Familiar: It Was His Son

SOMEWHERE IN ALSACE, Dec. 29.—(AP)—An Associated Press correspondent driving along an Alsatian road noted something familiar about the GI in a nearby jeep.

The correspondent stopped his own jeep, crossed the road and shook hands with the private first class sitting at the wheel, saying, "Hello, son," to George Carleton Werner.

"Hello, dad," said the 22-year-old private to Wade Werner, veteran Associated Press staff writer who has served 14 years abroad in Moscow, Vienna, London and Ceylon.

Werner had not seen his son, an infantryman whose fluent knowledge of French and German makes him the company's interpreter, in a year and a half.

Another son has been lost in the war.

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Kiwanis Supper Planned Tonight

Kiwanians will meet tonight at 7:30 at the First Methodist church basement for their training school and buffet supper, in lieu of their regular business meeting. Pres. Ed Weiss said today.

L. N. Atchison, retiring president, will be in charge of the meeting.

The club has appointed seven board directors and each group is responsible for the workings of the committee. They are:

Program, music and achievement, C. F. Pursley, director, Joe Fisher, chairman; underprivileged children and support of churches, A. G. Troop, director and G. F. Branson, chairman; membership and attendance, Noel Dalton, director, James Massa, chairman; house and reception, H. W. Waters, director, John Plant, chairman; boys' and girls' work, L. B. Langston, director, Joe Wells, chairman; community service, Morris Goldfine, director, Cecil Myatt, chairman; agriculture, Arthur Rankin, director, H. A. Yoder, chairman.

New officers for the year are Ed Weiss, president; Clyde Carruth, first vice-president; Fred Shroyok, second vice-president; Huelyn Laycock, secretary.

At this meeting Bill Gillstrap, member of the down-town Kiwanis club, Amarillo, will be the principal speaker and has chosen "Worth of Kiwanis" as his subject. W. B. Weathered will speak on the financial relationship of Kiwanis in regard to International and James Massa will speak on membership. Ed Weiss will give a brief talk on organization.

W. L. Waggoner, 1945 song leader, will lead a sing-song.

Weiss urges all members to attend as this meeting takes the place of the regular luncheon period.

have to depend on the services and a few domestic mills to utilize our own product. It seems absurd that, with a national consumption of 900,000,000 to 1,000,000,000 pounds of wool a year it should not be hard to get rid of our own wool crop of only 400,000,000 pounds a year."

American Wool Will Go Abroad

By WILLIAM E. LOWELL
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA) plans to use \$21,000,000 earmarked for domestic wool purchases to supply fabricating plants in liberated countries, Rep. Barrett (R-Wyo) asserted yesterday.

The \$11,000,000 the agency expects to spend for clothing will consume little domestic wool and make virtually no dent in the nation's big wool stockpile, he added.

Wool state Congressmen, in writing into the UNRRA appropriation bill the requirement that \$21,000,000 be spent for domestic wool, expressed hope that it would be manufactured into clothing in this country to sell Europeans on the quality of American clothes.

Unfortunately, Barrett said, UNRRA is unable to make any purchases of wool at this time because of unsettled conditions in Europe, lack of shipping and need for rehabilitation of the foreign factories. "It looks as if we are going to

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