

Explosion Leaves Wisconsinites Cold

STOUGHTON, Wis., Jan. 7—UP—More than 200 families left without gas heat by a pipeline explosion Wednesday resorted to kerosene burners, small electric heaters, bundling and visiting with the neighbors to combat sub-zero weather.

The explosion Tuesday at nearby Edgerton, Wis., shot flames 75 feet into the air and cut off natural gas to some 20,000 homes in Madison, the state capital, and about 200 houses here.

Service was restored in Madison within a few hours but this town of 6,000 shivered through seven-below temperatures through the night until gas furnaces are refit after day-break Wednesday morning.

Many Stoughton families found refuge with helpful neighbors who made pallets on the floor and doubled up to share their oil and coal-heated homes.

Others stayed in their homes and made the best of it with portable oil burners, electric heaters and blankets—as many as they could pile around them.

Chief of Police Percy Christopher was among those who chose to stay in his home and fight the cold with a small kerosene stove.

"It wasn't too uncomfortable," he said. "But I've been a lot warmer."

Families of four and five piled into one bed with their clothes on. Water pipes in the frigid homes

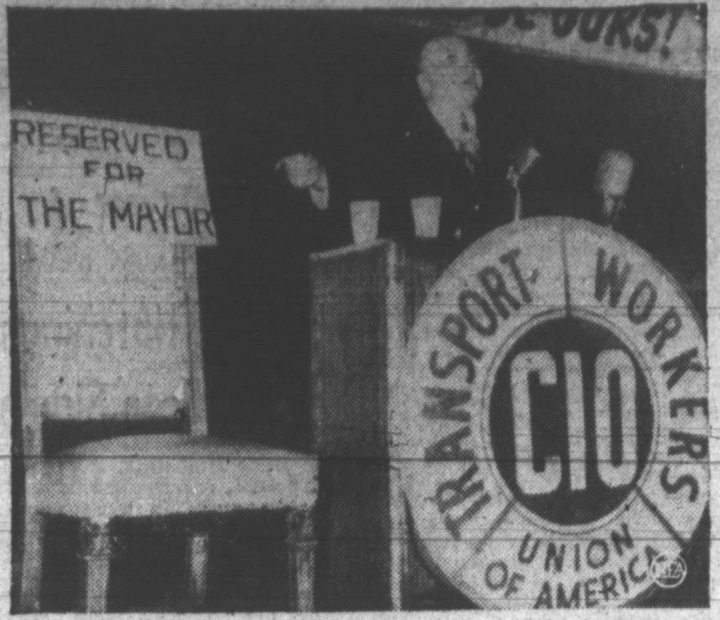
Young Gunman Robs Teacher

NEW YORK, Jan. 7—UP—A youthful holdup man robbed a third grade teacher Tuesday in a hallway of PS 5 in Brooklyn.

Miss Florence Downey told police the youth called her from her classroom, telling her the principal wanted to see her. He followed her, poked an object in her back and demanded the \$60 in lunch money she had collected from her pupils.

"I didn't recognize him," she said later. "But I think it might have been one of my former pupils."

In Greenland, the United States has built an air base at Thule, 1700 miles north of the Arctic Circle.



EMPTY CHAIR — Michael Quill, president of the Transport Workers Union, points to the empty chair reserved for Mayor Impepilleri at a union mass meeting in New York. The Mayor, whose last proposal to settle the New York bus strike was dismissed by Quill as "too little, too late," never showed up. (NEA Telephone)

Pleasant Little Old Lady Anticipates Inaugural Parade

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7—UP—Mrs. Nellie Moulden admits that what she likes better than one parade is another parade right behind the first one.

Mrs. Moulden is 98 and can hardly wait until Jan. 20 to watch the inaugural parade.

The pleasant little old lady, amazingly alert for her years, has missed only one inaugural parade since the start of Abraham Lincoln's second term in 1865.

(She missed one of Franklin D. Roosevelt's early inaugurations. She went hiking off to Florida for a rest.)

"I was only 10 years old at Lincoln's second inaugural parade," she recalls.

Her father took her to see the great emancipator. Her dad, the late Joe W. Angus, was superintendent of the capitol and White House at the time.

"My father fixed it so I could shake hands with Mr. Lincoln," she says. "It was a thrill I never have forgotten."

Mrs. Moulden remembers a lot of things about a lot of presidents.

But what she recalls best was the night Ulysses S. Grant was arrested for speeding down Pennsylvania Avenue aboard a sleigh behind a team of high-stepping bays.

"The funny thing," she said, "was that I was with my father the very next night when he was arrested on the same charge."

The lovely old lady is somewhat of an institution around town. She is proud of the fact that she went to school with Nellie Grant, daughter of the Civil War general who later became president.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE Expert Shows Keen Bridge Judgment

By OSWALD JACOBY
Written for NEA Service

What goes through an expert's mind just before he comes up with a brilliant play? Strangely enough, the expert's thoughts are neither profound nor brilliant. He simply thinks in straight lines and sticks to the point.

Let's get inside an expert's brain and see how he works out the correct play in the hand shown today.

When West leads the queen of spades the expert says to himself: "I will sooner or later win two spades, one heart, and two tricks to make my contract."

"Can I afford to hold up the first round of spades? No, because hearts are even more dangerous, and West might think of switching to hearts."

"Where should I win the first spade trick? The answer depends on the best way to play the clubs."

Now our expert concentrates on

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♠	875		
♥	875		
♦	972		
♣	AK642		
WEST			
♠	QJ1052		
♥	KJ6		
♦	10		
♣	QJ95		
EAST			
♠	964		
♥	QJ1092		
♦	QJ853		
♣	8		
SOUTH			
♠	K73		
♥	A43		
♦	AK64		
♣	1073		
East-West vul.			
North	East	South	West
1	2	3	4
N.T.	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♠Q			

the club suit as follows: "With a normal 3-2 break, any method of playing the clubs will work. If East has any four clubs, I will be unable to produce four club tricks. If West has four clubs, however, can anything be done?"

"There is hope if East's singleton happens to be the eight or the nine. In that case, I must begin by leading the ten of clubs."

Hence the expert wins the first trick in his own hand with the king of spades and promptly leads the ten of clubs. West must cover with the jack, and dummy wins with the king. When East drops the eight, South's course is clear. He returns the deuce of clubs from dummy and plays the seven of clubs from his own hand.

West can win this second club trick with the nine, but now his remaining clubs are the queen and the five, with the ace and the six in the dummy behind him. South can easily regain the

Dallas Airport Traffic Chief Won't Laugh At Saucers Now

DALLAS, Jan. 7—UP—Wyle V. (Pop) Moore, who directs traffic at Love Field here, said Wednesday that he never again would laugh at people who say they saw a flying saucer.

Moore, in control lower at the Dallas airport for the last 14 years, watched a mysterious object glide across the heavens for more than an hour early Tuesday.

Moore drew a sketch of the "huffing phenomenon" as he sat in the control tower. If words could not describe the thing, he hoped, at least, that the picture would help.

Inadequate Vocabulary

"It was fantastic," he said. "I only wish I had the vocabulary to describe what it actually looked like."

Moore said M. F. Fetschenback, another traffic controller, first noticed the object shortly after 1 a.m. Tuesday. "Come here, Pop," Fetschenback said. "Have you ever seen anything like this?"

Moore said Fetschenback pointed out the object high in the dark sky and northeast of the field. "I would estimate that it was about 50 miles away and about 2,000 feet high when we first saw it," Moore said.

Moore described the object as shaped like a triangle with delta-type (swept-back) wings. He said the tip was green, the swept-back sides a brilliant white and the rear was jagged and had a definite shape. He said the center was a brilliant circle of red with a white center that flashed on and off.

Moved Straight Up

The veteran observer, in trying to estimate the speed, said "I'd say it was going from 100 to 600 or 700 miles per hour."

He said they watched it with the naked eye for four or five minutes as it hovered on a line running northeastward across the sky.

"Then, it turned and started going straight up," Moore said, "and we started watching it with binoculars as it got further away."

Moore said they kept track of it with the glasses for a long time and that the saucer did all sorts of maneuvers. "It dived, ran side-

ways and went straight at various times," he added.

"I laughed at a fellow in South Texas who was one of the first to report that he had seen a flying saucer," Moore said. "If I ever see him, I'll apologize for thinking he was imagining things."

French National Assembly Approves Premier R. Mayer

PARIS, Jan. 7—UP—The French National Assembly approved conservative Premier Rene Mayer early Wednesday after he won support of Gen. Charles De Gaulle's rightist followers with a promise to seek modification of the European Army plan.

The vote was 389 to 205 with Mayer's support ranging from the left-of-center popular Republican movement to De Gaulle's rightwing rally of the French people.

Mayer began consultations with leaders of the parties he hopes will support him in an effort to form France's 18th post-war government.

The premier's promise to the De Gaulleists virtually amounted to capitulation since earlier he had asked the assembly to invest him on a program of solid support for the European Army treaty — which would put 12 divisions of German troops under arms in defense of West Europe.

The 85 De Gaulleists voted for Mayer after he assured RPF Deputy Gen. Jacques Chaban-Delmas he would not seek ratification of the Army treaty "until additional protocol has been added limiting the extent to which the French forces will be integrated."

The De Gaulleists — along with some other political factions — have been worried that the integration of French forces into the European

FRANCE'S defense position in overseas territories.

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Illness, injuries Hit Pampa Cage Squad

Lubbock Lad Leads 1-4-A Cage Scoring

Gerry Thomas, fast moving Lubbock Western forward, grabbed the lead in the District 1-AAA individual scoring lead. Thomas has 52 points in the two games to date, having scored 22 against San Angelo and 30 against Abilene.

Not far behind are Melvin Wright of Amarillo who has 41 points and Jimmy Bond of the Hustlin' Harvesters with 43. Wright got 22 points in each of the Westerners' two games to date against San Angelo and Abilene.

Bond hit for 22 points against Midland and 21 in the Odessa.

Jerry Turner of Abilene is in fourth place in the scoring race with 33 points.

Rounding out the top five is Bobby Harris, 64 center for the San Angelo Bobcats who has picked up 34 points.

3 Wink Players On Class A All-State

Eight teams divided the laurels in the Texas Sports Writers Association's 1952 All-State Class A football team, but the champion Wink Vikings walked off with three of the positions.

Two of the backs who figured in the state's highest scoring yards and a huge guard won honor from the Wink Vikings. They were Ken Vinson and Jerry Villarreal, the backs, and Dale Dadd, a 225-pound terror at guard.

The Wink Vikings won two spots at James Swink, rush, back, and George Spurgin, center, back.

23 Harvesters Win 1952 Grid Letters

Twenty-three Harvesters have been awarded letter jackets for the 1952 football season, head coach Tom Tipps has announced.

Of the group, 10 are sophomores, 11 are juniors and two are seniors.

Senior lettermen are Richard Qualls and Buddy Cockrell, tackles; Lee Fraser and Jimmy Mardale, ends; Bill Pippen and Jack Traywick, guards; Tommy Sells, center; Reggie May, David Knloe and Jimmy Keel, backs.

Boys Club To Meet Rice, Texas, Baylor Win SWC Opener

The Pampa Boys Club will resume activity Saturday night when they invade Lefors for a team match with the Lefors Boxing Club.

The Boys Clubbers were originally scheduled to meet Lubbock Saturday night but the match was cancelled, Lubbock has most of the club members who are high school athletes.

Lefors is coached by H. W. Callan who is also the grid coach at the Pampa school. Callan is an ex-glover, has coached the Shamrock boxing team for the past three years and is highly respected in the field of boxing.



ALL-AMERICANS—Lauri Niemi, Washington tackle, Eddie Price, New York fullback, and Hal-back Charley Trippi of the Chicago Cardinals, left to right, play with the American Conference All-Stars against the National in the Pro Bowl game in the Los Angeles Coliseum, Jan. 10. (NEA.)

Reapers Lose First Loop Till

Pampa Junior High's crippled Reaper cagers dropped their first Panhandle Junior High Conference game yesterday at Amarillo where the Horace Mann Bluffs chucked up a 30-33 win over the Pampans.

Two Reaper regulars missed the game. David Gist and Dickie Mauldin. Gist has moved from Pampa and Mauldin was absent with influenza.

Buddy Sharp, who missed practice Monday because of illness, returned yesterday to grab scoring honors for the Reapers with 15 points.

PWGA To Hold Scotch 4-Some March Of Dimes Tourney Here

A Scotch Four-some benefit golf tournament, sponsored by the Pampa Women's Golf Association, will be held at the Pampa Country Club Sunday.

The tournament will be played over holes No. 15, 17 and 18. If the weather is too bad for outside play, the PWGA said there would be some sort of game to be played in the clubhouse. Margie Austin is chairman of the benefit tournament.

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No Contest In Tag Match

No contest was the ruling last night after last night's wild and woolly affair in the Southwest States Tag-Team title match at the Southern Club wrestling arena between Dory Funk and Cowboy Carlson, the champs, and the Murdoch brothers, Frankie Hill and Farmer Jones, the challengers.

The match was halted during the second fall when Referee Billy Waldner was unable to control the four rowdies. Everything in the books was used by the four grapplers. There was little wrestling done—slugging, pulling hair, kicking was the offering for the night.

Plainview Hires New Grid Coach

PLAINVIEW, Tex., Jan. 7—UP—Plainview high school had a new football coach Wednesday and hopes to better its 1-9 record on the field last season.

Joe Gibson, 33, 1942 University of Tulsa graduate, signed a two-year contract Tuesday at \$6,000 a year.

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OUT OF DOORS with Field & Stream

By JOE STETSON
Dog Editor

Denny Hanrahan, as his name would indicate, was always ready willing to take a stand for anything Irish, until it came to choosing a setter dog. He had heard so many unfavorable things about the Red setter that his comments were pretty heated.

"Nothing but useless mahogany beauties, they are," he said. "Good for nothing but shows. Nothing but ladies dogs, crazy-headed as they are pretty to look at."

On and on he went, with his brogue adding to the picture of disgust.

Wait a minute, Denny. Let me bring you up to date. You may have reason for what you say, but you're not entirely right.

"Don't try to sell me on the 'useless rascals,' he fired back. "I've seen enough of their empty-headed shenanigans to leave them alone."

I waited until he had calmed down a bit and then asked him if he had read about the recent field trials. The fact that there had been trials for the breed seemed to surprise him into listening, so I took advantage of the opportunity and continued.

There have been several breeders interested in the practical qualities of the dogs. They have joined hands with the few old timers who have kept faith with the Red setter through the years. These folks have given a great deal of thought to the problems and have come up with some pretty good ideas. They know what the present day Red setter lacks and they wish to incorporate their ideas on the production of good functional shooting



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Manager Lopez Says Tribe Chances Ride On Luke Easter

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is another in a series of interviews with major league managers.

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 7—UPI—Cleveland's troubles will be over, maintained Manager Al Lopez Wednesday, if big Luke Easter starts the 1953 season in the same manner he wound up 1952.

"Luke was wearing out the pitchers at the end of the season," declared Lopez, finishing a round of golf at the Tampa Golf and Country Club. "If he hits as well this year, it's bound to make a tremendous difference to us."

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PIG-HEADED DRIVER! DAS HIM!
 WHY DON'T YOU LEARN TO—
 KEEP OUTA D.S. YOU!
 @IMME THAT BRIEFCASE!
 THE HECK I WILL!

LUCKY TAXI FORCED OFF THE ROAD. IN A FLASH, TWO MEN LEAP FROM THE OTHER CAR.

Jackson Twins

ACCORDING TO MY SEIZING CHART, THAT IS JAN!
 JAN, YOU SEEM TO BE WRITING SOMETHING INTERESTING. READ IT TO THE CLASS!
 IT'S JUST THE ESSAY YOU ASKED FOR ON "MY FAVORITE GOOD BOOKS." MINE BROWN...ER...WHEN WE FIRST...
 OH DEAR! I FORGOT I HAD HER CHANGE THESE INTO JILL! YESTERDAY BECAUSE SHE TALKS SO MUCH LOUDER... THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WITH TWINS IN THE CLASS!
 WELL, IT'S TOO LATE, NOW! THE "NOTE" WRITING HAS STOPPED!
 THAT WILL DO, JAN! THAT WILL DO!

Blondie

NOTHING LIKE GETTING HOME TO RELAX AFTER A HARD DAY AT THE OFFICE.
 HERE'S YOUR PAPER, DADDY.
 HERE'S YOUR PIPE, POP.
 HERE'S A LIGHT, POP.
 AND YOUR SLIPPERS—NOW YOU CAN RELAX.
 I WON'T BE ABLE TO RELAX ALL EVENING, WONDERING WHAT THEY WANT FROM ME.

Alley Oop

IT'S LIKE I THOUGHT, ELBERT... THIS RETIREMENT OF OOP'S IS AN ACT.
 IT IS, BUT WHAT'S HE MAD ABOUT?
 HE DIDN'T SAY SO I SUGGEST WE IGNORE HIM FOR A WHILE.
 WELL, ALL RIGHT—BUT I DID HAVE A LITTLE TIME-TRIP IN MIND...
 ...GUESS I'LL HAVE TO GIVE IT UP!
 WHY, NO SUCH THING—I'M AN OLD HAND AT THAT, TOO, YOU KNOW...
 WELL, I'M SURE YOU COULD HANDLE IT EASILY.
 I'LL BE READY IN A JIFFY!

Bo

SUCH EXCITEMENT OVER A TELEGRAM—WHY DON'T THEY OPEN IT INSTEAD OF CALLING ME HOME FROM THE OFFICE?
 QUICK—I CAN'T STAND THIS SUSPENSE—STOP SHAKING AND HAND IT TO ME!
 DEAR SIR, IT IS OUR PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE THAT YOUR ENTRY HAS WON OUR NATIONAL "WINTER VACATION CONTEST." LETTER FOLLOWS, S.S.C.O.
 I DON'T KNOW... LET'S SEE... HOW THIS IS ALL ABOUT. I NEVER ENTERED. I DIDN'T ANY CONTEST. LOOK AT CAREFULLY.

Ozark Ike

LOOK, FELLAS—A WIRE FROM OUR OFFICE IN THE BIG CITY.
 WE LICKED 'EM LAST YEAR AN' WE KIN DO IT AGAIN!
 BUT FUST AN' FOMOST WE GOTTA BEAT TH' AWAKS!
 GUESS AN' BETTUN START PRACTICIN' UP ON MAN' PEG SHOT!
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Chris Welkin

WHEN WE GET BACK TO HEADQUARTERS, I'LL WANT A FULL REPORT, BARRIE...
 CHRIS! LOOK!
 NOT A MARK ON HIM, BUT HE'S UNCONSCIOUS!
 HE'S COMING OUT OF IT...
 FELLOW IN SPACE SUIT... USED GAS GUN...

Mutt & Jeff

I BOUGHT HIM FOR HUNTING! BUT HE'S NO GOOD!
 THE MATTER WITH HIM?
 OH, HE'S JUST PLAIN LAZY!
 LISTEN TO HIM, HOW!
 YEH, HE'S BEEN DOIN' THAT ALL MORNIN'!
 WELL, THEN THERE MUST BE SOMETHING WRONG WITH HIM!
 NAW! HE'S SITTING ON A THISTLE AN' HE'S JUST TOO DARN LAZY TO GET UP!

Bugs Bunny

WHERE'D YA THINK YER GOIN', CICERO?
 ICE SKATING! I FINISHED MY PRACTICE!
 YOU AIN'T THROUGH PRACTICIN' UNTIL I HEAR TH' CLOCK STRIKE FOUR! GET GOIN'!
 PROBEY!
 BONG BONG BONG
 BONG

Priscilla's Pop

JENNY LU AND I WERE TALKING ABOUT FATHERS!
 SHE SAYS FATHERS ARE FOR EARNING MONEY!!
 I TOLD HER MY FATHER MEANS MORE TO ME THAN JUST THAT!!
 I SAID YOU'RE GOOD FOR STOKING THE FURNACE, SHOVELING WALKS... CUTTING THE LAWN...

OUT OUR WAY By J. R. Williams

YOUR WIFE WON'T STAND FOR CHEWINK IN TH' HOUSE EITHER, I HEAR—NIGHTS LIKE THIS SHOULD BREAK US OF TH' HABIT!
 SHE WON'T ALLOW A SOBBOON ON TH' PLACE—SHEZ IT'S A DISGUSTIN' HABIT! PEOPLE ARE TURNIN' AGAIN IT MORE AND MORE!
 EGAD BOYS! I'LL BE SAILING SOON FOR THE CORONATION OF QUEEN ELIZABETH—UM-YAS! I'M INVITED AS A GUEST IN THE ROYAL RETINDE!
 THAT'LL BE A BIG-TIME CLAMBAKE! I'D LIKE TO GO JUST TO MISS MY REGULAR SATURDAY NIGHT LUMPT ON THE HEAD!
 IT'S A THREE-RINGS CERE-MONY, BUT I COULDN'T KEEP MY SHOES ON THAT LONG!
 THERE'LL BE PLENTY OF FREE LOAD-ING, MAJOR—YOU'LL GET HIGHER THAN GRAND-MA'S BUSTLE!

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Steve Canyon

IT MUST BE WELL INSULATED! THE MARILYN MONROE CALENDAR FAN CLUB WILL MEET THERE!
 FIRST YOU'LL PARK IN THE HOTEL DE GINK—THEN GET A BULLET WHEN ONE OPENS UP!
 DEFINITELY A SPY TYPE... IN MY NEXT LETTER TO COUSIN VANDY AT THE PENTAGON I MUST TELL HIM ALL ABOUT THIS CASE!
 AND I PASSED UP A CHANCE TO BE ADJUTANT-OF-RUNWAY CLEARANCE SNOWPLOW UNIT IN GREENLAND!

Vic Flint

AS YOU CAN SEE, MR. FLINT, GLAND PAID MY HUSBAND WELL...
 THE TROUBLE WAS HE DIDN'T THINK SO—HE ALWAYS WANTED MORE.
 LOOK, GLAND, I NEED MORE MONEY. MY WAY OF LIFE ABSOLUTELY DEMANDS IT.
 NOT A CHANCE, GIBBLE. ALREADY YOU'RE GETTING MORE MONEY THAN ANY SYNDICATE BOOKKEEPER IN THE COUNTRY.
 I'M AFRAID, GLAND, YOU'RE NOT IN A POSITION TO REFUSE MY REQUEST!

Little Dot

HELLO, JUNIOR!
 DON'T NOTICE HIM, I'LL DO, HE'S AFRAID OF STRANGERS!
 IGNORE HIM TEN MINUTES AND HE'LL BE YOUR FRIEND IN FIVE SECONDS!
 SEE? I TOLD YOU!

Wash Tubbs

TYKE, CAN YOU TELL US WHERE YOU LIVE?
 I... I DON'T KNOW, CAN'T SEEM TO REMEMBER ANYTHING... EVEN MY NAME...
 YOU'RE TYKE ROMAN, I THINK YOU NARROWLY ESCAPED FROM A BURNING BUILDING TONIGHT! DON'T YOU REMEMBER—A BIG FIRE?
 FIRE... NO, NO, I CAN'T QUITE REMEMBER...
 DO YOU KNOW HOW TO REACH ER PARENTS' EASY?
 THEY'RE PROBABLY STILL WITH A WELL, WE'D BETTER GET HER TO SPEND THE WINTER—DON'T HER TO MY EVEN KNOW WHAT STUDIO THESE BEEN WITH!
 WELL, WE'D BETTER GET HER TO SPEND THE WINTER—DON'T HER TO MY EVEN KNOW WHAT STUDIO THESE BEEN WITH!
 CALL SOME DOCTOR!

Boots

MISS LAWSON! NOT ONLY ARE YOUR VERY INDISCREET CARRIAGES—ON WITH MY SON A DIRECT VIOLATION OF COMPANY POLICY—BUT THEY ALSO PLACE IN JEOPARDY THE COMING MARRIAGE OF MY SON TO MISS SYMINGTON!
 IS THAT ALL, SIR?
 YES!... NO! AREN'T YOU WELL, SAY SOMETHING! CONFOUND IT, YOU'RE DELIBERATELY CONFUSING ME!
 GOODBYE, MR. SPANGLER!

Mickey Finn

THEN YOU'D MET HIM BEFORE YOU STARTED TO WORK AT THE OFFICE?
 YES! HE CAME OVER TO BROOKVILLE WITH THE SHERIFF ONE DAY TO VISIT WITH GRAMPS—
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 HAD HE SEEMED INTERESTED IN YOU?
 I— I IMAGINED SO— BUT NOW I CAN SEE THAT HE WAS JUST TRYING TO BE— HELPFUL!
 WELL, I THINK IT'S FORTUNATE THAT YOU FOUND OUT ABOUT IT THE WAY YOU DID, PAM— AND SO QUICKLY!
 I— I SUPPOSE SO!
 CERTAINLY! NOW GO TO SLEEP! I'M SURE IT WON'T SEEM LIKE SUCH A TRAGEDY IN THE MORNING!

Freckles

HONEST, IN MORE, I CAN'T PAY YOU NOW— I'LL SETTLE UP NEXT MONTH!
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'Mr. England' Comes Back Again—

America is host once more to the cigar-smoking, "V"-signaling, smiling British Prime Minister Winston Churchill. Making his eighth visit to the U. S. since 1941, Churchill has become somewhat of a transatlantic commuter. He visited here in 1929 and 1932 as a member of Parliament, but Churchill's close, personal influence on Anglo-American relations began in August, 1941, when he met with President Franklin D. Roosevelt at sea to draft the Atlantic Charter. In December of the same year he visited Washington. He crossed the Atlantic again in 1942 and twice in 1943. He returned again in 1946 and 1949 as a private citizen after his Conservative Party was defeated by Clement Attlee's Labor Party. Churchill's last official call on President Truman in the White House was made in January, 1952. On his current trip he will pay a courtesy call on the Trumans in Washington.



1942—In January, Winnie rests at White House, showing famed "siren suit."



1949—Attired in naval uniform, Churchill displays determination and cigar as he rides with President Franklin D. Roosevelt on their way to the White House for their first meeting that year.



1946—After his Conservative Party lost power, Churchill visited Fulton, Mo., with President Harry Truman, where the former Prime Minister made his famous "Iron Curtain" speech.



1952—Back in power, Churchill made an official call on President Truman in January. On his present visit, he will confer with President-elect Eisenhower, then pay a call on President Truman.

Condemned GI Learns Life May Be Spared In Killing

TOKYO, Jan. 7—UP—Pvt. James Long, 21, of Fort Worth learned that President Truman had commuted his death sentence to life imprisonment through "unofficial" channels, it was disclosed Wednesday.

Long had been sentenced to death for rape and murder of a Korean woman and the rape of her 13-year-old daughter. His mother, Mrs. Sidney A. Woods, Fort Worth, said Monday she had received a letter from Maj. Gen. Harry Vaughn, military aide to President Truman, advising her of the commutation.

Long's stepfather was flown to Tokyo last month by the Air Force for a final visit with the youth. He spent five days here, making

two visits to young Long in his cell. Long now must undergo new psychiatric examinations to determine where and under what conditions he must be imprisoned. An Army board will decide whether he can be held for life in a disciplinary barracks or whether his mental condition requires more rigid confinement.

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Boatner Seeks Eastern Study

OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 7—UP—Maj. Gen. Haydon L. Boatner, commander of the Fourth Army at San Antonio, believes that the United States has difficulties dealing with the Far East because "too many Americans are ignorant of Oriental history."

Boatner, who was in charge of Okje Island prison camps during the rebellion of Red prisoners last summer, told a Rotary club meeting here Tuesday that more U. S. schools should teach Chinese and Japanese.

"One of the great difficulties in the Far East," Boatner said, is that we have very, very few ex-

pers—people trained in the knowledge of those countries." The general said that the United States deals easily with Europeans because "our educational systems and heritage are essentially the same."

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IT'S YOUR DEAL
Rules Vary In Canasta Game

By OSWALD JACOBY
Written for NEA Service

"Please answer a question about the scoring in a situation that involves red threes," requests a New York City correspondent.

"Our side had put down all four red threes, and we had made several small melds, but we had no canasta at all. One of the opponents went out, and then the argument began about the scoring. We claimed that we were entitled to the bonus of 800 points for our four red threes. Our opponents said that the score of 800 had to be deducted instead of added, on the theory

that red threes count against you unless you have melded a canasta. What's more, they said that our meld also should count against us instead of for us.

"Please tell us who is correct."

According to the official rules of the game, you are entitled to score the bonus for four red threes if you put down any meld at all. You don't need a canasta in order to get credit for your red threes; just your legal initial meld is enough.

Likewise, you don't need a canasta to get credit for the melds that you do make. It is a fundamental rule of all games of the rummy family (to which canasta belongs) that you get credit for what you meld and lose points for what you fail to meld.

Let's take a simple example to make sure that this point is clear. Suppose it is the first hand of a game, with both sides needing 50 points for the initial meld.

My side puts down all four red threes and an initial meld of exactly 50 points. The opponents then proceed to meld out, catching my side with unmelded cards to the value of 200 points.

My side now gets a bonus of 800 points for the bonus of three. We score 50 points for our meld, but then deduct 200 points for the cards that are still in our hands. The net score for our points is therefore minus 150 points. Since we are plus 800 and minus 150, our total score for the entire hand is plus 650 points.

Some groups of players in various parts of the country have adopted their own local rules on this matter. Some players, for example, follow the idea that red threes count against you unless your side has melded a canasta. Some players, likewise, follow the idea that your meld counts against you unless you have melded a canasta.

These are not the official rules, but anybody who wishes to follow them has a perfect right to do so. My own opinion is that the official rules are the best, but I would be a poor reporter if I failed to point out that some people prefer to follow their own rules.

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