

## Questions And Answers On the Road Bond Election Dec. 31

**Who Can Vote In The Road Bond Election?**  
Any qualified voter who paid their 1939 poll tax which entitled them to a vote in the political election held this year who have rendered property for taxation, whether it be a wrist watch, a car or a section of land, is entitled to a vote in the County Road Bond Election to be held December 31. The rendition of property for taxation entitles qualified voters to a vote, it does not require the payment of the taxes on the property.

**Question:**  
Will Sherman County Tax Payers be responsible for the bonds if the Legislature includes them in the Bond Assumption Bill at the next session and later revokes the law before they are paid in full?

**Answer:**  
Ninety percent of the counties in the State of Texas are issuing and voting road bonds to be included in the bond assumption law to be acted on by the State Legislature in the next session. The amount of the bonds in each county ranges from \$300,000 to \$600,000. Representatives from these counties will support the bond assumption law until these bonds are paid. The necessary time will be sufficient to retire the bonds voted in Sherman County. Counties voting the bonds are well divided from the Rio Grande Valley to the Texas Panhandle.

**Question:**  
What will happen if the \$350,000 road bond election is defeated in Sherman County?

**Answer:**  
If the road bond election December 31 is defeated in Sherman County, the taxpayers of the county will continue to pay the 1 cent deferred gasoline tax for paying roads in 253 counties in the state for a period of from five to eight years before they will have an opportunity to vote bonds subject to the action of the Bond Assumption Law. Or they will have the privilege of voting bonds on their property, raising the taxes to pay off the bonds, and pave the roads in the county, plus their payment of the 1 cent deferred gasoline tax to have roads in 253 counties in the state of Texas at no additional cost to the taxpayers of those counties.

**Question:**  
How will residents not 1 coated immediately on the roads which are eligible for paving under the bond assumption law to benefit from supporting the bond issue?

**Answer:**  
Residents of the county who are not directly located on any of the paved roads will reap the benefit of tax money required for the upkeep of the roads to be paved for the maintenance of better grade roads, and will be in a position to qualify their districts in the farm to market road building program. As they will be in a position to reap the benefit of funds which had been formally used for roads of state and federal designation. These farm to market roads may be built to either the Stratford-Gruber road or to intersections on U. S. 287 or U. S. 54 which ever represents the shortest route from the community to its county seat.

## Grant Keener Injured In Car Accident

Grant Keener sustained injuries to his right leg Monday afternoon when he and Byron Fedric collided at an intersection in the northeast part of town.

The Fedric car struck the Keener pickup near the rear wheel, turning the pickup over. Grant Keener's right leg was thrown out of the open door and pinned underneath the pickup. The door was so badly sprung that it would not close, keeping his leg from being torn off. Byron Fedric and G. R. Garrison lifted the pickup off of him. He escaped with lacerations from the knee down on his right leg.

Little damage was done to the Fedric car. The Keener pickup was insured and the estimated damage was over \$200.

## Eugene Worley Here Wednesday

Eugene Worley, Congressman elect of Shamrock, was a visitor in Stratford Wednesday evening. Mr. Worley stated that although he did not carry a majority in the county, he was able to appreciate the fact that everyone has their friends, and would do his best to serve the people as their representative.

Linemen for the Santa Fe Railroad and the Southwestern Associated Telephone Company are here this week repairing lines torn down by the storm two weeks ago.

## CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Tonight, "Little Nellie Kelley" with Judy Garland and George Murphy.  
Friday and Saturday, "Howards of Virginia", with Gary Grant and Martha Scott.  
Sunday and Monday, "Strike Up The Band," Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland.  
Tuesday, "Sweethearts," Nelson Eddy and Jeanette MacDonald.  
Dec. 18-19, "Tin Pan Alley" with Alice Faye.

## Paving Contract For U. S. 287 To Be Let December 20th

The Texas State Highway Commission will let the paving contract for construction of 7.461 miles of paving on U. S. 287 December 20 to close the gap between the present paving in Sherman County and the paving in Moore County extending to the county line. Completion of the segment will finish an all-paved route on U. S. 287 from Stratford to Port Arthur, Texas.

Cimarron County, Oklahoma has been making successful headway in getting in readiness for the construction of pavement from Boise City to the Texas line near Kerrick. Completion of this segment in Oklahoma (assuming the bond issue to provide paved roads without cost to Sherman County taxpayers passes) will only leave a 7 1/2 mile segment in Dallam County in the region of Kerrick unpaved.

**U. S. 54 FROM STEVENS TO TEXHOMA SUBMITTED FOR PAVING CONTRACT**  
The dirt road segment of U. S. 54 has been approved and submitted by district highway engineers for approval of the Texas Highway Commission. The road not only has Federal designation but Federal aid designation and will be completed as soon as funds are available after preferred military highways are completed if funds are not available for the letting of the contract in 1941.

## LETTERS TO SANTA

Letters to Santa Claus should be delivered to the Stratford Star by Tuesday noon of the week children wish for them to be published. Parents and teachers are requested to help the writers to sign their names plainly to prevent mistakes.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am a little boy in the first grade who goes to school at Kerrick, Texas. My teacher's name is Mrs. Williamson.

I want a Bee Bee gun and B. B.'s for Christmas and a pool table. I would like a basket ball, a small bicycle, and an erector set.

Please do not forget my baby sister, Joyce Faye.

Love,  
Dwanye Johnson.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am a little boy in the first grade. I go to school at Kerrick, Texas.

For Christmas I want a gun with some crows to shoot down. I

## Contractor's Notice Of Texas Highway Construction

Sealed proposals for constructing 7.461 miles Grading, Drainage, Structures, Flexible Base and Base Preservative from the Moore County Line North 7.5 miles on Highway No. U. S. 287, covered by Contract 66-3-6, in Sherman County, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 A. M., December 20, 1940, and then publicly opened and read. The wage rates generally prevailing in the locality, which are listed below, shall apply as minimum wage rates for those employees employed and paid by the Contractor, on this project.

| Trade (Based on Eight Hour Wage)   | Prevailing Minimum Wage | Per Diem |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Carpenter                          | \$8.00                  | 4.00     |
| Shovel Operator                    | 8.00                    | 4.00     |
| Crane Operator                     | 8.00                    | 4.00     |
| Powder Man                         | 8.00                    | 4.00     |
| Mechanic                           | 8.00                    | 4.00     |
| Crusher Operator                   | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Roller Operator                    | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Distributor Operator or Driver     | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Tractor Operator                   | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Blade Operator                     | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Broom Operator                     | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Truck Driver (Over 1 1/2 tons)     | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Finisher                           | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Air Hammer Operator                | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Blacksmith                         | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Fireman (Asphalt Plant)            | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Mixer Operator                     | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Compressor Operator                | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Pump Operator                      | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Spreading Box Operator             | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Steel Setter (Reinforcing Steel)   | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Oiler                              | 4.00                    | 4.00     |
| Truck Driver (1 1/2 tons and less) | 3.20                    | 3.20     |
| Flagman                            | 3.20                    | 3.20     |
| Unskilled Laborer                  | 3.20                    | 3.20     |
| Teamster                           | 3.20                    | 3.20     |
| Dumper                             | 3.20                    | 3.20     |
| Watchman                           | 2.80                    | 2.80     |
| Water Boy                          | 2.40                    | 2.40     |

Legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates. Plans and specifications available at the office of Cooper Dewey, Resident Engineer, Stratford, Texas, and Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved.

would like for you to bring a gun holster too. I also want a hen that says "Cluck! Cluck. Cluck." And lays eggs. I want a dog that barks too and a torpedo boat. Please do not forget my little brother and baby sister.

Love,  
Charles Boren.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am a little boy in the first grade at Kerrick, Texas.

For Christmas I want an erector set, a bat and ball, some little cars that won't run off the table, and a wrecker.

Please do not forget my two little sisters and all the other little children.

Your friend,  
Raymond Clayton, Jr.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
Please bring me an eleven piece gun and holster set for Christmas.

I want a bow and two arrows for Christmas too. I want an army suit for Christmas, also. Santa will you please bring me a horn and a drum.

Your friend,  
Billy Boren.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I want a doll house and a doll for Christmas. I also want a sink.

Please do not forget all the other little children and my little sister, Martha Anne.

Mary Frances Crabtree.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am in the second grade. I am seven years old. You may bring me anything you want me to have.

I hope you will find all the little boys and girls, but don't forget my brother in Louisiana. I forgot that I want a big doll.

Your little friend,  
Thelma McDaniel.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I want a pair of boxing gloves and punching bag. And don't forget Minnie, she wants a doll for Christmas. I am in the third grade.

Your friend,  
Joe Newton Crabtree.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am a little girl 3 years old. I wish you would please bring me a new doll and a doll buggy, a great big sucker, and put some nuts and candy in my stocking. I hope I get to see you and talk to you at the Christmas Tree.

Your little friend,  
Wilma Arnold.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
Please bring me a wrecker set, an electric train, a cowboy suit, a black board, a bow and arrow, and lots of fruit, nuts and candy.

Jimmy Arnold.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
Will you please bring me a piano? If you cannot bring me a big piano, I would like to have a toy piano. My old table and chair got burned up and I would like for you to bring me another table and chair, and some dishes to use on the table. I would like to have a toy typewriter, too. Thank you Santa.

Retah Evelyn Cameron.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
How are you this year? I have

been a pretty good girl. Please bring me a great big doll with shoes and stockings. If you have enough toys, bring a tricycle with brakes and all the candy and nuts you think I can eat.

Jonnie wants a wagon but it will have to be little because she's little.

How did you like the cake and coffee last Xmas eve? Nanaw made it for you.

Love,  
Martha Lynn Plunk.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
How are you getting along this Xmas. Please take good care of yourself.

I want a doll with a snow suit, please. I'd like to have a tricycle with brakes if you have enough. And Santa, I'd like to have a big red apple instead of an orange and candy and nuts, too.

Please bring Jonnie a doll. She's a really good girl and she likes candy and apples, too.

Look on the table and there'll be a cup of coffee and some cake for you again.

Love,  
Shirley Ann Plunk

**Dear Santa:**  
I have been a good little girl, I am five years old, and I want you to please bring me a big doll, a doll buggy, and a nurse set, and I want you to please put some nuts, and candy in my stocking.

Your little friend,  
Dorothy Jean Arnold.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I want a Diddle Doll and a Buggy for it. Also some clothes for the doll. I have been a good girl. I sweep floors for my mother. Please don't forget that I have a big sister and two brothers.

With love,  
Virgie Mae Gunnels.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I have been a good girl, so will you please bring me a doll, doll-buggy, and a 7-piece house keeping set.

Thank you,  
Julia Ann Crabtree.

**Dear Santa:**  
Please bring me a real piano and a bicycle. I don't think 2 things are too much, do you, Santa?

Ila Fern Brannan.

**Dear Santa:**  
I have been a good girl. I want a Nurse kit, a bicycle, and a pretty doll. Please bring all these things to me.

Lots of love,  
Fatsy Joann Chambers.

**Dear Santa:**  
I have a baby brother. I want a tricycle with a light. Bring Henry a rattle. Bring me a doll buggy, and bring me some squeaking house shoes. My love for you dear Santa.

Jean Harrison.

**Dear Santa:**  
I have been a good girl. I want a Doll, just any kind, a Doll Buggy and a black board.

Mary Isabelle Arnold.

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## THE DUSTER

### DUSTER STAFF

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## FACULTY IS ENTERTAINED

Members of the faculty were delightfully entertained by Mr. Tabor and Mrs. Cleavinger at their home on Thursday evening, December 5. Games of "42" and bridge were enjoyed.

Guests of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Walter Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. John Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Van Boston, Mr and Mrs. Homer Hazzey, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Veazey, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harding, Mrs. Nelle Alexander, Miss Maurine Reeder and Mr. Lester Plunk.

## YEA TEAM!

Now I can say, "I told you so!" At least about the boys' team. The girls just go off to a bad start, but they will soon make it up. The score in the girls' game was 13 to 13 in favor of Hartley; the score for the boys' game was 30 to 18 in favor of Stratford.

Dickie Buckles was high point man with a total of 12 points; Bill Garrison was next with 7 points; Gene Harrison made 6 points; Ira Guthrie made 2 points; Dwight Hester, Harry Reynolds, and Dee Brannan each made 1 point.

Stratford's second string was sent in in the beginning of the fourth quarter when the score was 25 to 6. They did not play very long, however.

The schedule for the games to be played is as follows:  
Dec. 10 Gruver There.  
Dec. 13 Texline There.  
Dec. 17 Dalhart There.  
Dec. 20 Spearman There.  
Dec. 23 Texhoma Here.  
Jan. 7 Texhoma There.  
Jan. 10 Hartley There.  
Jan. 14 Spearman Here.  
Jan. 17 Dumas Here.  
Jan. 24 Dumas There.  
Jan. 28 Texline Here.  
Jan. 31 Dalhart There.  
Feb. 4 Gruver Here.  
Feb. 7 and 8 Stratford Tournament.

Feb. 13 and 14 Boys District Tournament.  
Feb. 20 and 21 Girls District Tournament.

These are the games definitely

matched and there may be more. Possibilities are Plainview, Chaning, Guyton, and Goodwell. Don't forget these games.

## R. O. H. HAS METTING

The R. O. H. met in the Home-making department of the high school building on Thursday evening, December 5. Mothers of the R. O. H. Girls were invited.

After the meeting had been called to order and business settled. Rev. Thompson spoke to the girls on "Choosing and Preparing a Vocation." His talk was very interesting to all.

Light refreshments were served, and the meeting was adjourned.

## THIS AND THAT

Here are a few new definitions for you readers to memorize.  
Grapefruit—A lemon that has been given a chance and took advantage of it.

Egg—A chicken not yet.

Excelsior—Long sawdust.

Dust—Mud with the juice squeezed out.

A republic—A country where no one can do anything in private.

Notice: (I'm sure you haven't heard) It is only nine (9) more shopping days 'til Christmas. (Gift suggestions badly needed for Great Uncle Zeke on my Grandpa's side also some rich fellow's pocketbook.)

Thought for the Day: "Beauty is truth, truth beauty," that is all ye know on earth, and all ye need to know.

## SNEAKIN' AND SPEAKIN'

(By I. M. Peekin)  
"Gee, listen to that tune! Does it bring back memories!" While we're thinking of old tunes, I'll bet Mr. Tabor won't forget "The Waltz You Saved for Me." It seems that when Mr. and Mrs. Tabor were courting, they went on a steak fry. One of the boys took along his phonograph and a dozen records.

Mr. Tabor sat on eleven of the records, and that left only the waltz furnish the evening's entertainment, which, as the wee hours crept nearer, grew a trifle stale.

Sadie Hawkins week created plenty of gossip. Maybe you didn't (Continued on Page 8)

## Scouts To Repair Toys For Needy Children

If you have any old toys that can be repaired or repainted that your children have out grown or have become tired of, and wish to give away, notify E. R. Pigg, Scoutmaster, or phone 35. We will have the Boy Scouts repair and give the toys to some needy children.

## Notice For Bids For Sale of Machinery

The Governing Body of the Sherman County Wind Erosion Conservation District, will receive sealed bids until 9:00 A. M. Tuesday, December 31, at the courthouse in Stratford for the sale of:

1—20-foot John Deere Disc and 1—Tractor Hitch for Crawler type Tractor at Sam Wohlford's place.  
1—Sanders 10-foot One-way at J. A. Laytons place, 3 miles south of Texhoma.

Sealed bids may be filed with either County Clerk J. R. Pendleton or County Judge F. B. Mullins.

The Governing Body reserves the right to reject any and all bids.  
F. B. MULLINS, Chairman  
Governing Body.

## Call For More Volunteers

Stratford P. T. A. officers this week issued another call for volunteers to work in the school kitchen. The W. P. A. is at the present time depending on volunteer help to carry on the kitchen. Parties interested should contact either Mrs. M. R. Robinson or Mrs. Sallie V. McAdams.

## Church Of Christ

Bible Study 10:00 A. M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.  
Communion 11:45 A. M.  
Young Peoples classes 6:45 P. M.  
Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.  
Song drill Thursday evening at 7:30.  
All services will be conducted in the home of E. R. Pigg.  
The public is invited to any and all services.

## Christian Church

(L. B. Chaffin, Minister)  
Bible School 10:00 A. M., J. R. Pendleton Superintendent.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.  
Junior Endeavor 6:00 P. M., Mrs. C. R. Bomer Sponsor.  
Intermediate Endeavor 6:00 P. M., Mrs. S. J. Calvird sponsor.  
Bible Endeavor 6:15 P. M., R. C. Buckles Sponsor.  
Evening Worship 7:00 P. M.  
Choir practice Wednesday 7:00 P. M., Mrs. Frank Judd Leader.  
Booster Choir Thursday 4:00 P. M. at the parsonage.

## BAPTIST CHURCH

(J. H. Dean, Pastor)  
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.  
subject: "Praying With Jesus."  
Training Union 6:00 P. M.  
Evening Worship 7:00 P. M. subject: "The New Birth."  
As we think much of Jesus this month may we prove our love for Him by worshipping Him every Lord's Day.

## Methodist Church

(J. B. Thompson, Pastor)  
Sunday School 10:00 A. M. Committees will be announced Sunday for the Christmas Tree.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M. Sermon by Dr. Barcus.  
Epworth League 6:00 P. M.  
Evening Service 7:00 P. M. Service by the pastor.

## Dr. T. S. Barcus To Preach Sunday At Methodist Church

Dr. T. S. Barcus, Superintendent of the Perryton District will preach Sunday at eleven o'clock at the Methodist Church. Dr. Barcus is well known here and a large audience is expected for the service Sunday.

## KERRICK NEWS

Roy Allen, Walker and Joe Taylor, Jiggs Elms and Frank James attended the sale in Dalhart Tuesday.

Miss Ida Crabtree, Mesdames Roger Crabtree, W. K. Dunlap and Woodson Wadley attended council meeting in Dalhart Tuesday and also a tea given by Mrs. Harry Schultz for council members.

Homar and Melvin Mathews, Mr. and Mrs. Woodson Wadley and Paula Jean Wadley attended band practice in Boise City Monday night.

Hosea McDaniel was in Stratford Saturday.

W. P. James, Jr., of north of Boise City, was here Monday with a load of cattle for Joe Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crabtree and family were in Dalhart Saturday.

Joe Taylor and Jim Taylor were in Lamar, Colorado Monday to attend the cattle sale.

Lyall Murdock transacted business in Stratford Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Crabtree were visitors in Stratford Wednesday.

Four shipments of 1940 A. C. P. checks have arrived and are being distributed by the County office to Sherman County producers. They total \$53,071.23 and the first shipment arrived November 20, one month earlier than last year.

## ACHIEVEMENT TOUR A SUCCESS

"I didn't realize so much home improvement and provision for the winter food supply had been made" was the often heard comment on the county wide achievement tour Friday, December 6.

Mrs. Bill Crabtrees was the first stop. She told of her work this year and then led the way to the cellar where she has canned and stored food to last her family all winter. As a suggestion to those who have only seen pictures of model pantries we suggest you actually see one. One could never tell there was any dust in the air from the sparkle of the glass jars on Mrs. Crabtrees' shelves.

Second stop was at Mrs. Jim Gorman's. She started out to be living room demonstrator but ended being a whole house demonstrator. After starting working on her living room her work grew to her kitchen and bedroom. She has papered all her walls, carpeted and refinished or covered her floors, and repainted all the dark wood-work white. She has crisp new curtains on all her windows. If anyone ever again tell one of the people on the tour that they can tell a reworked chair from a new "store bought" one we will just take them to see Mrs. Gorman's chairs.

Next Mrs. Fred Roberts was visited and the house with its ranch furniture, harmonious color schemes, and up to the minute kitchen convinced every one that the farm or ranch home today has all the conveniences the city home has and more too.

Mrs. Sherman Holt met the crowd with her ever present smile and showed her living room demonstration that also out grew the living room and went into the two bedrooms and dining room. When it comes to making furniture Mrs. Holt and her family is our choice.

After several miles of road that simply kept one on "needles and pins" we reached the home of Mrs. C. F. Moon. Mrs. Moon is food demonstrator for the Lone Star club. Besides her shelves and shelves of canned food Mrs. Moon had carrots and turnips in hills in her garden and plans to have them all winter.

After a little car pushing the group arrived at Mrs. Lew Flyr's for dinner, and now for a tip to those who didn't go this time, but might go next year, there was a dinner that would be the most elaborate Christmas dinner green with envy. (P. S. Every one ate too much.)

Mrs. Claude Sloan, Ruby club food demonstrator, showed the visitors her canned food in her basement and then her recipe file which she finds very helpful planning her meals.

Another lady who didn't stop when she improved her living room is Mrs. Reubin Baskin. She has completely reworked her house and is now starting on the yard and outside. In the "after" one would never recognize the "before" for in a room that used to be a store room we found a picture book bathroom. To set off the attractive rooms Mrs. Baskin has some very lovely antiques that add that touch of permanence.

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Mrs. Kenneth Borth, a member of the young women's club, has a large variety of canned food among which she has sweet potatoes canned whole and with her kraut she has canned weiners. As has been said before the older women have nothing on these younger ones.

To Mrs. Roscoe Dyess goes a brass button (too near to Christmas to even think orchids) for doing the most for the least money. Mrs. Dyess's living room cost her 30 cents. Of this 20 cents was for the dye to color the sacks she used to upholster one chair green and one chair gold. The other 10 cents was for tacks. The springs for the chairs were found in an old car seat. An old chest was refinished by Mrs. Dyess using materials she found around the house. This chest is most interesting and beautiful. Over it she has built two shelves, out of odd lumber, for books.

Next year lets all try to go, for one gets so many clever ideas and folks, we came back to town only 5 minutes behind schedule so you can't say we waste time.

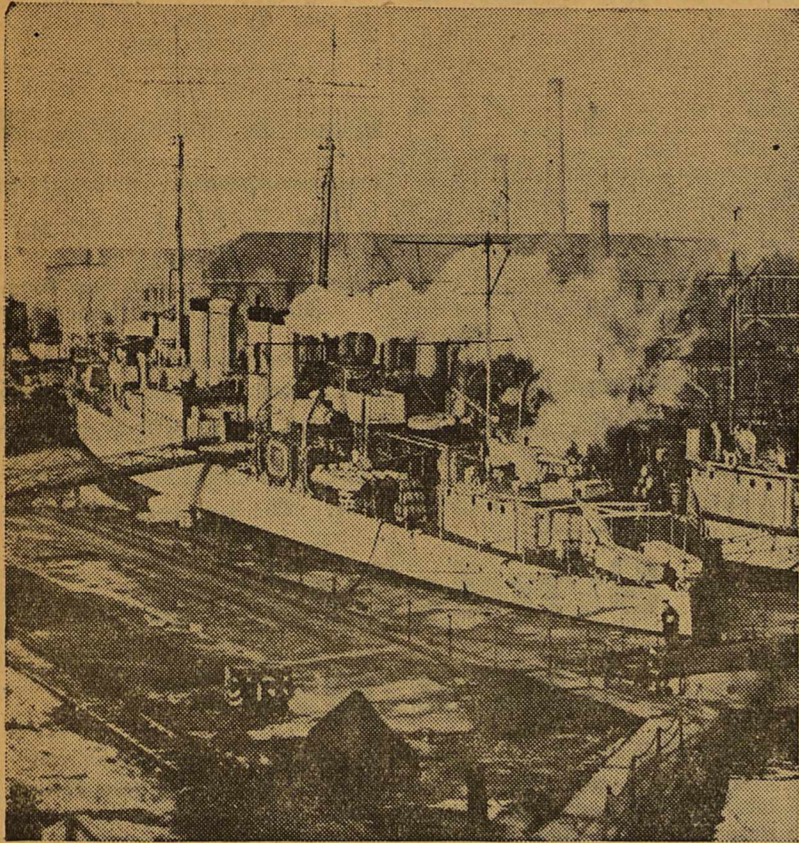
## Stratford H. D. Club Elects Officers

The Stratford Home Demonstration club at their regular meeting elected their officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. Lena Keenan; Vice President, Mrs. E. Hill; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. K. Eller; Reporter, Mrs. John Knight; Council Delegate, Mrs. L. B. Haile; Parliamentarian, Mrs. J. G. Cummings; Song Leader, Mrs. Knight; Pianist, Mrs. Eller.

Their annual Christmas party Saturday evening, December 21, at the club room. All club members and their families are cordially invited.

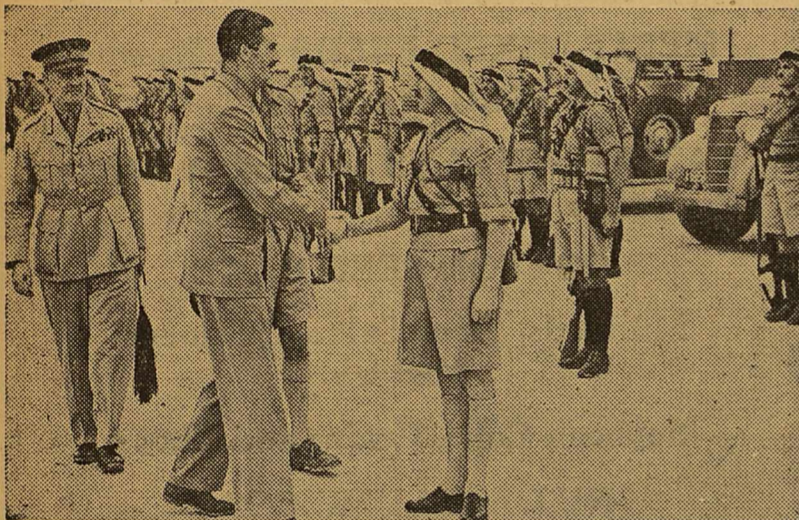


### Intact After Bomb Threat



Charleston Navy Yard, Boston, which was protected by a cordon of more than 100 police and a detachment of marines after a navy official had received information that a workman would attempt to carry a time bomb and dynamite into the navy yard in a lunchbox, when the gates were opened for the day shift. A thorough search revealed nothing whatever.

### British War Minister in Middle East



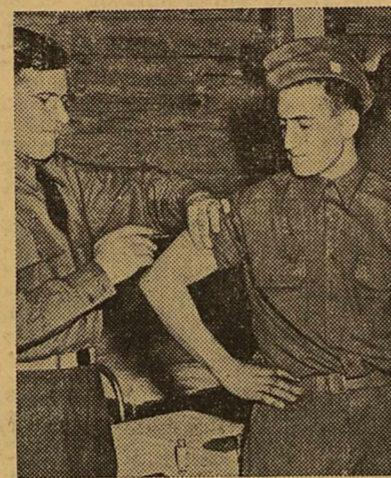
Palestine . . . Captain Anthony Eden, British minister of war, is shown (hatless) shaking hands with an officer of a Trans-Jordan frontier force during his recent visit to the British army of the Middle East. The be-medaled officer at left is unidentified, but the gadget he holds in his hand is a fly-switch, if that's of any help.

### General's Guest



This is Boy Scout Jim Rast, the 12-year-old who wanted to volunteer in the Eighth division. He is holding in his hand the invitation he received from Maj. Gen. Philip Peyton, commanding officer, to be the general's guest at a division inspection at Columbia, S. C. Scout Rast went there in the general's car which brought him from his home in Swansea, S. C., and back again.

### Injected Into Arm-y



This draftee is taking a "shot in the arm" to ward off disease. This scene will take place all over the country as draftees arrive at U. S. army training camps to start a year of training.

## SNOWBOUND CHRISTMAS

BY CLYDE WILSON

BILL YARDLEY poked a tentative eye outside his blanket. It was daylight, at last. Across the tiny cabin Jim was snoozing quietly, his measured breath almost drowned by the roaring wind outside.

Bill's eyes surveyed the cabin with its old stove and rickety furniture. Cozy enough, perhaps, but this was no way to spend an entire winter, even for the sake of geographical accuracy. Several hundred miles to the south, in Winnipeg, the government office was waiting for early spring when Bill and Jim could finish their surveying assignment and bring back a report.



The pilot dumped overboard a huge bundle.

Ahead, meanwhile, were two months of this maddening snowbound silence.

Bill's glance drifted to the calendar. Suddenly he caught his breath—"Jim!" he shrieked. "Wake up! Wake up! Do you know what day this is?"

Jim groaned, stirred a bit, and answered sleepily.

"Tuesday, ain't it? And so what?"

"Jim! It's Christmas Eve!"

A few minutes later they found themselves staring blankly out the window, almost wishing they'd never discovered it was Christmas.

It was kind of childish to let on that you cared, Bill thought. So he put on his parka and headed for the door.

"Let's forget it, Jim," he advised. "I'm going to look at our traps and get some fresh air. Be back soon!"

It was no picnic, trudging through knee-deep drifts for two hours. To make it worse, the traps were all empty. Even the animals were staying inside in this weather.

"Wonder if they'll miss Christmas, too?" he mused as he neared the cabin.

Suddenly he heard a faint hum in the sky. It grew nearer. Unmistakably a motor—an airplane!

Bill raced for the cabin door. "A plane, Jim!" he cried. "Get some black smoke going up the chimney!" Then he raced out to the clearing.

The pilot saw him gesticulating wildly, or else he saw the fresh black smoke over the cabin. The big ship circled, flew off to the north, turned and came back, flying low. Over the clearing it almost stalled as the pilot dumped overboard a huge bundle that plummeted into the snow almost at Bill's feet. Then he waved and sped away.

They got it inside, somehow, though they wanted to open the bundle right where it landed. Once the rope was torn loose an oilskin pouch flew out. A note was inside. From the boss:

"In case you boys have forgotten," it read, "tomorrow's Christmas. Herewith the makings, including some presents your families asked us to send along."

Bill and Jim looked at each other, then they cheered.

"Merry Christmas?" asked Bill. "Why, it's the best ever! Wait'll you taste this turkey!"

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**Sport**

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WITH football 16 at 7:00 P. M. it might be a good idea to bring a gift as more to the sportsmen.

**Storm**  
1. It was a heavy snowfall, and the Ohio coach, who were being removed from the stadium, had to have the doors at the Roxbury and glass panels broken.

**BUDGET HEARING**  
**INDEPENDENT DISTRICT**

Public hearing on the Stratford Independent District for the year held at the High School, Monday, December 10, 1940.

W. P. FOREMAN, President,  
J. B. FOREMAN, Secretary,  
Independent School District No. 1.

Dec. 5-12.

have been to the... It is to be... which had... that George... no official... State could... gesturing... credit for a...

**Out of Print**  
Not all the squawks... headlines. I have heard... sources that certain winning... such as passing the ball... on laterals, have been on the illegal side.

This was the charge made against both Michigan and Columbia in the Penn and Georgia games. A Georgia photographer dug up the first protest, but the angle a camera takes can make a difference of 10 or 12 feet. So that one's out. The officials, after all, are in charge of the game and doing the best they can.

Football is a completely impossible game to judge, or handle perfectly. Looking down on the field with no obstruction, I've seen many penalties that should have been called, but were overlooked in the action of 22 men who often shut off an official's vision.

But no good comes from any post-game squawk—especially on the part of the loser.

In regard to illegal forward passing, most laterals are hairline decisions. It is impossible to pass a ball backward to a runner in front of you. So more than a few of the laterals are technically illegal. But they are matters of double-split seconds, difficult to follow.

**Another Angle**  
It has gotten so today that most colleges with winning football teams are immediately thrown under suspicion.

Not long ago I ran across two well-known Yale and Harvard men. They told me the squawks emanating from their campus reservations was largely due to the fact that Cornell and Pennsylvania were digging up soft courses for certain stars who couldn't last two weeks in Harvard, Yale, Columbia, and Brown wouldn't be far apart.

"You know what happened when Cornell met Army and Penn met Yale and Princeton. All they scored was 141 points in the three games—I mean Penn and Cornell."

**Too Much Guesswork**  
In the first place, Yale and Harvard and the others who believe they have a squawk coming should first be sure of their facts. As it is now they are merely guessing.

For example, there is the course in physical education. Bo McMillin tells me that at Indiana this is one of the harder courses, involving a good part of the training needed to finish in a medical school.

These are things that, for the good of football, can be ironed out back of the curtain, in place of vague charges that carry no proof of any sort. A Cornell or a Pennsylvania degree still ranks with any that I know about.

The idea today, in too many quarters, seems to be that all winning teams must be made the targets for the beaten.

College football, in many places, could use more of the sporting side. There is no law forcing any institution to schedule football games with any suspicious rivals.

The main purpose of football was supposed to be recreation and sport for sport's sake. It was never intended as a part of Nero's schedule in the old Roman coliseum.

It is a great game—one of the greatest—but it is also a game that is gradually developing entirely too many termitic habitats in its own system.

I still say it would be a far better game if every student in every college and university were treated exactly the same as every other student in regard to proselyting, scholarships, jobs and financial handouts. Then we'd have a true test of college football ranking. I believe that this would prove itself a real boon to the game.

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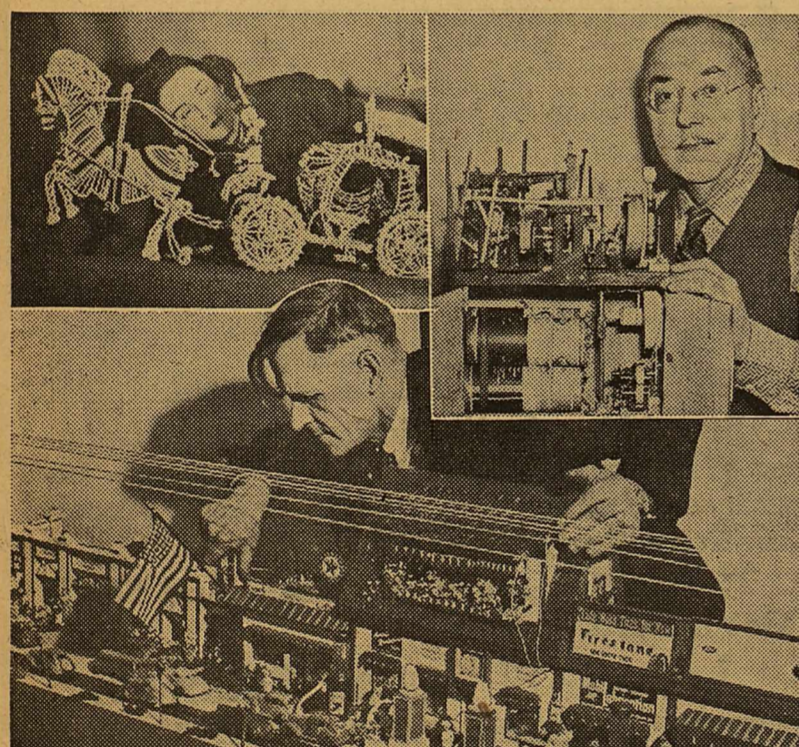
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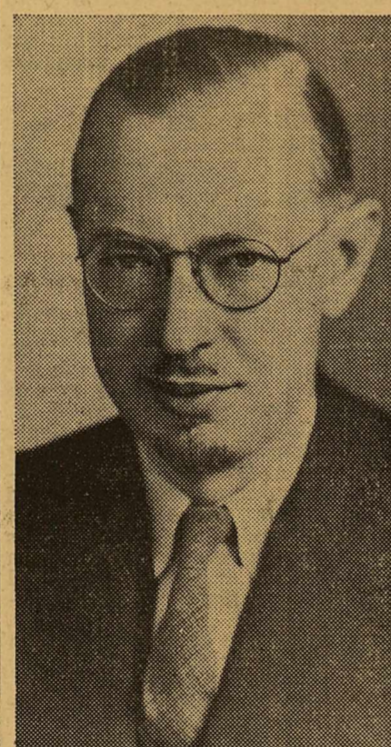
### Pre-views

#### Observe National Hobby Week



Avocations will be featured December 25 to January 1 during National Hobby week. Some unusual hobbies are pictured above. The "Cinderella Carriage," upper left, was made entirely of pipe cleaners. (Upper right): Gelett Burgess, noted author, with his "nonsense machine," which only makes noise. Below, tiny buildings made of boiled match sticks.

#### Musicians Meet



Dr. Howard Hanson, who will preside at the annual conference of the National Association of Schools of Music in Cleveland, December 26-27. Many noted composers and instructors will attend.

### Alien Registration Deadline Approaches



December 26 is the deadline for an estimated 3,500,000 aliens residing in the United States to register with the government. These pictures show aliens in the various steps of registering, as they try to beat the deadline.

### Winter's Debut

VERNAL EQUINOX  
March 21  
94,500,000 Miles from SUN

EARTH  
91,500,000 Miles from SUN

SUN

WINTER SOLSTICE  
Dec. 21

AUTUMNAL EQUINOX  
Sept. 22

Winter begins December 21 in the Northern hemisphere, when earth is closest to sun. Sketch shows angle at which sun's rays strike north pole at equinoxes.

### 53 Sundays in Year

According to the Gregorian calendar, every year has 53 days of the one it begins on. Generally speaking, the year contains 53 Sundays every five or six years. This occurred in 1928, 1933, 1939, and again in 1944, 1950, 1956, 1961, 1967, etc. The United States naval observatory points out that in any continuous series of 28 years, five have 53 Sundays, unless the series includes a year whose number ends in two ciphers without its being a leap year, as in 1700, 1800, 1900. When leap year begins on Saturday, two of the six-year periods fall consecutively.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

### Old-Time New Year Serious

Oldtime New England was serious on New Year's, as witness the title of a book published there in the year of 1702 by one Richard Standfast: "A New Year's Gift for Fainting Souls, or, a little handful of cordial comforts scattered through several answers to 16 questions and objections: As also doubting Christians invited to Christ."

Chinese New Year's Greeting  
The Chinese New Year's greeting is "Sui-hi," or "May joy be yours."

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with relatives in Canyon. Lone Star H. D. Club Studies Art Of Making Pie Making pies that achieve perfection isn't as difficult as it sounds, Mrs. Luther Browder told members of the Lone Star Home Demonstration Club which met last Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Frank Blanks. Unless you are making hot water pastry, have the ingredients for making pie crust cold. Cut shortening into the flour, add water sparingly, using only enough to hold the ingredients together. After a short recreation period refreshments of cocoa and cookies were served. The next meeting will be December 17, with Mrs. Luther Browder for our Xmas program and exchange gifts. Each member urged to be present.

## Priscilla Club Met With Mrs. Browder

The Priscilla Club met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Luther Browder. An enjoyable afternoon was spent quilting. A delicious salad plate was served to the following visitors and members: Mesdames J. B. Craig, Sidney Park, E. Whitmarsh, Oscar Watkins, C. F. Moon, Roy Browder, Frank Blanks and the hostess, Mrs. Luther Browder. The next meeting will be December 19 at the home of Mrs. Roy Browder.

## Sprlock H. D. Club Plans New Pies

Lets have pie, so suggested the men when asked what they want for dinner, Mrs. Meritt Sweny told the members of the Sprlock Home Demonstration Club when they met with Mrs. Elmer Hudson on December 5. Determine which kind of crust you consider best, the flaky crust. The meaty crust, or cracker crust, and some prefer to make a hot water pastry, continued Mrs. Sweny. There are a number of ways to vary the pie crust, by the addition of grated cheese, grated orange or lemon rind, chopped nut meats or by using fruit juice in place of part of the water. The following officers were elected for the following year: Mrs. Arrell Cummings, President; Mrs. Eugene Hudson, Vice-President; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. A. Folsom, Council Delegate, Mrs. Oma Ellison; Song leader, Mrs. Elmer Hudson. Refreshments were served to Mesdames Herbert Folsom, Eugene Hudson, Arrell Cummings, E. Hill, Meritt Sweny, Misses Mabel Martin, Craft, and the hostess, Mrs. Elmer Hudson. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Roscoe Folsom on December 19. This is our Xmas party. All members are urged to be present and visitors are always welcome. Each one please bring a gift for our tree.

## 4-H Club Girls To Have Party

The 4-H club girls of Sherman County will have their Christmas party at the court house in the club room December 14 from 2 to 4 o'clock. Each girl is asked to bring an inexpensive present to exchange with some one else.

## MRS. JACK VEAZEY BURNS RIGHT FOOT

Mrs. Jack Veazey sustained pain-

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SHERMAN TO THOSE indebted to, or holding claims against the Estate of H. C. King, deceased: The undersigned having been duly appointed Executor of the Estate of H. C. King, deceased, late of Sherman County, Texas, by F. B. Mullins, Judge of the County Court of said County on the 18th day of November A. D. 1940, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law at his residence at Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, where he receives his mail, this 18th day of November A. D. 1940. A. L. KING, Independent Executor of the Estate of H. C. King, Deceased. Nov. 21, 28; Dec. 5, 12.

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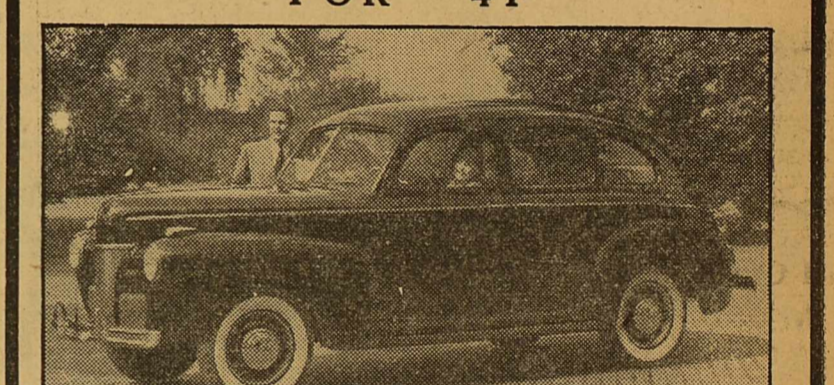
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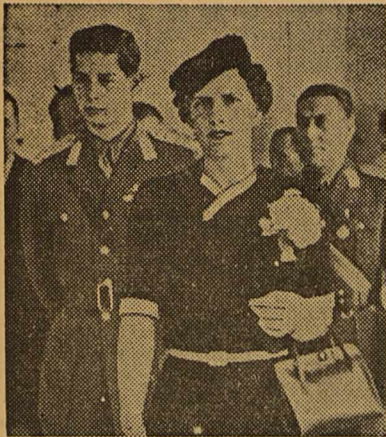


WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

Nazis Widen Scope of Bombing Attacks On Vital Ports and Industrial Cities; Italian and British Naval Forces Clash; Weird Stories Told of Rumanian Purge

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)  
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**BUCHAREST, RUMANIA**—Shortly after this picture of King Michael and his mother was taken, the streets of this city ran red with blood. This is the last picture taken of the king and his mother before the outbreak of the Iron Guard blood purge of political enemies. Now Michael has fled into hiding and his mother is reported to be in Italy.



**MEXICO CITY, MEXICO**—Smiling a dazzling smile, General Alvaro Obregón, defeated candidate for the presidency of Mexico, is shown as he arrived at Mexico City airport and renounced all claims to the high office following U. S. recognition of Manuel Camacho, who was inaugurated at ceremonies attended by U. S. vice president elect, Henry Wallace.

**RUMANIA: Haywire?**

Bringing to mind the French revolution, the downfall of Tsarism in Russia, and other rarities of human experience of similar ilk, Rumania went haywire following abdication of Carol and Anschluss with the Axis.

Guns barked in public squares of half a score of towns, including Bucharest, where the enemies of Iron Guards found themselves perforated and laid in row upon row of corpses in bloody streets.

In vain did Gen. Ion Antonescu order peace and quiet, death followed death; jails and other refuges were entered and victims dragged forth to the general slaughter.

The Germans, who had touched off the inner revolt to the Nazi way of life, were agnostic at their handiwork, fearing lest all value of their new acquisition would be swept away in an avalanche of anarchy.

King Mihai fled into hiding; his mother, Queen Helen, who had returned to Bucharest joyfully as soon as Carol and Mme. Lupescu decamped, hastened off to Italy and the comparative safety of exile there.

None could tell where Rumania was headed. Revolution immediately spread to the recently Sovietized Bessarabia, its dwellers crying out for "food, lower prices, fuel and medicines."

Weird stories emanated from the madness within Rumania, perhaps the oddest of all the story that 30 Iron Guardsists, the ones who slew the 64 "enemies" who were held responsible for the prior assassination of Codreanu, had immediately committed suicide after the slayings.

Another yarn told how during the slayings a loud-speaker blared forth the voice of Codreanu, words of a threat against his enemies made during a famous speech when he was at the zenith of his career.

**BOMBS:**

**For Industry**

After the British had been wondering what new line German bombing would take, the Germans made it instantly plain by starting a new type of attack on a long series of industrial centers of Britain with results the reports of which varied according to the source.

The test tube for these attacks was the relatively small town of Coventry, but this was followed with smashing bombings of Bristol, Manchester, Liverpool, Southampton and other cities of greater size.

In general the industrial heart of England lies in the Midlands, and on many nights the bomber waves passed up London entirely to smash away at towns in this territory.

German accounts of damage done are optimistic, the British call them "highly exaggerated," but apparently the Nazis didn't know and the British wouldn't tell how extensive the damage has been.

Berlin claimed and London admitted that Southampton was in flames after a bitter day and night attack by the Nazis. England's chief southern port town, Southampton, is 80 miles southwest of London. Once the main port of call for transatlantic liners it was the object of the constant pounding by the feared dive bombers. While German dispatches stated that the city was in

**AMERICANA**

Graduates of the Coast Guard academy will now be given degrees of "bachelor of science," just like college men, it has been decided.

Louis Tracy is a barber and volunteer fireman of Ponca, Neb. He was half through a customer's shave when the alarm sounded. Tracy fought the fire, returned, and finished the shave. His customer was the deputy fire marshal.

flames, London admitted that many fires had been started but that they were put under control within a short time.

Of interest to war observers, however, was the adoption by Germany of the tactic which has been earmarked by the R. A. F. since the commencement of the "all-out" air war.

From the first the R. A. F. has concentrated on objectives of two types, despite the widespread popular demand for bombings of Berlin. The R. A. F. planes have deluged the "invasion ports" with explosives, and also the industrial and munitions centers of Germany.

This attack also has been extended to industrial Italy, with devastating blows at Turin, Naples and Leghorn among other centers. Before the war, military observers predicted that of the three nations, Germany's industrial cities were best protected against air attack, England's next best and Italy's most vulnerable. All predicted, however, that if Germany held mastery of the air she conceivably could cripple British industry.

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**GREEKS:**

**History Makers**

Generations to come will find in their history books the story of the defense of their nation by the Greek armies under General Metaxas, who continued their successes, though at somewhat slower pace as they proceeded many miles into the difficult Albanian terrain.

Study of military maps showed the dangers of the Italian position, but reports tended to show that although badly beaten and knocked back on their heels into Albanian territory, the Italians were still planning to make a fight of it.

Greeks were taking their victories calmly, General Metaxas giving the United States to understand that little Greece could not hope to "go it alone," but would need expanded American aid in addition to liberal help from British land forces and airplanes.

The Grecian armies were fighting a brilliant and vigorous campaign, with much of the drive that goes with repeated successes. Dramatic sidelights were the fighting of the Macedonian women, who told how they gathered on a mountain plateau against orders of Greek commanders and started avalanches of heavy rocks down on Italians trapped in a ravine below them.

Another dramatic sidelight was provided by the Italian radio, which broadcast a bitter denunciation of the Greeks for use of the bayonet, calling it a "barbarous weapon."

Leslie Hore-Belisha, writing of the Greeks, said real test would be reached when Italians reached the coastal plain, where Fascist mechanized equipment would get a fairer test. Greeks were promising to make no stops in driving Italians into the Adriatic.

**DIES:**

**Vs. Administration?**

Martin Dies, foe of the fifth column, whenever and wherever he finds signs of it, ran into a snag when President Roosevelt handed him an admisory telegram at his Orange, Texas, home. President warned Dies that his "White Paper" and "Red Paper" were premature and hampered work of the G-men.

Dies, taking a leaf from the Rooseveltian book, declared he has a "mandate" from the people for continuation of his committee's work, and promised two more "papers" as his answer to presidential objections.

He went to the nation over the air-waves, urging a radical change in American methods of spy-fighting. Army and navy heads admitted Dies' charge of Communist members in the armed forces, and promised to "crack down" if any of them became active.

**Kathleen Norris Says:**

*Life, Liberty and Husbands*

(Bell Syndicate—WNU Service.)



"She never let me ALONE!"

By **KATHLEEN NORRIS**

**H**USBANDS are people, as well as husbands. Wives are people, as well as wives. Children are people, too, as well as children.

If most married folk could only get those three simple facts through their heads, a great many marital problems would be solved.

But stupid mothers and fathers continue to snub, punish, ignore, or form entirely artificial plans for children as if children were a race apart. They hurt the children's feelings; they "talk down" to them; they quote them in public to give everyone a good laugh; they interrupt the small girl's most absorbed play; they make fun of the small boy's dearest pal.

Not that they would treat their friends, or even casual acquaintances that way. But children don't matter!

**How to Annoy One's Husband.**

Wives, too, have a great way of forgetting that a man lived several years as a man before he was a husband, and thoroughly enjoyed those years. Many a young wife ruins her marriage because she wants so completely to absorb darling Billy's time, attention, money, affection, company, and even his past. I knew one bride who was eternally pestering her husband about his younger days. She didn't suspect anything sinister; she was just curious. He had really liked Maude Baker, hadn't he? Oh, she didn't care one bit, but she wanted him to admit it. He had kissed Maude, hadn't he? Nothing wrong if he had, but she would like to know.

This particular wife used to drive downtown to pick her man up every afternoon. If he had letters in his pocket, she wasn't happy until she saw them. If he stayed at the office she telephoned twice. If he and his partner went out for scrambled eggs and coffee at eleven, she was hurt. She would have dressed and come downtown and joined them if only he'd let her know!

For a short while Billy enjoyed all this; it made him important in his own eyes. Then he became suddenly sick of it, and although the reason his tearful wife gave in the divorce court was "mental cruelty," the real reason Billy shouted to his mother when he went back home to live was: "She never let me ALONE!" It hadn't occurred to Jean that Billy was a person. She thought of him as only a husband.

**Wives Also Need Breathing Space.**

Here's a letter from a wife who feels her husband doesn't give her breathing-space. She is 34, she lives in Hollywood, and she has two sons, nine and six.

"When I married Dave," writes Martha, "I had done post-graduate courses in architecture, and was working with a firm of architects, being paid \$40 a week and commission. For a year I went on, then stopped and devoted myself to home and Taffy, and when Taffy was three, to Stewart as well. No two small boys ever had a more devoted mother. I'm a good cook, too, and although I always had some help, I managed the meals as well as the boys. Dave did well, we moved into a lovely home with a garden, and when the boys got started in school I tried club work, social work, hospital committee work, bridge, hobbies, everything. I wrote nine poems and three short stories, all unpublished. Nothing seemed to be my work.

**HUMAN NATURE**

Never forget that all people are human, and just because they happen to be your wife, husband or child doesn't free them from human traits and emotions. This is the advice Kathleen Norris offers married couples who look upon their mates and children as persons apart from the rest of the world. She believes that much unhappiness could be avoided if they would realize that their loved ones are human beings—and treat them accordingly.

"Then one of the members of my old firm got into the business of building groups of small houses here and there over the country; five-room farmhouses and little haciendas that sell for \$400 down and \$35 a month. I told Dave I'd do it until I could buy myself a good car, which I did last July. I also bought for the house a coat of paint, blinds, an additional bathroom, and a new refrigerator.

**Objects to Wife Working.**  
"All was going serenely when Dave broke down two weeks ago in bitter protest against my continuing as a wage-earner. His arguments you know, I've seen them in this column before. Taking the job from someone who needs it more. Hurting his pride. Robbing the boys of their mother's society. Doing what is unnatural and unfeminine and unwifely.

"What do you think of this? Dave made a scene. He said he had been wretched for weeks. That his house was no longer home. That there was nothing in the world he wouldn't buy for me; nothing he wouldn't do if I'd just give up this nonsense of fireplaces and sinks and draperies and come home again! He shed actual tears. He said he loved his wife too much to have her walking around cheap raw lots all day with a couple of builders and painters and plumbers.

"Dave leaves at a few minutes to nine each morning. The boys are off at eight, home at four. I go at nine, am always home at five. My colored Frances gives them an after-school sandwich, sees that they change their shoes and start their homework. Dave gets in a little after five."

**Suffers No Inconvenience.**  
Martha, I think you're right and Dave's wrong. Not that I think every married woman who works is acting wisely. When it means restaurant meals and unmade beds, unanswered telephone and nervous weariness, then a smart woman makes some other arrangement.

But in this case of Dave and Martha it has been worked out for the benefit of everyone. The boys see as much of their mother as most boys do. Frances keeps the house in order. Martha, who admits to being a good cook, undoubtedly does the marketing and supervises the meals. She is always at home when Dave gets there.

What more does he want, anyway? What does he think life is? A lovely home, a good maid, two small sons, a smart wife, money for luxuries as well as necessities, and happiness all 'round if he would only accept the situation.

Thousands of wives, Dave, may duly stay at home between visits to beauty parlors, shops, movies, matinees. But they don't want babies and they can't cook. And rather than helping with expenses they increase them in every direction. Thousands of wives are miserably unhappy when the last child gets off to school, and wonder all day long what they can do with themselves and why they are alive anyway.

Thank God that you have a woman as well as a wife.

**Her Fourth Finger**

The custom of women wearing engagement rings and wedding rings on the fourth finger of the left hand arose from the ancient belief that that finger contained a delicate nerve or a vein, called "love's vein," connected directly with the heart.

By wearing the engagement or wedding ring on the fourth finger of the left hand, therefore, a woman sought to show not only that she was betrothed but that her heart was touched.

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**GENERAL HUGH S. JOHNSON Says:**

Washington, D. C.

**TAXES AND ARMS**

This town is humming with two great discussions. They are not related in the talk but they are in fact. One is the question of our financing British armament. The other is of the very great increases in taxes to finance fully at least the regular expenses of our government—perhaps nine billions a year.

The cost of our defense program, if our World War experience means anything, has not even yet been dimly imagined. General Marshall once estimated that to parallel the German land armament alone would cost \$100,000,000,000. Fortunately, we do not have to do that if we stick to our idea of hemisphere defense. But, in addition to a very great land armament, we have undertaken the most ambitious sea program ever attempted.

It is profless to try to foresee all these costs. No one has ever had enough facts or taken enough trouble to make an accurate statistical comparison of what it costs us, as compared with England or Germany, to provide and maintain military and naval defense, including care of participants in former wars. It probably runs double as to the British and surely triple as to Nazis.

We properly spare no costs on our defenders, but even we can't escape the fact that the fiscal factor itself is important in national defense. It is doubtful whether we can prepare to defend the Western hemisphere at a cost of less than \$50,000,000,000. Nobody can tell what will be added to that if the present trend of administration sentiment continues and we also undertake to finance a part of the British effort.

Those who advocate this policy estimate that the British reserve of funds to buy in this market has ebbed to about \$1,000,000,000. If that is true, at their present rate of spending, it will scarcely last four months and, since that rate is accelerating and nobody can foresee the trend of war, it might rise to figures at least half as fantastic as our own prospective bill for national defense. Let's be conservative and say \$20,000,000,000.

There are two schools of thought in Washington as to how best to meet these astronomical figures without impairing or destroying our economic structure by the time-proved (if no time-honored) explosion called inflation.

One says to do it is to "pay-as-we-go." That means taxes higher than we have ever dreamed of in our philosophy, even by a disguised levy on present capital. The theory there is that by making it practically impossible to gain profits, nobody will speculate and, therefore, prices will remain stable.

The other idea is that there are plenty of other ways to control runaway prices—such as priorities to govern supply rather than frantic counter-bidding, confiscatory taxes on profits due to speculative buying of commodities or common stocks and, if necessary, a legislative "ceiling" over prices with sufficient flexibility to prevent absurd results.

**DRAFT AFTERMATH**

Dr. Dykstra, administrator of selective service, is alert to one of the greatest mistakes of the World War draft. That had to do with the demobilization of drafted men, rather than with their selection. The present organization of local and appeal boards for selection follows faithfully that earlier model which worked beautifully in selection.

In 1918, the selective service system planned to use exactly the same machinery for returning the boys to civil life. They were to be sent back to the boards that had taken them. There, as in their taking, they were to be clothed, housed, fed and receive their army pay until, with the assistance of local boards, they were re-employed.

The powers that were said: "No!" They wanted to "liquidate" the war—instantly. The whole backbone of war regulation was withdrawn suddenly. That left a structure of artificially high prices and industry paralyzed by quick cancellation of billions in war contracts. Our whole business system went into a coma. Into these economic doldrums, the selected men were kicked—given "travel money" home and there abandoned.

It created bitter resentment. The boys found that, while they had been away, somebody else had gotten their jobs, made much more jack than they had and, in some cases, married their best girls—and they couldn't get work. Their government had taken them with glittering promises. They came home to find these were forgotten.

The major complaint about this draft is that it is moving too slowly. The same sort of criticism in 1917 forced the war department into an almost fatal blunder, to order men to camps before they were ready to receive them. Let's not again be bums-rushed into that tragic error.

It's a lot better to take whatever criticism there may be for not having proper housing, clothing and food and to tell our people the exact truth, than to try to cover it up at the expense of the health and welfare of these kids. It can't be covered long.



**HOMESICKNESS**, perhaps, had brought him back. Old Peter Johansen buttoned his threadbare overcoat, blew warm breath on his rough hands and jumped to the ground. There was no railroad detective to grab him for riding that freight train, because this was the day before Christmas. All but the homeless, like himself, seemed busy preparing for the Day of Days.

Forty years, Peter reflected, since he last set foot in Clark City. It had been a year after the big earthquake; a year after all hell broke loose, killing his parents and sister as they sat at dinner in the little house on Vine street.

Peter remembered: How he had come home late that evening; how the earth began quivering like a beast possessed; how he had



Peter stood alone for a long time watching the star appear.

searched like a madman through the ruins of that black-wracked, fire-swept bungalow. When, as Clark City began rebuilding, he had drifted off in a daze to roam up and down the earth—a ne'er-do-well, a hobo!

But always he remembered Linda, dear little sister Linda. In 40 years her memory always came back stronger than ever on Christmas Eve, for it was then that they used to climb Lookout Hill hand-in-hand at dusk, watching the evening star rise in the heavens.

That, perhaps, was why he was back this Christmas Eve. "Almost dusk now," he reflected, trudging along Clark City's busy thoroughfare. Christmas crowds jostled him, for he was a hapless wanderer with no place to go. No place to go? Not Peter! Soon he found his way to the old residential district where Lookout Hill rose like a sentinel.

"The same old hill," he told himself. "Little Linda! If you were here now to see your big brother! No—thank God you're not here, for your big brother is ashamed of himself!"

At the crest Peter stood alone for a long time, watching the star appear as it had since that first night over Bethlehem. He didn't notice the old lady until she spoke.

"Beautiful, that star, isn't it?" Peter fumbled with his greasy-stained cap.

"Yes'm, it is. Especially from Lookout Hill."

"Many years ago," she continued, almost in a trance, "my little brother and I used to watch that star rise in the heavens each Christmas Eve, until—" (she wiped a tear away)—"we were separated somehow during the big earthquake. He was killed, they found out later."

"Each Christmas Eve ever since I've come back here, just to remember him. I hope he's happy up there in Heaven."

Peter was staring at her, fairly ready to shriek, for it was Linda! No doubt about it, now!

He recognized the tilt of her nose, unchanged by the years; the familiar ring of a voice that somehow had failed to grow old. But he held himself back, for Peter was ashamed of himself.

She didn't notice him shuffle off after awhile, for Linda was still watching the star.

In the freight yards he found an empty boxcar and bedded down under some straw in a corner. After a while he felt the car move, and somehow he was glad.

"Yes, it was Linda," he sobbed to himself, "but I just couldn't tell her. Thank God she's alive and happy. And Thank God she remembers me on Christmas eve as I was, not as I am."

After awhile he fell asleep. (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

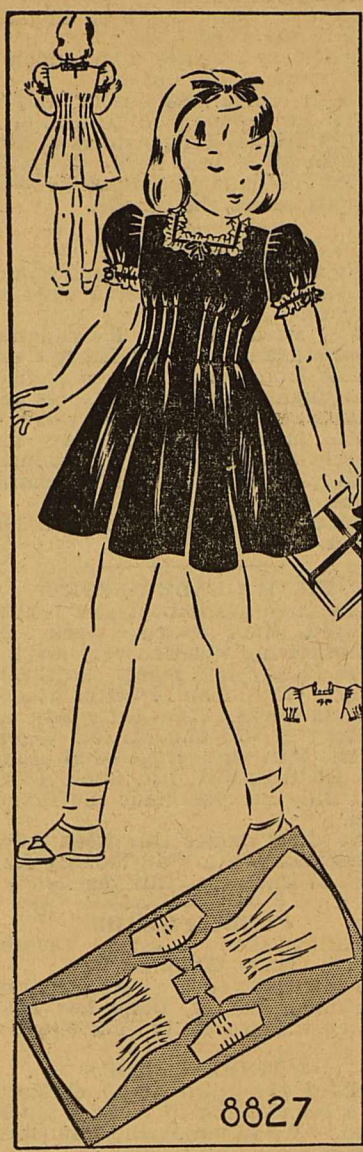
**Cakes Printed in Germany**

A famous Christmas cake in Germany is Aachen Printen, from which the English word "print" is derived. In the days before book-printing the idea of imprint belonged to the baking business to express the making of patterns in cakes. Many of these cakes have figures representing the old gods Wotan and Thor.

**Santa May Not Smoke Cigars**

Santa Claus, perhaps, doesn't smoke—or he would be better informed on the quality of cigars.

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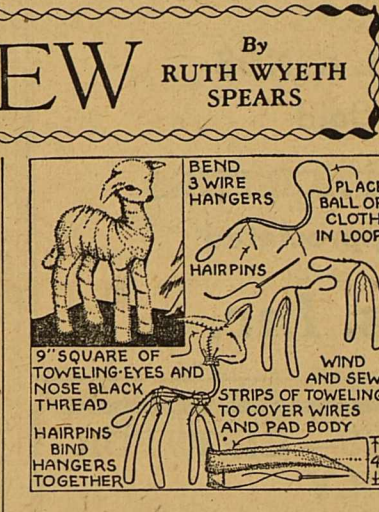
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The Russian army has become so proficient in the use of air trains that they now tow as many as 27 gliders behind a single plane.

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**Indeed Quite Simple, In Subtle Sarcasm**

Mrs. Milligan and Mrs. Graystone were neighbors, and often they had a few words over the back fence.

One day Mrs. Milligan said to Mrs. Graystone: "I don't know if you're aware of it, but, my dear, it appears to me you've got odd stockings on."

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- Whose poem contains the well-known line: "If winter comes, can spring be far behind?"
- What is estimated to have been the seating capacity of the Roman Circus Maximus?
- Where is the original home of the potato?
- What is a canticle?
- What officer ranks next above a captain in the United States navy?
- How did the word "salary" originate?
- A law which makes acts punishable before its passage is called what?
- Are Burgundy wines light or heavy, and what is the color?
- What is a tundra?

**The Answers**

- Shelley ("Ode to the West Wind").
- The seating capacity of the Roman Circus Maximus was approximately 250,000.
- Peru and Chile. It grows wild on the pleateaux high up in the Andes.
- A little song or hymn.
- Rear admiral.
- From a Latin word meaning salt money (salarium, given to Roman soldiers for salt which was part of their pay).
- Ex post facto.
- Heavy, rich and dry. Color, both red and white.
- A treeless plain in the Arctic region.

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THE DUSTER

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hear this little rumor; it goes like this: Douglas D. had a date with a certain girl. Just to give her a taste of waiting, he just waited till she came to start taking a bath—the girl left and Doug had no date! Goodness, girls sure do get rude sometimes.

"Guess Again"
I crave an exam,
I think they're fun;
I never cram
I never flunk one—
I'm Coach Cleavinger.
Burke Green: "Is your horn out of order?"
Marvin P.: "No, it's just indifferent?"
Marvin P.: "It simply doesn't

give a hoot."
Mr. Farris: Now try and leave the party at a reasonable hour. No more of this coming home with the milkman, young lady.
Eudora: Why, Dad, of course not. He won't be there.
We wonder why Bill Garrison doesn't name his car "Castoria."—all the babies cry for it.

given on Wednesday night, December 11, 1940. The students selected those who were to have a part in it.

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JUNIOR REPORT

We Juniors had a business class meeting this time during activity period. (We got to miss geometry this time.) Part of our time was spent discussing class pins and our senior rings, but most of our time was spent talking about our play, "Aunt Tillie Goes to Town." This play is a force, and there will be plenty of laughs in it. (Confidentially, we expect our audience to be "rolling in the aisles" before the climax.) The faculty selected the players to act in the play; there are ten. We expect to have our play turn out of the mold in perfect condition, and we want each and everyone to reserve time to see "Aunt Tillie Goes to Town."

SOPHOMORE REPORT

Sophomore histories continued:
William Joseph Ross
Date of birth, May 15, 1925;
Place, Stratford, Texas; hair, brown; eyes, brown; ambition, to be an aviator; hobby, making model airplanes; nickname, Josephine.
Lloyd James McDaniel
Date of birth, April 3, 1926; place Stratford, Texas; hair, red; eyes, brown; ambition, cattleman; hobby, hunting; nickname, Red.
Waylon Meritt Green
Date of birth, June 15, 1924; place, Stratford, Texas; hair, brown; eyes, brown; ambition, not definite; hobby, hunting.
Virginia Hosalie McDaniel
Date of birth, August 21, 1926; place, Tallahassee, Florida; hair, red; eyes, blue; ambition, to be a musician; hobby, music; nickname Mugs.
Pearl Pauline Keener
Date of birth, August 13, 1926; place, Plains, Kansas; hair, dark brown; eyes, hazel; ambition, to be a foreign correspondent or a scientist; hobby, writing letters; nickname, Polly.

FRESHMAN REPORT

The freshmen spent activity period this week planning their Christmas party, which is to be

SEVENTH GRADE

We can report that miss Eddie Caanon is doing very fine. Anne Vandergriff has returned to school after recovering from some serious burns. Richard Albert has been ill part of this last week.

In history we have been studying the American Revolution. Peggy Morse was absent half a day to go shopping in Dalhart.

We have several members of the seventh grade who have recently joined the band. Several went to Dalhart to see the parade.

SIXTH GRADE

We are glad to have James Bradley back in school after a week of absence. Billy Reed, Boyd McWilliams, Elizabeth and Dorothy Merry were absent from school this morning.

In English, the sixth graders are writing conversation this week. The members of the class are eagerly awaiting the Christmas holidays and the coming of Santa Claus.

Honor roll: Beverly Smith, Helen Rister.

FIFTH GRADE REPORT

The fifth grade boys and girls enjoyed their extra week of Thanksgiving vacation very much. We receive our report cards this week. We all made better grades this six weeks. Don Riffe with an average of 95.5 and Marion Engelbrecht with an average of 94 made the Distinguished list. Sheila Duby and Billy Penrose made the Honor Roll.

We drew names this week for Christmas. We are all looking forward to Christmas this year.

FOURTH GRADE

Distinguished List: Dolores Smith, Jackie Williams. Honor Roll: Joe Pete Flores, Rosemary Keener, Dixie Lea Lasley, Opal Lowe, Betty June Roper.

THIRD GRADE

All of the third grade children have been eating in the lunch room. We all enjoy the lunches very much. Distinguished list for the past six weeks: Garnett Bryan, Mariene Brown, Peggy Jo Koontz. Honor roll: Patsy Jeanne Coffman, Lloyd King, Sissy Flores, David DuVall, Lewis Kelp, Marjorie Boney, Jack Reed, and Sam Grow.

Mrs. Houser and Mrs. Brinkley visited school Monday morning. Charlotte Wolfrum and Marlene Brown were absent from school several days last week on account of illness. Dale McWilliams was absent from school Monday.

SECOND GRADE

Those on the Distinguished List for the second six weeks are Mildred Bennett, Roberta Jeanne Bird, Mary Nan Davis, Jeanne Harrison. Those on the Honor Roll are Gene Marshall, Bennie Earle DuVall, Patricia Naugle, Alvin Engelbrecht, Georgana Skillen.

We drew names for exchanging Christmas gifts and have made big plans for Christmas. We wrote letters to Santa Claus today, so Mr. Ross could publish them for us. Joe Merry, Junior Jacobs, and Donald McWilliams were absent from school Monday.

There are now twenty-one of the twenty-four pupils eating at the lunch room. We get so full every day we can't imagine what keeps us from bursting.

FIRST GRADE

Another error. Carroll Reed made an average of 91, which entitles him to a place on the honor roll. Peggy Jo Coffman made an average of 90 6/11 which puts her name on the honor roll also. We have lost two pupils and gained two

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