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## 2 MEN CALLED FOR SELECTIVE MILITARY SERVICE

Charles Beauchamp and William Armstrong Will Report January 12

Charles Beauchamp and William Armstrong have been called by the Sherman County Selective Service Draft Board for military service in the following order:

The following named men have been selected for induction by this board.

They shall report to this Local Board at the City Hall at 3:00 P. M. on January 12, 1941, whereupon they shall be sent to an induction station of the United States January 13, 1941 at Lubbock, Texas.

Order No. 59 Charles Terry Beauchamp.  
Order No. 242 William Armstrong.

Signed: Arthur Ross, Local Board Member.

## Women's And Girl's Clubs Plan Busy Year's Program

Sherman County Home Demonstration and Girls 4-H clubs have received their year books for 1941 and are ready for their years work with goals which have been previously chosen, according to Miss Mabel Martin, County Home Demonstration Agent.

Mrs. Emil Blanck is chairman of the county council, Mrs. Oma Ellison of Spurlock, is vice-chairman, and Mrs. Luther Browder, of Lone Star, is secretary-treasurer.

The two phases of study for the women's clubs are yard improvement and under the Home Food Supply program yeast breads and variations will be stressed. In the first of these the women will make plans for yard improvement, study lawns, shrubs, and propagation of trees and shrubs. This study will cover a period of more than one year only preliminary work can be completed. Aside from the yeast breads and variations some of the things to be studied are uses of whole wheat, beverage, salad dressings and variations, cake fillings and fillings, poultry, hats and bonnets, pressing and ironing, rugs, arrangement of basement and storage space, and family relations and home management.

The girls have taken bedrooms and vegetables for their study this year. In the bedroom work they have as their goals to arrange all furniture to its best advantage and to put it in good condition; to improve storage space to have curtains well hung and in good condition, and others.

Under the vegetable phase they have as their goals to can vegetables, learn the nutritive value of vegetables, plan and help grow vegetables for the family garden, to prepare and serve vegetables several times during the year. Some of the other things they will study are manners, family relationships, candy making, gingerbread and variations, tie dying, and others. The girls have planned an educational tour and camping trip for the summer.

All clubs have not selected their demonstrators yet so their names cannot be given at this time. The clubs will be glad to have new members or visitors at any time.

## Family Relation Topics Discussed At Ruby H. D. Club

If parents are cheerful and optimistic in their outlook on life their children are liable to have the same attitude, said Miss Mabel Martin, home demonstration agent, to members of the Ruby Home Demonstration Club, which met at the home of Mrs. D. L. Buckles Tuesday. The respect of children for their parents must be won, by the parents, not because children must obey their parents.

After a social hour the club adjourned to meet on January 21 with Mrs. Jessie Wilson.

## Fight Infantile Paralysis Lapel Buttons On Sale

Mrs. Salle V. McAdams is acting as chairman for the Fight Infantile Paralysis Button campaign in Sherman County. The lapel buttons sell for 10 cents each and the funds are used to provide assistance for children stricken with infantile paralysis. This campaign is being carried on in much the same manner as the President's Ball.

### CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Tonight, "Third Finger Left Hand," with Douglas Loy. Left  
Friday and Saturday, "Sky Murder," with Walter Pidgeon and Donald Meek.  
Sunday and Monday, "Rangers of Fortune," with Fred Murray and Patricia Morrison.  
Tuesday, "Father Is A Prince," with Grant Mitchell.  
Jan. 15-16, "Captain Caution," with Victor Mature and Louise Platt.

## OLD SETTLERS MEETING THIS AFTERNOON

Old settlers are invited to be present in the County Commissioners' Court room at the court house in Stratford this afternoon at 2:00 P. M. Details of their early experiences will be appreciated by members of the West Texas State College Historical Survey committee who are preparing a history of Sherman County.

Mrs. Winnie D. Hale, supervisor of the survey, will be present for the meeting.

## Dollars Cannot Buy Yesterday

A journalist, looking back upon the year which has just closed, finds an infinity of matters about which to write. A great war, which is in essence a titanic struggle between two irreconcilable philosophies of life, has steadily spread. A whole continent has felt the boot of a new conqueror with a plan for world dominion as vast as that of Napoleon. The world's economy has undergone violent change, and stability has been replaced by chaos.

Here in our own country we have recently gone through the most tradition-shattering election in our history. The great issues of that election were three-fold. First, whether to elect a president for a third term. Second, how to keep America at peace, while aiding England with all steps short of war. Third, how to best build a military and naval establishment unprecedented in our history.

The second and third issues are the most vital this country faces today. They are not partisan issues.

It is obvious to anyone not blinded by false and baseless optimism that the great plans of last summer for building an impenetrable defense at once are not being realized. It is easy to appropriate gigantic sums of money. It is easy to make blueprints of tanks and airplanes and fighting ships. It is easy to have a great defense establishment on order. But dollars and blueprints do not worry potential invaders. The forces which have again brought the world to Armageddon have respect only for preparedness. The weak are given no quarter. Moral principles, Christian teachings, are scoffed at. That is not pretty. But it is true.

This America we know cannot be sure of existence unless it solves the problem of how to swiftly build our defenses, and to build them in keeping with the democratic tradition which they are designed to protect and to save. All the pro-activeness of this nation is needed now, of capital, of industry, of government, of labor. The industrialist who seeks outrageous profits; the official who plays politics in time of danger; the labor leader who fomented unjustified strikes in vital defense industries; cannot be tolerated. We must never forget that we can be destroyed from within no less than from without. The American people cannot accept failure from any man, whether the man who fails holds a great title or is a lowly worker in a factory. There is no excuse for failure. No nation in the world is potentially so productive as ours. None has a tithe of our riches, riches of manpower no less than riches of wealth and of natural resources. In this crisis, we shall really learn the calibre of our people and our public men.

It is said of France that, in preparing to resist aggression, her government her industries and her workers did too little, and did it too late. We too are doing too little. But let us hope that we correct our errors before it is too late. When the head of our Navy observed that dollars cannot buy yesterday, he stated a grim truth that every American must realize.

In this great national effort there can be no failure. The thought cannot be tolerated that Democracy here has fallen on such evil days that it cannot compete with the dictators. In England we have a magnificent example of what free men, fighting to retain that freedom can accomplish against heartbreaking odds. It was Winston Churchill who said on taking office that he could offer his people nothing save sacrifice and sweat and toil. Here we must absorb an ample measure of that spirit. No one else can make our sacrifices for us. The responsibility for the perpetuation of our way of life falls squarely and irrevocably on the shoulders of us all. No one can avoid it.

To say that we have now entered on the most critical years modern Western civilization has ever known, is to simply state the obvious. We do not know how much time we will have to make ourselves secure to guarantee peace in the only way possible in this disrupted modern world, which is by making ourselves so strong that no aggressor or possible combination of aggressors will dare to try our strength. We do know that time, not precious of all elements, must no longer be lavishly wasted. To stay at peace is to become strong. Those are our national objectives. We have the great industries, we have the men, we have limitless resources. To attain those vital goals demands the full and friendly cooperation of government, of labor, of industry, of agriculture, of all. We must not be tried and found wanting.

## F. S. A. Farm Families Carry Out Plans For New Year's Business



No, you are wrong! This farmer and his wife are not writing down their New Year resolutions, but they are, according to George F. L. Bishop, rural rehabilitation supervisor for the Farm Security Administration in Sherman County, taking an inventory of the past year's farm and home operations.

Every farm family which borrows money from the Farm Security Administration, Mr. Bishop said, agrees to keep business-like records and to follow a sound farm and home-management plan, which is worked out with the FSA rehabilitation supervisor for the county.

This plan, he continued, usually calls for the production of enough

vegetables, milk, eggs, and meat to feed the family and for enough feed and forage crops to take care of the livestock. Ordinarily it also provides for at least two cash crops. The county supervisor is glad to advise borrower-families on crop rotations, erosion control, livestock and equipment purchases, marketing, and other farm problems.

Mr. Bishop said that by keeping accurate records in books furnished by the Farm Security Administration, farm families are able to check their gross incomes and expenses month by month. The record books also enable families to determine where they make the

most money or to check certain phases of the farm operations which are losing money.

Farm families cooperating with the FSA have learned the value of making plans for the farm and home and keeping accurate records, Bishop said. And first of the New Year finds these people joining successful business men in taking inventory and avoiding mistakes in the future by checking the past year's operations. FSA provides the record books and helps with the plans; the farmers and their wives do the work and keeping the records. Business-like methods on the farms is the result.

So many people were seen in so many different places that we hardly know where to begin. Jerry Kelp and Bobbie Wiginton spent New Year's Eve in Amarillo and Christmas day in Dalhart. Marcella Garrison took Jerry Kelp, Bobbie Wiginton and Selma Mullins to Dalhart one day. Was it to the show, girls?

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The Stratford Tournament is scheduled for February 7-8. We hope both boys and girls will take first place.

Regular meeting night each Monday evening at 7:00 o'clock at the High School building until further notice. A boy scout is supposed to be loyal, he is to be faithful, and true. So why not be to every Scout meeting.

A surprise. The boys that were out last Monday night sure wish to Thank Mr. DuVall and Mr. Yates for the surprise treat that night. All that were present went to see Boom Town. So you see you boys never know what is going to happen.

We would sure appreciate it if the sponsors who have received invitations to Dalhart for Friday night of this week to please be present if at all possible. We need to go.— E. R. Pigg, Scout Master.

## Brightest Comet In Years Visible To Naked Eye

At Hart, amateur astronomer, has been rushing to completion his telescope to allow local enthusiasts an opportunity to take a close up view of Cunningham's Comet which became visible in December. Astronomers say the passing comet is passing 54,000,000 miles away from the earth.

LA CIENCIA CLUB TO MEET WITH MRS. BASKIN  
The La Ciencia Club will meet with Mrs. R. L. Baskin Thursday, January 16.

## 1941 PARITY MEASUREMENTS BEGINNING

Compliance Supervisors Should Be Contacted By Farmers To Set Date for Measuring Farm

Compliance supervisors for the 1941 parity payment were schooled by the County AAA Committee and County Agent Goule Tuesday. They will begin their work measuring wheat land the latter part of this week.

Farmers should contact the supervisor in their community and set a date for the measurement of his farm so that he may help identify the crops as they have during this program in past years.

The County Committee considers it necessary for farmers to be present when the parity measurement is made in order to prevent mistakes and speed completion of the check-up.

This cooperation said County Agent Goule, will enable supervisors to complete their work in record time.

## Miss Grace Foster Reported In Very Serious Condition

Miss Grace Foster, a sister of C. R. and Oscar Foster, who has been in ill health for several weeks, was reported to be sinking fast, according to a message Wednesday night. Relatives at McKinney, Texas, where she is ill did not expect her to live through the night.

C. R. Foster left immediately by train for McKinney.

## Gamma Xi Met Saturday Evening

Mrs. H. H. Jackson entertained the monthly meeting of Gamma Xi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society at her home in Dalhart Saturday evening.

Mrs. Van B. Boston and Mrs. A. W. Allen were in charge of the program on Women in Teaching. Their subjects were Some Discriminations Between Men and Women Teachers, and the Status of Married Teachers in Texas.

The next meeting will be February 8 for a tenure program. Guest speakers will discuss the teachers retirement program.

## Counting 1940's Traffic Dead

AUSTIN, Jan. 8.— Though a new year has begun, state police are still counting the traffic dead of 1940.

Not until January 18 will a complete count be available, but already enough fatalities have been tallied to convince Col. Garrison, state police director, that the state's record of perennial decrease in the ratio of deaths to miles traveled has been shattered.

Early in December the 1939 total of 1,583 traffic deaths was broken. Then more and more deaths piled up during the remainder of the year's most dangerous month, which includes the Christmas and New Year's Eve slaughters. Reports to date indicate that an earlier estimate of 150 deaths for December, bringing the year's toll to approximately 1,733, will stand up.

And if these figures prove correct, the number of deaths per 100,000,000 miles of travel will have increased from the all-time low of 10.41 in 1939 to at least 10.83.

Incomplete figures indicate an increase of approximately nine percent in traffic deaths and of six percent in vehicular travel during 1940, bringing the total mileage to approximately 16,200,000,000.

Accidents increased roughly four and one-half percent, only half the amount of increase in accidents. But records showed an increase of 28 percent in drivers involved in fatal collisions who were driving at unsafe speeds.

Drinking drivers in fatal accidents increased 25 percent, and deaths among drinking pedestrians gained more than 35 percent.

The number of traffic law violations figuring in all type accidents increased more than 20 percent.

Increases were shown in fatal collisions with pedestrians, between trains and motor vehicles, between bicycles and motor vehicles. Reductions occurred in collisions between vehicles and with fixed objects. Little change was shown in the number of fatalities resulting from overturning, running off road, and other non-collision accidents.

Accidents increased in cities, on highways and on roads, decreasing slightly in towns of less than 2,500 population. Deaths, however, increased in all these brackets, and the greatest increases were on highways and roads.

Colonel Garrison pointed out that the fatality increase was wide spread and general, following closely the ratios of population density and vehicular travel.

Selective enforcement has eliminated virtually all the state's extreme danger spots, the so-called death corridors, and the problem now is one of preventing accidents under normal conditions, Colonel Garrison said.

## Render First Aid For Burned Boy

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bonar rendered first aid treatment to the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Combs of Oklahoma Sunday night while Dr. J. W. Norvell was out of town. The child is recovering rapidly.

## THE DUSTER

DUSTER STAFF

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Sports Editor.....Joyce Ann Billington  
Sports Editor.....Eugene Harrison  
Senior Reporter.....Jim McCarthy  
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Sopomore Reporter.....Pauline Keener  
Freshman Reporter.....Lenoir Alexander  
Sponsor.....Mrs. Nelle Alexander

### NOTICE TO PARENTS

Beginning Monday, January 6, the lunch hour schedule was changed to 11:15 for high school students and 12:00 for grade school students. This schedule was thought better for a number of reasons, and we shall appreciate the cooperation of all concerned in making any necessary adjustments.

### MID-TERM EXAMINATIONS

The first semester of the school year will end on January 17. Examinations will be given on Thursday and Friday, January 16 and 17.

### SPEARMAN TOURNAMENT

The Stratford Elks participated in the Spearman Tournament held there January 3-4 and came home with exactly what they went after, a first place trophy. Scheduled to play Morse at 12:30 Friday, the opposition failed to show up and a game between Spearman and Stratford's B teams was arranged. This game was won by the Elks, 24-20. In the second round, Higgin was taken out by a score of 30-19, Garrison and Harrison each scoring 8 points. In the semi-finals the Elks were pitted against the strong Canadian Wildcats. In this game the Wildcats jumped a 3-0 lead, but the Elks came back and lead 7-3 at the quarter. Half time score was 14-8. In the third quarter the game really got under way, Stratford pulling up to a 10 point lead, 26-16. The fourth quarter came near being fatal to the Elks. Making stalling tactics the strong Canadian Wildcats scored only one field goal, while Stratford was scoring 10 points. Thus the game ended 28-26. Garrison was high point man with 13 points.

This win put Stratford in the finals. Spearman had advanced to the finals by beating Stinnett and Darrouzett. In this final game both teams showed the effects of their hard-fought afternoon games; consequently the play was not so fast. Except for a first minute field goal by Spearman, Stratford was ahead all the way. Scores by quarters: first, 6-2; second, 11-7; third, 18-9; final score 24-19. Garrison was again high point man with 10 points. Garrison was placed on the All-tournament Team.

Box Score of Final Game

	F.G.	F.T.	F.
Stratford:			
Garrison, R.F.	4	2	0
Harrison, L.F.	3	1	3
Blazier, C.G.	1	0	4
Hester, L.G.	2	1	1
Guthrie, E. G.	0	0	1
Buckles, S. F.	0	0	3
Spearman:			
Parsons, R. F.	2	1	2
Miller, L. F.	4	0	2
Daniels, C.	0	1	2
Jacobs, R. G.	2	0	2
Allen, L. G.	0	1	2
Easley, S. F.	0	0	0
(F.G.—field goal.) (F.T.—free			

### throw.) (F.—fouls.)

### SCHOOL NOTES

Now that Christmas vacation is over, we are preparing for mid-term exams. We hope we have not forgotten too much during the holidays.

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# Hidden Ways

By FREDERIC F. VAN DE WATER

## SYNOPSIS

David Mallory, in search of newspaper work in New York, is forced to accept a job as switch-board operator in a swank apartment house, managed by officious Timothy Higgins. There David meets Miss Agatha Paget, a crippled old lady, and her charming niece, Allegra. One day, talking with Higgins in the lobby, David is alarmed by a piercing scream. David finds the scream came from the Ferriter apartment, not far from the Pagets'. The Ferriters include Lyon and Everett, and their sister, Ione. Everett, a genealogist, is helping Agatha Paget write a book about her blue-blooded ancestors. Inside the apartment they find a black-bearded man—dead. No weapon can be found. The police arrive. Higgins, who actively dislikes David, informs him that he is Fred. David is called to the Paget apartment. There he finds elderly, prim-appearing Agatha Paget sipping a cocktail and smoking a cigarette. She offers him a job helping write her family history—which will unearth a few family skeletons.

## CHAPTER IV—Continued

"A muck-raking genealogy," I said, hoping I'd plague her. Agatha nodded. "If more of it was raked, every generation, there'd be less muck. I'll give you—"

She stopped and looked toward the door. The maid said, "Captain Shannon, ma'am."

He held his hat and wore his overcoat. I saw his eyebrows go up a little as he looked at me but there was no surprise in his voice when he spoke to Miss Agatha.

"Thank you for your help, Miss Paget. I'm leaving." He looked from the fragile old lady to the cards and the emptied glass and grinned. "You're swell," he said. Miss Agatha beamed.

"I won't argue it with you," she told him. "Anything new?"

"Everett Ferriter came in," Shannon reported briefly. "I've been talking to him across the way. I tried to get an identification out of him."

"And what did he do?" Miss Agatha asked.

"He wrung his hands," said Shannon. "He'd never seen Blackbeard. Hadn't any idea who it was. He's over there now if you want to see him."

"I do not," said Miss Agatha. "My niece gave him an alibi. That's enough. And he can't bother his sister tonight, either. We've dosed her with sedatives and she's asleep. What about Lyon?"

Shannon's eyelids puckered and a sullen sound came into his voice.

"We're looking for him," he said. "Small chance of his getting clear. Every cop in town has his description by now. It's only a matter of time before we pick him up."

"And the knife?" the old lady asked.

He scowled. "No sign of it," he confessed. "We've tossed the whole place and it's not there."

Feet came heavily along the hall. The maid appeared at the doorway and started to speak but two men stood behind her and one of them, the detective Jake, said proudly to Shannon:

"Here's the guy, Cap."

Miss Agatha was the first to find her voice and in it was no hint of surprise.

"Come in," she invited. "Captain Shannon, this is my neighbor, Mr. Lyon Ferriter."

She turned to me, hesitated and then her eyelids puckered.

"I don't know," she told the gaunt figure in the doorway, "whether you have met Mr. Mallory formally before. Do come in."

Ferriter was still the lank, brown figure in worn tweeds that I had seen striding through the foyer and I felt again, as he stood in the door and stared, the odd charm of his leathery person. His black hair was stippled with gray like a silver fox pelt and if he were alarmed, he hid it well. He bowed to the old lady and said in a pleasant, faintly English voice:

"Good evening, Miss Paget. I'm sorry to intrude but—"

He shifted his attention to Shannon and his tone was less agreeable.

"I understand, Captain, that I must get your permission to enter my own apartment."

"Who brought you in?" Shannon snapped.

Ferriter nodded to his cigar-chewing companion.

"This—gentleman," he replied with a slurring gap between the words. The Captain beamed on Jake.

"You're not so dumb at that," he told his underling. "Where did you find him?"

Jake said, "I didn't. He walked right in on us, next door."

Miss Agatha seemed amused but Shannon was not. He found the underdressed return of Lyon Ferriter more affronting than his absence.

"Come back!" the Captain stammered. "Walked in, with all the cops in this town—"

He choked and color blurred the freckles on his obstinate face. Lyon shrugged wide, stooped shoulders.

"Perhaps," he suggested politely, "someone will tell me why I shouldn't?"

Jake started to speak but gagged and was silent under Shannon's glare. The Captain had got himself in hand. Now he asked with a stealthy courtesy:

"Perhaps you wouldn't mind telling us where you've been."

"Perhaps," Lyon replied and his long nose twitched humorously, "but why should I?"

His calm irked Shannon who blurted:

"Why? Because a man was killed in your flat, this afternoon, Mr. Ferriter, at about three-thirty. Just where were you then, eh?"

"Oh!" Ferriter said and was still a moment. I thought it was not fear but surprise that silenced him. At last, he said simply:

"I don't know."

"Don't know?" Shannon echoed.

"Exactly," the gaunt man said, standing wholly at ease in the doorway. "I was walking in the Bronx!"

His mind ran ahead of Shannon's like a staghound before a terrier. As the Captain hesitated, Lyon said, still easily but with a shade of worry:

"If you're looking for an alibi, sir, we're wasting time. I've been alone all day. It's been sunny and I wanted to stretch my legs. So I went for a tramp. Perhaps, if I admit I have no alibi, you'll be good enough to tell me who was killed in my apartment?"

His last words were strained. Miss Agatha understood and said:

"Your brother and sister are in no way involved, Mr. Ferriter."

The Captain frowned but Lyon ducked his grizzled head again and smiled gratefully.

"Thank you, Miss Agatha," said he. "Then I'm entirely at your service, Captain. Perhaps I can save you time."

He leaned against the door jamb and hooked one thumb into his vest. The other long brown hand hung easily at his side. His pleasant voice was unruffled as he told how, with sandwiches in his pocket, he had tramped north to Bronx Park and wandered most of the afternoon through wintry woods.

"That's a good deal of a walk, isn't it?" Shannon purred.

"That's what I wanted," Lyon answered.

"And you spent the whole day without talking to anyone?" the Captain asked.

"I said," Lyon reminded him, "that I had no alibi. I had the solitude you can get only in New York, or beyond the Arctic Circle. No," he exclaimed suddenly, "that isn't quite right. I helped a lady fix her car."

"When?"

"Sometime in the afternoon. I really don't know. She had ignition trouble—I mean her car had. I fixed it for her."

He spread his hands and showed his still soiled palms.

"The grease sticks," he pursued.

"She was driving a last year's Ford sedan, New York license. I don't recall the number. She was stalled near where Moshulu Parkway swings over into the Bronx River Parkway. I didn't ask her name. You see, she was not exactly beauty in distress. An elderly person—but not at all like Miss Paget."

Miss Agatha caught my eye and winked shamelessly. Then she resumed her careful regard of Lyon.

"And then?" Shannon prodded.

"I walked south to the 180th Street subway station. It was dusk when I reached it. I got off at Grand Central, scrubbed off some of the grime in the washroom, had supper at Mino's, 22 East Fifty-second and came home."

He paused, and blinked calmly at Shannon who scowled and bit his lip.

"Ever," the Captain lunged, "know a man with a black beard?"

Lyon smiled.

"I've spent a winter in Alaska," he said. "I've known beards of all colors."

"About your size," Shannon said, glaring, "carried a knife under his left armpit."

"Wouldn't it be better," Ferriter asked, "if you let me see him?"

He bowed to Miss Paget and, with Jake tailing close behind and Shannon glowering in the rear, led the way from the room. Their footsteps went down the hall. The door opened and closed. The old lady folded her hands on her lap and looked at me.

"Well?" she asked. I found challenge in her voice.

"Well?" I answered.

"We seem to agree," she jeered. I did not understand her and after waiting a moment, she went on briskly:

"When we were interrupted, I was about to offer you the job of writing the Paget book for me. Would fifty dollars a week be satisfactory?"

I needed it badly, yet I found the offer hard to take. Its charitable flavor gagged me. I said "No" and she looked at me hard.

"You'll work for it," she assured me. "Don't think you won't. Or if fifty really isn't enough, sixty then."

"Miss Paget—" I began and then stopped and stood up.

Allegra and Grosvenor Paget came in. They were like creatures from a world that knew no poverty or sorrow. He was smoothly handsome in evening clothes with little, I thought, between his blond face and his shining hair. His sister had the spark he lacked.

They had breeding, or else long acquaintance with the whims of their aunt, for they spoke to me as easily as though hallmen were usually to be found in Miss Agatha's room, and then addressed the old lady with irreverent hilarity, both talking at once. They were off to the Groesbeck ball. Bertha would listen for Ione, in case she roused but the doctor had said she would not. They did not know when they would be in.

"I don't see," Grosvenor said defensively, "why we shouldn't go. After all it isn't our murder and Ione is down under and we can't do any good by moping at home."

Allegra bent and kissed the old woman, snorting in her neck till Miss Agatha giggled and pushed her away. Her brother leaned over his aunt's chair as Allegra moved toward the door. She said good night to me. Her smile was trite but her clear eyes, I thought, questioned and dared me. Her look upset, yet lifted me. I bowed and mumbled. I was afraid she might read my face. Her soft laughter came back to us as she and her brother went down the hall. I found Miss Agatha staring at me.

"She's easy to look at," the old lady said, with elaborate indifference. "And in a few years, on her birthday, she will inherit two million dollars."

"Won't that be nice!" I retorted. I knew she had warned me. Her chuckle was understanding.

"We're having a hard time," she apologized, "getting this settled, David. Sixty dollars a week, one week's salary in advance and you start work at nine tomorrow morning."

It wasn't the price she set. It wasn't thought of the dark jobless world outside. I looked toward the door where Allegra had stood and made up my mind.

"I'll be here at nine," I told Miss Agatha, "but my price is forty dollars."

They were carrying the body from the Ferriter apartment when I went into the hall, so I walked downstairs. Fineman, at the switchboard, hailed me as I went past him.

"What about Lyon?" I asked.

"Hadn't you heard?" asked Fineman. "Oh, he's pinched. He done it."

"Pull yourself together," I told him. "Who gave you that steer?"

"Him and the Captain and that dick in the hard hat went out together," Fineman insisted. "I know a pinch when I see it."

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Allegra bent and kissed the old woman, snorting in her neck till Miss Agatha giggled and pushed her away. Her brother leaned over his aunt's chair as Allegra moved toward the door. She said good night to me. Her smile was trite but her clear eyes, I thought, questioned and dared me. Her look upset, yet lifted me. I bowed and mumbled. I was afraid she might read my face. Her soft laughter came back to us as she and her brother went down the hall. I found Miss Agatha staring at me.

"She's easy to look at," the old lady said, with elaborate indifference. "And in a few years, on her birthday, she will inherit two million dollars."

"Won't that be nice!" I retorted. I knew she had warned me. Her chuckle was understanding.

"We're having a hard time," she apologized, "getting this settled, David. Sixty dollars a week, one week's salary in advance and you start work at nine tomorrow morning."

It wasn't the price she set. It wasn't thought of the dark jobless world outside. I looked toward the door where Allegra had stood and made up my mind.

"I'll be here at nine," I told Miss Agatha, "but my price is forty dollars."

They were carrying the body from the Ferriter apartment when I went into the hall, so I walked downstairs. Fineman, at the switchboard, hailed me as I went past him.

"What about Lyon?" I asked.

"Hadn't you heard?" asked Fineman. "Oh, he's pinched. He done it."

"Pull yourself together," I told him. "Who gave you that steer?"

"Him and the Captain and that dick in the hard hat went out together," Fineman insisted. "I know a pinch when I see it."

## CHAPTER V

The policeman no longer guarded the Morello vestibule. Walters, the night doorman, kicked his feet together and blew on his fingers as I passed into the street toward the service entrance.

One man still waited before the Morello front door. He followed me down the street. I wondered whether Shannon was having me shadowed and then forgot about him. I had not eaten since morning. Hunger drove away even thought of Allegra Paget's beauty in the clinging light blue gown and the ribald gazing of her passage with that amazing old woman.

I turned into the first lunch room I passed. As I gave my order, a man sat down opposite me at the white-topped table.

"Coffee and butter cakes," he told the waitress. He was plump and mild but the eyes in his wind-redened face seemed drowsy. I met his stare and that made him speak, though he cleared his throat several times first.

"You're Mallory?" he asked. "Hallman at the Morello?"

I had been right then. It was another detective.

"So what?" I asked, and he grinned.

"I'm Cochrane, Jerry Cochrane of the Press. Larry Duke was speaking about you."

The bowl of soup before me was more interesting, but as its warmth spread inside me, I looked up and told him:

"Get your dope from Shannon. I'm out of newspaper work."

He sipped his coffee and said at last:

"It might mean something for you on the Press if you and I could bust this case wide open."

He waited while I abolished ham and eggs and, when I had finished, asked: "Got time to listen to me now?"

At my sulky nod, he leaned across the table and spoke rapidly. Duke had cursed me in his hearing. It had given Cochrane an idea, which he had carried to Milligan, his city editor, who had approved it.

"You know yourself," the chubby man said bitterly, "what chance a reporter has at the Morello. Those stuffed shirts have hearts as hard as their arteries. If you'll work on the inside for us while I do the outside, the Press will have this story by the slack of the pants and, if we do break it together, there'll be a nice piece of change in it for you."

"I keep telling you," I said, "that I don't want a piece of change. Stool-pigeoning isn't my line. I could use a newspaper job, but otherwise it's out."

"Agreed," he said so calmly that he took my breath, "you're working for the Press from now on. You're on the payroll at twenty-five a week. If you and I can beat the town on this yarn, it'll be fifty and a permanent job."

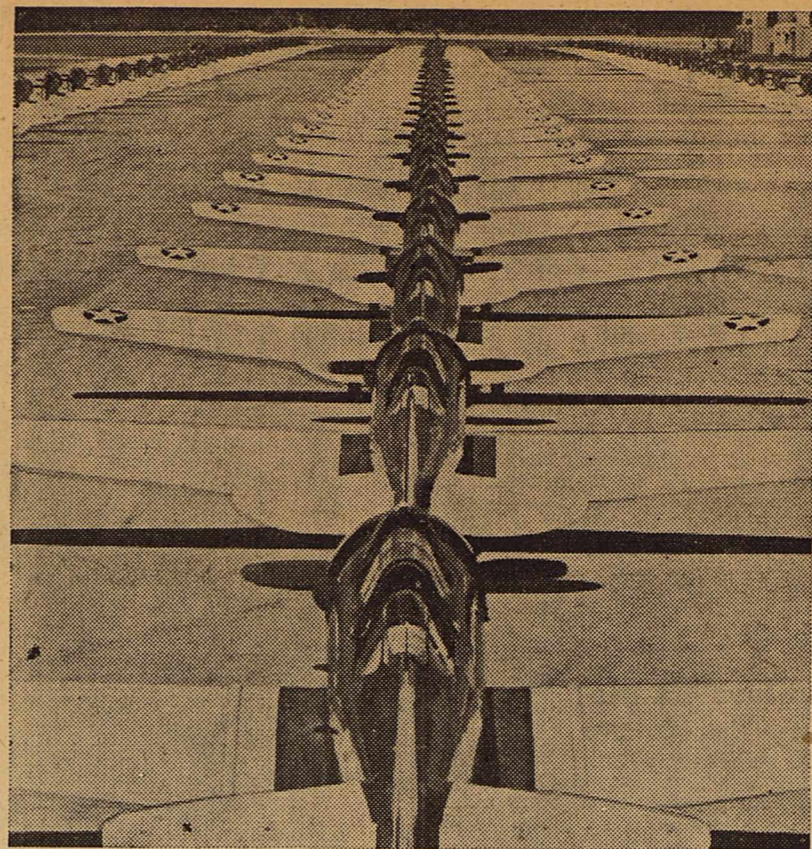
He misread my stare.

"I'm not kidding," he told me. "Milligan will write you a letter confirming it. Only you're to keep your present job and say nothing."

Excitement that had burned me for the Press had been a newspaper when the Sphere still had been trees in a forest—died and left nothing but ashes. I did not feel like laughing but I did.

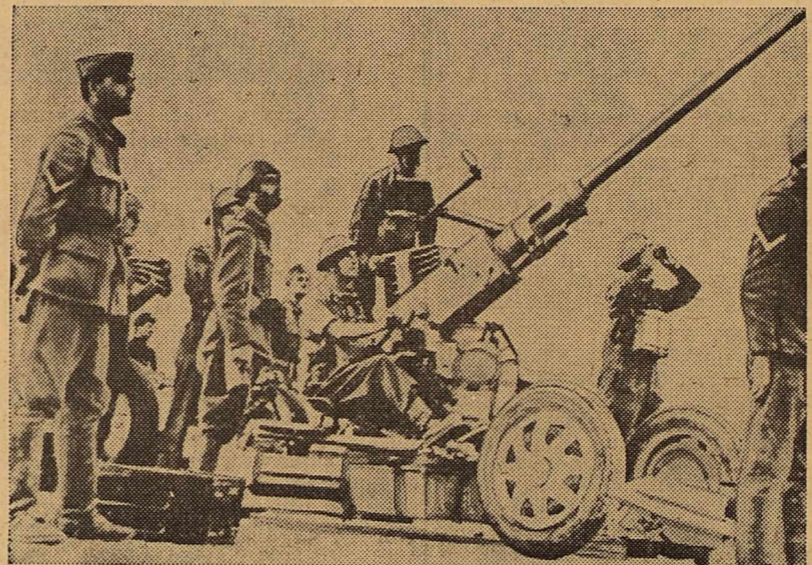
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## Lesson in Perspective for Prospective Pilots



Remember how the railroad tracks seemed to meet in the distance? Well, nowadays a string of airplanes has the same effect. The imaginary line of the wing tips is drawing towards a point in the distance. These are some of the training craft at the "West Point of the Air," Randolph Field, Texas. The planes will be used for training the 500 flying cadets.

## First Picture on Greek War



The first picture of Greek and British soldiers together in the war against Italy. This picture was made on the strategic island of Crete. Greek soldiers watch English soldiers man an anti-aircraft gun. The British use the island of Crete as a base for air raids on Italy.

## Electoral Votes



Here is Col. Edwin Halsey, senate secretary, receiving the presidential electoral votes of all states, just before the new Seventy-seventh congress convened. Election is not "official" until congress actually opens and reads these votes.

## Close Harmony



German Ambassador Von Stohrer (right) with Ramon Serrano Suner, brother-in-law of General Franco, on a tour of Madrid. Suner is said to be very Axis-minded.

## Pre-views

### Recognition for American Indian Art



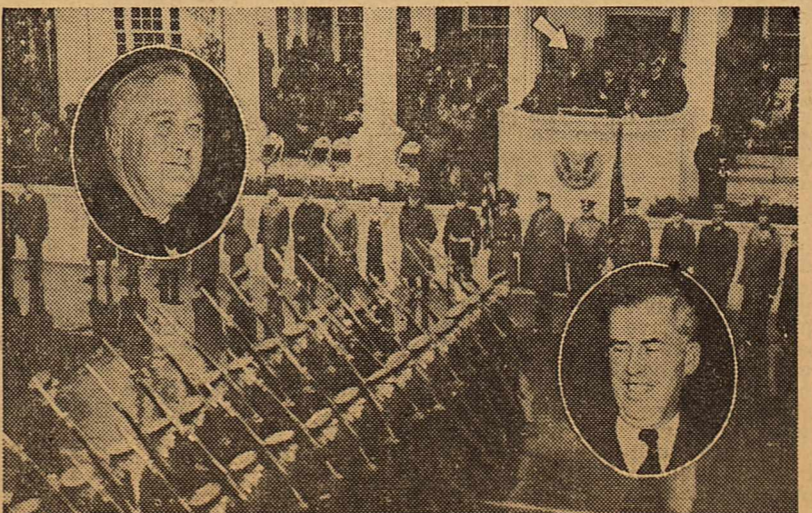
The almost forgotten arts developed by Indians will be recalled January 22 when the government, universities and museums will co-operate to feature their achievements. Above, a group of Navajo Indians demonstrate their handiwork, which will appear in the museum of modern art, New York city. Upper right: A young Indian girl proudly wears traditional tribal costume.

### Wins Drama Award



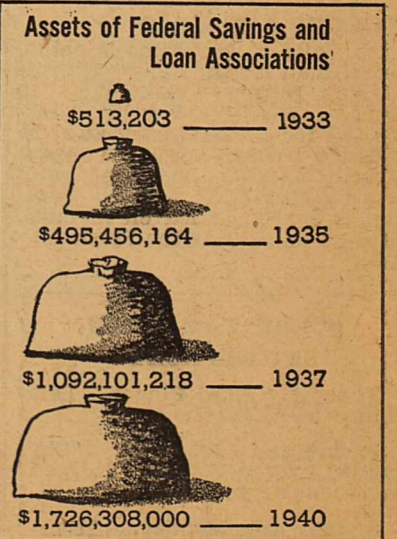
R. E. Sherwood, 44, creator of "Abe Lincoln in Illinois," will be awarded the gold medal of the National Institute of Arts and Letters for achievements in the field of drama. Presentation will be made in New York on January 18.

### President Roosevelt Inaugurated

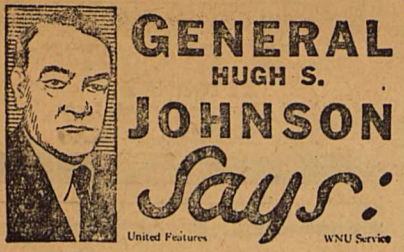


The third-term tradition will be broken January 20 when Franklin D. Roosevelt is inaugurated as President of the United States for a third term. At the same time former Secretary of Agriculture, Henry A. Wallace, will succeed John N. Garner as vice president. Arrow points to President Roosevelt as he stood in the rain to review passing troops during his inauguration in 1936.

### Home Financing



Nearly all of America's 1,429 federal savings and loan associations will hold their annual shareholders' meeting on January 15. Sketch shows increase in assets since 1933.



**GENERAL HUGH S. JOHNSON Says:**

Washington, D. C.

**PLANE PRODUCTION**

Phil Murray's plan for increased plane production may be wrong in places, but it has at least a germ of the right idea in it. Boiled down to its bones, what he proposes is to make a single great production unit out of the whole automobile industry, instead of a cluster of competing companies.

That idea was also at the center of his earlier plan to speed production by creating a control board for each industry. That also is the idea of treating such industry as a unit and so mobilizing each separately and then marshalling all these great units in one combined economic regiment for defense production.

That is exactly the essence of what was done in the war industries board in 1918. It is exactly what is not being done in the Knudsen four-man production office.

What the war industries board did was to request each great industry to appoint a "war service" committee, which could speak and receive the government's instructions for the whole industry. Then there were organized in the board "commodity committees" one for each or more industries. It never became necessary to make this alignment and method too formal or sticky, but it was an arrangement that enabled the organization of the government overhead to mesh with the overhead control within each industry, like the interlined fingers of your two clasped hands.

Every production problem was broken down by industries and considered in joint meeting of these committees or their representatives. It is the only quick way to explore the productive facilities of each industry, to prevent overlapping, confusion and waste, to determine the merits of vexed questions of priority, relative effort and bottlenecks.

It created a kind of piano keyboard upon which federal industrial control can produce, or try to produce, all the harmonies and effects of which our economic music box is capable. Indeed if you don't have that, in view of the immense volume of material and the vast complexity of American industry, you are simply fumbling in a jungle of obscurities, cross purposes and divided interests, with never enough facts to decide wisely or well and with not enough controls to act with full effect, even if you could decide.

**TOOL BOTTLE-NECK**

There is a tremendous reservoir of machine tool capacity and skilled tool and pattern makers idle in this country at a time when mass production is our greatest need, and it isn't coming.

In talking with a considerable variety of people I find much confusion about what machine tools really are. In my varied career of jack-of-all-trades-and-master-of-none, I was once responsible for a forge shop, a machine shop, an engine and an automobile factory—such as they were.

Many people seem to have an idea that machine tools are like a carpenter's box of tools—saws, planers, chisels, square and maybe, plumb-bob and a ball of blue chalk.

They aren't like that at all. Volumes have been written on what they are like and it is not my purpose to try to reproduce those volumes here, further than to say that machine tools are the instruments of American mass production. They have enabled us to produce an automobile for, say, \$700, that in another country, with other methods, would cost \$7,000—and to produce them by thousands a day where, in another method, we should do well to produce 10 a day.

They are giant stamping machines that produce a whole automobile frame, for example, in one operation. They are batteries of machines that receive raw iron at one end of the production line and turn out completed butt-welded and painted steel pipe at the other on a flat car, with scarcely a human hand intervening. They are forging machines that will do on a single trip what it would take a battery of blacksmiths three months to do. There are drill-presses, lathes and automatic screw machines that, set to the proper gauges, will turn out in a few motions hundreds of perfected parts of this or that complicated piece of machinery of instruments of modern mechanized warfare, with more accuracy than all the ancients ever dreamed.

"But these things do go in batteries. Their operations have to be planned months, if necessary, in advance.

Some consideration of this brief sketch will suggest how important are tool makers to swift mass production. It isn't just that they make the working tools for the machines that produce these miracles. They also make the tools that make the tools that do the job. There are no words adequate to express the importance of these men to any production program. What Phil Murray says is that there are about 10,000 of them unemployed, or only part-time employed. That's a considerable percentage of the total. Here is our real bottleneck.

**IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Dean of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

**Lesson for January 12**

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**CHRIST'S VALUATION OF PERSONALITY**

LESSON TEXT—Luke 14:1-14. GOLDEN TEXT—Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?—Matthew 6:25.

People, people, and more people! Have you ever said, "I'm just so tired of people. I wish I could get away from everybody"? Most of us have felt that way some time and have possibly needed and deserved a rest. We must not permit that feeling to color our thinking, however, that we lose our interest in men and women, boys and girls.

Jesus had His times of prayer and quiet communion with the Father, but for the most part we find Him out among people. He loved them and consequently dealt faithfully with them, showing tenderness to those who needed it, and often being severely plain and direct in dealing with those who were hypocrites. He valued human personality highly, hence He gave Himself in sacrificial devotion to winning, guiding, controlling and, above all, saving men.

The lesson presents some interesting contrasts.

**I. How and How Not to Use the Sabbath (vv. 1-6)**

Jesus was at a formal gathering with invited guests (v. 7) in one of the chief houses of the community, on the Sabbath Day. That such a gathering was held on that day was a sign of the degeneracy of the age. "The same thing is being done on Sunday by Christian people today. They go to church (if convenient) in the morning and devote the afternoon and evening to recreation and social" occasions. We agree with Dr. Morgan that "the whole thing is a sign of spiritual decadence." That's how not to spend the day of rest and worship.

Another wrong thing was that they used the occasion to try to entrap Jesus. He was at the feast, not to "have a good time," but to minister to their spiritual needs. They brought the sick man in to tempt Jesus to heal on the Sabbath Day. He used their trickery to condemn them and to silence them (vv. 4, 6).

Declaring God's truth and His love for man by worship and by work for Him—that is the right way to use the Lord's Day. Let's get back to its proper observance.

**II. What and What Not to Do for Advancement (vv. 7-11)**

Getting ahead, even at the expense of others, seems to have been quite the thing in our Lord's time, as it is today. Looking at that smug, self-satisfied crowd of "grabbers," Jesus made good use of His presence at the feast to expose their folly and selfishness. Again we agree with Dr. Morgan that one should not "try for the chief seat. Why not? Because the place of honor is for the honorable man; and a man who struggles to sit in the place of honor proves thereby that he is not an honorable man." Think it over!

The way up in spiritual things is always down. Humility, which is so despised by the world, is precious in the sight of God, and will be rewarded by Him. The principle stated in verse 11 is and always will be true. The young man or woman who really wants to get ahead will do well to let it control both thought and deed. It is a far better rule for the New Year than any resolution you may have made—and probably forgotten by now.

**III. Who and Who Not to Invite for Dinner (vv. 12-14)**

Is the Lord interested in such a matter as that? Indeed He is! Everything about life concerns Him, and, as a matter of fact, this is a very important point. Here an attitude toward life is revealed which is vital and fundamental.

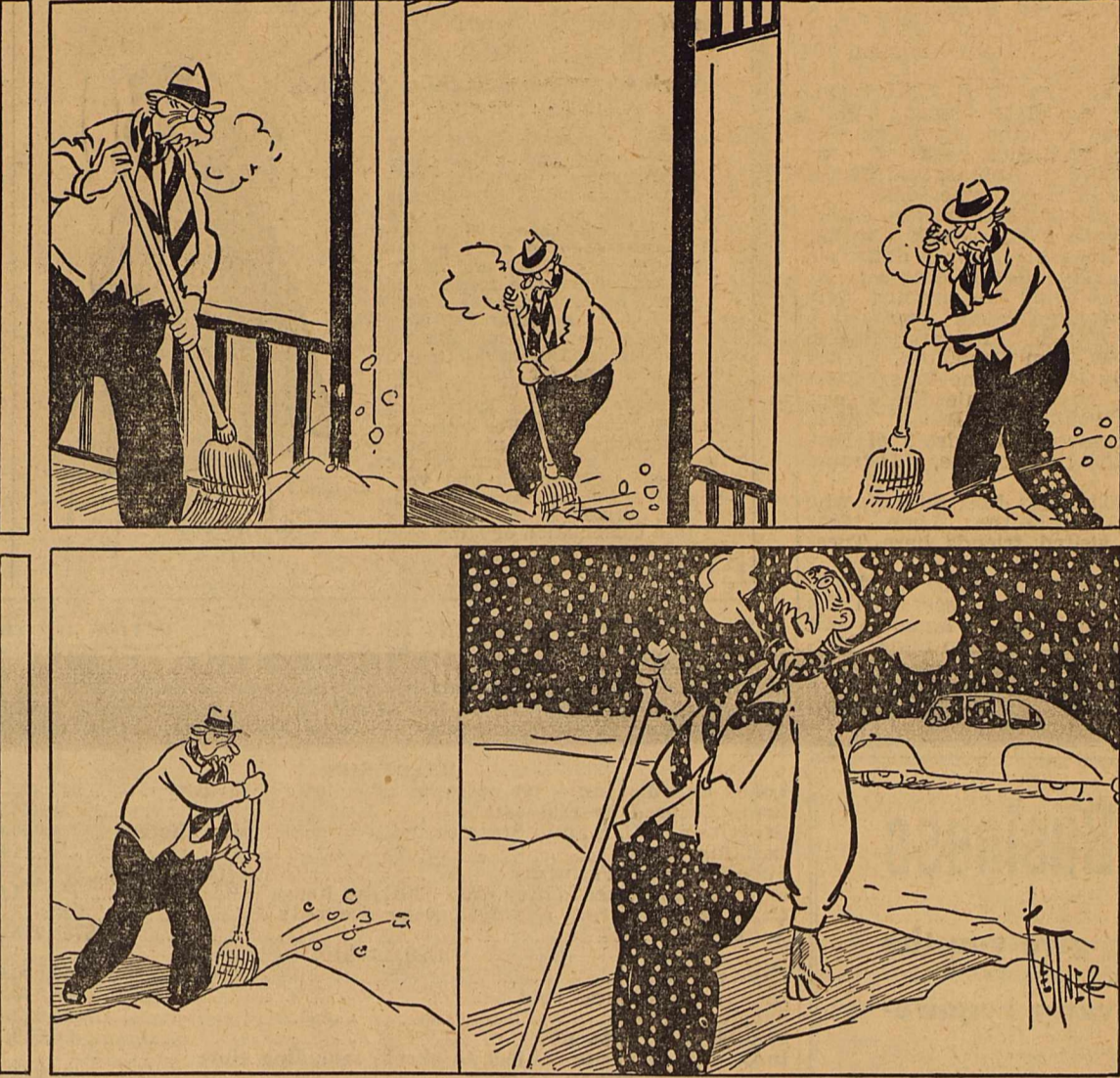
Hospitality is a virtue highly regarded by the Bible (see such passages as Rom. 12:13; 1 Tim. 3:2; Titus 1:8; 1 Pet. 4:9). To debase it by asking only those whom we expect will ask us in return, is really to destroy it. It is not hospitality at all to limit our invitations to those who invite us. Obviously we are not to cut them off simply because they do ask us. That is not the point. We are not to let that be the controlling factor.

Ask those who cannot pay you back, if you really want to get a blessing out of it. There is so much need in the world that we who follow Christ have little time to spend merely entertaining those who have no need. God will recompense. Dr. J. W. Bradbury in *The Gift of the Lesson* well says, "There is a good reason not to seek recompense here; there are more enduring and valuable recompenses hereafter (Matt. 6:1-6, 16-18). When we get no recompense here for the good we do, we ought rather to rejoice than be sad. It assures better recompense hereafter."

He goes on to say, "The professing church has often followed the world's method rather than Christ's (James 2:1-6)." Sad—but true. What shall we do about it?

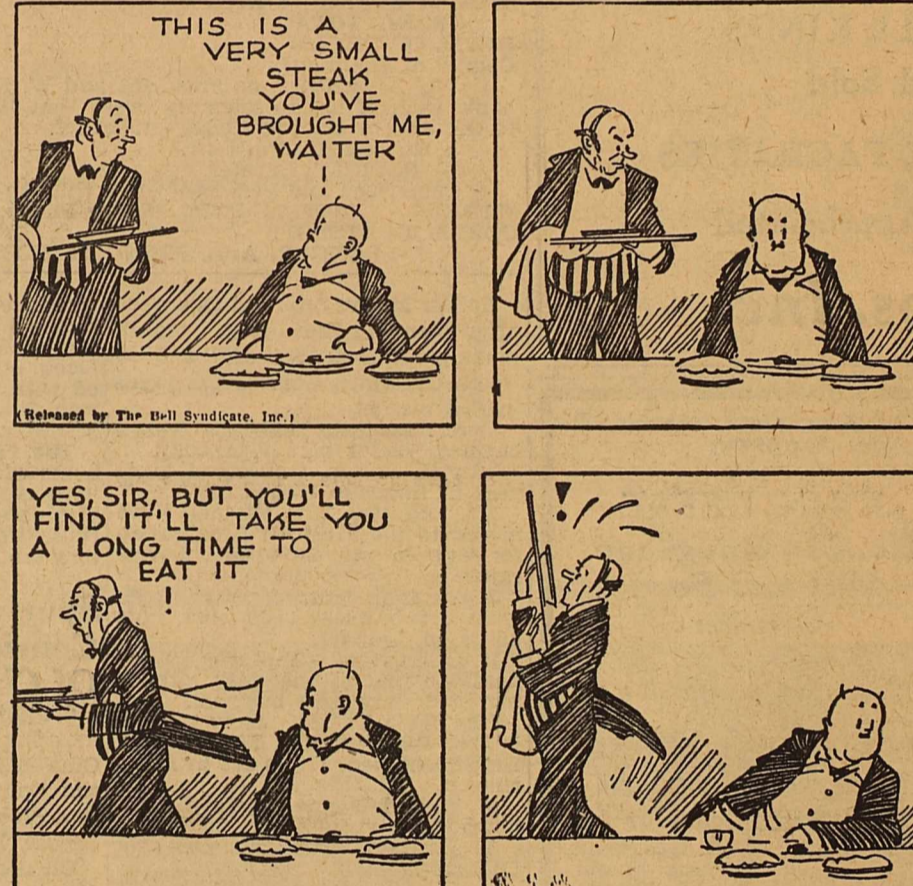
**OUR COMIC SECTION**

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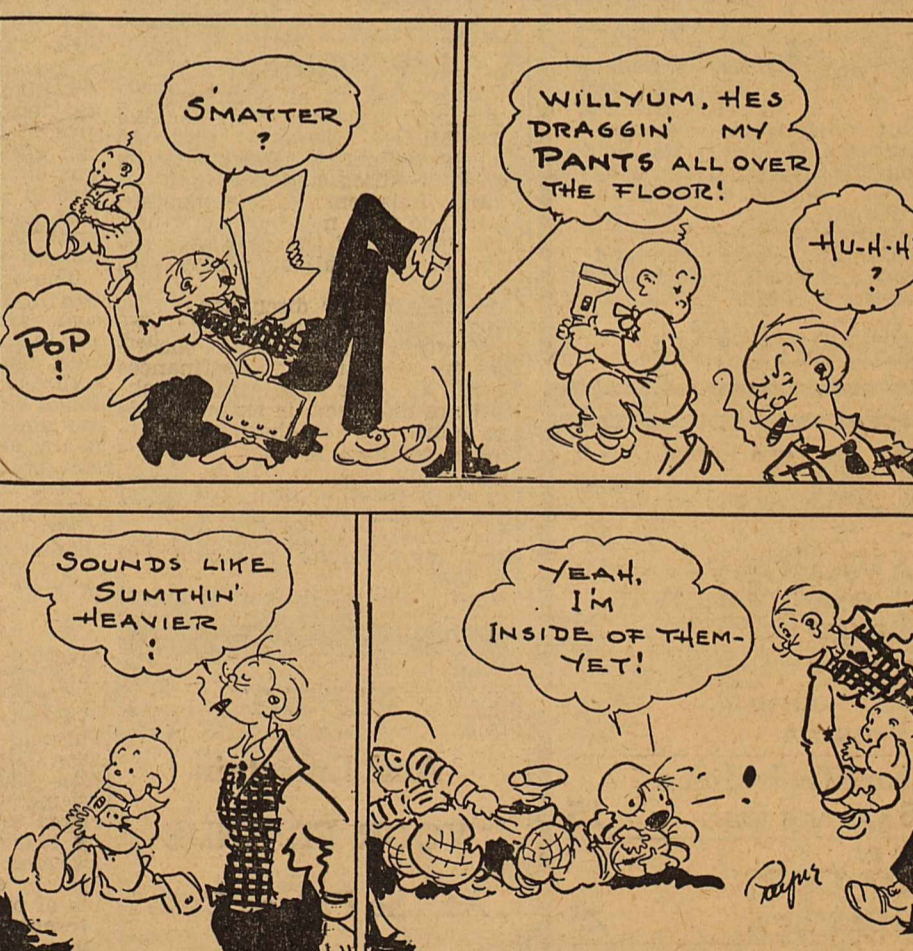
**P O P**

By J. Millar Watt



**S M A T T E R P O P**

By C. M. Payne



**Mistaken Flattery**

The master of the house rang the bell to summon his maid.

The girl was in the act of cleaning the pots and pans, and before she could clean herself the master entered the kitchen to see what was delaying her.

He looked at the maid's dirty hands and face.

"My word, Mary," he said, "but you're pretty dirty, aren't you?"

Mary smiled coyly.

"Yes, sir," she replied, "but I'm orettier clean."

**THAT'S THE TROUBLE**

"When the cat's away the mice will play."

"Yes, but I can't get the old cat to go away."

**Matched Copies**

The book canvasser knocked at the door of Mr. Jones's house.

"Nothing today," said the woman.

"But, madam," he insisted. "I have something here that is bound to interest you. The 'Husband's Friend, or 500 Reasons for Staying Out Late.'"

"What makes you think that book would interest me?" asked Mrs. Jones, angrily.

"Well," said the canvasser, "I sold a copy to your husband on the way to the station this morning."

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**PERSONAL**

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Price were business visitors in Amarillo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Boney and baby, Sunray, were the guests of her mother, Mrs. Tim Flores and other relatives Tuesday.

Mrs. J. L. Higginbottom has accepted a position in the county judge's office.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Dean were Amarillo visitors Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Berry have as their guest, his sister from Snyder, Texas.

D. R. Wilson and Horace Walker attended a Minneapolis-Moline school in Amarillo Monday.

W. N. Price returned Monday night from a business trip to Hobbs, New Mexico.

Miss Hazel Harris, Borger, was visiting friends and attending to business here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Garrison were visitors in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Crow, Alma-

gorda, Texas, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Baskin and other relatives.

J. G. Cummings attended to business in Dalhart Monday.

Dr. J. W. Norvell returned Monday from Temple, Texas where he has been with his son-in-law, E. M. Boswell, who underwent an operation. Dr. Norvell reports Mr. Boswell is getting along nicely.

Albert Ross was a business visitor in Amarillo Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Blake have as their guest this week his mother from Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lening who recently moved to Dumas have purchased a home one block east and one-half block north of the court house in Dumas, and expect to move to their home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross entertained with a six o'clock turkey dinner honoring their daughter, Miss Lorraine Ross, December 29. Guests enjoying the evening were Messrs. George Allen, James A. Ullom, Alfred Pronger, Baskin Brown, William Pendleton, Arthur Lee, Billy Jo and Gene Ross. Misses Roberta Wray, Fannie Sue James, Mildred Pendleton, Bettie Rhea Lee, Jimmie Lee Landrum of Perryton, and the honoree, Lorraine Ross.

Miss Elizabeth Noe, Sunray, who formerly taught the Lone Star School, visited friends here Tuesday.

G. L. Barnett, who now resides in Roy, N. M., was released from the Veterans hospital in Amarillo last Thursday. He had been under physicians care for about ten days and was informed approximately 4 months treatment would be necessary to cure a throat ailment.

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**TWO-PIECE SUIT FROCK As Worn in Hollywood by Patricia Ellis Star of Screen and Radio**



A gay, exciting two-piece suit frock in a two-color combination, features this week's style. It is lovely fashioned in hopsacking fabric, and has smart wide lapels which give it a tailored appearance. The buttons are matched in color to the dress. The tone of the frock and fasten all the way down the front. The separate skirt continues the center panel effect in an unbroken line. This makes the suit look like an all-one dress. But being in two pieces, it serves for many variations. The jacket can be worn with other things and the skirt with blouses and sweaters. For flattering one's figure this style cannot be surpassed. The arrangement of the double colors is superb and very intriguing—but, of course, the colors must harmonize. Miss Ellis has hers in a combination of Ming blue and Dubonnet. Another good one is a deep pink with wine.

As worn by Patricia Ellis

**BANKS OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FIRST STATE BANK OF STRATFORD**

at Stratford, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1940, published in the Stratford Star, a newspaper printed and published at Stratford, State of Texas, on the 9th day of January 1941.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, on personal or collateral security	546,332.59
Loans secured by real estate	10,624.74
Securities of U. S., any State or political subdivision thereof	4,000.00
Banking House	1.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1.00
Real Estate owned, other than banking house	1.00
Cash and due from approved reserve agents	223,814.89
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$784,775.22</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	50,000.00
Income Debentures sold	75,000.00
Surplus Fund	25,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	34,689.15
Individual Deposits subject to check, including time deposits due in 30 days	406,826.27
Public Funds, including Postal Savings	98,453.37
Time Certificates of Deposit	94,806.43
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$784,775.22</b>

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We, L. M. Price, as President and W. N. Price, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

L. M. PRICE, President.  
W. N. PRICE, Cashier.

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(SEAL) OREL MARTIN, Notary Public, Sherman County, Texas.  
CORRECT—ATTEST:  
P. J. PRONGER, A. E. PRONGER, HOSE FLORES, Directors.

Arthur Milton returned this week after spending the past month making an inventory of the Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co. yards in this district.

Carl Reynolds, Texhoma, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Van B. Boston transacted business in Amarillo Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mitchell have moved to the Freeman Bros. ranch formerly known as the Lovett ranch.

Jackie Kelp returned this week from a two weeks visit with his aunts in Dalhart.

E. S. Hawkins, Texhoma, was here the first of the week attending to County AAA business.

Mrs. Zella Tackle, Jerry Kelp, Bobbie Wington and Mrs. N. D. Kelp spent New Year's eve in Amarillo.

M. H. and Wayne Freeman, Texhoma, were visitors here Tuesday.

N. D. Kelp visited his sister in Dalhart Monday.

**Cooperation Was LX-Frisco Club Topic For Study**

Cooperation of all members of the family is desirable, commented Miss Mabel Martin, Sherman County Home Demonstration Agent, in discussing her topic on Family Relations, as she met the LX-Frisco Club members at their first meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. Walter Lasley on January 2.

Continuing her discussion, Miss Martin recited ways of obtaining cooperation. A family council plan in which the family finances as well as other important problems are discussed, is an outstanding point. When there are matters of common interest to be decided upon or money to be spent, discuss it together just as if you were members of a business firm, thus bringing about a better understanding among members of the family.

During the social hour, Mrs. Will

Crabtree, recreational chairman, directed a thought and fun provoking game. Mrs. Leona Mallett of Goodwell, Oklahoma, was presented with a guest prize, Miss Martin won first high and Mrs. Norman Bridwell, second high.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Fred Mason, who is yard demonstrator for the year. The date is February 6. Miss Martin will discuss Yard Planning. Visitors are welcome.

**Spurlock H. D. Club Considers Meaning Of Christmas**

Christmas should hold a deeper meaning than ever before, Mrs. Oma Ellison, told the members of the Spurlock Home Demonstration club when it met with Mrs. Roscoe Folsom December 19.

Christmas is celebrated by all Christian nations. This year the gifts in London are copied from war and all gifts are very expensive. The origin of giving gifts is supposed to be pagan but the christians adopted it for pleasure as Christ taught it was blessed to give. The lighting is an American custom. President Harrison was the first President to have a tree in the White House. Christmas stands for the hope we keep and the faith we cherish, Mrs. H. Folsom explained.

The origin of the Christmas tree was in Germany said Mrs. A. Folsom. Martin Luther, while walking in the forest saw a beautiful tree, coming home he tried to describe it to his family. When he failed to describe it fully he went out and cut a tree and brought it into the house. The first Christmas tree used in the U. S. was in 1841.

Mrs. L. A. Flyr gave three readings.

Mrs. Eugene Hudson was elected council delegate.

A Christmas tree and exchange of gifts was enjoyed by all present.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Ted Reynolds, A. Folsom, H. Folsom, E. Hudson, T. Spurlock, A. Cummings, L. A. Flyr, O. Ellison, M. Sweny, and the hostess, Mrs. R. Folsom. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Eugene Hudson today. Miss Mabel Martin will be leader. All members are urged to make an effort to start the new year right by being present and visitors are welcome. Lets make this the best year by every one being a committee of one to see that they are present. We need you and I do mean you.

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A lovely afternoon was spent  
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Delicious refreshments of spiced  
tea, sandwiches, and cookies were  
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Luther Browder, Roy Park, Sher-  
man Holt, V. M. King, J. R. Morris,  
Velma Williams, Essie Whitmarsh,  
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Junior Endeavor 6:00 P. M., Mrs.  
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Intermediate Endeavor 6:00 P.  
M., Mrs. S. J. Calvird sponsor.  
Senior Endeavor 6:15 P. M., R. C.  
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Choir practice Wednesday 7:00  
P. M., Mrs. Frank Judd Leader.  
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Training Union 6:00 P. M.  
Evening Worship 7:00 P. M. sub-  
ject: Thy Will Be Done.  
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keep it Holy" by attending Sunday  
night worship.

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Bible Study 10:00 A. M.  
Morning Worship 10:45 A. M.  
Communion 11:45 A. M.  
Young Peoples Classes 6:30 P. M.  
Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.  
Mid-week services Thursday ev-  
ening at 7:30 P. M.  
Services will be held at the home  
of E. R. Pigg.  
Mid-week services have been  
converted to a singing school. If  
you enjoy vocal singing come and  
enjoy same. The public is invit-  
ed to all services.  
God so loved the world that he  
gave his only begotten son. That  
we might enjoy a future home in  
heaven, if we will only love and  
serve him in accordance to his will.

**Woman's Society  
Of Christian Service**  
The Woman's Society of Christ-  
ian Service met in regular session  
at the parsonage January 1 at 2:30  
P. M.

The meeting was called to order  
by our President, Mrs. A. L. King.  
Hymn, More Love to Thee, was  
sung by the group. A Service of  
Dedication was given with Mrs. A.  
L. King as first voice, Miss Bolster  
second voice, Mrs. Buster third  
voice, and Mrs. Lovelace fourth  
voice. Hymn, Take My Life and  
Let It Be, was sung after which  
Mrs. Ritchie spoke on Investing our  
Heritage. Hymn, Where He  
Leads Me, was sung and a short  
business session was held. Refresh-  
ments were served by Mesdames  
Little, Hill, Cummings, and Mc-  
Williams to Mesdames Buster, Mar-  
tin, King, Ritchie, Lovelace, Hard-  
ing, Thompson, Gamble, Miss Edna  
Bolster and the hostesses.

**NUMBER 174  
IN THE MATTER OF THE  
ESTATE OF HANNAH V.  
DORTCH, DECEASED.**  
**IN THE COUNTY COURT OF  
SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS.**  
**NOTICE BY ADMINISTRATOR  
WITH WILL ANNEXED OF AP-  
PLICATION FOR MINERAL  
LEASE.**

Notice is hereby given that I,  
Administrator With Will Annexed  
of the Estate of Hannah V. Dortch,  
Deceased, have this day filed my  
application in writing in the above  
entitled and numbered cause for an  
order of the County Judge of Sher-  
man County, Texas, authorizing  
me as Administrator With Will An-  
nexed of the Estate of Hannah V.  
Dortch, Deceased, to make and ex-  
ecute a mineral lease upon such  
terms as the Court may order and  
direct of the following real estate  
belonging to the Estate of the said  
Hannah V. Dortch, Deceased, to-  
wit:

All that land and premises sit-  
uated in Sherman County, Texas,  
being all of section 4, Block 3-T,  
T. & N. O. Ry Co., except the west  
240 acres of said  
Section, said tract consisting of  
400 acres.

Said application will be heard by  
the County Judge of Sherman  
County, Texas, at the Court House  
in the City of Stratford, Texas, on  
Monday the 20th day of January,  
A. D. 1941.

**WITNESS MY HAND** at Strat-  
ford, Texas, on this 3rd day of  
January, 1941.

**ARTHUR CARTRITE,**  
Administrator With Will Annexed  
of the Estate of Hannah V. Dortch,  
Deceased.

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(By Mrs. Earl Garoutte)  
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To help another when his troubles  
are heavy to bear,  
Ever willing with a true and loving  
heart,  
Yes a friend, is one who cares.

Its that person, thats always the  
same,  
Through every month of the year,  
I've learned,  
Not he, who treats you nice to your  
face—  
And does something to hurt you,  
when your back is turned.  
Its that person, who would not  
stoop to covet—  
A possession you held most dear,  
But would be glad that you posses-  
sed it,  
And look you in the eye, with con-  
science clear.

Its that person, when he sees your  
luck is down  
Tries to help in any way he can—  
and then—  
If success should favor you, re-  
joices with you—  
That kind of person— is a friend.

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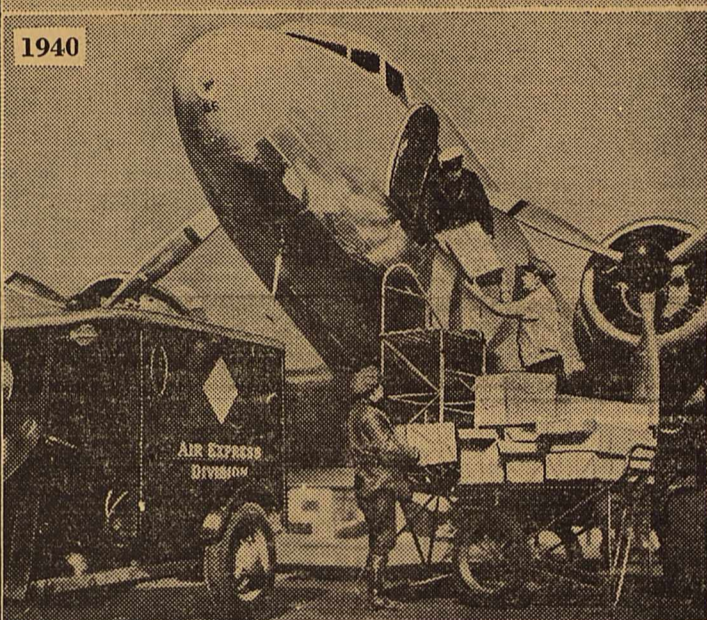
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mas in other lands was given by  
Mrs. Harold Bennett and also a  
beautiful Christmas poem, "What  
Does the Christmas Tree Repre-  
sent" was given by Mrs. Kenneth  
Borth.  
After the program and a short  
business meeting, refreshments  
were served to Mesdames Shuler,  
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old Bennett, Arthur Summeror and

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

**President Scores 'Peace Offensives' And Urges Additional Aid for Britain; Nazis Pour More Troops Into Rumania; English Bombers Pound Invasion Ports**

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)  
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)



**SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE**—A picture released by the German censors, purporting to show French newspaper men being shown the effect of German cannon fire on the Maginot line fortifications. The line, upon which France once pinned its faith against invasion, is now a bad memory of the past for those in occupied France.

**PEACE:**

**U. S. Offensive**

As the U. S. administration moved ever more vigorously toward aiding Britain, isolationists groups in senate and house started individual "peace offensives" which the President had scored in no uncertain terms in his radio address Sunday before New Year's.

Back of them all was the familiar theme of asking the U. S. to demand that Britain and Germany state their war aims and that this country make one last effort to bring the two chief warring nations together before the world as it now exists falls apart.

The theory back of it all seemed to be a feeling on some of the administration's heartiest opponents that President Roosevelt still would like to see himself in the role of peacemaker, on any basis. But the President himself indicated that there could be no negotiations with the Axis powers bent on "conquering the world" by the use of gangster tactics.

The demand of Knudsen that manufacturers work for "victory," and by this evidently meaning a British victory, was seen as enough indication of the true temper of White House feeling in the matter.

Editorially, the anti-British American press hailed this domestic "peace offensive," and the Anglo-phil press editorially condemned it, saying that normally intelligent senators and congressmen were allowing themselves unwittingly to be made tools of Hitler.

**Defense Capacity**

America's productive capacity for defense is rapidly expanding to meet the nation's armament needs. According to the defense commission, the nation's arms output has reached 2,400 aircraft engines, 700 planes, more than 10,000 semi-automatic rifles and 100 tanks a month. The commission added that more than a million persons have been put to work in the last two months and that "several million more" will be needed by next November.

**GREECE:**

**Now Anxious**

There were two schools of thought as to the reports that Germany was sending anywhere from 100,000 to 500,000 soldiers into Rumania via Hungary.

School No. 1 figured that these troops were aimed to be shot into Greece through Bulgaria, thus attempting to keep Italy going, and thus perhaps hurling Russia and Turkey into the southeastern end of the World war.

School No. 2 doped it out that this latter eventuality was just what Germany sought to avoid, and that the troop movements, if any, were largely a "smoke screen" to cover a severe invasion attempt on the West Front.

The British evidently belonged wholeheartedly to School No. 2, for they followed up the unofficial holiday truce by hurling an average of 100 bombs a minute on the invasion ports, giving them a taste of war from the air that they hadn't had since October.

Early advices from England's

scouts on the continent seemed to indicate that the objective had been attained, and that any invasion attempt would have to be postponed again.

At the same time the British put into volume production a new type of torpedo boat, said to travel 70 miles per hour, barely touching the tops of the waves, highly maneuverable, and carrying all sorts of armament, including one cannon and several torpedoes.

Purpose of this boat is to be a counter-move against any troop-carrying barges that may seek to cross the channel.

**BRITISH:**

**Get Second Wind**

The campaign in Egypt, which saw the British capture upward of 35,000 prisoners and huge quantities of war material while hurling the Italians not only out of foreign territory but well back within their own Libya, reached a point where the British sat still for a while, apparently catching their "second wind."

Sit-down point was Bardia, where a state of siege was declared, and the British, under General Wavell, apparently decided to shell the defenders into submission with artillery from land and sea and bombs from the air rather than to risk heavy casualties in a direct assault on the well-fortified town.

Bardia is said to be defended by 20,000 Italians, and while cut off from outside help or supplies, and apparently doomed to fall, showed signs of being able to hold out for a while. Prisoners who deserted from within the town and ran the gantlet of fire to the comparative safety of surrender, said Bardia was a hell-on-earth.

They described the havoc wrought by British fire, and felt themselves well out of it all. Rome was slow to admit British successes, but there were signs of sweeping further changes in command. These mostly came from British sources, which announced that as the Italian air force was fighting more vigorously, they assumed that Italy once more had fired a general and hired a new one.

**DIPLOMACY:**

**Beats the Punch**

Diplomatic circles did a bit of shadow-boxing around a supposed plan of President Roosevelt to widen the neutrality area to include Ireland, thus permitting British-aid-carrying American vessels to run to west Irish ports.

The diplomats themselves said nothing, but the newspapers in the dictator nations opened fire on this proposal before it was made, and their barbs shot in all directions and across all oceans.

German papers threatened America with everything, practically including a declaration of war if the move was made. The ships would be sunk without warning, they said. They called it Britain's "dirtiest trick" that the English have tried to foist on America.

Following this the Rome press followed suit, going ever further, and promising Ireland that the Axis powers would give Eire full aid if she were to go to war with Britain. And this shot fell into Ireland and set the Irish almost at each other's throats again.

**HIGHLIGHTS . . in the week's news**

- Athens: Greek sources reported a submarine had attacked and sunk an Italian convoy in the Adriatic, with a loss of 25,000 to 30,000 tons.
- Melbourne: Australian army chiefs reported that a Nazi sea raider, disguised as a Japanese vessel, shelled and badly damaged buildings on the island of Nauru, 5,400-acre atoll in the south Pacific, chiefly noted as a source of phosphate.
- Ft. Meade: Camp building for the National Guard and draftees is big business, this cantonment reporting that 18,000 men were currently at work there.
- Lisbon: A move is on foot, it was reported at Lisbon, on the part of the Vichy government to set the African colonies free, thus giving them carte blanche to move in any direction they see fit.

**Sportlight**  
by GRANTLAND RICE  
NANA WNU SERVICE

"IF YOU care to look a few months ahead, or a year ahead," writes one of our leading citizens, "I'll give you the answer concerning sport. I happen to be in a position to know what is taking place. We will have more sport than ever before, but most of it will be in army camps. I mean both baseball and football, especially football next fall."

"By that time we'll have around 2,000,000 in army or navy life. Their main recreation will be sport. There have been so many turned down through physical disabilities that we will soon have a rush on athletes. It will not be a surprise to see an appeal made to all college athletes and to professional athletes of the right age to enlist."

"Young, unmarried athletes earning fame or money next year will not be popular heroes. Certainly not with the divisions scattered all over the United States. I think you can get their viewpoint. The luck of the draft won't be taken into consideration. They will not be cheering stars who are young, strong and well fixed financially. It will be just as it was in the World war more than 20 years ago."

**The New Schedule**

"I think I can give you the new schedule, as army and navy officials think it will pan out. There will be baseball and football games, plus boxing matches, between regiments and divisions and armies. These men in camp will need something beyond the average to break up their routine existence. They won't get this from entertainers, except in part. In fact, they can only get it from sport, and that will necessarily mean the top-ranking part of sport."

"It will mean the best of our football players, college and pros. It will mean many of our better big league and minor league baseball players. They will have to come in, either from the draft, or through the force of public demand. The old term 'slacker' proved very effective in obtaining recruits during the World war."

"They won't be getting any extra money for this service. There will be no cashing in. It will be company against company—regiment against regiment—division against division—army against army, and then you'll see some real competition."

"This means we will suddenly have the greatest amateur swirl in our history. We will have games that will overshadow Michigan and Minnesota, and all the bowl contests. They will take place all over the map. But they will be army and navy contests in which Bob Feller may be pitching against Bucky Walters or Joe Louis may be facing Billy Conn—not for World Series money or 40 per cent of the gate receipts, but for the pride and honor of the regiment or the division. Just the way that Gene Tunney fought in France."

"You may not believe me, but this is what will take place."

**The Right Angle**

This seems reasonable enough. In the last war I know the feeling enlisted men had against those who were still cashing in on their physical ability to play some game. It was bitter.

This time we are not at war. But in many respects camp life is worse than war, when it comes to the matter of dull routine. This routine will have to be broken up. The only answer is sport. With a million or two million men in camp, averaging less than \$50 a month from private to lieutenant, you can understand how they would feel and their people would feel about younger and stronger athletes mopping up financially.

You may say this is unfair—that the luck of the draft is all that counts. Well, the luck of the draft won't count with those fellows getting up at reveille and waiting for taps. Not unless human nature has changed completely.

They didn't ask for it, either, but they got it. They are not going to start cheering for some young fellow around 21 or 23 or 25, making the headlines or getting big money, through physical skill, while they are carrying a gun or driving a tank or flying a plane for a buck a day and no headlines.

**A Change Due**

So far the volunteer enlistment and the draft seem to be unimportant. Just wait a few months. It will be quite different. There will be a tremendous change in mental attitude on the part of the public, as well as those moving from reveille to taps.

There still will be big-league baseball and college and pro football games. But I think there still is a big chance these will be secondary matters to army and navy sport.

**Star Dust**  
STAGE SCREEN RADIO

By VIRGINIA VALE  
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

IF YOU lived within a ten-mile radius of Priscilla Lane's home you'd be more than likely to encounter her at one of the neighborhood movie houses in that vicinity, and to see her afterward buttonholing the manager.

The "Four Mothers" star takes her movie-making very seriously, so she quizzes the men who make money by showing movies. "What do you think of that picture?" "Does it seem to be drawing?" "Do the fans here like that star?" That's



PRISCILLA LANE

the kind of thing Priscilla wants to know. When she's working she covers two or three pictures a week; other times she takes in four or five.

Metro previewed "Flight Command" aboard an airplane in flight one evening recently; afterward Bedell Monroe, president of Pennsylvania Central Airlines, predicted that pictures will be shown regularly on all commercial air lines within the next few years, as they are on ocean liners. Robert Taylor stars in "Flight Command," a naval aviation story.

We're to have "The Trial of Mary Dugan" again, with Robert Young in the leading male role. Remember it when Norma Shearer made it nine years ago? Laraine Day will play "Mary Dugan." (You probably saw her in "Foreign Correspondent.")

Edward J. Peters, chief engineer of Paramount's air conditioning department, has perfected a new type of ice. He calls it "snow ice," and because it lasts almost one-third longer than ordinary ice and requires a third less time to produce, it may affect the commercial ice industry.

It was developed because Director Charles Vidor was shooting a scene in "New York Town" (Fred MacMurray, Mary Martin and Robert Preston co-starring); bright set lights striking ordinary transparent ice in water made the ice invisible to the camera. Vidor wanted the ice to show, to emphasize an important story point. Hence the new ice.

Hollywood's biggest variety show—Al Pearce and His Gang—takes nine microphones to get their Friday broadcasts on the CBS network.

Carl Hoff's orchestra alone takes three; Pearce has one, and the rest of the cast another. Billy Gould gets a sixth one for his sound effects, and Wendell Niles has a booth, equipped with a microphone, of course, for his closing commercial. There's an audience applause microphone, so that we who listen may know how much those who are present are enjoying it, and when Bill Jordan and George Kent present their two-piano numbers the ninth mike is added to the engineer's problems.

Apparently quiz shows are as popular as ever with radio audiences—two new ones will take to the air shortly, over the CBS Pacific Network. They're "Don't Be Personal" and "Talk Your Way Out of This One"—studio audiences will participate, and the winners will receive cash prizes.

Girls who have ambitions to act on the screen or on the air might take a tip from Lurene Tuttle; she never misses a Helen Hayes broadcast, because she learns so much from Miss Hayes, and she studies Bette Davis' work in pictures—she says that when she worked with Miss Davis, the star gave her many valuable suggestions on the technique of acting. Now Lurene's learning still more from working with John Barrymore on the Vallee programs.

**ODDS AND ENDS**

- "Here Comes the Navy," made by James Cagney and Pat O'Brien in 1934, is being re-issued by Warner Brothers.
- George Burns and Gracie Allen have renewed the pledge they signed a year ago to support a certain number of youngsters at Boystown, Neb.
- Donald Crisp ends a six-month vacation with a role in "Winged Victory."
- "Kitty Foyle" is the forty-second picture in which Ginger Rogers has been featured or starred.
- Guy Kibbee got the title role in "Scattergood Baines" at the request of the author.

**The Washington MERRY GO ROUND**  
DREW PEARSON & ROBERT ALLEN

Washington, D. C.

**ARGENTINE AAA**  
Argentina, that country of open spaces, bumper crops and heavy exports, is on the verge of doing a Henry Wallace. Never before have the Argentinians admitted that there was any system better than growing all the wheat you could get out of the soil and all the flax and all the barley.

They have long been the greatest grain exporting country in the world, and they have become so by sowing wide, reaping heavy, and filling outbound vessels to the hatches with grain.

But now the outbound vessels are few, and the grain is backing up and flowing over the fields where still another crop is ripening. Official estimates indicate that a year hence Argentina will have a wheat surplus of 200,000,000 bushels.

So the Argentine government is doing the unheard of; actually is considering acreage control for next year's crop. The grain board has been given authority to cut the plantings of wheat, flaxseed, and barley, by 10 per cent, in an AAA for Argentina.

**NEW BRITISH AMBASSADOR**

Appointment of the distinguished Viscount Halifax as British ambassador to the United States was greeted with mixed feelings in official Washington.

Those accustomed to the refreshing candor of Lord Lothian and the tremendous success he had achieved in winning American popularity, greeted Halifax's appointment with no great enthusiasm. But to the hoity-toity of Washington society, always a bit shocked at the way Lord Lothian permitted his dogs to lie in the middle of the living-room floor, Halifax will be a great relief.

In fact, Washington society already is looking forward to the new Halifax era, when senators and lowly congressmen no longer will be the vogue at embassy dinner tables, as they were under Lothian; and when the ambassador no longer will pick up Rhodes scholars from Washington street corners and bring them to dinner without benefit of stiff shirt bosom.

From now on, Washington can be sure that all embassy dinner lists will be guarded by that super-guardian of social prestige, Miss Irene Boyle, long the czarina of the British embassy. So all will be peaceful again.

However, Viscount Halifax will bring a world of experience to his new job. He has been undersecretary for the colonies, minister of war, minister of agriculture, president of the board of education, lord privy seal, leader of the house of lords and president of the council.

By all odds his toughest job, and that in which he probably achieved most success, was as viceroy of India at one of the periods when India was striving desperately for home rule. Halifax conducted a long series of negotiations with Mahatma Gandhi, in the course of which the Indian leader sometimes would stop at the climax of an important discussion and go off to commune with his soul.

So Viscount Halifax, who also happens to be one of the most devoutly religious men in England, but who does not ordinarily mix religion with government discussions, adopted the same tactics. Whenever he faced a difficult crisis in the negotiations, he excused himself for prayer.

In the end Halifax got a large part of what he wanted from Gandhi.

**U. S. WINE TRADE**

The combination of the war and the holiday season is bringing the best business to domestic wines since World War I.

All of the six important wine exporting countries are affected by the war. France, Algeria, Italy and Germany are shut off from international trade, while Spain and Portugal have difficult transportation problems.

In fact, there are no foreign supplies of champagne in sight, and the department of commerce estimated that the stocks on hand a month ago (275,000 gallons) would be heavily drained by holiday consumption and exhausted within the next few months.

Result is that the United States domestic wine industry is enjoying a boom demand. We are even exporting wine.

In the month of October, exports of U. S. wines were 204,000 gallons, or more than twice as much as had been exported in any entire year since repeal of the Eighteenth amendment. Odd angle is that most of our wine is going to a market normally enjoyed by France, namely French Indo-China.

**MERRY GO ROUND**

The isolationist America First committee is doing a much more effective job of organizing units in colleges than its rival Committee for the Defense of America by Aiding the Allies. America First has several hundred college branches while the opposition has only twelve.

According to the Republican, monthly G.O.P. journal, thousands of letters have been received by Wendell Willkie and other party leaders "urging them to change the name of the Republican party."

**Lovely Frock for School or Parties**

HERE'S an unusually sweet princess frock for junior girls that you'll want two ways for Sunday and everyday! This is the most becoming line in the world for petite figures. There are adroit gathers at the sides of the front panel to give a little roundness where roundness is needed, and the waist scoops in to beguiling thinness, above the piquant flare of the skirt.

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**Must Suffer**  
To love all mankind, from the greatest to the lowest, a cheerful state of being is required; but in order to see into mankind, into life, and still more into ourselves, suffering is requisite.—Richter.

**"I'M NOT AFRAID NOW"**  
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**WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK**

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

(Consolidated Features—WNU Service.)  
**NEW YORK.**—Joseph C. Grew, ambassador to Japan, got his start by crawling into a cave and getting a half-nelson on a tiger. No wonder he  
**Bear-Wrangler,** isn't afraid to talk back to  
**Tiger-Tilter Was** Foreign Minister Matsuoka and to tell him that "The American people are firmly determined in certain matters."  
About that tiger. Just out of Harvard, the young Bostonian headed for Singapore, to piece out his sheepskin with a tiger skin. He hunted big game for two years in southern Asia, engaging in a great deal of jungle milling before he found the open door in China—the entrance to the tiger's cave which was his gateway to a distinguished diplomatic career.

When the tiger story was published, it caught the eye of President Theodore Roosevelt, but it was a later bear story which really stirred his interest. Young Mr. Grew took three straight falls from an angry bear. Naturally, T. R. saw in that the makings of a diplomat. Cables the next day routed the bear-wrangler and tiger-tilter into a lifetime career in diplomacy, starting a post with the Egyptian consulate-general at Cairo.

He was paced steadily on up through posts at Mexico City, Petrograd, Berlin, Vienna, Copenhagen and Bern. He is rounding 60, 36 years in the diplomatic service, tall, erect, weathered, graying. His durable career typewriter has come along with him down the years, and on it he raps out his terse reports to the state department. Bear-wrangling, diplomacy and this and that has left him with only one good ear, but it serves to register a bigger earful than most diplomats get with two.

Mrs. Grew is a granddaughter of Commodore Perry, who opened Japan to the western world—or vice versa. Living with them at the embassy is their daughter, Mrs. Cecil Lyon, with her two children.

**VERNE MARSHALL** was born and grew up in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and for 26 years has been editor of the Cedar Rapids Gazette. He likes to stay put, and  
**Scribe Stays Put,** thinks the U. S. ought to do the same. In New York, he becomes the organizer and director of the No Foreign War Committee, which puts him in the opposite corner to William Allen White, the other sage of mid-western newspapering, who heads the Committee to Defend America. Not that Mr. White wants war, but their ideas are so opposed that they already are pumping large-caliber editorials at each other.

Mr. Marshall lost one war. For his courageous anti-graft campaign in Cedar Rapids, he was awarded the Pulitzer prize, on May 4, 1938. But while the cheers were still echoing, the Iowa Supreme court, the next day, knocked out his graft charges against 31 persons. He kept on slugging, however, and is highly esteemed in those parts as a self-starting, hard-hitting editor.

He was in London in 1911, writing for the London Chronicle, returned home and later left his newspaper desk for a stretch of machine-gunning in the big war. He didn't like it and now says enough is enough. He is the father of six children.

**NO CUSTOMER** who ever dropped in at Jacques De Sieyes' Fifth avenue perfume shop for a spot of "fleur d'amour" would ever have thought of the elegant M. De Sieyes as a fighting man. But that's the way it is with the French—elegant, but tough, on occasion. M. De Sieyes was a flying ace in the World war, lost a leg, was wounded five times and is now looking for a return engagement as he serves as the personal representative of Gen. Charles De Gaulle, to rally the "free French" in this country. Just now, with three other members of General De Gaulle's American committee, he gives vehement assurance that the present political machinations of the Nazis will consolidate France and steel it for final resistance.

M. De Sieyes was a classmate and intimate friend of General De Gaulle at the St. Cyr military academy. They lost touch with each other during the World war and M. De Sieyes has not seen his old friend since he left Paris in 1920. But he cabled the general when the latter made a new base in London and issued his stirring appeal for the support of free Frenchmen throughout the world, pledging unchanged loyalty. The result was his personal representation of the general here.

**Kathleen Norris Says:**

The Real Problem of Young Marriage

(Bell Syndicate—WNU Service.)



He took me downtown to dinner and bought me gardenias, saying that I had let myself get into a housekeeping rut. When I said that money was an important element in married security he just laughed.

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

**ALONG** about this time of year the questions begin to come in from the June brides. They are still the happiest girls in all the world and Tim is still the most wonderful man, but still, they'd just like to ask—

One particularly bewildered, little bride writes me from a New Mexico city; she says that she cut out an article of mine saying that the money problem was the most important in marriage, and that she did seriously believe it, but that Walter thinks it is perfect nonsense.

"Walter," writes Marian, "has a small salary, but gets an occasional commission. When we had been married only two months we got a really fine commission, and made the first three payments on an adorable house. We got a refrigerator and a gas stove and just a few things we had to have, paying more than half down, but planning to pay the rest off in monthly installments. This, with the house, means \$92 monthly. What we are sure of is \$37.50 a week, so you see we need pretty close figuring to get through, months when there is no commission. Walter had a heavy cold in October, lost 22 days at the office, so we got behind and he borrowed \$300 to keep abreast of our obligations.

**Running Into Debt.**

"Now this is what worries me. He does not like to talk finances with me, and I don't like to bother him. But by chance I learned that we are running behind with all our payments, and unless we have a streak of great luck—and in the winter real estate developments hardly move at all, I can't see how we are going to manage. What I want to do is to rent this house for a year, which we could do, move into a small apartment, live on our salary, and let the house pay for itself and its furnishings, which it would just do.

"When I hinted this plan to Walter he was amused and disturbed. He took me downtown to dinner and bought me gardenias, saying that I had let myself get into a housekeeping rut. When I said that money was an important element in married security he just laughed and said that he had been in and out of hot water all his life and certainly was not going to begin worrying now. He admitted that he had made our indebtedness 'an even five hundred' but that if the bank ever made one trouble, he could 'get it from someone.' He spoke of a 'second mortgage' on the house, but while it is unpaid for I don't think we could do that. Meanwhile he is anxious for a child; both the men in his office have small children and he says he is jealous when he hears them talking of them. But it seems to me we have no right to go ahead with a family, dearly as I would love a baby, until we are a little more out of the woods. Will you tell me what position I ought to take and whether I am unnecessarily worried? Moss Rose."

**Breakers Lie Ahead.**

Poor little Moss Rose has a real problem on her hands and certainly there are breakers ahead. She and her Walter will lose their home, and take to smaller quarters, and then

**FINANCIAL SECURITY**  
Money problems in married life ARE important, Kathleen Norris insists, even where the husband and wife love each other intensely. This does not mean that couples with small incomes cannot be very happy, she adds, but that unnecessary financial insecurity resulting from poor management will gradually undermine and possibly destroy the best of homes. Read this story of a tearful young wife who is faced with just such a problem.

Walter will lose his job. The higher-ups in an office distrust a man who runs into debt and depends upon visionary commissions to extricate him, and who at the same time feels himself fitted for the responsibilities of marriage and fatherhood.

Through this crisis Rose will have to stand by him, and when the smoke blows away, and he secures a position without the dazzling possibilities of commissions, she will have to persuade him to let her handle their financial affairs. If he agrees and sticks to his bargain, they may emerge into the sunshine of a more secure prosperity again, find a new home, set a room aside in it for the nursery. But if Walter refuses to let his wife share in the management, the whole thing will be repeated over again, with very doubtful results.

For women get tired of bright promises that are never fulfilled; money shortage that is never ended; eternal humiliations from tradespeople. They know that these things aren't necessary, and they would rather work out their problems on a certain \$100 a month, than have a dazzling rush of riches one week, and a bitter shortage for the 51 weeks to follow.

**Wife's Right to Share Money Planning.**

It is the right of every wife to share money responsibility, money planning. If a young husband refuses her that right, he has only himself to blame if she runs into extravagances, cannot account for what he gives her, and blames him for necessary economies. Nothing enrages a husband more than to discover that the little extra money, a bit of luck has brought him, has been blandly spent by his wife, or to open bills for all sorts of ridiculous expenditures that send his scheme for a budget tumbling down into fresh depths of debt.

And nothing upsets a wife more than to find herself going about the daily tasks of beds and dishes thinking resentfully: "he told me I'd have to send Tom's shoes back and take Mollie out of dancing school, and then he plays poker and loses \$60 in one evening! I can't have a maid even for three days a week, but he can loan Bill Porter a hundred dollars. He gave me a call-down for sending Mama a check for her birthday, and yet he says he matches the boys at the club every day to see who pays for the lunch!"

Married love ought to be high above thoughts of money. But it isn't. Such reflections as these corrode the home atmosphere when apparently far more serious things are forgotten and forgiven. Money in the purse is a singularly healing thing; when Rose can look at a growing bank account with satisfaction, when Walter feels that his wife is as interested as he is in making the financial end of their bargain a success, then both feel a confidence and security that is the very base and root of happiness.

**GRASSROOTS**  
by WRIGHT A. PATTERSON

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

**SNOWS FOR THE CROPS**  
VIE WITH THE SUNSHINE

THE TRAIN wound its way around hills, over valleys, through an occasional tunnel, across frozen rivers, ever westward across the Dakotas and into Montana.

From the car windows we saw a world blanketed in crystal white snow. More snow was falling and a blizzard wind was piling it in great drifts. Across the snow, some distance from the tracks, was a farmhouse. Smoke, the clean smoke from a wood fire, was coming from the chimney.

Pete and Mary were keeping the home fires burning while Dad and Mother were wintering in the Southland. Pete was also keeping open the lines of communication between the house and the barn and cattle sheds. Between times he worked at the wood pile, that there might be ammunition with which to repulse the blitzkrieg of cold. He cursed the ever-falling and drifting snow which caused him labor and difficulties.

Far away to the Southland, Dad and Mother read of the heavy snowfall in their state. Mother hoped it would not inconvenience Pete and Mary, but they were young and capable. Father gloried in the moisture the snow was bringing to insure next summer's crops, and thanked Providence for it.

From the snug coziness of the Pullman we admired the beauty of the scene, enjoyed the howling of the blizzard, and congratulated ourselves on having chosen a northern route to the warmth and sunshine of the West coast.

It was all in the point of view.

**SUN SEEKERS**  
SHOULD YOU WISH to know who, as a class, are the great travelers of America during these winter months, just go to Florida or California and count the number of visiting farmers and their families. Thousands of them escape the ice and snow of the northern states by going South for the warmth, the sunshine and the privilege of being out of doors—not for the night clubs and the gaming tables.

**RICH AND POOR IN SAME CAMP**

NOTHING I can think of would be more beneficial than a universal citizenship training law. A law which would provide six months, at least, in camp for every young man between the ages of 19 and 21 years. Put the workman's son and the banker's son under canvas together and under exactly the same conditions. Give them an opportunity to get acquainted and become "buddies." It would break down the forming of class distinctions in America. It would create a race of better Americans. It would demonstrate the equal opportunity for all.

While in such camps, military discipline and training would be essential, the one greatest purpose would be a training in citizenship, a training in mutual understanding.

The idea would be more popular as a citizenship training law than as a military training law.

**WINSLOW** is a thriving town in southern Indiana. Ask any business man there the reason for the town's prosperity and he will point to A. J. Heuring and the Winslow Dispatch. Winslow is but one of thousands of American towns in which the local editor and his paper is the foundation on which town growth and prosperity are built.

**NAVAL BASES AND THE COST**

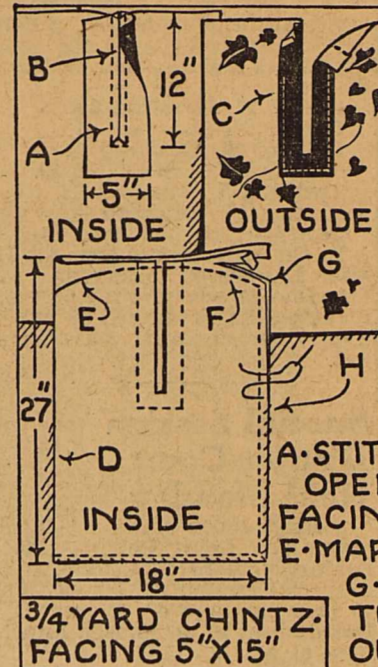
IN HAWAII we have a naval, air and army base that is valuable as an outpost for the protection of our western coast line. It is valuable because the government has expended half a billion dollars or more to fortify it. Before an enemy could capture the vast stores of oil, munitions and other war supplies, it would have to silence the great guns on Diamond Head, and others on the island of Oahu. The enemy would have to land against the opposition of a full division of the United States army stationed there.

The eight spots selected on eight British islands in the Atlantic, and turned over to the American government, will be valuable as outposts for our Atlantic seacoast when they, like Hawaii, have been heavily fortified and garrisoned. To attempt to use them as air and naval bases until they are protected would be about as practical as to leave a stack of watermelons in the center of the public square without a guard over them.

To fortify these eight new air and naval bases will mean an expenditure of from four to six billion dollars. Where is such a vast sum to come from? Including the appropriations congress has voted for armament expenditures during the next 12 months, the federal government's indebtedness is more than sixty billion dollars. That means an obligation of over \$460 for each man, woman and child; it means a mortgage of over \$2,000 on the homes and farms of each family of five; it means an annual interest charge of over \$70 for each family of five.

**HOW TO SEW**

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



- A·STITCH FACING·B·CUT OPENING AND TURN FACING·C·STITCH·D·FOLD·E·MARK CURVE·F·STITCH·G·TRIM·H·OVERCAST·TURN RIGHT SIDE OUT AND ADD HANGER

ARE you planning things that will sell well at a Fair or Bazaar? Or is this the season that you catch up on odds and ends of sewing for the house? In either case you will like to stitch up a bag like this one. Everyone seems to have a special use for one of these bags on a hanger. I have one that I use for laundry when I go traveling. Men and boys like them for closet laundry bags too, as they are plenty big enough for shirts. A little girl I know has a small version of one of these in which she keeps doll clothes scraps. I have also seen them used for everything from dress patterns to dust rags.

This green and white ivy patterned chintz with green facing makes a good looking bag. Pictorial chintz will amuse a young-

ster—something with animals or toys or a landscape in the design. I saw a material the other day with a pattern showing all kinds of rope knots. A boy would like that. Each step in making the bag is shown in the sketch.

In SEWING Book 3 there are directions for still another type of bag on a hanger; also a pocket for the pantry door. This book contains directions for the spool shelves; stocking cap; "The rug that grew up with the family"; and many other of your favorites among articles that have appeared in the paper. Send order to:

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**AROUND the HOUSE Items of Interest to the Housewife**

Save the peels of oranges and tangerines, dry them in the oven and store in glass jars. They give puddings and custards a delicious flavor.

When making peppermints drop them onto a piece of waxed paper instead of onto a pan. They are more easily removed from waxed paper.

Hard sauce, highly flavored with cinnamon, grated orange and lemon peels and a little fruit juice, gives just the proper finish to hot fruit puddings.

Plant bulbs close to the window panes and away from the heat of the room instead of starting them in a dark room. You will get better results.

Windows may be kept clean and clear during the winter if rubbed over with glycerine occasionally, then polished with a dry cloth.

Brass knockers and doorknobs that are exposed to the weather will stay clean and bright longer if rubbed with paraffin after they are cleaned and polished with a soft, dry cloth.

When a splinter has gone very deep into the flesh, try extraction by steam. Heat a wide-mouthed bottle and fill it two-thirds full of very hot water and place under the injured spot. The suction in a few minutes removes both splinter and inflammation. This method is particularly good when the splinter has been in for some time.

Filling the icebox with scraps of left-over food is a waste of room and usually of food. Never allow them to accumulate.

**Contentment**

And we shall be made truly wise if we be made content; content, too, not only with what we can understand, but content with what we do not understand—the habit of mind which theologians call—and rightly—faith in God.—Kingsley.

When a sweater is washed the buttonholes will not stretch if they are sewed together before the sweater is put into the water.

A little sweet cream spread over the top crust of a pie before it is put into the oven will make the crust brown and flaky.

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**Place for Money**  
A wise man should have money in his head, but not in his heart.—Swift.

**Beware Coughs from common colds That Hang On**

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THE DUSTER

(Continued from Page 1) us( we have not had a letter, not even a handbill, since a week ago tomorrow). Comes lunch and turnips, eggs, French bread, and a lot of other goo that we are especially un-fond of. Comes mail time once more—and a letter from the girl friend back home telling us that the home-town boy friend has been seen at certain times in certain places with our worst enemy. Comes nightfall—we study 'till our head is popping and our eyes are popping out. We turn out the lights and head for bed, knock our little toe off and leave it hanging on the chair our roommate left in the middle of the room. After counting nine thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine multi-colored sheep, we finally go to sleep—and if the world still looks as black in the morning as it does now, we're going to sleep on and on and on

JUNIOR REPORT

It's coming All wrapped up in fancy paper and ribbons with all our very special compliments: The Junior play, 'Aunt Tillie Goes to Town'— and does she go to town! That eccentric, man-hating, old maid goes to town and comes back to a house seemingly full of maniacs. You have never seen anything like it! Aunt Tillie will actually make you laugh your head off! Don't miss it! Be sure to see this fast-moving farce packed full of laughs.

YEA, TEAM

The Stratford boys won the renowned Spearman Tournament. A beautiful trophy was given as first place and it is now in the trophy

case in the high school building. Bill Garrison and Marcella Garrison each received gold basketballs as all-star players. They really deserved them, for they played some excellent basketball.

December 31 Texhoma came to Stratford and lost both the boys and girls games. The score in the girls game was 21-9 and in the boys game, 28-7. Gene Harrison was high point man with 13 points. Stratford has played the following games and has won all but one of them.

Harley 19, Stratford 30. Gruver 24, Stratford 47. Dalhart 29, Stratford 34. Spearman 21, Stratford 19. Texhoma 7, Stratford 28. Higgins 19, Stratford 30. Canadian 26, Stratford 30. In the eight games thus far Harrison has scored 75 points. Bill Garrison is second with 58 points. Stratford has averaged 30 points a game; opponents have averaged 20 1-2.

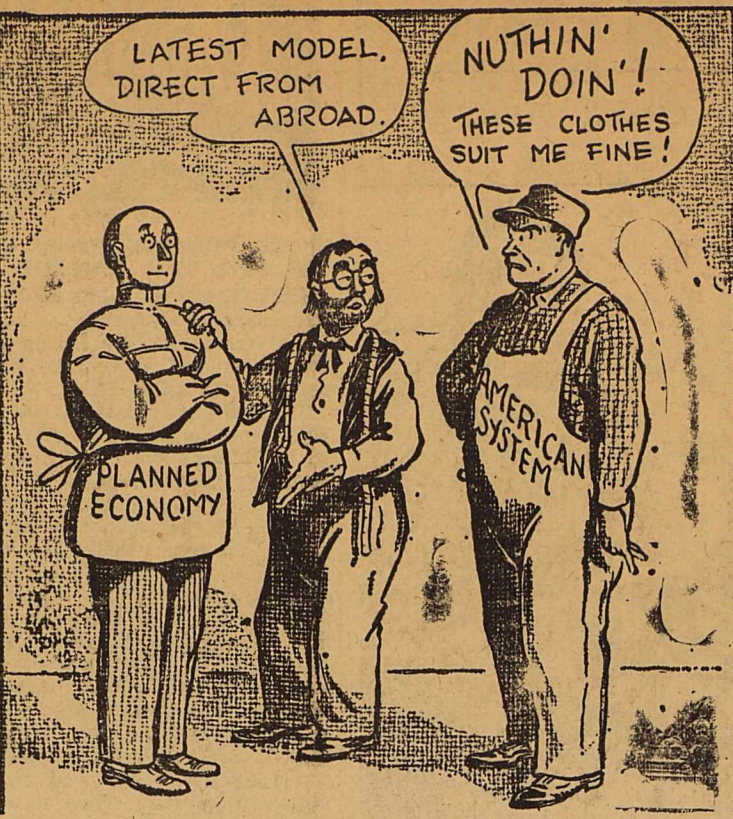
Special Session District Court Held Monday

District Judge James W. Witherspoon and Court Reporter Horace Schloss were here Monday to hold a special session of District Court to hear the case of Clarence Y. Davidson et al vs. Phoebe Ann McAttee et al.

BEST YET H. D. CLUB WILL MEET FRIDAY WITH MRS. SHULER DONELSON

The Best Yet Home Demonstration Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Shuler Donelson on Friday, January 10, at 3:00 P. M.

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THIS BUSINESS OF Living BY SUSAN THAYER

THERE'S WORK TO BE DONE Hurry, Hurry. Don't waste time talking or arguing. Don't interfere with the wheels of industry that must turn so swiftly in the days to come. There's work to be done in this country of ours, much work and it must be done in the next five years or perhaps less. We've got to build a great fleet of airplanes: more than we've ever dreamed we would want at one time. We must double the size of our

Navy. At least that is what Congress has voted to do. We must produce tanks and guns: trucks and motorcycles and dozens of other machines vital to a modern army. We must build barracks and make uniforms and weave blankets for an army of more than a million men before we even start to be strong enough to live in the world as it is today. At the same time we are turning out this vast array of equip-

ment for defense we must continue to produce for peacetime living. We must even increase the amount of good comfortable every-day things of life we have been turning out the past ten years. We must build stoves and bath room fixtures and refrigerators for new homes and old. We must produce cultivators and tractors for farmers which will in turn be called upon for greater production. We must weave silk and woolen and cotton for good looking new clothes. We must build typewriters and adding machines and desks. We must design and make costume jewelry and cosmetics as well as pots and pans if we women are to be satisfied.

Because today, with so many strange and unprecedented things happening, our system of representative democracy is in even greater danger than our country itself. And it is as essential to sell ourselves on the efficiency and adaptability of the system and erment under which we became the world's economic leader as it is to provide to the world that we're too powerful to molest.

For what would it profit the United States of America 'Conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal' to build the greatest air force in the world and lose her belief in the importance of the individual man?

Some think that before long Britain may appeal to this country for still more ships, principally destroyers and small cruisers of modern, high-speed types. Whether we'd agree is anybody's guess. Certainly public opinion developed with incredible speed in favor of more and more help to Britain during the last year. There is no apparent reason why it should not continue to do so, particularly in the light of Mr. Roosevelt's extremely pro-British stand.

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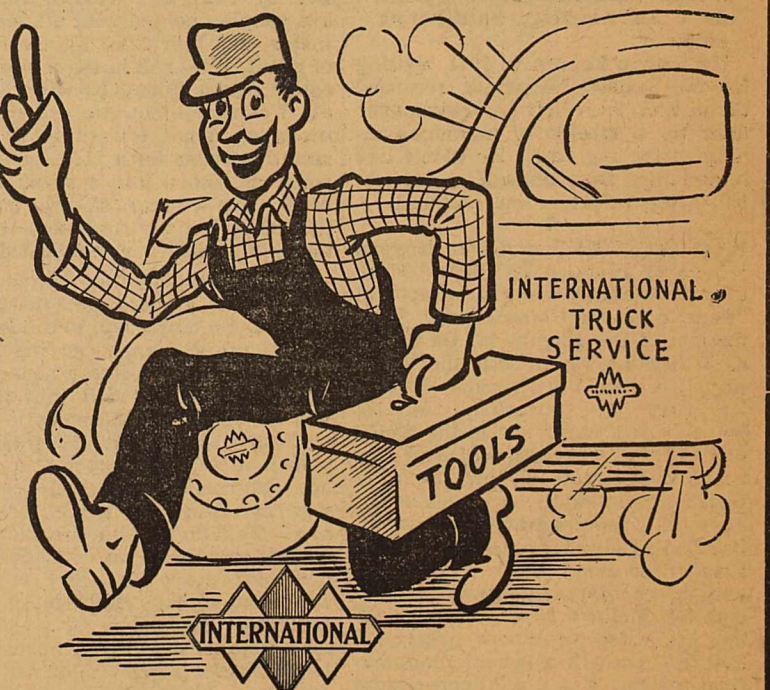
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