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That Reminds Me
BY FRANK A. JONES

CHRISTMAS—DECEMBER TWENTY-FIFTH

Christmas celebrates the birth of Christ. Through the years that have elapsed since the event that gave birth to the day, many customs for its observance have come into common use. Among these is the giving of gifts to friends and the arrangements of entertainments and programs for children, the decoration of the Christmas tree, the legend of Santa Claus and similar things that have become a fixed part of the observance of the day. Around the theme of Christmas has been written the most beautiful music of all time. The Christmas songs have no equal in any music mankind has produced. For this reason the programs heard over radio and in the churches of the land during the Christmas season are the most beautiful of the whole year. The Christmas tree is of German origin. The first authentic mention of the Christmas tree was made in 1605 when one was set up in Strasburg. It was not until 1940 that the Christmas tree was introduced into the United States at an earlier date by German immigrants, but was not used extensively until about 1860 when John C. Buschman, a German, set up a tree in Westfield, Massachusetts and invited the people to see it. The belief that Santa Claus is the distributor and giver of gifts comes from the Germans. It is derived from the legend of St. Nicholas. The idea that Santa travels in a sleigh drawn by reindeer was introduced by Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, a professor in the general Theological Seminary in New York. It began with the poem he wrote for the entertainment of his children, "The Visit of Saint Nicholas," which begins with the words: "Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house," etc. A friend saw the poem and got Mr. Moore's consent to make a copy of it. She sent it anonymously to the editor of the Troy Sentinel in the season. The following year the verses were reprinted in many newspapers throughout the country. From this poem came the idea that Santa made his visits to homes on Christmas in a sleigh drawn by reindeer.

SHOULD EASTLAND STREETS BE RENAMED FOR LOCAL HEROES

Mrs. V. T. Seabery suggests that it would be a gesture of gratitude if some of the streets of Eastland were renamed in honor of local boys who lost their lives in wars. Her suggestion, we think, is worthy of consideration.

We don't know off-hand just what steps it would be necessary to take in order to re-name a street, but we are sure it could be done without too much trouble. Mrs. Seabery's article offering a suggestion is as follows: "I notice in your column of today (Wednesday) that you mention the matter of names and number for our streets. What do you think of changing the names of some of our streets in honor of those boys who gave their lives in the war. It seems to me that it would be a gesture of gratitude. I would be very happy to have the name of the street on which I live changed to honor some local hero."

The results achieved by the Eastland Mavericks on the football fields of their district this season, is evidence of what team work can accomplish. The Mavericks who have won every game in their district, the bi-district game and are favored to win the regional game here next Friday, could not have been so successful had not each individual player put the very best he had into each and every game and had their

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Looking Forward to a Happy New Year



Screen star Janis Paige and Frank Louis Martinelli, Jr., San Francisco restaurateur, smile happily as they announce their engagement in Los Angeles. They plan to wed in North Hollywood on Dec. 27 and to honeymoon in Yosemite.

GUATEMALAN CORN PLANTED IN IOWA PROVES SUCCESS

AMES, Ia. (UP)—After pre-empting the usefulness of Guatemalan corn for many years, Dr. I. E. Melhus, project leader of the Guatemalan outpost of the Iowa State College tropical research center, was not surprised when six test plots of corn were harvested here.

The crossing of selected Guatemalan corns on well-adapted Iowa inbreds in 35 instances in the tests showed definite drought and heat resistance in some of the hybrids, proving, according to the experts, that certain desirable characters of Central American corns can be bred into Iowa corns.

The new corns will not be ready for midwest farms immediately however, although Dr. Melhus says that after the good strains of Guatemalan corns have been purified by in-breeding and the best combinations tested on a large-scale basis, the new corns will be available for limited field testing.

Many of the 35 hybrids with Guatemalan breeding had well-filled, mature ears developed on sturdy stalks with green leaves. The four Iowa and U. S. hybrids used as checks were short-stalked, small-eared and fired because of the unusually hot, dry summer weather of July, August and September.

As yet the yield records are not available, but the superior performance of the hybrids with Guatemalan germ plasma is outstanding. The Guatemalan hybrids were able to maintain their green leaves through the hot weather because of their strong, well-developed root systems.

The Guatemalan hybrids were started in 1945 when selected corns from that country were crossed on U. E. inbreds in Westland, Tex., by Dr. J. R. Wallin, one of Dr. Melhus' co-workers. In 1946 the crosses made in Texas were brought up to Shenandoah, Ia., and crossed again. This spring the corns were planted here.

When the project started, Iowa scientists gathered some 1,200 selections of corn from all over Central America in areas where corn has been grown for at least 2,000 years under the most adverse conditions.

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Takes Long Look
OKLAHOMA CITY (UP)—Robert Schiebert, 21, county jail trusty, told guards he was leaving garbage detail to go to a cafe for a "package of cigarettes." When he was arrested 77 days later, he said he was "still looking for those cigarettes."

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK
Cattle 3500. Active, strong, spots higher, Medium and good slaughter steers and yearlings 1900-2600. Good choice mixed yearlings 2900. Good cows scarce at 1700-1800.

Calves 2300. Active, strong, spots higher, Good and choice slaughter calves 2000-2400, few heavyweights to 2500.

Hogs 1300. Butcher hogs opened steady with Friday, later sales 25-50 lower, sows and pigs steady. Top 2650 paid for 52 head choice medium weight butchers, few good lots at 2625.

Defends Parents Of Delinquents
CLEVELAND (UP)—The popular notion that parents are largely to blame for juvenile delinquents is disputed by the Cuyahoga County juvenile court.

The court observed that juvenile delinquents are often as much a problem to their parents as they are to the courts.

"Few parents of delinquents are intentionally neglectful," the court report said.

What is needed most now, in the court's opinion, is more practical advice for parents "which the community is now unwilling to give."

FUNERAL FOR A. M. BROWN IN RANGER TUES.

Funeral services for A. M. Brown, 17, of Rout 3, Ranger will be conducted Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at Killingsworth's chapel with Earl E. Smith, minister of the Church of Christ, officiating. Following the service here the body will be taken overland to Coahoma where services will be held at the Church of Christ and where interment will take place.

The deceased died in Coahoma Sunday, December 7, 1947, of accidental asphyxiation. It was believed that after he had retired a rubber hose connecting a gas line and the stove was blown from the pipe by pressure and filled the room with gas. He had been in Coahoma only three weeks and was employed by the Fleming Oil Company.

He was born in Denita in Montague County on February 17, 1930, and had resided in Ranger three years prior to going to Coahoma. He was a member of the Church of Christ and of the 1947 graduation class at Ranger High School. During his school days here he was vice-president of the FFA chapter at the school for the term 1946-1947.

Survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Brown of Route 3, Ranger; the following brothers and sisters, Raymond O. Brown of Route 3, Ranger, Mrs. Joe Hull of Clyde, Mrs. Robert LeMasters of Powell, Wyoming and Miss Beatrice Brown of Dallas; his grandmother, Mrs. A. M. Brown of Route 3, Ranger and five uncles and seven aunts.

Palbearers will be Bobby Harper, Gene Cox, W. T. Eaton, Billy Langford, Winifred Hatton and Kenneth Hatton.

Two Small Town Blocks Keep 2 Veterans Apart

UTE, Ia. (UP)—It took 18 months, but two former veterans of World War II became buddies in France finally got together in this town of only 777 population.

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Says Foot, Mouth Disease Threat To Meat Supply

WASHINGTON—An agriculture department official said today that the nation's supply of meat and dairy products is endangered by a threat the government is powerless to remove.

The danger is foot-and-mouth disease. It kills, maims and sickens cattle, swine, goats and sheep. It is one of the most contagious of diseases.

The threat lies south of the border in Central Mexico, where thousands of cattle are infected. Their mouths and hoofs are covered with blisters. Millions of cattle are in the diseased zone.

If the disease became established in this country, the official said, it could wreck the nation's livestock industry, depriving Americans of their normal meat, milk, butter and cheese supplies and setting off a wild price boom.

Russia Submits Proposal To Break Deadlock

LONDON—Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov submitted to the council of foreign ministers just before today's meeting a Soviet proposal designed to break the Big Four procedural deadlock on German economic problems.

The paper was circulated to other ministers shortly after lunch. When the council convened at 3:30 p.m.—9:30 a.m. CST—the ministers agreed to rest for 30 minutes to study the new proposal. They resumed their session at 4:20 p.m.

No details were available immediately about the new Soviet proposal, but Secretary of State George C. Marshall had asked Molotov at the end of Saturday's meeting to try to present by Monday a single paper containing all Soviet ideas for coping with German economic problems, including the level of industry and reparations.

Presumably this Soviet paper was Molotov's answer.

Truman Back To Washington

KEY WEST, Fla.—President Truman took off today at 10:00 A. M. EST to fly back to Washington after enjoying a five day Florida vacation.

The chief executive and members of his staff drove to nearby Boca Chica Naval Air station and boarded the presidential plane, "The Sacred Cow" for the flight back to the capital.

Mr. Truman was pink from the sub-tropical sun and greatly rested. He is scheduled to land in Washington at 3 P. M. EST after a flight that will carry him over the waters of the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic.

Humble Meets Oil Price Hike

HOUSTON—The Humble Oil and Refining Co., the largest crude oil purchasing company in Texas, today met the 50-cent a barrel crude oil price increase started originally by the Sun Oil Co.

Judging by action in the past, Humble's move was interpreted by Houston oilmen as a signal for all other large purchasers to post the higher price. A number of smaller buyers joined the parade last week.

Busy At 82
SOUTH ROYALTON, Vt. (UP)—At 82, Mrs. L. D. McIntosh is busy in her kitchen these days, making four tons of mincemeat. She makes it each year for sale throughout the nation.

Life Story Of Coke Stevenson Told In New Book

Thousands of Texas men and women have written ex-Governor Coke Stevenson of Junction, urging to become a candidate for United States Senator in 1948, according to a biography published this week under the title, "Mister Texas: The Story of Coke Stevenson."

The illustrated book, by Booth Mooney, of Dallas, traces Stevenson's public career from the time he became county attorney of Kimble County in 1914, through his service as county judge, legislator, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Lieutenant Governor and Governor.

The biography also tells of his youth and early manhood, giving attention to his success as a conservative small-town businessman as well as to his public service. A number of revealing anecdotes about Stevenson are included.

"In an age when showmanship seems to have supplanted statesmanship as a prerequisite for attaining public office, he has steadfastly refused to be cast in the role of entertainer," Mooney writes of Stevenson. "He was born in a log cabin and he went to work for a living when he was a boy, but he has never allowed the story of his life to be presented in Algebruesque trappings. He is a true son of the Hill Country, but he has never set himself up as a hillbilly. He is a ranchman, born and bred, but no man has ever been able to get him to be picturesque for political purposes."

Stevenson has never been defeated for public office. The author largely to the act that the former Governor has held steadfast to basic principles of sound government and has been successful in getting things done in accordance with those principles. He is known as an authority on constitutional law. He has been as frugal with public funds as with his personal funds. Under his administration as Governor, a deficit of over 30 million dollars in the General Revenue Fund was liquidated, with no increase in taxes, and when he went out of office the Fund had a cash balance of over 35 million dollars.

Other State funds, notably the highway fund, also had heavy balances.

The book returns no answer to the question of whether or not Stevenson will offer himself for the U. S. Senate next year. Mooney does point out, however, that there is a widespread demand from Texans that he become a candidate.

"They want the man on the ranch in Kimble County to become the Gentleman from Texas in Washington, D. C." the book concludes.

Workers Refuse To Obey Strike Call In Paris

PARIS—The Civil Servants Federation and a Paris subway workers refused to obey a strike call by their Communist union leaders today and the number of idle workers in France fell below the 1,000,000 mark.

The subway and bus strike in Paris failed so badly that the General Union of Metropolitan Subway workers called off a 48-hour "demonstration strike" shortly after 11 a.m.—6 a.m. CST.

Up to that time, subway service had been normal, not enough workers obeyed the strike call to slow service. A couple of suburban bus lines stopped operations, but Paris buses continued their schedules even though labor leaders had striven to get the streets to puncture their tires.

Gas Victims Hospitalized
HARTFORD, Conn. (UP)—Twenty-four persons were taken to hospitals and several others were treated at the scene by police surgeons today when they were overcome by coal gas fumes which swept through the three-story royal apartments.

County Grand Jury Impaneled This Morning

Judge Geo. L. Davenport of the 91st district court this morning impaneled a grand jury for the December term. Due to the fact that the holiday season is near at hand he suggested that the jury might want to work two or three days and then recess until after Christmas, which, he said, would be alright as a couple of days possibly would clear-up important pending matters.

Our district courts, Judge Davenport said in his charge to the grand jury, are often referred to as the "People's Courts" and this he said was doubtless because of their close co-operation with the grand juries which are closer still to the people. He also stressed the importance of the grand jury and its influence on good government.

"We are a long way from local self-government now, but we will probably get back to it sometime," Judge Davenport said.

One of the things Judge Davenport especially called to the attention of the grand jurors was child delinquency. He said that he thought that the present laws could be changed to a great advantage, especially as to the age limits. Sixteen years is probably alright for girls, but these days a boy of 17 knows about as much as he will ever know unless it might be some subject in which he specializes.

He also pointed out to the grand jurors that it was as much their duty to refuse to indict a person, if the information they had did not warrant it, as it was their duty to indict if the evidence warranted it. "There are those who need your counsel and advice, and it is your duty to give it," Judge Davenport said.

The grand jury as sworn in this morning is composed of the following persons:

C. I. Wolford, Ranger; Lloyd Bruce, Ranger; Standlee McCracken, Cisco; Joe Clements, Cisco; J. Carl Johnson, Eastland; Dan Childress, Eastland; Theo Lamb, Eastland; W. C. Crone, Olden; A. L. Gattis, Sr., Canton; Tom Poe, Carboon; F. E. Bobbs, Rising Star; E. M. Howard, Rising Star. Carl Johnson was appointed foreman.

Funeral For Dr. Butler To Be On Tuesday

NEW YORK—Funeral services will be held Tuesday for Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, 85, president emeritus of Columbia University, who died Sunday.

Services will be conducted in the chapel on the campus where Dr. Butler served as president for 43 years, from 1902 to 1945.

Dr. Butler died at 1:12 a. m. CST Sunday of bronchial pneumonia at St. Luke's hospital. He entered the hospital Thanksgiving day after an attack of indigestion.

Tributes to the world famous educator, politician and worker for world peace, were sent by President Truman, former President Herbert Hoover, Canadian Prime Minister William L. Mackenzie King, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, Mayor William O'Dwyer, and others with whom he had been associated in his many years of public service.

At Least Six Die In Palestine

JERUSALEM—Arab assassins today killed at least six Palestine Jews, including Joshua Globerman, one of the top officers of the Jewish Hagana defense force.

Globerman was shot by two Arab gunmen when he impatiently drove his automobile ahead of an escorted motor convoy traveling from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv.

Four other Jews were killed in the Jaffa-Tel Aviv area, and another was stabbed to death in Jerusalem. An Arab also was found slain in Jaffa.

MAY BE ACTED UPON AT THIS SESSION OF THE CONGRESS

WASHINGTON—Chairman Jesse P. Wolcott of the House banking committee today outlined a three-point anti-inflation program—minus compulsory wage and price controls—which he said "might be acted upon at this special session."

The Michigan Republican said his three points consisted of legislation "which appears at the moment to be noncontroversial." He said they represented his own thinking and that he had no agreement with Senate leaders on them.

The three points are:

1. Such legislation as is necessary to put into effect voluntary rationing and control programs now being worked upon by the administration.

2. Continue export controls beyond their present Feb. 29 expiration date, with any broadening that it is necessary "to balance foreign needs against domestic economy."

3. Increase from 25 to 40 per cent the gold reserves behind currency issues by federal reserve banks and from 25 to 35 per cent the gold reserves which Federal reserve banks must carry to support deposits of commercial banks.

Cotton Crop Estimate Up

WASHINGTON—The agriculture department, in its final report on the 1947 cotton crop, today estimated this year's production at 11,694,000 bales. A bale of cotton weighs 500 pounds.

The final forecast was 189,000 bales above the Nov. 1 forecast.

Officials said the crop would be adequate to supply all domestic and export requirements.

The production estimate, based on Dec. 1 information, compares with last year's abnormally small production of 8,640,000 bales and a 1936-45 average of 12,390,000 bales.

Railroads Get Rate Increase

WASHINGTON—The Interstate Commerce Commission today granted western railroads authority to increase pullman fares from 8.3 to 8.5 cents per mile.

The increase will bring rates of western carriers up to those of eastern and southern roads which recently were granted similar increases.

The boost in pullman rates represented an increase of 6.06 per cent.

Warns Of Conflict

VATICAN CITY (UP)—Authoritative Vatican sources warned today that relations between the United States and Russia have deteriorated to the point where "differences between the two may lead to a new conflict" unless the present trend is reversed.

14 SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

"I'm all set," says Christmas Eve. "At shopping, I'm quite done. But, my god, I'm here to tell—Only fourteen days are left."



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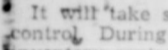
WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—Business leaders are already lining up in opposition to one of the more controversial items in President Truman's 10-point anti-inflation program. This is his request to Congress for more authority to control inventories and make allocations of scarce commodities, which basically affect the U. S. cost of living or industrial production. Opposition to this request is based on a belief that it means a return to black and gray markets, and still higher prices.

Practically all wartime controls over priorities, allocations and imports are gone. What few controls remain are now under the Department of Commerce. In a practically unnoticed report, which Secretary Averell Harriman has just made covering third-quarter operations under the Second Decentral Act of 1947, the score on these operations is given in great detail. It is one of the most informative government reports ever issued.

It will take some brand-new legislation to bring back inventory control. During the war, practically all scarce materials were under inventory control, but particular emphasis was put on steel, copper, zinc, lead, aluminum and rubber. Of these, steel is the one item over which government economists seem most concerned today.



Edson

CONGRESS may therefore be asked for authority to exercise controls over specific products. Or, it may be asked for authority to exercise control over any material in scarce supply, but only after public hearings have been held to establish the need for making a fair distribution of available supplies to essential users.

There is an additional reason for wanting to keep inventories down now. Buying for inventory keeps supplies off the market and so tends to make scarcities worse and keep prices abnormally high.

At the present time, allocation controls are limited by law to three groups of commodities—tin and tin products, antimony and cinchona bark and its quinine and quinidine products. It will probably be necessary to keep the first two under allocation control for some time.

World output of tin this year will probably be only half of prewar production. Allocation controls are considered necessary to make sure that canners get enough tinsplate to pack perishable foods.

There is only one antimony mine in the U. S. and its production is limited. China used to be the big supplier, but its mines are not back in full operation. Mexico and Bolivia are now the principal suppliers. Antimony is used as an alloy in making storage battery plates, bearings and type metal. These essential industries must be supplied.

CINCHONA bark and its products are used in treatment of malaria and heart disorders. Principal prewar supplier was Indonesia. The revolution disrupted the supply, and controls are necessary until imports are back to normal.

Control over imports of scarce commodities may, at first, look silly, but it makes sense. It is a protection for domestic consumers as well as a necessity for taking care of foreign requirements. Three groups of items are now under import controls. They are fats and oils, rice and rice products, nitrogen fertilizers.

If import controls on fats and oils and rice were removed, the flow of available supplies into the U. S. would be so heavy that foreign countries which need fats, oils and rice for foods might suffer.

The same is true of nitrogen fertilizers. The U. S. has always imported nitrogen. If U. S. import controls were lifted, European countries might be deprived of part of their supply. Every ton of fertilizer allocated to Europe means 10 to 15 less tons of food for the U. S. to supply.

The government's power to control exports and to control imports and allocations on the above-mentioned commodities is due to expire with the Second Decentral Act on Feb. 29, 1948. That's why the president wants these powers extended, and enlarged to meet new crises as they arise.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

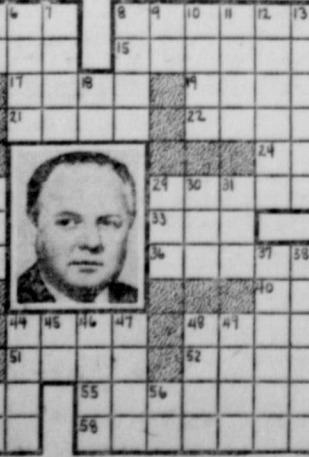
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 - 26 Condition
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 - 39 Exists
 - 40 Area measure
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4 Horse's gait
5 Parent
6 Eras
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9 Pronoun
10 Palm genus
11 Flood hero
12 Accompany
13 Copy again
18 Half an em
26 Pitch
27 Female sheep
28 Place

29 Watering place
44 Vegetable
45 Preposition
46 Girl's name (Bib.)
47 Pitcher
48 Well
49 Sacred bull
54 Specific gravity (ab.)
56 Credit (ab.)



The Long Arm Oof Economic Law



Say Fire Will Destroy Badly Needed Wheat

CHICAGO (UP)—Enough grain to feed 5,000,000 starving people for a year will go up in flames during the next 12 months. That's the prediction of Dr. David Price, past president of the

National Fire Protection Association, who says 10,000,000 bushels of grain will be destroyed in food processing and storage plant fires during that period.

The farm protection committee of the NFPA estimates that America's 1947 farm fire loss will be about \$80,000,000. In terms of \$37-a-bushel wheat, that amount would fill a freight train nearly 10 miles long.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Sports editors suddenly find their desks littered with photographs showing Jersey Joe Walcott standing over sparring partners knocked on their heads or on the seat of their trunks.

Although it is the great Joe Louis' first appearance in 15 months, the champion's match with Walcott at Madison Square Garden, Dec. 5, has been kept a carefully guarded secret.

And with the wide and adverse publicity being given the Billy Fox-Jake LaMotta fiasco, it is quite a task for the praise agents to get it out in the open for all the paying guests to see.

So the aging Walcott suddenly becomes a killer-diller overnight.

If Walcott has to be built up at this late stage, the laddybucks are on the wrong track. The bellyhoo bureau should stress his boxing ability. As a matter of fact, Walcott is best described as a cakewalk. Dancing masters are not uncommon among prize fighters, but Old Black Jersey Joe is the first to make a career out of the cakewalk, which he does in circling back and inviting the other fellow to follow and be countered. He steps around pretty lively for an ancient geezer at that.

Everybody remotely acquainted with Walcott knows he is not an exceptional hitter.

In the last two years he has been outpointed in 10 rounds by such as Jimmy Hivins, Lee Oma Joey Maxim and Elmo Ray, and while he turned the tables on Ray and Maxim, they were in there pitching at the windup.

Who does the Walcott crowd think it is fooling?

If the venerable Walcott punched like Louis, he wouldn't be spraying the bodies of sparring mates all over the place with 16-ounce gloves.

George Nicholson boxed 1200 rounds with Louis with 16-ounce gloves in 10 years, and was down only once. During the war, Nicholson boxed Louis five rounds two and three nights a week. They appeared at 118 camps, in 42 states and in Europe.

"He shook me up now and then, but I was on the floor only the one time," beams Nicholson, the Yonkers Negro who now assists Manny Seamon in training the champion. "He's an easy fellow to work with."

Even Jack Dempsey didn't go around knocking down sparring partners. When he belted one a little dizzy, the Manassa Mauler held him up and danced him around until his head cleared. Bronzed John wanted sparring partners to live to box another day.

The Walcott mob is adopting the tactics of professional wrestling when it has its venerable warrior knocking down sparring partners with 16-ounce gloves.

Although a lot of them have been at it long enough, the boxers can't act as well as the wrestlers, so aren't half as entertaining.

Unless the clique now so rapidly running boxing into the ground are driven out, we change their routine, the beak-busting business will soon find itself in the same category as professional wrestling, with so-called matches billed as exhibitions.

Joe Louis and Gus Lesnevich are about all professional boxing has left, and they won't be around much longer.

This Is Happy

By PEGGY DERN

XXX
"The sight of me so repulsive, Happy?" Steve asked uncertainly.
"Of course not. D-don't be a goof! It's just that—I'm—so surprised," she stammered, and came on up the stairs to him and felt her hand enclosed in his.
"I've been sitting here since four o'clock," he told her, grinning shyly. "I didn't know where you were working, so I couldn't walk into your office and sweep you off your feet. Just as well, eh? Maybe your boss isn't as broad-minded and understanding as I used to be when you worked with me."
Happy was fumbling in her bag for her key, and Steve took it from her fingers and unlocked the door. Instantly a tornado of golden-yellow fur hurled itself upon Happy, and dropped back, startled at sight of a stranger.
Steve bent down and held out his hand tentatively.
"Hi, fella," he murmured politely. "Here—have a bite. Being Timmy, you can scratch me if you like."
Timmy sniffed at the extended fingers, hesitated a moment, and deciding that the stranger wasn't dangerous, allowed his head to be scratched gently.
"Hi—he likes me!" said Steve happily. "Or maybe he has decided he's getting nowhere fast by fighting me and is giving in!"
Happy said unsteadily, "Maybe he's bowled over with surprise, as I am! Steve, what are you doing in New York?"
"Checking up," said Steve cautiously. "I had the colossal luck to run into Mrs. Harrell on Hollywood Boulevard a day or two ago. We had a cocktail and a bit of a sip and she told me the—current news."
Happy turned away to dispose of her hat and bag, and over her shoulder she said in a voice that tried hard to be casual, "Tell me about you, Steve. What have you been doing? And what are you doing now? Are you going abroad again?"
Steve's eyes were upon her, watching her with an intentness that disturbed her oddly, though she could not have explained why.
"Oh, I've been standing Hollywood on its ear. Very queer place, Hollywood, but fun, though, in the classic phrase, I wouldn't want to live there," he assured her. "And I'm in New York on strictly private business and scared green that it won't work out. Whether I go abroad or not depends entirely on how the—private business works out."
For a moment there was silence in the room, a silence that brought the color to Happy's face and made her strangely unwilling to meet Steve's eyes.
Steve started to say something, and hesitated; and then he asked unexpectedly, "Happy, remember the morning we prowled around Savannah?"
"Of course,"
"Remember the little white house on the corner with the red door and the geraniums?"
"Of course, Steve; it was a darling."
"I bought it, Happy."
She stared at him, amazed.
"You bought it? But for goodness sake, why?"
His grin was wry, almost rueful.
"Because I was fool enough to think that maybe some day, if you decided you did not like Sundown, you might be willing to go there and live—with me," he said, as though getting the words out had been a difficult thing.
Happy felt that the hard, uneven thudding of her heart must be making a terrific racket. Her face felt warm with color.
"I know it was a terrific amount of presumption on my part, Happy," Steve continued. "But you did like the place, and so when

I got back to the hotel, I telephoned a real estate man I'd met, and he thought it could be had—and it was. What about it Happy?"

SHE drew a long breath and looked at him, her hands tightly clenched.
"But, Steve, you—you wanted me to marry George—remember?" she said very low.

He nodded, his lean face set. "I was being noble if it killed me—and it almost did!" he admitted. "I had known all along I was crazy about you; and then George came along, and I saw Sundown and realized all that he could offer you, and—"

"Oh, Steve, how could you be so blind?" she whispered piteously. He looked at her swiftly, sharply, as though afraid to believe what was in her eyes.

"Was I so blind, Happy?" he asked almost fearfully. She smiled through a mist of tears, her soft mouth tremulous.

"Terribly blind, Steve—but so was I at first. I was dazzled by Sundown; I thought I light work, until I saw you that day in Savannah. And then everything was so gloriously bright. I knew that if you didn't want me, then I'd be just Miss Brandon for the rest of my life."

She was smiling at him mistily, and suddenly she was in his arms and he was holding her close, as though he meant never to let her go again.

A long, long time afterwards, she looked up at him, her eyes bright, her face flushed and radiant.

"And when you go abroad Steve—" she began. Steve kissed her to silence.

"I said that all depended on my private business," he told her firmly. "And since my private business has turned out so gloriously, I won't be going abroad again—not until you can go with me, and I feel it will be safe to take you. And, with all my heart, I hope it may be."

"I was your private business?"
"He grinned at her.
"And what a business!" he said happily.

THE END

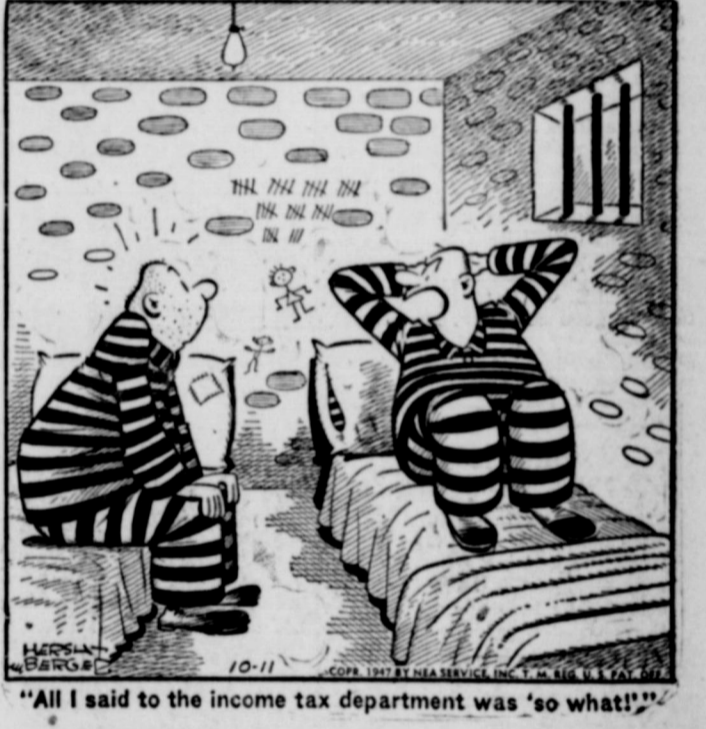
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Husband Rules Roost, Georgia Court Decides
MACON, Ga. (UP)—Judge A. M. Anderson has ruled that the man is the head of the household in Georgia.
The Bibb County Superior Court jurist was hearing a case in which George Davis, alias George Ingram, was charged with burglarizing the home of Rosa Mae Collins.
It was brought out that the complainant was married and lived in the house with her husband. So Davis' attorney moved that the charge of burglary be quashed, since the woman's house actually belonged to her husband.
Judge Anderson upheld the motion. The charge was reduced to simple larceny of a radio, which everybody agreed belonged to the woman.

Cudahy Scion Finds Music Is His First Love
MILWAUKEE (UP) — The Cudahy fortune was founded on the meat packing business and young Mike Cudahy of the present generation has a fondness for animal hides—on a drum in a hot land.
Cudahy, 23, has realized an ambition to get away from the meat packing business and has wrapped up his talents in founding a phonograph recording company.
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Sunday Movies O. K., Rector Insist

ALTOONA, Pa. (UP)—Voting against Sunday movies is hypocrisy, in the opinion of the Ven. Canon John R. Leatherbury, rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

He told his congregation prior to a community referendum on legalizing Sunday movies that religion should be practiced every day in the week—not just on Sunday.

"Let's be honest in this," the pastor said, "and forsake hypocrisy."

Canon Leatherbury added that if movies were closed on Monday for example, the ministerium would be the first to object "as they go in droves to the movies on that day."

He noted that the army used movies as a morale builder and that Catholic and Protestant chaplains were responsible for planning Sunday movies for the troops.

"If movies were good in time of war, why should they not build morale in time of peace?" he asked.

Canon Leatherbury issued a verbal thrashing to those who by opposing Sunday movies would give the false impression they reserved the entire Sabbath for worship.

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MRS. W. D. R. OWEN HOSTS FIDELAS CLASS OF BAPTIST CHURCH

Mrs. W. D. R. Owen hosted the Christmas dinner for the Fidelas Class of the First Baptist church at her home, 1203 South Seaman, Friday at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. L. J. Lambert greeted the guests at the door and directed them to the dinner table where they found their places by hand-made place cards. Mrs. Owen and Mrs. James presided at the table.

The dinner table, laid in petit point linen, was decorated with red candles in crystal centerpiece made with silver bells and white chrysanthemums. The Christmas theme was carried out in the decorations in the home and a large Christmas tree, where gifts were distributed.

Mrs. L. M. Chapman, the Baptist pastor's wife, gave a reading which was a beautiful Christmas story.

The dedication was given by Mrs. A. M. Hearn, and Mrs. H. F. Vermillion gave the prayer.

The dinner menu consisted of chicken spaghetti, carrot curls, celery curls, green beans, cranberry, harvard beets, hot rolls, relishes, salad, mince pie and coffee.

Those attending praised the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Owen for the dinner.

Present were: Meses, R. L. Young, W. F. Barton, Lee Campbell, Mary Bardsley, Annie Stokes, Anell Owen, H. F. Hodges, O. A. Cook, Jess Selbert, F. O. Fidler, N. O. Thompson, E. W. Gourley, Jennie Self, L. M. Chapman, Frank Lovett, Paul McFarland, Ida Chandler, Marvin Hood, H. F. Vermillion, C. J. Allison, James Ward, J. C. Hooker, F. A. Hollis, J. L. Drake, J. R. Gikkey, H. P. Pentecost, Curt Williams, John Dorsett, L. J. Lambert, Jess Taylor, E. F. Altom, B. W. Patterson, Dora Drake, Miss Susie Naylor, and Miss Jewet Swayer, host and hostess.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Beard have returned from Dallas. They were joined there by their daughter, Mrs. George Bennett and her family of Midland.

R. L. (Bob) Boucher of Gorman was transacting business at the courthouse in Eastland this morning.

Judge Joe Parker of Gorman was a business visitor in Eastland this morning.

Miss Wilde Dragoon, who underwent surgery in the Gaston Hospital, Dallas, last Thursday is reported as doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cooper, 402 Oaklawn, are visiting Mrs. Cooper's sister, Mrs. W. H. Rhodes and Mr. Rhodes at Eureka Springs,

Arkansas.

Mrs. J. L. Cottingham, South Bassett, is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Maurice Mullings at Garland.

Mrs. Nettie Fox of Olden is a medical patient in the Eastland Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mullings were Sunday guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Mullings at Abilene Christian College.

Heartsease

by Elsie Glenn

Be With Me Still

From no other source can be found more beautiful wordings than in the Bible. The majestic sweep of the Psalms never fails to please me. Throughout the New Testament one stumbles on the loveliest phrases.

So many things in the Bible are said in sheer, unexcelled poetry. Throughout so much of the poetry and prose of the old masters and of the more modern writers one finds words which evidently were inspired from Biblical phrases.

Grace Noll Crowell is, I am sure, a deeply religious woman. Her "Song of Courage" published by Harper and Brothers, New York, contains so many heart warming words. Her own faith and hope and courage shine out from these two little books. They are only 45c and I carry both of them tucked down in a pocket man of the time so I may take them out again and again and reread them.

She writes, "Be With Me Still" and "Somewhere on the hills the light will dawn if you still lead on." She also writes of old, scarred fields, the morning sun, the sweet wild rain, of sudden beauty without a name, a snatch of song, a breath of pine, a poem lit with golden flame, high tangled bird notes, keenly thinned, like flying coins on the wind. Also, of coil springs, white guiding Stars by night.

"Be With Me Still". Somewhere on the hills the light will dawn, if you still lead on.

That Reminds Me-- (Continued from page 1)

effort not be co-ordinated under the directions of their coaches. What team work can do for a foot ball team it can also do in community and town building.

Colorful Business PROVIDENCE, R. I. (UP) — W. Allen Traver reports that his dyeing firm has built up an array of 10,000 to 15,000 different hues in its business of dyeing yarns.

READ THE CLASSIFIED ADS



MARY, MOTHER OF JESUS is portrayed by Jo Ann Dobbs in the annual Texas State College for Women presentation of "The Story of the Nativity." Written by Pres. L. H. Hubbard, the play will be given Sunday and Monday (Dec. 14 and 15) at TSCW. Miss Dobbs is from Menard.

COURTHOUSE NEWS AND RECORDS

Real Estate Transfers, Marriages, Suits Filed, Court Judgements, Orders, Etc.

INSTRUMENTS FILED

The following instruments were filed for record in the County Clerk's office last week: Nora B. Butler to George T. Pogue, warranty deed. Hester T. Bumgarner to Monark Oil and Gas Company, mineral deed. Delia W. Brazile to Line Walker, quit claim deed. Artie Bea Cowley to Talmadge Horn, warranty deed. E. P. Crawford to The Public, affidavit. W. E. Calbert to W. E. Moore, warranty deed. A. A. Criswell to State Reserve Life Insurance Company, deed of trust. Lucy E. Crawford to C. A. Brewer, release of vendor's lien. Frank Castleberry to Bob Vaughn, warranty deed. C. L. Donaldson to Edwin Wendt, warranty deed. C. L. Donaldson to Edwin Wendt, release of vendor's lien. Oscar Ellis Echols to Mrs. E. A. DeVault, warranty deed. Federal Land Bank, Houston to D. N. Taylor, release of deed of trust. First National Bank, Cisco to State Reserve Life Insurance Company, assignment. Samuel Greer to I. W. Kinard, warranty deed. Mrs. J. H. Graham to Y. G. Eberhart, warranty deed. Theron J. Graves to First Na-

Lensman Gets a Pleasant Surprise



While at Georgetown Hospital, Washington, to unveil a Franklin D. Roosevelt plaque, President Truman dropped in to visit Charles Cortez, an NEA-Acme White House photographer, who is recovering from a recent operation. Cortez got a shock when eight news photographers swarmed into his room after the President, who exclaimed "Now, we've really got you," as flashbulbs flared.

Chicago Cabbie Gives Service De Luxe

CHICAGO (UP) — The driver of Checker cab No. 5,000 goes beyond the call of duty to give good service to his customers.

It brings fat tips, for one thing, but to Edward Hamilton that's not the most important thing. He says he just likes people and likes to see them happy.

His cab contains the latest editions of all five Chicago newspapers, free cigarettes and cards of safety pins for mothers with infants.

Hamilton supplies his fares with cleaning tissues and even the Chicago telephone book.

Lucky Charm Ring Comes Back Home

PITTSBURGH (UP) — When Seaman William F. Cornman lost his lucky charm high school ring on Okinawa during the war, he figured his chances for getting a new lucky piece were considerably better than for finding his old one.

He reckoned without the honesty and luck of Seabee Robert Walker of Carbondale, Pa.

Walker found the ring among seashells on a Guam beach several months later and returned it to its owner through identification stamped inside the ring.

—READ THE CLASSIFIEDS—

PROBATE

John W. Stobaugh, deceased, application to probate will.

A. W. West, deceased, application to probate will.

ORDERS AND JUDGMENTS

The following orders and judgments were rendered from the 91st District Court last week:

Lorena Stephenson v. Frank Stephenson, judgment.

Ex Parte: Gerald Ross Raymond, minor, order of dismissal.

S. L. Barrett v. Bertha May Barrett, judgment.

Dictionary Reading Urged For Junior

CHICAGO (UP) — Read junior a page of the dictionary every day or he might become a gangster.

That's the advice given by Max Sherover, head of the Linguaphone Institute of America.

Sherover says that an extremely limited vocabulary results in exhibitionism, which causes antisocial conduct. He cites Al Capone as an example.

Sometimes, he points out, it works the other way, as in the case of Al Smith, who manifested his exhibitionism by becoming one of the best loved figures of all time.

Sherover asserts that reading a page from Webster every day is the best method to increase the vocabularies of children with low word knowledge.



Russel Height, above, 30-year-old discharged U. S. Army veteran and former Denver, Colo., policeman, is reported commander of a band of Moslems in bloody fighting against Hindus in India's civil war.

Doughnuts and Dollars Mix Here

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP) — Henceforth employees of the City Bank and Trust Co. will dally over a doughnut as well as a dollar.

What's more, they'll do it in a penthouse, air-conditioned. With the doughnut will go free coffee.

It's part of the new building housing the bank. The penthouse, reached by a private elevator, will be used by the bank's 250 employees.

Lunch will be offered at cost. When a stenographer is through sipping her soup, she can take a swing at shuffleboard or badminton.

For those more interested in mind than muscle, the bank offers a lounge and reading room.

The shuffleboard and badminton are played on a sundeck lan' escaped as a patio garden. It is surrounded by a white picket fence, and blossoming out of the black earth atop the roof are shrubs and vines.

And if that isn't enough to mend the tattered nerves of a teller, there is lounge furniture and a liberal sprinkling of beach umbrellas for those who simply want to watch.

Below is the business part of the bank, as modern in decoration as the penthouse, but down there it's all dimes and dollars. No

Work Dodger Kids His Family Along

BOSTON (UP) — Meeting a friend on a Back Bay street, a Maiden man said his slothful brother, long a trial to the family, had obtained a job as an elevator operator in "the new John Hancock Life Insurance Co. building."

The friend chuckled and pointed across the street to where work men were clambering about on the steel skeleton of a skyscraper scheduled for completion many months hence.

"That," said the friend, "is the new John Hancock building."

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Always popular with the kids, the Yankees' Joe DiMaggio never wants for friends. Little four-year-old Stanley Stawas makes no secret of his admiration for the slugger as he visited Jolting Joe at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. DiMaggio had a bone chip removed from his right elbow.

Heroes Get Their Reward



Heroes both are Mickey, left, and Sparky, pictured wearing the medals awarded them by the ASPCA in New York City. The cat and dog saved 26 persons from death or suffering from coal gas when their combined meows and barks warned of danger. They belong to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith, of Brooklyn.

