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## PACKING FLAW HELD TO CAUSE CHUTE FAILURE

OAKLAND, Cal.—After parachute flying—all for the fun of it—until he had 83 jumps to his credit, John Maggi—or "Parachute Johnny," as he is better known—is a charter member of an ever-increasing profession in the United States.

He is the official "parachute rigger"—or parachute folder and packer—at the Oakland airport.

He is the man who folds and packs every parachute that goes up with an airplane, in a manner that makes it mathematically certain that it will open and function promptly if the occasion ever demands.

Without this expert folding and packing, the value of a parachute as a life-saver would be materially reduced.

"Bailing out" is not the frequent occurrence it was before airplanes became sturdy and safe, "Parachute Johnny" explains, but they have to be properly folded and packed if they are going to unfold properly, and to date he estimates that he has folded and packed 6,000 chutes for customers all the way from Arabia to the Pacific coast.

His "caterpillar club," consisting of his customers who have been obliged to use his properly folded parachutes, numbers only five, and two of these were test pilots and flew their planes until they virtually went to pieces.

"Parachute Johnny" has a framed official certificate, attesting his competency as a parachute rigger. This came not only after making 83 parachute jumps himself, but after years of ground work experience and schooling in the repairing, testing and packing of parachutes.

"Parachute Johnny's" hangar at the Oakland airport is constantly filled with long rows of parachutes of white and pongee silk, hanging along the walls like the silk nightgowns of a family of giants.

"Before a parachute is repacked," he explains, "it must hang up for a couple of days until all the wrinkles are smoothed out."

He packs the parachute on a table about 30 feet long, stretching out the couple of dozen long silk lines in a special gadget he designed himself to hold them until he packs the chute.

Each one of the small silk cords, he explains, will hold the weight of approximately 500 pounds.

"There are from 70 to 80 yards of silk in the canopy of a standard parachute and the latter weighs about 21 pounds," he explains. "The harness with which the chute is attached to the body is made of stout webbing, a strip of which is capable of holding 2,800 pounds."

"Parachute Johnny" also has perfected a special apparatus for testing the strength of the silk in the canopy of a chute which applies an air pressure to an area of one square inch at a time. Each square inch must sustain a pressure of 85 to 90 pounds.

The canopies, however, are made to stand a pressure of 150 pounds to the square inch.

"During the three seconds that you fall through the air before pulling the rip cord," Maggi explains, "you do not have any sensation of falling. Instead, you feel as though you were hanging up there in the air with the ground rushing up to meet you."

"A chute, properly packed, cannot help but open," he insists, "even without the aid of the pilot chute that is now frequently used. The silk lines as they emerge from the pack are simply forced to open."

The life of a standard parachute, Maggi explains, is from 10 to 12 years and costs from \$250 to \$275.

"It takes from 35 to 40 minutes to pack a chute," he says, "but this sounds like fast work to me, for it takes me twice that long to fold a napkin into the shape of a mitre."

## Three Couples Get Marriage Licenses

The following marriage licenses have been issued from the office of R. V. Galloway, Eastland county clerk:

N. L. DeFord and Miss Margaret Smith, Camp Bowie.

Martin Leonard Spindle, Ranger, and Miss Hazel L. Adams, Eastland.

J. M. Stinebaugh, Rt. 2., Carbon, and Mrs. Claudia Bourland, Eastland.

## Tell It to the Marines



Buddy, 6-week-old English bulldog, tries to look tough enough under steel helmet to merit his position as mascot of U. S. Marine recruiting station in Cleveland, O.

## CITIZENS DISCUSS NEW BUSINESS STIMULANTS FOR RETAIL MERCHANTS

An enthusiastic group of Ranger merchants and citizens met at 7 o'clock this morning at the Gholson Hotel, at which time plans for extending the retail trade territory of Ranger were discussed. The group also voted unanimously to observe Thursday, Nov. 27, which is the last Thursday in November, as Thanksgiving Day.

A. J. Ratliff, president of the Ranger Retail Merchants Association, presided at the meeting, and called upon a number to discuss various topics that were brought up for consideration. After some discussion various topics that were brought up for consideration. After some discussion it was unanimously decided to continue Ranger trades days, and to try to create more interest and support for the movement.

Trading in Ranger was the principal topic discussed, with no speaker having the floor more than a couple of minutes. Plans for interesting the rural communities in Ranger, and creating more friendly attitude toward those who usually do their shopping here and inducing more to make Ranger their shopping headquarters were discussed briefly.

## ASCAP Radio War Will End Tomorrow

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers announced today that a contract will be signed late this afternoon with the National Broadcasting Company and the Columbia Broadcasting System, ending their 10-month music war with the radio chains.

ASCAP songs, which have been off the two networks since Jan. 1, 1941, will be available for performances beginning tomorrow, officials of the society announced today.

CLOCK, 145 YEARS OLD

MENTOR, O.—Mrs. Harry Hewett is the owner of a 145-year-old grandfather clock which belonged to one of the two living original members of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The clock records the days of the month and the changes of the moon. It has a bell, operated by two 15-pound weights, which strikes the hour.

## Defense QUIZ

Q. What is a major objective of the Defense Savings Program that has a strongly democratic significance?

A. Buying Defense Bonds and Stamps enables all of us to become partners in our government—to own a share in the greatest and soundest enterprise on earth: the United States Government.

Q. Why didn't the Treasury Department launch a high-pressure campaign for the sale of Defense Savings Bonds last May?

A. There was no need of it. The program to stimulate volunteer savings by all the people was the democratic way.

Note: To buy Defense Bonds and Stamps, go to the nearest post office, bank, or savings and loan association; or write to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D. C. Also, Stamps are now on sale at retail stores.

## STRIKES TIE UP DEFENSE WORK TODAY

Strikes halted production on .50 caliber machine guns and on \$25,000,000 in shipbuilding orders for the United States Navy at two Michigan plants today.

While attention centered on a conference at Washington between John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, and Myron C. Taylor, former chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, on a coal miners' strike which is threatening steel production, strikes in other areas were increasingly threatening the manufacture of tools of war.

The Kelsey-Hayes Wheel Company's Plymouth, Mich., plant stopped turning out .50 caliber machine guns when 1,450 United Automobile workers went on strike for higher wages and discontinuance of the management policy by which women, allegedly hired at lower wages, are replacing male employees.

Work on ships for the nation's navy was hard hit by a strike of welders in the West Coast yards, and was further crippled by a walkout of 1,300 members of the Industrial and Marine Shipbuilders' Union at the Defoe Boat and Motor Works, at Bay City, Mich.

The jurisdictional strike of welders, workers in the metal trades, threatens to spread to additional shipyards, crowded with partly completed war and merchant ships for the two-ocean navy and to aid the British program.

## Three Are Burned When Truck Burns

BURNET, Texas, Oct. 29.—Horace Woods, Travis Fuller and R. D. Boran, all of Burnet, were burned to death today when their oil truck overturned and caught on fire on Highway 66 between Burnet and Lampasas.

Wood and Fuller were said to have been pinned in the wreckage of the truck. Boran jumped from the cab of the truck, but could not escape the flames.

## Eastland Man Found Tuesday Shot To Death

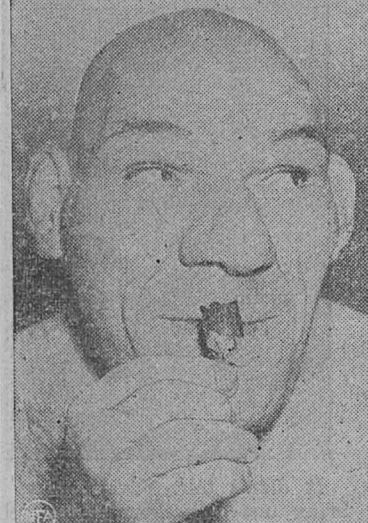
The body of Jess A. Huston, Lone Star Gas Company employe who was found dead in his car on a company lease near Eastland Tuesday afternoon, was taken Tuesday night to Strawn, his former home, where it was stated funeral services would be held after which the body would be sent to his former home in Indiana.

Huston, for 16 years an employe of Lone Star, was found late Tuesday afternoon by E. P. Robinson, also a Lone Star employe. He had been shot with a 45 automatic pistol which was still held in his left hand. The bullet had entered behind the left ear and emerged from the top of the head. The ejected shell was lying on his arm. At last reports the bullet had not been recovered.

Justice of the Peace E. E. Wood began an investigation of the case Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning had not completed it.

Huston had only recently been transferred from Strawn to Eastland. He was superintendent of the production department in this area. He is survived by a wife and one daughter, a senior in Eastland high school.

## Little Angel



The Angel, in Ferdinand fashion, just loves to sit and quietly smell the pretty flowers—that is, when he's not in the wrestling ring crushing bones. He was caught in this demure pose with a rose in Atlanta.

## On the Bench With the Head Coach



Everything's all right so far, Coach Spike Nelson of Yale lights up.



But the young Eli team is having a time of it. Nelson grins in his teeth.



Dartmouth's Ray Wolfe gets in your hair. Spike grinds harder.



There must be an easier way than this to make a living.

## Nye Sees War If Ship Arming Bill Passes In Senate

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—Senator Gerald P. Nye, Republican, North Dakota, charged today that the first armed American ship carrying war materials into a British port will be "only an advance guard of American transports loaded with troops for overseas duty."

Opening the third day of the Senate debate on the administration bill to repeal the neutrality act's shipping restrictions, Sen. Nye pictured war as inevitable if the repeal measure is passed.

## Poultry And Egg Shipments On Rise

AUSTIN, Texas.—Shipments of poultry and eggs from Texas in September showed marked increases over totals for a year ago, according to a report of the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

This September's egg shipments totalled 546 carloads, compared with 127 in September for a year ago. Three carloads of turkeys were shipped this September as compared with none in 1940, and 19 carloads of chickens were shipped, an increase of five over the 1940 September shipments.

## LONDON CONFIDENT BLITELINS DID IN 1915:1916 JUST AS ZEPPEL HAS FAILED

By WILLIAM DOWNS  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
LONDON.—Civilian bombing? It's old stuff to the Germans and to the British.

The first aerial bomb fell on London 26 years ago. A German Zeppelin dropped it on the Isle of Dogs in East London at exactly the same spot where the Zeppelins modern successors, the Dorniers and Junkers, have left nothing but the twisted steel and charred wood of a large warehouse.

Since that first bomb fell on the morning of May 31, 1915, surprisingly little has changed in the basic tactics and methods of bombing the civilian populations of warring cities. Both the British and the Germans have learned a lot in the past 26 years about explosives and incendiaries—about navigation and flying and radio—about airplanes and bomb aiming. But since the Germans first introduced the strategy of attacking the home from the air, nothing has been able to alter the fact that they must first get a bomb-loaded plane through the defenses to the target area, put the ship over the target and then drop their missiles.

London Forgets 1915-16

While London's people writhed under the 1940-41 Luftwaffe air raids involving hundreds of planes and thousands of casualties, and millions of dollars in damage, it was sometimes forgotten that the same thing on a much smaller scale had happened before. London was bombed for almost three years during the last war. Other parts of Britain were subjected to sporadic bombing for almost the entire four years of combat.

Among the distressing similarities between the last war's and this war's bombing have been the casualties. There is little difference between the appearance of torn bodies caused by bombs on defenseless civilians whether it happened in 1915 or in 1941. It is just as difficult to rescue trapped persons from their homes today as it was during the last war. And people become just as angry when their families and children are killed by bombs

whether it is happening now or happened 24 years ago.

During the heavy blitzes on London, more people were killed during one week than the entire civilian casualties of the World War. Only about 1,000 people were killed throughout Britain in the bombing during those four years. About 2,000 persons were injured. These figures are low compared with the more than 41,000 killed during the past two years of bombing.

British Say Bombs Fail

These World War attacks failed to do material damage either to military objectives or civilian morale. It perhaps is significant that thus far in today's war, German bombers again have failed. During the years of 1914-1918 the British people figuratively brushed the bombs from their hair and went on to win the war. They are for their part doing the same today.

The early bombing of London during the last war introduced the "ghost raid." The Germans, by using the rigid hydrogen-filled airships were able to do something which modern belligerents have been unable to achieve in the present day war—that is to make a silent approach to their target. One of the favorite tricks of the Zeppelin commanders was to get to the windward side of the city and let the wind blow them over the target. The first thing Londoners knew of their presence was when the bombs dropped seemingly from nowhere.

The nearest approach belligerents in the present war have made to the 1915 "ghost raids" are the recent stratosphere bombings of Germany by the American built Flying Fortresses now working in the R. A. F. However, alert crews at sound detectors in Germany could pick up the sound of the Fortress motors even when they fly at 30,000 or 40,000 feet.

World War Aim Poor

In those days the German Zeppelins dropped their bombs blindly. Bombing then was a combination of luck, rule of the thumb and guess-work. Consequently many bombs fell miles from their

targets. For example, on Sept. 2, 1915, Germany sent 18 Zeppelins against the industrial cities of Birmingham, Manchester and London. Only two of these ships dropped their bombs anywhere near their targets.

The British high command found during the last war, just as they found in this one, that the best defense against a bombing attack from the air was a faster, more maneuverable flying machine with which to shoot the raider down. As a result the Royal Flying Corps flying such "crates" as Spads, Nieuports, Camels and DeHavillands, soon made the losses of the expensive Zeppelins so unprofitable for Germany that they stopped coming over. Incidentally, it was against the night-flying Zeppelins that the first night-fighter defense operations was evolved.

These night-fighters proved successful against the bulky, slow-moving Zeppelins. And the men who flew the flimsy 1915 model planes were heroes in every sense of the word. They not only had to learn to take off, fly and land at night—an innovation in early aviation—but they also had to dodge their own anti-aircraft defenses because they had scanty contact with the ground forces in those days of radioless flying.

Zeppelins Easy Prey

Meanwhile even the comparatively undeveloped anti-aircraft defenses of London found good hunting in the explosive gas bags that carried the bombs. Several nights during the last war Londoners saw Zeppelins burst into flames like huge cigars before they crashed to earth.

Although the Zeppelins carried what was then the phenomenal weight of six tons of bombs, during their reign of terror over Britain they were responsible for fewer than 100 civilian casualties and not a single British soldier or sailor was killed during their bombing activities.

The Zeppelins dropped their last bombs on London during the night of Nov. 23, 1916. Their threat to London lasted only a year and a half.

## GERMANS CLAIM THEIR ARMIES ADVANCE UPON VITAL SOUTHERN FRONT

German forces were reported today to have blasted their way through the defenses of the Crimea and are driving closer to Restov, while the Moscow Front erupted, despite bad weather, with fresh attacks by the Germans and sharp Soviet counterattacks, Berlin sources claimed today.

The entire Russian front was in action from Leningrad, where the Soviet sorties were reported to have recaptured four villages, to the Crimea, and to Kerch Nar-

rows, which are under Nazi air attack. Heavy action was also reported near Rostov, at the head of the Caucasus approaches, where the German troops were said to be within 10 or 15 miles of the city and are attacking furiously. Soviet reports indicated sharp counterattacks have been launched in the Moscow sector, particularly at Maloyaroslavets and Mozhaik, while the Germans were giving renewed attention to the salients north and south of the capital.

In Berlin it appeared that the high command was preparing the people of Germany for a winter siege in Russia, where they had claimed the war had been won, but that forces still must be kept in the Soviet Union in order to maintain peace.

From London it was reported that the approaches to Moscow apparently were being well defended by the Soviets, while there was still some concern over the situation further south in the rich industrial sections. However, reports indicated that heavy rains have made progress for the Germans exceedingly slow and there was still hope that they could be stalemated most of the winter.

## Olden W.M.U. Has Meeting Monday

The Olden Baptist W. M. U. met Oct. 27 in the home of Mrs. Dovie Hunter for a business and social meeting.

The opening song was "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." A prayer was given by Mrs. R. L. Lester. Mrs. O. T. Hunt brought the devotional from the 13th chapter of John, with several ladies commenting on the scripture. Mrs. John Choate, president, was in charge of the business session. Mrs. Lester Brown gave a good report on the young people's work. Mrs. A. A. Palmer reported on the Y. W. A. making tray cloths for Hendrix Memorial Hospital in Abilene. Refreshments were served to the following:

Mrs. John Choate, E. B. Patterson, Pie Crawford, J. L. Kuhn, C. C. Martin, W. A. McMillan, James Ward, T. S. Boyd, J. A. Sappulver, O. T. Hunt, A. A. Palmer, J. L. Brown, Dovie Hunter, M. M. Driscoll, E. B. Harrell and M. E. Mahurion.

## Movie Probe Is Called Unjust By Rotary Speaker

The issue in the present movie propaganda probe in Washington is that of freedom of expression on the screen, over the air waves, and in the press, Dick Stout, Dallas motion picture attorney, told members of the rotary club at their luncheon this noon at the Gholson hotel.

"The unjustified and ill-timed injury appears to be abandoned even by the isolationist group which sponsored it," stated the former assistant attorney general, now attorney for Interstate Theatres. "There have been no hearing for several weeks now, and it is extremely doubtful that they will be resumed."

Speaking on the motion picture industry and national defense, Stout claimed that the movie and radio propaganda probe had been instigated by isolationist senators as "a rear-guard attack on the administration's foreign policy."

"Senator Wheeler, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Committee of the Senate," said Stout, "Appointed a sub-committee to investigate radio and the movies for alleged anti-Nazi and anti-Hitler propaganda. Four of the five senators he designated are extreme isolationists opposed to President Roosevelt's foreign policy."

Stout told his audience that of 1100 feature pictures produced during the last two years, only about 50 have dealt with the war and its issues.

"This is an amazingly small percentage," the speaker said, "considering the fact that the screen can no more ignore the death struggle going on in the world today, between the forces of totalitarianism and democracy than can the press and the radio. "American people have the right to know the truth whether it be on the screen, over the air, or in the newspaper."

He added that "we are without freedom of any kind if motion pictures may not dramatize what the press prints, what the air waves carry, or what is contained in other media of information and expression."

At 11:30 o'clock Stout addressed the assembly of the Ranger Junior College on the history of motion pictures.

"Public taste determines the standard of Hollywood pictures," he told his listeners after tracing the industry from the days of one-reel slapstick comedies to million dollar sound and technicolor productions.

"The public is movie-wise and shops for its movies like it does for any other commodity or article. Great artistic and cultural productions like Midsummer's Night's Dream are often boxoffice failures while a picture like Honky-tonk breaks records all over the country."

"Motion pictures are a commercial art. If all pictures are not educational and cultural, it is both the fault of the public and Hollywood."

## Texas' Newspaper Industry Will Be Added By Research

AUSTIN, Texas.—Texas' growing newspaper and wood pulp industries are going to profit from research being instituted at the University of Texas, according to Dr. K. A. Kobe, new professor recently transferred from the University of Washington.

Now awaiting completion of the University's new \$200,000 chemical engineering building, work in utilization of wood waste and new methods of industrial combustion will go forward under direction of Dr. Kobe.

## AROUSED WIFE NABS BURGLAR

CHEYENNE, Wyo.—When Mrs. John Coonrod returned to her farm home and found that it had been burglarized, she didn't call the police. Instead she searched nearby fields, caught the suspected prowler herself and brought him to the law assisted only by her outraged righteousness.

## Ruth's Back



Ruth Nurmi, no inferior decorator, my lads, appears ready to get back in the swim after a two-year layoff. She's former junior national diving champion.



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## We Don't Know Our Strength

There is something going on in America something so tremendous that few realize it at all.

The productive capacity of the country is increasing, and increasing rapidly, after a long period of doldrums. Leon Henderson, administrator of the Office of Price Administration, estimates that total production of the country today is close to 45 per cent higher than it was in the peak of 1929. The national income is estimated at around 93 billion dollars a year as compared with 76 last year. The entire scale of our national productive capacity is being rapidly scaled upward.

Nor does that necessarily mean that we are simply "building up to an awful letdown." It means that we could have done this any time, given the incentive, and that we can continue to do it after the defense emergency is past if we will.

In 1917, Henderson surprisingly says, when the country turned to arms production, there actually was no increase in the total productiveness of the country. That remained static. It was thought a good trick to keep it from falling, in view of the quick enforced shift from the aims of peace to those of war. But this generation of producers have actually succeeded in increasing their productiveness almost 45 per cent. The answer is that in 1917 a greater percentage of national production went into war purposes. Thus the war materials of that time were turned out at the expense of other production, without the whole.

But observe what is happening today. Cotton consumption is running at the rate of 11 million bales a year, a "phenomenal" figure. There is no lack of cotton, whose surplus has been a national problem for years. So cotton textile goods, for example, are likely to be produced and used on a scale we have not known, no matter what the demands of defense industries.

A larger percentage of production must go, and will go, into defense. But that won't mean reduction in civilian production by the same amount. Some items of civilian production are going up a vista of plenty before us which we will not dare allow to be a mirage.

A means must and will be found for the American people to turn to their own use the vastly-increased productive capacity they are now creating. The thing to do is to accept (nay, to welcome) that fact, and plan for it. Many leaders of both industry and government are already doing so.

We must set our eyes on goals which will be to the past as the Himalayas are to the Rockies.

Considering the thickness of some lipstick we've seen, "crack a smile" is right.

Most people are more interested in pay day than in making every day pay.

Beauty secret: Keeping your nose out of other people's business prevents it from becoming flat.

With vacation season over, this is the time of year when country relatives heave a sigh of relief.

Dieting to reduce doesn't count when you do it only between meals.

## FOOTBALL MENTOR

**HORIZONTAL**

1 Pictured late football coach

11 Vixen.

12 Evades.

14 Important metal.

15 Sister (abbr.).

16 Tree.

17 Drunkard.

19 Part of foot.

20 Laboratory (abbr.).

21 Mediterranean island.

24 Life (prefix).

25 Coarse hominy (pl.).

28 Solicitude.

29 Universal language.

30 Note in Guido's scale.

32 Everything that grows.

33 Part of "to be."

34 Theater sign (init.).

36 Like.

37 He graduated from

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

WICKARD EMEALD  
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NO AMON LORA  
EMS SRO CLAUDE AS P  
SITE ES T HE  
NEED A WICKARD IN R  
TOIL TU VOW  
RUN ARRANGED T  
US ANY MOONS SO  
M END K NEW SOL  
PT T WIT S SALE  
EAR METED SALAD  
TRACED NORTH RO

41 Pronoun.

44 Company (abbr.).

46 Over (poet.).

48 Type of architecture.

50 Half an em.

51 Look askance.

52 Similar.

53 Awesome.

58 Spain (abbr.).

59 He made two noteworthy

—s at the expense of

Notre Dame.

**VERTICAL**

1 Impede.

2 Either.

3 Squander.

4 Exchange premium.

5 The teams he coached won five

games.

6 The state of being envious.

7 Earthenware jar.

8 Stupefies.

9 Editor (abbr.).

10 Til.

11 Six (Rom.).

13 Thus.

14 Tropical plant species.

18 Trials.

22 Sloping way.

23 Tellurium (symbol).

26 Avenue (abbr.).

27 Supplicate.

31 English street car.

35 Fetid.

38 Biblical name.

39 War flyer.

40 Honey gatherer.

42 Obliterate.

43 Frozen dessert.

45 Unit.

46 Medley.

47 Twenty quires.

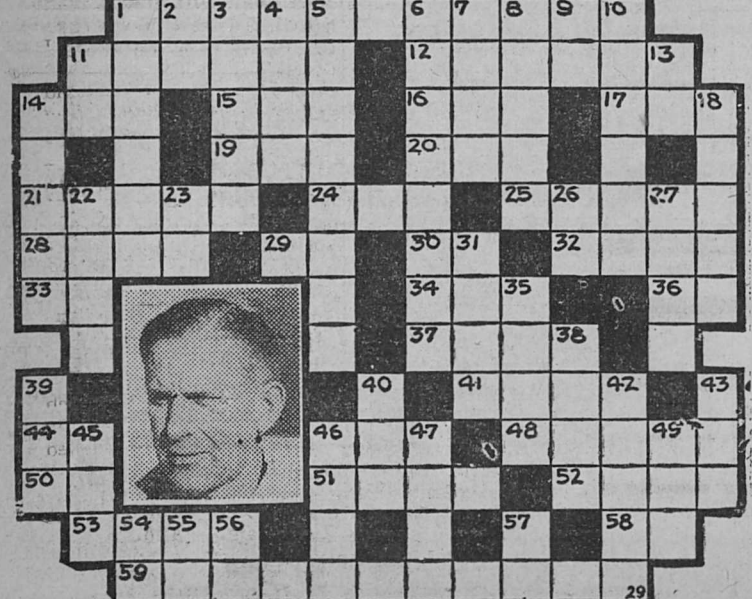
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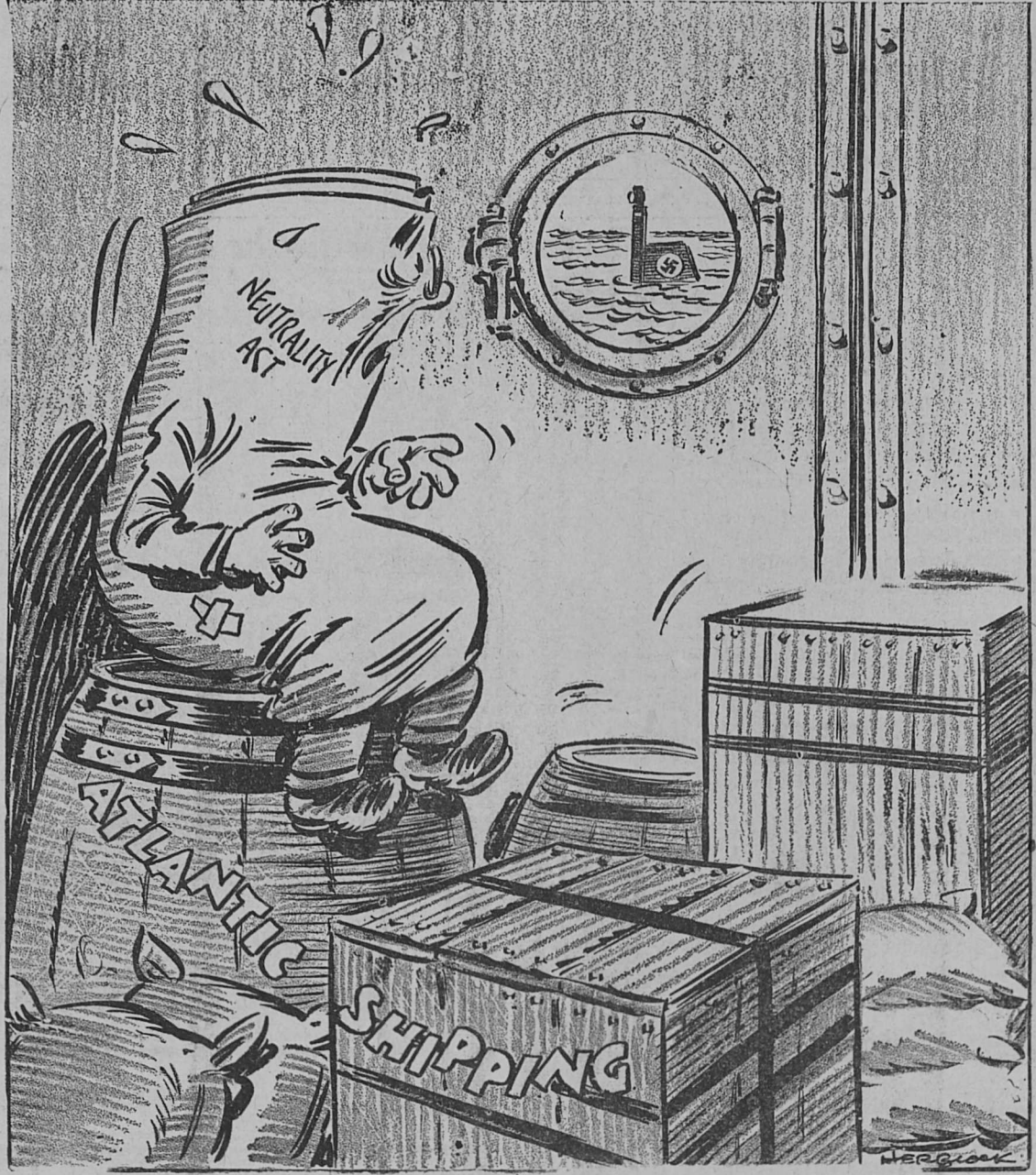
55 Musical note.

56 Year (abbr.).

57 Upon.



## Nervous Passenger



State Interscholastic League's rules on six-man football, but have forgotten some of them. As far as we remember the game is played on a field 80 yards long, with 15 yards needed for a first down. The scoring is different, with a touchdown being six points, kicking point after touchdown two and running it over or passing for the point counting one point. A field goal is four points, we believe.

The difference in the game is that three of the men are line men and three are backs. The line consists of a center and two ends and the ball is put in play as in football, with the center passing the ball back to one of the backs. But there the similarity changes. The back can't run with the ball, but must throw a forward or lateral pass. After the lateral is

tossed the man getting it can run with it, if he has the opportunity. Most people who have seen it say it is a great game, especially for the small schools. But don't take our word for any of the above, for we could be wrong.

But the Bulldog-Mountaineer clash Friday night should see plenty of passes thrown, too, for Mineral Wells is known as one of the passingest teams in the district, and won from Brownwood by the aerial route.

The Mountaineers have been held scoreless but twice this season, once by Sweetwater and once by Gainesville, and only Vernon and the two teams which held them scoreless have held them to less than two touchdowns. Their best performances were against

## Honor Roll For High School Is Announced Today

The following is the honor roll for Ranger High School for the first six weeks of the first semester, as announced today by P. O. Hatley, principal of the school.

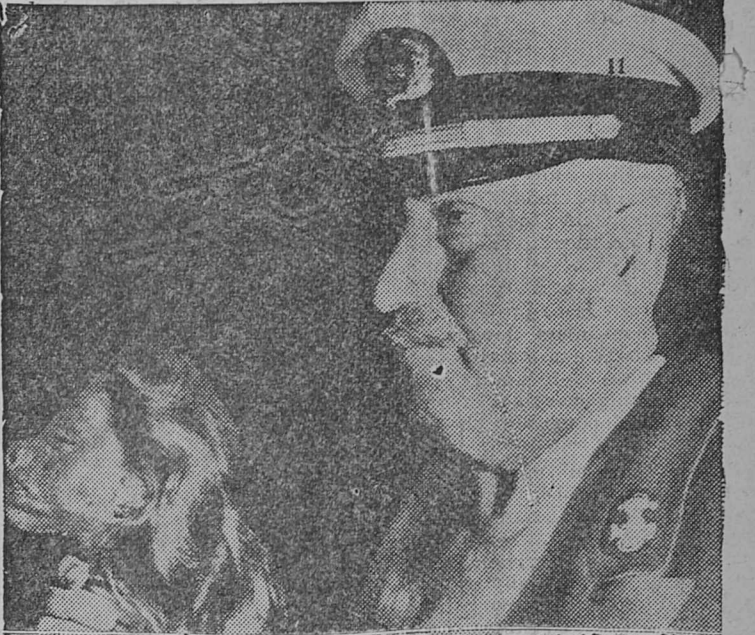
**FRESHMAN:**  
Honor: Lillian Adams, Helen Jean Ames, Billy Bob Boone, Robert Bundick, Joyce Bush, Marvin Baker, W. K. Cooper, Fred Hammond, Edna L. Hartsfield, Mary Frances Ingram, Mace Oylar, Lonelle Rose, Frances Smethers, Lavelle Tanner, Wesley Walker, Elvis Warner, Bailey Woods.  
High Honor: Nancy Curtis, Lindy Dabbs, Helen Dempsey, Carolyn Ducker, Dewey McGregor, Doris Perlstein.  
Highest Honor: Peggy Bundick, Billy Jean Crayley, Frances Ruth Hagaman, Ronald Pruet.

**SOPHOMORE:**  
Honor: Billy Anderson, Leona Bailey, Dorothy Bynum, Willie Campbell, Haden Eastland, Ella Joy Ferris, Melvin Harbin, Gerald Weatherford, defeated 24 to 0, and Cisco, defeated 25 to 7, while they scored 12 points against Brownwood, and the same number against Denison.

We expect, almost any time now, to see Floyd blossom out as one of the best ball carriers of the squad. In practice he cuts back at the right places, follows his interference well and has the knack of drawing his blockers the way he wants them to go. He has enough speed to make him a good ball carrier and the natural ability to be a good running back. If he can ever get started out right, get going well in a game and can mix his speed and ability with the ball carrying of Elder they should make a good pair of scoring threats. It might be next year before he really breaks out in a rash of ball-carrying ability, however, and then, too, there is the possibility that he may never be able to cash in properly on his qualifications. We have seen that happen.

Anyway it should be a good ball game Friday night, and one anyone should not miss. If the Bulldogs can play a full game like the first quarter at Breckenridge and can stop the Mountaineer passes and seat backs, then it could be something of an upset. And don't forget the six-man game Thursday night, either. We don't guarantee you will like it, but you will never know until you see one.

## Shrunken Human Head Shown



Shown is Capt. David Barnett, explorer, soldier of fortune and collector of trophies from earth's remotest parts. The object held is a shrunken human head obtained from the wild Jivaro Indian tribes in the vast almost impenetrable Ecuadorian jungles of South America.

This specimen shown here will be among the many wonders and oddities exhibited at the big whale show in Ranger, Saturday, Nov. 1 on a special constructed railroad car that will be parked on the siding at the T. & P. freight depot.

Featuring also a 68 ton whale, the exhibition will be continuous from 2 p. m. until 11 p. m. and all children under 14 years of age will be admitted free when accompanied with adults.

**JUNIOR:**  
Honor: Lynn Pearson, Billie Marie Davenport, Norma Jo Gray, Bill Gray, Dorothy Hatton, Vira Lee Hall, Holland Hardin, Wanda Howell, Beulah Mae Huffman, Lloyd Huffman, Margaret James, Leland Jones, Roberta Landtroop, Juanita Love, Edna Jean Morton, Doris Jean McClesley, Floyd Rogers, Jay Stroud, Lloyd Waggoner, Deloris Woods, Estell Wright, Mary Frances Himman.  
High Honor: Opal Bennett, Naomi Carr, Charles Deaton, David

Lee Jameson, Jean Jeter, Frank Johnson, Joe Kimbrough, Lonnie Mayhall, John L. McKelvin, Rachel Rose, Jo Tucker.  
Highest Honor: Kathryn Britton, Geneva Campbell, Virginia Coalsen, Mary Ann Jones, Waydeene Kelly, Betty White, Mary Joy Wilson.  
**SENIOR:**  
Honor: June Anderson, Walter Arterburn, Mildred Balch, Dorene Bruce, Richard Cox, Gwendolyn Dawn, Frances Falls, Billie Gorman, John Earl Hatton, Billie Jean Joseph, Palmer Ray Kelly, Lizzie Belle Proctor, Leona Robinson, Meta Ann Scott, Ven White.

High Honor: LaVeda Burnett, Geneva Cooper, Mary Ferris, Billie Fry, Winifred Gordon, Lonelle Herring, W. L. Milner, Dan Rex, Orval Lee Russell, Charles Strong, James White.

Highest Honor: Mary Bordeau, Charles Brown, Buford Ryan, Lillian Ruth Carter, Rufus Cox, Fay Crabtree, Johnnie Mae Gable, Dorothea Jean Williams, Reid Hunter.

Herschel Lance of Chillicothe is at the West Texas hospital recovering from injuries received in a fall.

# "Champagne for Ten!" - Good-Time Charlie Is Back!

## BIG-TOWN NITERIES, SMALL-TOWN JUKE JOINTS SIZZLE; THEATRE, FAIRS, SPORTS LURE THROUNGS

By TOM WOLF  
NEA Service Staff Correspondent  
NEW YORK.—Hold onto your wallets, boys, here we go!

At last the long-predicted flood of Uncle Sam's defense-spend folding money is trickling into Joe American's jeans. And Joe is blowing himself to a big dose of the oldest home remedy for a world headache: entertainment. Amusement impresarios no longer refer nostalgically to the cash-lush "Twenties as the good old days." From Brownsville, Texas, to Bangor, Me., they are smiling the smile that comes from the pocket, because Joe American is spending his troubles away.

"Good-time Charlie is back again," said Billy Rose, whose Manhattan night spot, the Diamond Horseshoe, last year grossed well over \$1,000,000. "I haven't seen Charlie since the speak-easy days. But almost any night now you can hear his chesty call: 'Champagne for ten!' There are no two ways about it. Defense money has hit New York at last."

**HELPING CHARLIE HAVE A GOOD TIME**  
Night club owners throughout the country echo these Rosey sentiments. They're all clapping hands because "here comes Charlie—good-time Charlie. They're planning bigger and better shows to keep Charlie spending. Even in Philadelphia, which practices being the City of Brotherly Love by having a few spots to take your girl to, one enterprising showman is staging a special 10:30 p. m. floor show so that defense workers can be a-bed by midnight.

Joe American has pulled all the stops on his pocketbook when it comes to musical entertainment. The nation's dancehalls just haven't been big enough when the name bands came to (and went to) town. Last spring, for example, before defense spending had become cash in Joe's pocket, Jack Teagarten's band tootled for a week in Morgantown, W. Va. Although there were no competing amusements in town, the Teagarten crew drew only 1400 dancers.



Shaw's note book. During a swing of swing through defense-busy New England, Shaw played successive one-nighters in three towns whose combined population totaled 1100. Some 11,000 local Ethans and Abigails—or 10 times the towns' populations—turned up to swing the turkey right out of the straw.



and dollars for dance band spots on their entertainment programs. Music is but one key to America's pleasure bent. All forms of summer entertainment prospered this season. Backers of the bang-tails were squashed to the stretch as they fought to get into the nation's racetracks. It was the fans who executed most of the baseball season's squeeze plays as paced by the fabulous Brooklyn Dodgers, attendance figures hung up new records, climaxing in world's record attendance at the Yankee Stadium during the first World Series games. First period returns from the nation's football stadia indicate that the old grads will this fall be lucky to get a seat at all—let alone on the fifty-yard line—as the season progresses.

The wheel of fortune smiled on fairs and carnivals this summer, too. "In many parts of the country, especially near smaller cities engaged in defense work, fairs and carnivals showed 75 to 100 per cent gross increases," said George Hamid President of the National Showman's Association. "In many cases a fair drew several times the population not only of the city, but of the entire county, in which it played."

**CASH DEPOSITED AT BOX-OFFICES**  
And so the money has flowed. Joe American and his cronies have flocked to the flicks. Movie attendance throughout the U. S. now hovers around 80,000,000 a week—a real double feature for the showmen's pocketbooks. One movie operator in Detroit, taking his cue from his manufacturing fellow townsmen, is running a theatre on a steady 36-hour shift on weekends to take care of his line assembled from assembly lines.

Legitimate theatres, too, are having a dramatic renaissance. Time was when summer stock's par value was a red figure. But this year the majority of the country's "strawhats" actually made profits. And despite the fact that the legitimate season on Broadway has produced only two hits in a dozen tries so far, the only "paper" that will get you into a Broadway house this fall is the kind with George Washington's picture on its green front. Yes sir, so long as we can forget his and the world's troubles, Joe American doesn't seem to care how he spends his money. And you ain't seen anything yet.



Business Picks Up Down South American Way As Uncle Sam Takes Over Trade of Belligerents

While Peter Edson vacations this column will carry articles by NEA Service writers and other contributors.

By NEA Service NEW YORK.—American manufacturers are today devoting more than half their manufacturing facilities available for export production to turning out vital goods for Latin America.

The purpose is to protect Latin American consumers, now cut off from European manufactured goods, against skyrocketing prices due to growing shortages of products formerly bought in the axis countries.

Before the war, approximately 200 American-owned plants in Europe with 800 subsidiaries furnished Latin America with a vast quantity of vital products for the civilian and normal daily use.

Not only are American factories tooling special divisions for the exclusive benefit of the South American market, but OPM has been requested by these manufacturers to give special priority to supplies needed for South American production.

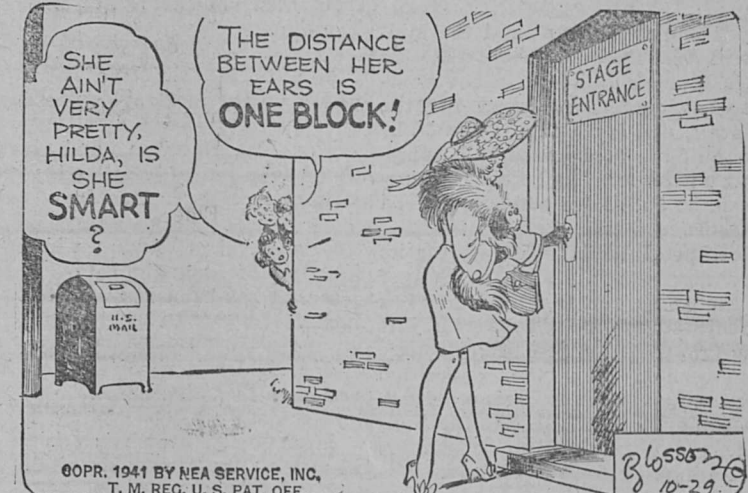
PRIOR to the war, large quantities of metal products, building hardware, tools, electrical appliances, surgical instruments, medicines, sanitary equipment and a variety of other specialized products were made by American companies in their German plants and exported to Latin America.

ican market were in reality no German at all. Now, however, Latin America, whose city inhabitants are famed for their insistence on keeping abreast of the most modern trends in everything from sewing machines to automatic heating, is cut off from European sources of supply.

In the first year of hostilities, Latin America obtained in the United States more than half the imports which previously came from axis countries. Her total imports from the United States in the first year of the war jumped to more than \$735,135,000.

Today Latin American is being supplied with as much and in certain categories more U. S. manufactured products as are being exported to all other neutral countries of the world combined.

Freckles and His Friends



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ALLEY OOP By Hamlin



Business Use For Bicycles Is Rising Sharply

By United Press CHICAGO.—Demand for bicycles is reaching an all-time high due to restricted automobile sales and the threatened gasoline shortage, according to manufacturers and distributors in Chicago's merchandise Mart.

Boys' Crime Trail Baffles The Police

By United Press NAMPALA, Ida.—The entire police force was panting for breath before it caught up with two youthful streamlined evil-doers.

SERIAL STORY

MURDER IN PARADISE

BY MARGUERITE GAHAGAN

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THE STORY: The tragedy of two murders at Paradise Lake has renewed the romance between school teacher Mary O'Connor, venturing there with her mother, Maudie, and reporter Dennis Flynn, sent down from the city to cover the story.

ON PATROL

CHAPTER XVIII

THE usual success was mine when I tried to question Maudie on her visit to Liza Holmes at the Morris residence the day before.

needn't think I do. I enjoy people." "How well I know that. And now suppose you tell me why you enjoy Liza Holmes' scintillating company. What did she have to say?"

WHILE she patted on one of her special creams guaranteed to do away with excess chins she neatly told me as much as she wished me to know.

"Does one have to have any other reason than neighborliness?" she asked, putting her hair up on curlers while I sat on her bed and watched that fascinating procedure.

SHE opened her bureau drawer and added confusion to the contents before answering. "I may have mentioned we thought someone had been in the house.

that she's the kind of a woman to be scared. She's most level-headed and far-sighted, I'd say." I wondered just what it had been that made her think Liza Holmes was level-headed and far-sighted.

OFFICER JOHN ANTLER arrived next morning while Maudie was combing her hair. "Denny tells me you ladies were disturbed the other night," he said.

"Whoever came into your house had a purpose, though," he pointed out, "and since you found nothing gone and neither of you was hurt it might be safe to guess how didn't accomplish his purpose."

He laughed. "I don't think so because we're going to keep an eye on the house for awhile. Some of us will drive around the neighborhood just to see things are all right, so don't be alarmed if you hear our car."

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DESPITE the hour when I fell asleep I was awake early next morning and by 10 o'clock I had exhausted the possibilities of the cottage. The dishes were washed, the floors dusted and I'd helped Maudie arrange the weeds which she gathered in lieu of flowers.

LIZA DISAPPEARS

CHAPTER XX

IT was another hour before I got to bed, for Maudie was not asleep and insisted upon getting up to hear about the doings in town. After she'd put away a piece of chocolate cake and made Finn McCool miserable by sticking caramels on the roof of his mouth she finally yawned and locked the door and kitchen window.

"I picked up some of Jeanie's magazines along with my own when I got out of the car last night," I said, "and I think I'll drop them off at her house."

I hadn't realized how early in the day it was until I'd rung the bell again and again at the Morris house and finally had the door opened by Jeanie, her hair done up in a blue ribbon, and her eyes still heavy with sleep.

There wasn't much I could offer in the way of an excuse for getting her out of bed, but she said it was time anyway. "I must have been terribly tired, because I don't even remember hearing Liza this morning. I almost always hear her in the kitchen, but the bell was the first sound I heard."

JEANIE stood a moment looking bewildered. In her pink, woolly robe and her hair tied up in that ribbon, and with her blue eyes

just clearing from sleep she looked about 10 years old. She rubbed the back of one leg with a bunny-clad foot and ran a hand through her brown locks.

"Maybe she's gone to the store," I said. But we both knew that Liza would have had the curtains up in the kitchen had she been downstairs at all.

"I stood there for a while watching a bluebottle fly buzz persistently against the window. Finally I turned toward the door. The girl followed me, still with that puzzled expression on her face."

"What's in there?" I asked, nodding toward the door. "It goes up to the attic." Perhaps it was a jumbled memory of facts gleaned from hearing Maudie discuss her mystery stories; perhaps it was just the necessity to continue our search for Liza Holmes; I don't know what it was, but anyway I opened the door wider.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



THE PAY OFF

BY HARRY GRAYSON

NEW YORK.—With Joe Louis out of action, there is less interest in the beak busters than there has been since the Alabama-born Negro put the breath of life back into the dog.

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# Six Man Game and Mountaineer Tilt on Card

## Society Notes

**Ladies Bible Class Meets.**  
Attendance reached a peak Monday afternoon when the Ladies Bible class of the Church of Christ gathered at the church for the weekly meeting.

In continuation of the plan for study the lesson was taken from First Corinthians with the sixth chapter being the subject for the discussion Monday. Weslie Mickey, minister of the church and teacher for the class conducted the study.

Following the lesson a business meeting was held at which plans

for various activities were discussed.

**Libnah Class Entertained**  
The Libnah Class of the First Baptist church met Tuesday night at 7:30 in the home of the leader, Mrs. Geo. Robinson, for their monthly business meeting and Halloween social.

Halloween decorations were used and the colors of orange and black were carried out in refreshments of chocolate cake and orange juice.

Games were played and reports from all officers were given.

Those present were Misses Arlene Stevens, Dorothy Lane, Eva Kay Reese, Melba Morgan, Betty Patterson, Anita Fay Huffman, Lola Spindle, Marian Johnson, Elizabeth Jay, Alma Ree Jones, and Jimmie Beth Todd.

Association which was postponed because of the Carnival, will be held Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the school.

All members are especially urged to attend.

**Billy Brazda Has Birthday Party**  
Billy Brazda, son of Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Brazda, observed his fifth birthday Tuesday, and was complimented this afternoon with a party at his home.

During the afternoon various games were played, at the close of which the young guests were received in the dining room where a Halloween theme was used to decorate the refreshment table. In the center was a lighted jack-o-lantern over which a cluster of many colored balloons hung from the chandelier. A lovely yellow, white and green birthday cake marked the end of the table. The Halloween motif was also emphasized by the napkins, the horns that were favored and the Halloween cups filled with ice cream. Guests presented Billy with lovely birthday gifts.

Those attending were Duke Edward Dixon, Johnnie and Ralph Gay, Max Godwin, Buddy Godwin, Dan McGregor, Don McGregor, Leo Miller, Billy Summers and Tommie Wilson.

Princess Jodie Ann Faircloth. The public is invited to attend.

**Membership of A. A. U. W. Still Open.**  
Officers of the Ranger unit of the American Association of University Women stated this morning that the membership is still open to those who are eligible and it is hoped that others will affiliate themselves with this organization.

At the opening meeting of the fall season, held Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. G. D. Chastain, a full attendance was present and much enthusiasm was expressed for the program of the Texas Association, and a professor at N. T. S. T. C. in Denton was present for the meeting and discussed the aims of the organization and also outlined a tentative program for the group.

At the close of the meeting, Mrs. Chastain was assisted in serving by Mrs. O. B. Denny and Mrs. Mamie Ruth Hamrick.

## GAMES TO BE PLAYED HERE AT STADIUM

### Caddo and Megargel To Play In Six Man Game, Mineral Wells To Play Bulldogs.

The first sixman football game ever played locally will be staged at Bulldog Stadium Thursday night when Megargel and Caddo play a conference game here. Those who have never seen a sixman game may now do so, with two of the classiest teams in this section to be represented on the field.

There are arguments pro and concerning six-man football, most of those who have seen the game stating that it is one of the fastest, the most thrill-packed and most interesting games to be seen on a football field, while a very small majority say that it is not so hot as a game. Fans can see for themselves Thursday night when the game is played. It is expected that a good number of fans from both towns will see the game.

Then, on Friday night the Mineral Wells Mountaineers take on the Ranger Bulldogs in the next-to-last conference game for the locals, and some expect this to be one of the best games to be played on the local ball field this season, as both have potentially good teams.

## Society Personals

G. D. Chastain has returned from a business trip to South Texas.

Mrs. T. L. Lauderdale has returned from a visit to Shawnee, Oklahoma.

J. F. Matthews is expected home this evening from a business trip to Oklahoma.

Lea Berry Walker of Cleburne and Raymond Walker of Odessa were the guests of their brother, Frank Walker, Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Cleveland is a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Champion will leave Thursday morning for a week-end visit in South Texas.

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**W. M. U. Has Royal Service Program**  
A Royal Service program was presented Monday afternoon when the members of the Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist church met at the church at 3 o'clock.

The Christina Donath Circle was in charge of the program with Mrs. R. P. Duncan serving as leader. The devotional was given by Mrs. Joe Graham after which Mrs. C. A. Strong, Chester Rogers, Duncan and C. A. Compton presented discussions on mission work.

At the close of the meeting a social hour was held and refreshments served.

**Columbia Study Club Meets.**  
Members of the Columbia Study Club met Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock in the home of Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall for the second book review of the season.

Mrs. Joe Holt, president, presided over the meeting and introduced Mrs. Pete Jensen who reviewed Ben Ames Williams' "The Strange Woman."

Those attending the meeting were Meses. John Thurman, Holt, W. L. Downtain, L. R. Pearson, Kuykendall, and O. L. Phillips.

**Donations Urged For Libraries Of The Local Schools**  
Mrs. G. C. Boswell today called attention to the fact that next week has been designated as Library Week, and urged all who have books they do not need to contribute them to the school libraries of the city.

There are, no doubt, many valuable books around the homes of Ranger, Mrs. Boswell pointed out, which are not in use and which would be valuable additions to the school library. These books, if given to the schools, would be catalogued and classified and put where they could be used as reference books by the school children.

A good library is an asset to any school, and contributions to the school library would greatly aid in making not only a better library but a better school.

Donations of books can be made at the high school building, or at any of the ward schools of the city.

**Young School Carnival Tonight**  
At 7:30 p. m. in the Young School auditorium a Halloween program will be presented to the Royal Court made up of elected representatives from each room.

The new king and queen to be crowned are Billy Stafford and Johnnie Cleo Boyd. Dukes are David Skinner, Billy Crews, Malcolm Offield, Edward Lee Stephens, Champ Pearson. Duchesses are Peggy Robinson, Pansy Seyman, Velma Lou Rose, Dorothy Burney and Charlotte Love. The king and queen will be crowned by Prince Jackie Southern and

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