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Superior Air Force Claim Of British

Super Fleet to Be Prepared for Attack Anticipated at Home

LONDON, Dec. 13 (AP).—Britain disclosed Tuesday that she was developing a super airfleet for the dual purpose of meeting and countering German mass attacks anticipated "perhaps soon or in the spring."

As two more ships—one British and one Swedish—were sunk by mines in the war at sea, Air Minister Sir Kingsley Wood told the House of Commons Britain was adequately prepared to face "another more strenuous and difficult chapter" in air warfare.

His prediction that "new and more powerful types of aircraft" would "shortly be able to operate against any enemy" recalled to observers Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax' assertion on Sept. 13 that Britain would hold herself "completely free" to take "appropriate" action in event allied civilian populations were bombed.

"We can be confident that our air defense system is sound, that our personnel and aircraft are superior to the enemy's and that our strength—defensive and offensive—is growing steadily so that every day we are in a better position to establish our ascendancy in the air," Sir Kingsley said.

He asserted British Hurricane and Spitfire planes had shown a "decisive advantage" over German Dorniers, Junkers and Heinkels and—that British fighter squadrons had taken a heavy toll of Nazis who "tried to cross our air defenses."

"Even more encouraging is the knowledge of superiority they have shown over German fighters," he declared. "Not only have they twice the gun power of the Messerschmidt (German fighting plane) but they have markedly better flying characteristics."

Sir Kingsley said squadrons of Royal Canadian airmen soon would be active in Europe, and that Polish squadrons would be reformed under Polish officers attached to the RAF.

Telling of 57 attacks by the coastal air command on submarines, he said that "in 19 cases we can be sure that substantial damage has been caused."

The two new victims of the sea warfare were the 4,500-ton British steamer King Egbert, which sank in the North Sea after an explosion, and the 3,792-ton Swedish steamer Torne which struck a mine and sank in the Oresund, 25 miles south of Copenhagen.

All but one of the 33 persons aboard the King Egbert were rescued. The fate of the Torne's crew was not known immediately.

The 2,653-ton Danish steamer Cimbria was reported aground on the rocks of eastern Scotland.

Financial Alliance Between Britain, France Disclosed

PARIS, Dec. 13 (AP).—Great Britain and France disclosed Tuesday a financial alliance to last until six months after they make peace with Germany.

This money problem, hailed by a French finance ministry spokesman as "the strongest accord in history between two governments," was announced in Paris and London at the moment people of the allied nations were hearing that British troops had won their first direct engagement on the western front.

Military dispatches said the British threw back three waves of German troops Sunday in an attack south of Busechdorf in the Moselle Valley region. The German losses were reported to have been severe. None was reported by the British.

The financial accord was signed Dec. 4 when Sir John Simon, chancellor of the British exchequer, was in Paris, and was announced today by Sir John and the French finance minister, Paul Reynaud.

Not only did the two nations agree to accept each other's money at face value without the necessity of transferring gold stocks to cover their exchange operations, but henceforth London and Paris will share many common war expenditures and will absorb as partners the drains on their respective war reserves "in gold and in dollars."

They will act as one in purchasing war materials, either at home or abroad, and in controlling prices.

Safety Council to Be Organized by Texas U.
AUSTIN (AP).—The University of Texas student assembly has voted to organize a safety council to— among other things—correct the public attitude toward students, described as "unfavorable" from a traffic safety point of view.

Don Hill, executive secretary of the Austin safety council, told the students their work would be limited only by their "ingenuity."

FROM EL PASO.
Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Johnson have returned from El Paso where they spent the week-end.

Off to Fight for Finland



Carrying his heavy boots and a blanket roll, Tovo Evert Talse kisses Susannah Salminen goodbye at a New York dock. Talse sailed with the first contingent of United States Finns, more than a thousand of whom have volunteered to return and fight for their homeland.

"Stage Door" Initiates Season Of Little Theatre

Little Theatre will formally open its season with the presentation of "Stage Door," by Geo. Kaufman and Edna Ferber, at the Yuca theatre this evening. Doors will open at 7:30 o'clock and the curtain will rise at 8:30.

Thirty Midland men and women will appear in the cast, under direction of Mrs. Wilmer B. Stowe.

Tickets at 75 cents each, may be obtained at several Midland business firms or at the door. The entire lower floor of the Yuca has been reserved and those who desire the best locations should go to the Yuca as early as possible and choose their seats from the floor plan.

Describing the trials and tribulations of the Little Theatre group and their perservering labor, W. B. Stowe said:

"There is an old saying 'The course of true love never runs smooth.' That also applies to the course of the 'arts.' Building a complete set of flats is a real task, especially when most of the builders are new at the game. The stage crew for 'Stage Door' is remarkably loyal. As the work out at Duangan's work shop progressed—not nearly fast enough—the crew had to sacrifice more and more of their personal time until Saturday night became a climatic time. Since there was a complete dress rehearsal scheduled for Sunday morning at 10:00 at the Yuca, they valiantly stayed up all night to get the set in condition to be set up and ready for that rehearsal. They all tell us that the worst hour was the one before dawn! Sunday new recruits were added and the labor goes on. After the Little Theatre acquires some of the necessary stage equipment, the work will be much simpler. These men have done a fine piece of work for this new civic enterprise."

"The cast has put in much effort and long hours, too. Because of the fact that we have to get in practices at the theatre when there is no show on, odd hours have become the important ones. Tuesday night, we begin our last dress rehearsal at 11:30 p. m. So in the wee small hours 'Stage Door' actresses and the crew will be making their way homeward; only to be returning at six to get on the make-up and clothes that go to help present their characters to you at 8:30, and the crew will be hanging the last picture and driving the last nails to present the proper background for the men and women in the play. Myra McKibbin hardly knows just who she is any more. Whenever an actor was delayed for any reason, Myra immediately became that person. One night she had three to read for a few minutes, and we then saw some unique characterizations, especially as she was also trying to keep up a rapid tempo in the scene.

"There is more time, effort, and patience needed in Little Theatre activities than most people ever realize—and more fun! We are looking forward to an audience this evening that will repay us for all our time and work by its size and appreciation."

MRS. OLIFF IMPROVED.
Mrs. A. J. Oliff, who has been ill for some time, is much improved, according to Mr. Oliff who is here from Monahan where she has been recently.

MAKES BUSINESS TRIP.
T. E. Bizzell spent yesterday at San Angelo on a business trip. While there he visited S. M. Francis, ill at a hospital, and reported him to be improving.

First Donations Are Made Here for Relief of Finns

First donations in Midland to the Finnish relief fund being headed by former President Herbert Hoover, and in which the newspapers of the nation are cooperating, came to the Reporter-Telegram office today from S. S. Stinson and Kemper Kimbrough, who contributed \$1 each.

The Reporter-Telegram is complying with the request of Hoover that newspapers accept contributions for the Finns' relief. With arrangements for voluntary administration and through press cooperation it is believed the funds can reach the distressed citizens of Finland with a minimum overhead.

Donations received here will be forwarded promptly to national headquarters. Others who wish to make a contribution are invited to send their money to the Reporter-Telegram, earmarking it for the "Finnish Relief Fund." Checks should be made out in that manner.

87 Dead, 500 Are Missing as Red Steamer Is Sunk

TOKYO, Dec. 13 (AP).—Eighty-seven persons were known to have died and between 200 and 500 believed missing today in the sinking of the Russian steamer Indigirka off Hokkaido island.

The Japanese foreign office announced a Japanese steamer rescued 390. Cause of the sinking was not known. Hokkaido island is northernmost of the main island of Japan.

Lloyd's register shows Indigirka, 2,690 tons, originally was an American ship built at Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

Later a report said the Indigirka went aground and broke up during a blizzard yesterday. The total missing was raised to 700, including women and children.

Neutral Ships Are Halted by British For Nazi Exports

LONDON, Dec. 13 (AP).—Searches of neutral ships under the new blockade against German exports show that Germany's overseas export trade, like its import trade, has almost stopped, it was reported Tuesday.

The first ships searched for goods of German origin were reported to have carried only small quantities. This was an indication to British authorities that German demands that neutrals resist the export blockade had not been noticeably successful.

Some goods of German origin already have been handed over to a British prize court. But the relatively small quantity of goods seized was taken to indicate for one thing that neutral ship owners were reluctant to transport German cargoes.

Because of neutral protests, Britain is seeking to make the export blockade as smooth as possible. To this end, it is understood that outward bound ships stopped so far have been cleared with much more speed than have ships searched for contraband goods on the way to Germany. This has been possible partly because it is easy to detect goods of German origin but hard to detect goods which might be on the way to Germany indirectly through a neutral country.

Signs of success of the export blockade were calculated to harden British opinion against interest in any possible peace feelers.

There seemed a tendency to believe that rumors of a German peace move through Italy might have a foundation in fact.

The return to Rome of Hans Georg von Mackensen, German ambassador to Italy, and a visit to Paris by Andre Francois-Poncet, French ambassador at Rome, were connected by some British newspapers with a peace move. Rumors were heard here that Germany might try to rally some neutral nations to a new "peace front" which would prepare the ground for definite peace proposals.

Well informed circles here saw no possibility, however, that Britain and France would accept or even confer with any peace terms which Germany might conceivably make at this time.

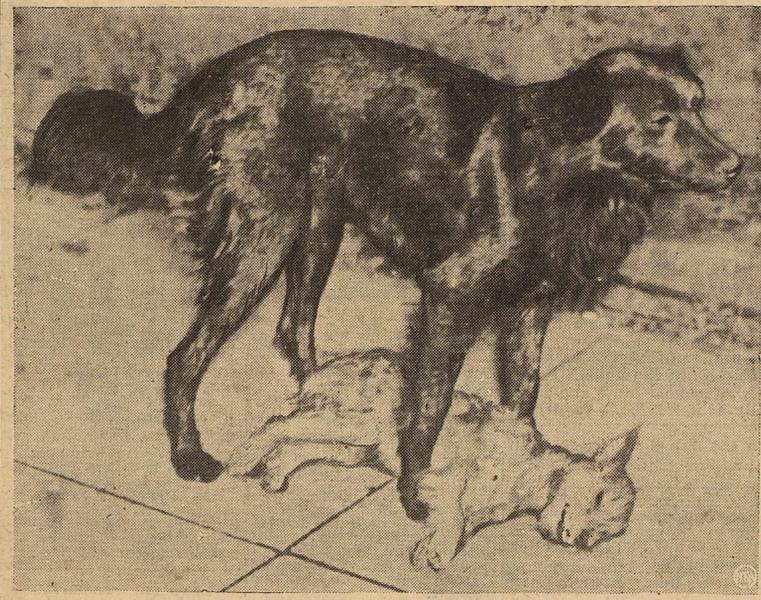
Davies Says War Is Likely to Be Long And Bitter One

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (AP).—Joseph Davies, ambassador to Belgium, told reporters today after conferring with Secretary Hull "nothing short of a miracle can prevent the European war from being a long and bitter one."

Belgium, Davies said, is honestly maintaining her neutrality, but is fully prepared if she should be invaded. He said the country's defenses along the German border are "now like the Maginot line, though perhaps smaller."

RUSSIA IS CONDEMNED BY LEAGUE

Death Watch . . .



Neither had collar nor tags, but for weeks they'd been dodging pedestrians' kicks and rifling garbage cans in the nation's capital. She was a touselled odd-lot of many breeds; he, a Big Lennie, who could have snapped her neck with a twitch of his head. Even so, the queer-looking pair chose to make it a partnership. When she scampered across a busy Washington street and was instantly killed by a passing car, Big Lennie straddled her battered body in the manner shown above until arrival of an attendant from the Animal Rescue League, who used the proper tone of voice, but then had to drop a net over Lennie before the big fellow would give up his vigil.

Red Drive Declared Smashed as Finnish Troops Fight Back

HELSINKI, Dec. 13 (AP).—Finnish troops and airplanes smashed a large scale Russian offensive Tuesday, a Finnish communique reported, wiping out "three enemy battalions" and leaving "hundreds of the fallen enemy lying before our positions."

The Russians were repulsed with "tremendous losses," in hard fighting on a 200-mile front from the Karelian Isthmus to Tolvaarvi, about 7 miles north of Lake Ladoga, the Finns said.

At the same time, a report from the Finnish port of Mantyluoto said the 2,217-ton German freighter Bollheim had been sunk in the Gulf of Bothnia by a submarine. Several of 29 survivors insisted the submarine was Russian although there was no positive identification.

The captain, second officer and radio operator were killed by shell fire. Survivors said the submarine tossed 15 shells into the vessel.

The Finnish military communique indicated fighting was some of the most severe since the war started.

"The enemy launched a powerful attack along several sectors of the Karelian Isthmus," the communique reported.

"Hard fighting took place all day especially on a hill overlooking a church at Muola. Almost a constant series of attacks were repulsed, the enemy suffering tremendous losses. We destroyed many tanks and left hundreds of the fallen enemy lying before our positions," the Finns continued.

"Severe fighting occurred also at the eastern front, particularly at Tolvaarvi and cost the Russians a severe defeat. Three enemy battalions were destroyed. We captured 27 machine guns, 25 express rifles, 13 machine pistols and other materials and in addition destroyed several tanks."

"Near Loimola, the enemy launched several attacks under the cover of artillery fire," the communique continued. "The attacks were repulsed. Elsewhere on the eastern front heavy battles continued."

British Cruiser Is Reported Sunk After Battle With Scheer

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 13 (AP).—British naval officials said today they were investigating reports the 7,030-ton British cruiser Achilles had been sunk in a battle with Germany's battleship Admiral Scheer but had been unable to obtain any direct information.

Reports, which circulated here without confirmation, said the battle occurred off Punta del Este, on Uruguay's east coast. The Achilles sailed from Montevideo December 9 after refueling.

MRS. HANKS IMPROVED.
Mrs. Sterling Hanks, seriously injured by accidental discharge of a gun while on a hunting trip Tuesday afternoon, was reported to be resting much better this afternoon. She had undergone surgery and had been given a blood transfusion. She is in a Midland hospital.

Humble 33 Tubb Flows Naturally to Promise Pool Mile East Extension

BY FRANK GARDNER.
One mile east extension of the Sandhills or Tubb deep Permian pool in western Crane county was assured today as Humble Oil and Refining Company No. 33 J. B. Tubb et al, flowed oil naturally by heads after running 2-inch tubing to 4,374 feet. Total depth of the well is 4,400 feet in lime, and 5 1/2-inch casing was cemented at 4,229.

Nearly two miles northeast of the Sandhills pool, Gulf Oil Corporation No. 12 W. N. Waddell et al, is taking off well connections preparatory to killing gas gauged at 4,393,000 cubic feet per day. Operators plan to pump in formation seal after killing the well. It is bottomed at 2,801 feet in lime. Location is in section 30, block B-26, public school land.

Gulf No. 5 M. B. McKnight, Ordovician wildcat farther northeast, drilled out crooked hole to 5,586 feet and now is cleaning out at 5,583 after shooting with 20 quarts from 5,585-96 to straighten.

Warehouse Testing.
Test was started at 2:40 p. m. yesterday on Stanolind Oil & Gas Company No. 1 American Warehouse Company, west offset to the discovery well in the Cedar Lake pool of northeastern Gaines county. The first two hours it flowed 187 barrels of oil, partially under its own power and partially on air lift from the pool opener. At least one-half of the production was believed to be oil already in the hole. Well tubing set at approximately 20 feet off bottom. It first was acidized with 2,500 gallons, then was shot with 760 quarts of nitro from 4,570 to 4,720 feet. Total depth is 4,740 feet in lime.

Stanolind No. 1 T. S. Riley, three and one-half mile northwest offset to the pool, yesterday had practically completed rigging up Wisconsin cable-tool unit, instead of Cardwell unit, as originally was reported, and was preparing to unload hole by swabbing and bailing. It is reported that heavy shot of nitro will be given pay line between 4,765 and 4,864 feet, the total depth. The well is in section 11, block H, D. & W. survey.

Atlantic Refining Company will start with rotary immediately to 5,300-foot depth in a new test in the Seminole pool, central Gaines county. It is the No. 2-B T. S. Riley and is located in the center of the northeast of the northwest quarter of section 229, block G, W.T.R.R. survey.

Humble and Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company No. 1 T. H. Hahn, also at Seminole, is drilling at 4,630 feet in anhydrite.

North Cowden Test.
An east-side test in the North Cowden pool of northern Ector county, J. M. Rush No. 2 Midland Farms, Inc., was spudded last night with rotary. Location is 5,740 feet from the south, 440 from the west line of section 100, W. L. Callahan survey. It is 880 feet due east of Sinclair-Prairie Oil Company No. 6 High Corrigan and 2,440 feet north of Rush No. 1 Midland Farms. Both of the latter are producers.

Rhodes & Tompkins and Richmond Drilling Company No. 1 TXL, east offset to the North Cowden had drilled below 1,200 feet in red rock. Operators will start catching samples at 1,500 feet.

Landreth Production Corporation-Shell Oil Company, Inc. No. 1-A

Expulsion of Soviet Is Not Asked in Note

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FROM MERKEL VISIT.
Mrs. Barbara Wall has returned to her home here after a visit to Merkel. Also in the party were Jim and Cotton Waddell of Odessa.

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Christmas Carols Through the Ages

I SAW THREE SHIPS
I saw three ships come sailing in,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day;
I saw three ships come sailing in,
On Christmas Day in the morning.

Lands by the sea have long had their legendary folk-carols of Christmas ships bearing gifts just as in hill towns there are shepherd and manger stories. In Greece, it is said St. Basil was provided with a ship as for use at Christmas in the manner St. Nicholas uses a reindeer sled in the north. This traditional carol dates to the 14th century.

Catoico Queen, King Crowned At High School

In a coronation ceremony praised by many as the most beautiful yet presented, Marjorie of the House of Warner was crowned annual queen at the high school auditorium Tuesday evening, and Paul of the House of Klatt was crowned King.

Seven hundred or more spectators viewed the ceremony which took place with the Court of the Rain-bow making a brilliant background. Duchesses in attendance on the queen were dressed in the colors of the rainbow and accompanied by escorts in formal attire.

Rainbows furnished the decorative theme. Solos by Jim Turpin and Margaret Murray were received with applause and special numbers drew acclamation from an appreciative audience.

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Women and Romance

Somewhat the notion got around that the gals of all ages were suckers for romance stories in any form. Movies and the radio took the hint, started blazing away with celluloid and air-wave love potions.

And now, it seems, someone has been getting the women all wrong. Romance, they feel, is a useful commodity in its place. But the gals don't feel like spending the better part of their youthful or declining years moping over love-thrillers. Six hundred members of women's organizations in Westchester county, N. Y., have appealed to radio companies to bring them more homemaking programs. And out in Hollywood, studios are complying with fan demands from gals of all ages to cut out the romance in western films.

The newspapers long ago realized that women are a serious lot when it comes to matters of the home. That's why newspapers carry recipes, household hints and fashion discussions aimed especially at its feminine readers.

A California driver was arrested and charged with driving while mope. Maybe he didn't want to get his clothes dirty in case he had to change a tire.

Sheep herding is now being done by automobile. Sheep are gradually getting used to following a spluttering exhaust pipe.

A high school girl won a trophy by punting 41 yards, and her male competitors couldn't even kick about it.

An Illinois thief stole a handful of razors from a barber shop. We wish him luck in getting rid of them.

The Town Quack



business Monday, said when he paid his bet on the Wink-Midland football game to a local business man, he marked, down where the check says "for," that it was for "being a d--n fool."

Stuart Long, the weekly newspaper magnate over at Kermit, bought a half interest in the Goldsmith Tribune this week, adding another county to his domain. He now operates weekly papers in Winkler, Ward, Crane and Ector counties. Tom Studdert, brother of Midland's W. W. Studdert, who recently came to West Texas from North Carolina newspaper work, has joined up with Long and is making a hand.

If you've noticed, The Reporter-Telegram for the last week has had as its main headline the same story which the state papers coming to Midland have had the following morning. An afternoon paper, for the home town, is hard to beat.

Does anyone have a copy of the editorial printed several years ago in the New York Sun, and reprinted by papers everywhere, about the answer to a little girl's question, "Is There a Santa Claus?" If so, would you lend it to us. We have printed the editorial some time or other but don't seem to find that copy.

An example of good sportsmanship is being shown by students of Oklahoma University. Not so long ago they were battling their Big Six rival, Missouri University, on the gridiron. But now that Missouri is to play Georgia Tech in the Orange Bowl and lacks the \$2,500 needed to take the college band along, O. U. students are raising funds to help their rivals take along the band. The fund was started by the editor of the college daily newspaper.

Midland should feel the same way toward Sweetwater in her fight for state schoolboy championship. The farther Sweetwater goes, the better district 3-AA is proved to be. And the better 3-AA is, the better the runner-up team, Midland, is in comparison to other grid teams of the state.

A Winkler county man, here on

Liquor Often Thwarts Those Trying Suicide

BOSTON, (U.P.)—Persons who attempt suicide while drunk don't have as much success as those who try to take their own lives while sober.

Dr. Merrill Moore, a psychiatrist, reports that at one hospital only 5 per cent of alcoholic would-be suicides died. During the same period 11 per cent of the persons attempting suicide while sober were successful.

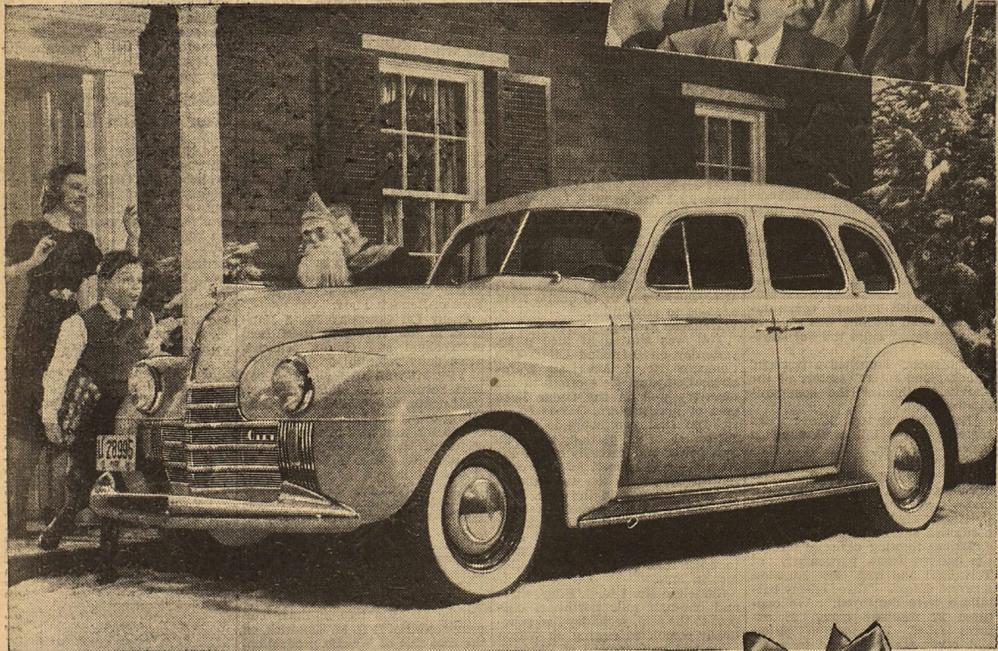
American Artist Quits Paris After 30 Years

CLEVELAND, O. (U.P.)—Abel G. Warshawsky, Cleveland artist, who for 30 years was a resident of Paris, like Louis Bromfield, Ohio novelist, has come home to stay.

"The older I get," he said, "the more American I become. Europe is old and sick and tired. Even the young people are old. Europe is an unhealthful place to live."

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We will leave some potato peelings on the steps for your reindeer and another "samich" and some milk on the coffee table for you. Hope you have time drink your milk this time.
I love you,
Jerelen Jowell.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a baby doll for Christmas. Please Santa I would like some clothes for her too, and some real baby diapers.
Barbara Ann Ellis.

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you. I am going to tell you what I want. I want a pair of roller skates and a betsy wetsy doll, and a bone for my dog and a rabbit collar.
Lots of love,
Martha Ann Barsh.

Santa to Stop at Old Tascosa Once Again

TASCOSA (AP)—Santa Claus will stop at Tascosa this Christmas for the first time in years. Sixteen boys living at Boys Ranch in the old frontier boom town will spend Christmas in their new home. Santa will visit at least to the extent of \$105. Persons living in the vicinity of the old town held an old-fashioned pie supper. They and several Amarillo residents purchased \$105 worth of pies and turned the funds over to the ranch for Christmas money.

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Twentieth Century Study Club Holds Christmas Party

With Mrs. John Redfern presenting two numbers as the entertainment program for the afternoon, Mrs. William Osburn and Mrs. Redfern were cohostesses for the Christmas party of the Twentieth Century Study club at the Osburn home, 809 W. Louisiana, Tuesday afternoon.

"The Gift of the Magi," O. Henry's Christmas classic, was read by Mrs. Redfern. A second clever reading answered the age-old question, "Is There a Santa Claus?"

A holiday atmosphere reigned in the party rooms where a lighted Christmas tree was the focus of attention. White candles in red glasses were ranged on the mantel.

Gifts were exchanged by members and the club presented Mrs. L. L. Payne, president who is resigning because she is moving away, with a farewell gift and with a corsage.

During the business session, the club voted to buy new toys to be placed in Christmas baskets sent out by the city to needy families. Mrs. M. L. Weatherall was appointed chairman of the committee in charge of this, to be assisted by Mrs. R. P. Simpson and Mrs. S. M. Erskine.

At tea time Mrs. Ross Carr presided at the punch bowl serving red punch with green cherries and white frosted cakes bearing wee candles, as a further recognition of the Christmas season.

Present were: Mmes. Carr, A. M. East, S. M. Erskine, W. C. Fritz, Oliver Haag, Joseph Mims, Payne, Gene Reischman, Ed Reichardt, R. P. Simpson, C. T. Vicello, M. L. Weatherall, A. M. McClure, Harold Voigt, and the hostesses.

Wesley Bible Class Meets at Home of Mrs. Ray

Christmas decorations brought the holiday season to mind when members of the Wesley Bible class met for a social and business session at the home of Mrs. Mary S. Ray, 401 N. Loraine, Tuesday afternoon.

Names were drawn and gifts exchanged. Mrs. S. H. Gwyn brought the devotional for the day. Mrs. L. C. Stephenson presented a reading.

Seventeen women were present.

Parts on Program For Christmas Are Assigned G. A.'s

Parts on the Christmas program were assigned to G. A. members at the meeting of the organization at the First Baptist church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Christmas carols were sung and the G. A. manual was studied. Some of the girls gave their Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

The meeting closed with prayer. Present were: Anita Tindle, Faye King, Thelma Jo Brown, Jean Ann Preskitt, Pauline Wingo, Jimmie Jean Hensley, and the sponsor, Mrs. Flake Young.

All girls of intermediate age are cordially invited to attend the In-

Horn of Plenty Marks Decorations For Dinner Party

Altruists held their Christmas party in the form of a 7 o'clock dinner at the new home of Mrs. Hugh C. Walker, 403 W. Storey, Tuesday evening.

A silver horn of plenty, overflowing with fruits, centered the dinner table which was lighted by white candles in orchid holders. Miniature replicas of the horn of plenty in candy were plate favors. A turkey dinner was served.

Gifts were distributed from a decorated Christmas tree by Mrs. Tom Potter, acting as Santa Claus. Mrs. W. J. Coleman, sponsor, was presented with a gift from the club.

Afterward games were played. The group voted to give a basket to the needy.

Present were: Mmes. Olin Fryar, J. R. Custer, Tom Potter, John B. Mills, Clint Creech, Coleman, Emil Stuter, B. W. Reecer, Sherwood O'Neal, L. H. Tiffin, Miss Marguerite Bivens, Miss Maedeele Roberts, and the hostess.

Ruth Circle Meets At Osburn Home

Ruth circle of the Presbyterian auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. E. R. Osburn, 1007 W. Kansas, Monday afternoon with Mrs. J. W. Bradberry cohostess.

Mrs. Paul Young was in charge of the program following the business meeting. Mrs. Ernest Stowell brought a devotional on the Christmas theme and Mrs. R. L. Miller

led a discussion of "The Church of the Open Door"

Little Beth Osburn sang two Christmas songs and Betty Jo Greene read the Christmas scripture. House decorations were in keeping with the Christmas theme. Fourteen members were present.

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Traditional Colors Of the Yule Season Mark Appointments

Holding the limelight for social affairs of the week was the triple-hostess coffee given at the home of Mrs. W. R. Bowden, 1610 W. Holloway, Tuesday morning from 9:30 o'clock until 12. Hostesses for the affair, one of a series of large parties which have made the social season a brilliant and busy one recently, were Mrs. W. R. Bowden, Mrs. W. L. Brown and Mrs. S. S. Stinson.

Christmas colors of red and green were carried out in party appointments with red roses as houseflowers.

The coffee table featured a centerpiece of poinsettia and fern. It was spread with a lace cloth and appointed with silver services.

Pouring during the morning were: Mmes. Ben Rogers, E. Erle Payne, Walter Anguish, E. A. Wahlstrom, J. R. Martin, J. L. Greene.

Others in the houseparty were: Mmes. W. E. Wallace, J. H. Longbaugh, N. A. Lancaster, Glen Lewis, J. M. Haywood.

Invitations were issued to about 250 women.

Leshe Flyaron Plans to Hear Guest Speakers

A guest speaker will be on the program at each meeting of Leshe Flyaron after Christmas, it was announced at the Monday night meeting of the club at the home of Mrs. Geo. Sapp on N. Pecos street.

Announcement was made that the club Christmas tree and party will be held at the home of Miss Jerry McMullan, 700 N. Main, next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Several pieces of needlework were finished to be entered in the club contest.

Refreshments were served to nine members including: Miss Marjory Harwell, Mrs. G. B. Hallman, Mrs. Don Logan, Misses Jerry McMullan, Christine Moore, Eddie Moore, Ruth Tidmore, Mrs. Leland White, and the hostess.

Delphian Chapter Hears Program Led by Mrs. Rush

Mrs. J. L. Rush was leader for the program on the subject, "The Old Regime and Modern Ideas" at the meeting of the Delphian chapter in the private dining room of Hotel Scharbauer Tuesday morning.

Taking part on the program were: Mmes. S. H. Huddkins, A. J. Cooper, H. J. Kemler, A. E. Lynch, C. M. Lineham, H. J. Sunny, J. F. Sirdavan, R. M. Turpin, D. W. Young, W. L. Douthit, E. H. Davidson, and Ralph Troseth.

Roundtable discussions were also held on some points, the old regime in Russia and France being discussed in parallel with modern ideas.

The group voted to send a Christmas basket to a needy family at Christmas.

Mrs. Chas. L. Klapproth presided. Present besides those named were: Mmes. W. E. Chapman, Geo. Grant, B. L. Hoffer, Newsom.

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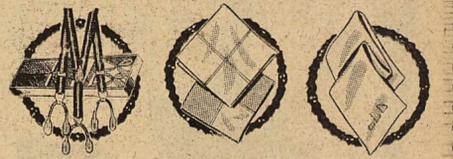


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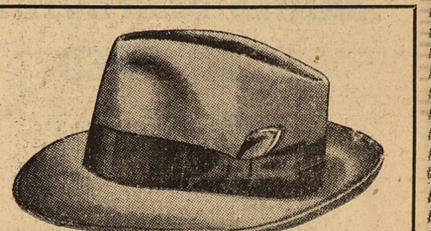
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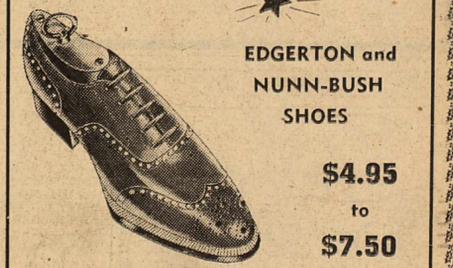
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December 16, Odessa at Midland.
 January 5, Courtney at Courtney.
 January 6, Big Spring at Big Spring.
 January 12, Big Spring at Midland.
 January 16, Courtney at Midland.
 January 19, Monahans at Midland.
 January 20, Stanton at Stanton.
 January 26, Lamesa at Midland.
 February 2, Stanton at Midland.
 February 3, Lamesa at Lamesa.
 February 9, Monahans at Monahans.
 February 23, Rankin at Midland.

Steele Heads Trans Pecos Association

ODESSA, Dec. 13.—New Officers were elected Monday night at the meeting of the trans-Pecos association, which met in the Wink high school cafeteria.
 Thad Steele, Midland, was elected as president of the group, replacing Taylor Rushing, Odessa. Barney Corfman of Kermit, was elected vice-president, Bill Harvey was re-elected as secretary, and Froggie Lovorn was re-elected as treasurer.
 Principal speakers at the meeting were Roscoe Minton, Mark Saxton and Ab Curtis.

Cordill and Eakin To Represent Texas In All-Star Battle

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13 (AP)—Football stars from the Middle West, Southwest and Pacific Coast telegraphed acceptances today to play with the western team in the annual East-West charity game here New Year's day.
 Among those accepting invitations were three members of this season's University of Oklahoma team, Frank Ivy and John Shirk, ends, and Dick Favor, halfback.
 Rice institute contributed Olie Cordell, halfback.
 John Schiehl, All-America center from Santa Clara, joined the western forces as did his teammate, Bill Anahu, end. Schiehl will alternate pivot duties with Clyde "Bulldog" Turner, stand-out of the 1939 Hardin-Simmons eleven.
 Leroy Zimmerman, fullback on the San Jose State college team which Glenn "Pop" Warner helped coach to an undefeated, untied season, also signed.
 Others included Kay Eakin, half-

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Roripaugh	170	130	154	454
Odale	157	175	155	487
Boring	131	143	134	413
Blind	135	135	135	405
Blind	147	147	147	441
Handicap	25	25	25	75
Team average	765	760	750	2275
				733

FEMININE FANCIES

By Kathleen Eiland

One of the newest things for the gayer personalities to delight in at Southern watering places these days is a double-purpose evening gown. Made with a daring swathed bodice top which leaves an expanse of white or suntuined skin gleaming above the full long skirt, it is designed to double for a bathing suit in the moonlight hours after dinner, simply by stepping out of the skirt. The wearer stands forth in a variant of the halter top bathing suit by this metamorphosis.

And then there's another new note in bathing apparel, a suit and play suit whose material is of the same components as safety glass.

Coming Events

THURSDAY.
 Neighbors' club will meet with Mrs. Bill Carson, 300 S Mineola, Thursday afternoon.
 Octet club will have a Christmas party and luncheon at the home of Mrs. M. L. Weatherall, 1611 W Illinois, Thursday afternoon at one o'clock.
 Bien Amigos club will meet with Mrs. John House, 910 W Kansas, Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock for a dessert-bridge.
 A puppet show will be presented at the North Ward school Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Admission will be 10 cents and proceeds will go to the PTA's curtain fund. The show will be "Coco and Santa Claus."
 Needlecraft club will meet with Mrs. Geo. Phillips, 200 South I street, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.
 FRIDAY.
 Third in a series of Christmas recitals will be presented by piano students of Mrs. Lee Cornelius in the upstairs room of the First Christian church Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend the program which will be a costumed presentation dealing with farm life.
 Belmont Bible class will have a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. C. G. Murray, 701 N Colorado, Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Each member is asked to bring a contribution to aid in packing a Christmas basket for a needy family.
 Methodist League council will meet at the annex Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
 Lucky Thirteen club will have a

Girdling Used as Aid In Growing Oranges

WESLACO (AP)—Cutting the throat of an orange tree in order to make it produce more fruit is one of the odd practices followed at the state experiment farm here.
 A marked increase in production of navel oranges, which are notoriously low in yield during normal conditions in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, has been obtained through girdling. This is done by taking a pruning saw and cutting the bark around the trunk near the base of the tree.
 Girdling is a common practice in California but experts deny it, saying that it impairs the vigor of trees. Trees girdled at the experiment farm here apparently have vigor to spare and produced considerably more fruit than ungriddled trees.

Judge Says Appraise Folks by Their Deeds

AUSTIN (AP)—Learn to appraise people by what they are and not what they say, Tom L. Beauchamp, new judge of the court of criminal appeals, has admonished University of Texas students.
 Addressing the Young Democrats club at the university, Judge Beauchamp said:
 "The most damnable thing that ever happened to anybody is to get his name in the headlines."
 He advised the students not to go to extremes to get publicity.

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Nance	167	141	163	471
Gibbs	127	158	181	466
Hunter	127	129	109	365
Smith	139	180	155	474
Handicap	54	54	54	162
Team average	790	791	789	2370
				736

Midland Hardware Co.

Players	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	Tot.
Grant	170	171	172	513
Jones	201	149	126	476
Cassidy	118	134	190	442
Chambers	190	142	159	491
Schneider	132	243	168	603
Team average	811	839	815	2465
				822

Well, one never knows what will happen next in the fertile brains of costume designers. The daughters of Eve have come a long way from the traditional fig-leaf costume—and sometimes we think they are now retracing their steps.

In all the racketing rumors of European turmoil which assail our ears, it is pleasant (and reassuring) to see the number of editorials in our publications which stress the importance of America's staying out of the European embroilment.

Our hat is off to the Finns! It is something to see a peace-loving people stay in there and fight when it is necessary to defend their homes. The Poles (or rather the Polish government) rather let us down when we expected an Alamo-like resistance. The Finns seem inclined to show that peaceful people really make the hardest fighters after all.

Something else that we think is one of the wisest and most peace-preserving "straws in the wind" of which we've heard is the fact, noted more than once by writers about Christmas wares, that war toys are not popular this year—that toys of peace are distinctly in the lead. Good for the toy makers! So long as children are not encouraged to get excited over the games and weapons of war, there is hope for the citizenry's staying sane and levelheaded.

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Goode	104	13	8131	373
Langford	188	152	170	510
Team average	719	695	676	2090
				697

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Jones	129	196	141	466
Clement	131	186	142	459
Nalley	135	145	123	403
Stewart	124	114	138	376
Weaver	142	144	133	419
Handicap	28	28	28	84
Team average	689	813	710	2212
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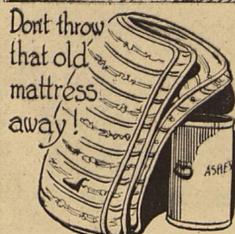
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Students are given an opportunity for supervised work every afternoon and evening, at drawing, painting, woodwork, metal and leather handicraft, and many other projects.

Faculty members have reported that enough students have taken an interest in the work to keep the hall busy during all its open hours.

Concho lake recently gave up a gold wish 13 inches in length and weighing more than one pound and a half. It was caught by J. W. Revel of San Angelo with pole and line. Goldfish are members of the carp family.

Man Sings 46 Years In Catholic Choirs

TYLER (AP)—Christmas eve X. F. Meyer of Tyler will have been singing in Catholic church choirs 46 years when he sings the midnight mass at the Immaculate Conception church. He began when eight years old in a boys' choir in a church on the Rhine near Strasbough. At that time he could reach any note on the organ, he said, and he had to sing at a distance from the organ. Now, Meyer sings tenor mostly with a strong French accent.

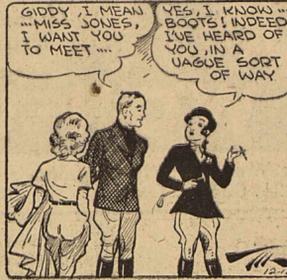
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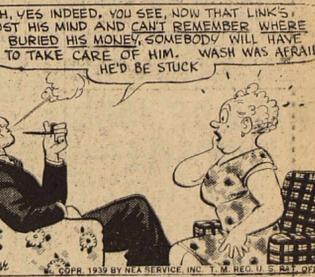
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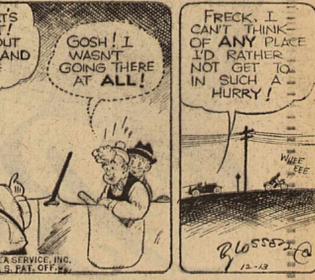
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Yule Shopping Galleries Increase; Not-for-Sale Gifts Suggest Ideas

ST. LOUIS (UP)—The Musée de Noël, described in announcements as "a catalogue in the flesh to make Christmas shopping easy," has opened in a once-vacant store here for what its owners hope will be its

second successful season. The museum has placed on view 351 potential Christmas gifts selected from 41 stores and selling for not more than \$10. The shopper, with pad and pencil, picks his gifts by number and orders them from the stores. Nothing is sold at the museum, the owners making their profit on fees charged stores exhibiting goods.

WAKE UP YOUR LIVER BILE—

Without Calorie!—And You'll Jump Out of Bed in the Morning!
The liver should pour out two pounds of liquid bile into your bowels daily. If this bile is not flowing freely, your food doesn't digest. It just decays in the bowels. Gas builds up your stomach, you get constipated. Your whole system is poisoned and you feel sour, sunk and the world looks pink.
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The merchandising venture was started by Mrs. Margaret Chandler Porter and Mrs. Etta Randolph Wood, two socialites, on a small scale last Christmas season. They opened a shop in a small room of a downtown hotel and during the two weeks more than 4,000 shoppers came to get ideas for gifts. The owners found that the hotel room was too small for their shop this year, however, and they moved to the vacant store. In addition, they have sold their idea to groups

in eight other cities. In Philadelphia, Baltimore, Seattle, Birmingham, Columbus, Ohio, and Springfield, Mass., Junior Leagues have established similar shops. In Pittsburgh and Detroit they are sponsored by individuals.

The store housing the shop here had not been rented in the past 10 years, but Mrs. Weld decorated it in gray with some Christmas trimmings. In the windows are two plaster blackamoors holding large gift boxes. Outside a uniformed doorman and a loud-speaker sends out carols.

Most of the articles on display are standard Christmas gifts but others have some special attraction. A belt, made of spun glass fabric and matched by a pair of glass suspenders, has received considerable attention. "They work all right," Mrs. Weld said. "We tried out everything before it was put in here. My husband wore the belt."
Both women say, however, that whoever does the shopping for

Senior Cardinal



This latest picture of William Cardinal O'Connell of Boston, was taken on the eve of his 80th birthday. The senior American cardinal, he is still active in administration of diocesan affairs.

Eight-foot salamanders inhabited the earth's swamps millions of years ago.

their families will do it in the old-fashioned way.

"I'm going to be busy up to a few days before Christmas," Mrs. Porter said. "But if anyone gives me a gift from this shop I'll shoot him."

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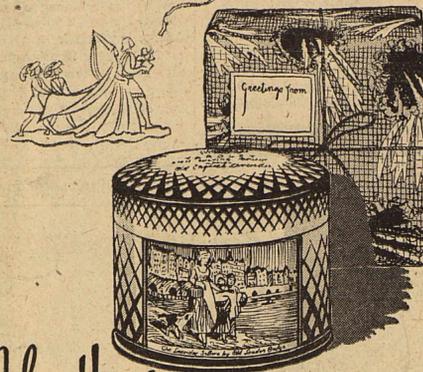


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Wadley's

Mail Cascades To Christmas, Florida Town

TO RETURN HOME.
Three young men from Midland are expected home at the beginning of the Christmas furlough at New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, New Mexico. The cadets who will arrive about December 17 are:
Courtney H. Cowden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cowden of 104 South G. street;
John S. Dublin, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dublin of 1300 West Missouri, and
Jack B. Nobles, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Nobles of 110 South Pecos.
These young men are among the one hundred nineteen boys from Texas enrolled at New Mexico Military Institute this year.

CHRISTMAS, Fla. (UP).—A seasonal boom in good cheer is reported from this famous hamlet of 200 population as holiday packages, letters, and cards pour into the tiny postoffice from remotest sections of the world.
African missionaries, children from the Bronx and even persons from the war zones of Europe sent their holiday mail here for what has become an official stamp of Yuletide approval. "Greetings From Christmas, Fla." Some persons desired complete authenticity for their Christmas cards and asked that they be remailed from here to Santa Claus, Ind., for further postmarking.

This is the only postoffice named Christmas in the United States. The town is 102 years old, having survived attacks from hostile Indians and severe battles during the Civil War. The town was held for a time by the Union army during the Civil War.
Protests Save Office.
Then the Postoffice Department attempted to eliminate postal status of the town, but combined protests of "Christmas" residents, stamp collectors and the Florida congressional delegation staved off the threatened oblivion.
Although the crop of mail is a bumper one, Postmistress Juanita Tucker is having an easier time of it than she has in the past. For one thing, she has a postoffice building. For another, she has an electric stamping machine and a cancellation machine. Previously, she had to do all the work by hand, and never did she get through a Christmas season without having to call in help.

People who want to be different are sending packages here, accompanied by letters and stamp money, and asking that they be rewrapped and sent to friends. Packages make up most of the mail. Greeting cards

rank second. Letters are last. **New Record Expected.**

Last year, more than 70,000 pieces of mail—a record for Christmas—were cancelled. This year, Miss Tucker expects to break that record. Judging from the present pile of mail, the European war is having little or no effect on her business, and tourists already coming south are coming off the beaten path to mail cards from Christmas.

Christmas boasts first of its name; second of its sculptor—Hughlette Wheeler, the only man of his trade ever to do a three-quarter statue of the late humorist, Will Rogers, astride a horse.
Wheeler is typical of the cowpunchers who inhabit this community.

TO RETURN HOME.

Mrs. J. A. Jorgensen and Mrs. Chas. V. Romer, both of whom underwent surgery in a Midland hospital recently, were to return to their homes this afternoon.

RETURN HOME.

Mrs. H. A. Roberts returned to her home from a Midland hospital this morning. Mrs. Thomas Gill returned to her home Tuesday. She had also been a patient in the hospital.

The Philadelphia zoo contains 2,600 specimens of 750 species of animals. They are said to live longer in this zoo than in any other zoo in the world.

ON VACATION.
Miss Maria Spencer, district geologist of the Superior Oil company, has gone to Oklahoma on her vacation, to visit her parents.

Dr. H. C. Wright, foot specialist of Lubbock, will be at the Scharbauer Hotel in January. Watch for exact date. (Adv.)



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