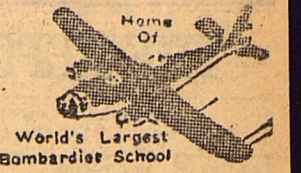




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# WEST TEXAS WRECK KILLS 12

## Vatutin's Men Seize More Towns While Pinsk Drive Roars Onward

MOSCOW —(AP)— Soviet siege guns pounded the outflanked defenses of Mozyr and Kalinkovichi, important rail centers on the northern edge of the Pripiet Marshes, as Gen. Konstantin Rokossovsky's White Russian Army gained momentum Friday in its drive toward Pinsk, 140 miles to the west on the Moscow-Warsaw Railway.

On the lower side of the frozen Pripiet marshlands 100 miles to the southwest, Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's

### BULLETIN

LONDON —(AP)— The Red Army has captured Mozyr, Moscow radio announced Friday night.

First Ukrainian Army stormed the rail station at Tutovichi, 11 miles west of Sarny, in old Poland, on the Kiev-Warsaw Railway. His troops also captured Korets, 20 miles west of Novograd Volynski, and Brykiv, nine miles further west. Vatutin's center also penetrated another important area. Nazi communications as pressure was increased on Rovno, 50 miles south of Sarny; Luck, 65 miles to the southwest, and Kovel, 80 miles to the west.

### Lwov May Be Cut Off

Loss of this area or deep penetrations such as are being effected would all but isolate the key city of Lwov by rail from the north and would make a tremendous bottleneck of that junction, already burdened by the heavy traffic moving through it on the Odessa-Warsaw trunk railway. Lwov is 85 miles southwest of Luck.

West of Sarny, Vatutin's lightning units were roaring out of the Pripiet Marshes and beating down the railway in the direction of Kovel, 80 miles away.

These units were only about 95 miles east of the "Curzon Line"—the demarcation line between Poland and Russia which was proposed by an Allied commission at the end of the first world war and the line which the Soviet government has indicated it is willing to accept as a basis for negotiation now.

The Germans were awaiting themselves of the numerous rivers in this area to make a stand but Red Star dispatches said the Red infantry were throwing them out of one position after another.

### Counter Thrusts Blocked

On the extreme southern sector of the long front Vatutin's left wing smashed repeated savage counter-

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## Congress Recovers From Budget Request And Goes To Work

WASHINGTON —(AP)— Congress shook off the shock of President Roosevelt's request for 100 billion dollars Friday and, with the exception of a few protests over the size of the 1945 budget, turned to the more immediate matters of the day.

Chief complaint over the amount of money asked for comes from Representative Taber (R-N.Y.), ranking minority member of the House Appropriations Committee.

"The whole thing is padded," says Taber, declaring that budget items for established administrative departments can be cut by "at least 5 per cent."

The Senate Finance Committee is adding the \$2,275,000,000 added versus bill for final actions and prepared to put it to a vote.

President Roosevelt's demand for more money than would be provided by the pending legislation after it has been cleared up, says Senator George (D-Ga.), finance committee chairman, and if the President vetoes it as insufficient, then the way will have been cleared for introduction of a new bill.

## WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press

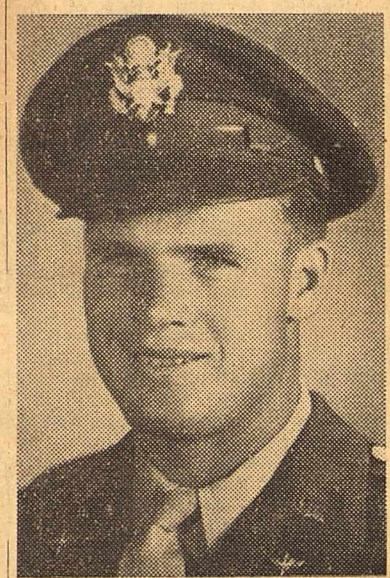
36, 38y Fortresses raid yards near Rome.

15 EUROPEAN AERIAL—Day in bombers sweep toward northern France.

RUSSIA—Soviets drive to Pinsk.

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—U.S. planes sink 13 Japanese yos.

## Wounds Suffered In Bomber Crash Cause Death Of Lt. Temple Harris, Former Midland High Football Star



Lt. Temple Harris

Lt. Temple Harris, 22, of Midland, a navigator in the Army Air Forces, died Thursday afternoon from injuries suffered in a bomber crash. Officials of the Army Air Field in Sioux City, Iowa, notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Harris, who reside on a farm near here.

The plane crashed Wednesday night. Harris, a football star at Midland High School for three years before he entered the armed forces, was born in Holdenville, Okla. He played in the backfield while with the Bulldogs and graduated from Midland High.

Two Brothers In Army  
Besides his parents, he is survived by three brothers, Victor Harris of Midland, Sgt. Truman Harris of Fort Lewis, Wash., and Lt. Weldon Harris, a pilot stationed at Lakeland Field, Fla., and two sisters, Lillian and Wanda, both of Midland.

He will be forwarded to the Barrow Funeral Home for services here. The time for the services will be announced as soon as the Army notifies the family when the body will arrive.

The navigator entered the armed forces in March, 1943, and was commissioned at Mather Field, Calif., last October.

## House Body Puts Soldier Vote Up To States' Action

WASHINGTON —(AP)— The House Elections Committee rejected Friday all proposals for a uniform federal ballot for men and women in the armed forces and approved, 7 to 5, a modified form of the Senate-approved measure tossing the soldier vote problem over to the states.

Committee sources said three Democrats and four Republicans combined to defeat the federal ballot proposals, while five Democrats supported the federal ballot. Committee Chairman Worley (D-Tex.) announced immediately he planned to carry the fight for a uniform ballot to the House.

"This action taken by the committee," the Texas said in a formal statement, "means that most of the 11,000,000 in the armed forces will not get to vote in the next election. This action will destroy their morale more effectively than all the enemy bullets, bombs and propaganda have ever been able to do."

Worley said both the Army and Navy told the committee they could not get state ballots to an appreciable number of soldiers, especially those overseas, under 48 different state systems.

## Meat Supplies Likely To Dwindle By Spring

WASHINGTON —(AP)— Overall supplies of meat may be relatively large at the moment, but the Agriculture Department issued a report Friday on cattle feeding operations which indicates that civilian supplies of beef next spring and early summer will be reduced sharply.

The department said a survey showed 16 per cent fewer cattle on feed for market than a year ago and that these cattle will be marketed at lighter weights.

Supplies of pork are large at present, reflecting the heavy seasonal marketing of hogs from last year's record pig crop.

The reduction in cattle feeding operations, the department said, will be reflected in a sharp drop in marketing for slaughter during the April-June quarter. However, marketings during the current quarter may be as large or larger than a year ago.

## Japanese Fail To Recapture Peninsula

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS —(AP)— The Japanese have failed in several attempts to recapture the Arawe Peninsula on the southwest coast of New Britain, and the Americans still hold all of their main positions.

## German Battle Tito's Forces For Railroad

LONDON —(AP)— Fierce fighting for control of the strategic Banja Luka-Zagreb Railway in Central Bosnia continued Friday, as German forces increased their pressure on Yugoslav Partisans attacking in the 25-mile sector between Banja Luka and Prijedo.

The communiqué of Marshal Jozip Broz (Tito), broadcast by the Free Yugoslav radio, said the Partisans shot down two Nazi bombers near the town of Bugojno, and reported expanding offensive operations by Yugoslav forces on other sectors of the front.

WILLIAMSPORT, PA. —(AP)— Operation of the Army's \$45,000,000 Pennsylvania Ordnance Works in nearby White Deer Valley, where TNT has been made since February, 1943, will be ended Sunday, Major H. S. Borman, commanding officer, announced.

## Sparks Red Drive



Here is one of the first pictures to arrive in the United States of Soviet Gen. Nikolai F. Vatutin, sparking of the Red Army's great drive on the southern front. Commander of the First Ukrainian Army, ex-cavalryman Vatutin, only 43, is a veteran of the czarist Army and the Red Revolution. An Army commander in the Ukraine when Germans first invaded, he made skillful retreat from Dnieper Bend, then helped launch successful counterattacks.

## Reagan Wildcat Found Bleeding Oil In Lime Core

By JAMES C. WATSON, Oil Editor  
Superior Oil Company and Wiggins & Hyde No. 1-A University, wildcat in Southwest Reagan County, approximately four and one-half miles south of the Big Lake field, has shown some porosity and bleeding oil in the Permian lime topped at 4,133 feet.

On a core at 3,141-59 feet, an 18-foot recovery was obtained. Top eight feet was hard, dense and barren. The bottom ten feet had some porosity and was bleeding oil.

The operators were to take another short core and then try to develop the show into a producing well. Location is on a 25-acre block 8, University survey, block 8, University survey. Surface elevation is 2,933 feet.

McDer To Check Formation  
Standard Oil Company of Texas No. 1 McDer, Pecos County prospector to the Ordovician in section 36, block 144, T&STL survey, seven miles south of Owego has reached 4,216 feet in lime and was preparing to cut a core. Elevation is 2,643 feet.

Yokum Discovery To Complete  
Woodley Petroleum Company No. 1 Yokum, in the southwest corner of section 635, block D, John H. Gibson survey, in Central Yukon County, and two miles north of the Wasson pool, is pulling tubing and preparing to install a pump after swabbing two and one-half to three feet of permeable zone with a cut of basic sediments ranging from six to fourteen per cent.

The hole was bottomed at 5,315 feet, after plugging back from 5,240 feet. It had been treated with a total of 11,000 gallons of acid. Kite, Mts. Gravity.

Meranda Petroleum Corporation No. 1 W. W. Kurfum, South Hale County exploration, which started out to hunt for Ordovician has apparently reached the terminus.

Total depth was at 10,250 feet in granite. A Schlumberger survey is to be run in the northwest part of record of the hole and then it likely will be abandoned.

A sand section was marked at 10,093 feet. At 10,150 feet the drill went into granite material and a core from 10,245-50 feet recovered four and one-half feet of definite granite.

Low Wildcat Gassed  
Ralph Lowe No. 1 Lowe, wildcat in Northwest Andrews County, three miles northeast of the nearest production, tried a drillstem test from 7,320-90 feet. The packer failed and no test was developed. However, unofficially reports indicate gas enough to burn was shown.

The operator was planning to re-seat the packer at a slightly different level and try another test Friday.

Keasler Waits For Orders  
Standard of Texas No. 1 J. F. Keasler, Reeves County prospector five miles northeast of Toyah, had progressed to 8,891 feet and was shut down for orders.

Standard of Texas No. 1 Randolph, Northwest Reeves wildcat was at 380 feet waiting, after setting 13-inch casing at 362 feet with 250 sacks of cement.

Cooperative Oil Association (formerly National Refining Company) No. 1 McKnight, Crane County exploration in the northwest part of the county, was shut down at 2,945 feet, waiting for the weather to loosen.

Schermerhorn Oil Corporation No. 1 McKnight, Crane County exploration in the northwest part of the Sand Hills pool was digging here early Thursday.

## Gain Made By French, U.S. Units

By JOSEPH E. DYNAN  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGIERS —(AP)— Gen. Alphonse Juin's French Forces pushed through Italy's rugged Apennines for a two-mile gain from the east and Americans advanced slightly from the south Thursday in an encircling assault on the natural and artificial defenses of Cassino, which the Germans call their "Gustav Line." Allied headquarters announced Friday.

Fanning out in great strength, American Flying Fortresses, Liberators and medium bombers turned three German airfields near Rome and to the north into flaming ruin with showers of high explosive and fragmentation bombs, including the Guidonia experimental airport where Benito Mussolini's scientists developed a jet propulsion airplane.

The Americans repulsed a heavy German counterattack on Cervaro about midnight Wednesday, then consolidated their gains and threatened the Nazi control of the northern slopes of Mt. Trocchio, just south of the Rome road and less than three miles from Cassino.

Resistance Is Fierce  
But German resistance was extremely fierce in this final defensive belt around the next Allied objective, and the maze of weapon pits, road blocks, minefields, barbed wire entanglements and trenches, augmenting the natural defensive features of a north-south line through the village itself guaranteed a desperate struggle before the pole is taken.

High ground around the village, plus the banks of the Rapid River, on which the village is built, had been converted into what German prisoners called the "Gustav Line."

Referring to the tough fighting which took place for Cervaro and the mountain base and troop center at Alessandria with 104 tons of bombs.

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## Ralph Shuffler Dies In Odessa

ODESSA — Ralph Shuffler, 54, prominent Odessa citizen and former newspaper publisher, died in an Odessa hospital at 9:30 p. m. Thursday. Heart disease caused his death.

He was in Garland, Texas, Shuffler was the son of a Methodist circuit rider, the Rev. C. M. Shuffler.

He founded Plainview's first newspaper, The Herald, in 1906. He also published newspapers in Ballinger and Olney, Texas, before coming to Odessa News-Times, a weekly, which later became a daily and now is the Odessa American.

Won Many Awards  
At the time of his death, he was a stockholder in the American, but in 1940 retired as publisher, to devote his time to the Shuffler Printing Company.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Hulda Shuffler of Odessa, and three sons, Robert, in the Army; Bill, a student at Texas A. & M. College, and Henderson, publisher of the American.

His wife died about two years ago. While a publisher, Shuffler won many awards offered by the Texas Press Association for outstanding newspaper work.

Arrangements for funeral services had not been completed Friday noon. The services will be held in Odessa.

## 75 To 100 Injured In Novice Collision

### Heads Scouts



Dr. George J. Fisher, above, of Seardsdale, N. Y., is the Boy Scouts of America's new national commissioner. A native of Cincinnati, he has been chief scout executive since 1919, and succeeds the late "Uncle Dan" Beard. Dr. Fisher will be installed at the annual National Scout Council meeting in New York on May 17.

## Allies Sink 13 More Jap Barges Near New Guinea

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA —(AP)— Allied planes and light naval craft, further undermining the Japanese position in Northeastern New Guinea, have taken a toll of 13 more enemy barges and hammered the supply base and troop center at Alessandria with 104 tons of bombs.

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## Soldier In Church Without His Pants — And It's All Right

WASHINGTON —(AP)— "Someday," said Chaplain Francis W. Read, "I'm going to preach a sermon on the soldier who came to church without his pants."

On Attu Island, last year, explained the chaplain, who is one of several just returned from service in the Aleutians, a young lieutenant came up to the field chapel and apologized for appearing in church without his pants. He wore only a suit of long underwear and a field jacket.

"He told me," said the Glendale, Calif., cleric, "that he had had his pants cut off so the doctor could get at his wounds, and that it was a choice between coming to church without his pants or not coming. And he came to church."

Minimum Temperature Here Is 19 Degrees  
Midland's temperature skidded to a minimum of 19 degrees Friday morning. The mercury hit the low at 6 a. m. and remained there until about 9 a. m., when a bright sun took charge, promising milder temperatures.

SECRETARY ICKES HAS ARM IN SLING  
WASHINGTON —(AP)— Secretary Ickes showed up at the Interior Department Friday with his arm in a sling. His office said he tripped, fell and broke his collar bone at home Wednesday night.

WEATHER  
Fair and warmer.

NOVICE, TEXAS —(AP)— A check of funeral homes Friday accounted for seven bodies of the 12 persons reported dead in the crash of one passenger train into the rear of another here Thursday during a snow storm.

Ten civilians and two soldiers were killed and between 75 and 100 persons were injured in the wreck at this little Santa Fe flag stop, the railway's division headquarters reported Thursday night before its communications with the Novice section broke down. The division headquarters said it had received no change in that report.

The dead and injured were taken to Abilene, Coleman and Brownwood.

One funeral home at Coleman said it had identified a nine-year-old girl there tentatively as Alice Jean Bailey, daughter of Mrs. Jan Bailey of Garvin, Okla., who was in the Coleman hospital.

Others Are Identified  
At a second Coleman funeral home were Mrs. Dorothy Morris Roberts, 19, of McGregor, Texas, and her 3-month-old daughter, Bonita Madie; Marvin Young, 11, of Hattiesburg, Miss., and an unidentified woman and baby.

When the crash came Marvin was playing trainman and helping E. V. Moore, attendant who was sweeping the car occupied by most of the victims.

"We were talking and laughing," said Moore, "when suddenly there was a deafening crash and the next thing I knew both the child and the end of my broom were gone."

Marvin's mother, Mrs. Ed C. Young, and brother, were seated farther from the impact and were not injured. They were en route to Winslow, Ariz., where Young now is employed by the Santa Fe Railway Company.

The badly-splintered chair was near the rear of a 12-car California-bound train, four and a half hours late, which stopped here to discharge a passenger. It was struck by a four-car extra train bound for Camp Barkeley, 50 miles distant. Five cars of the train to California continued on its run four hours later.

Snowfall Among Causes  
E. E. Baker, Santa Fe trainmaster at Brownwood, attributed the wreck to snowfall, faulty communications and heavy traffic.

C. C. Schultz of Temple said the extra train on which he was conductor was traveling about 35 miles per hour. He said his two brakemen were looking from the windows to see if the flag station, situated near a curve, was clear and that the other train was not visible.

Rescue squads of soldiers and civilians worked in below-freezing weather to remove the bodies.

A sailor said the chair car was suddenly transformed from carefree travel into a shambles. "What had been small talk and laughter suddenly became screams and curses of hurt and dying people. The ones at the rear of the coach didn't have a chance and needle-like splinters and jagged pieces of steel crushed forward. We were damn lucky and there'll never be anything much worse on anybody's ocean."

Mother With Baby Killed  
Another sailor said, "I was just sitting there and all of a sudden it hit. I looked down and my shoe had been ripped off altogether. I don't have any idea what did it." His foot was injured.

Lt. John McGuire, Seranton, Pa., and Pvt. J. E. Moran, Stockton, (Continued on page 2)

## 'Found' Cash Moves From Thief To Thief To Midland Police

The loss of \$55 by Mrs. Cecil Ramsey in the post office lobby last week provided work for the police.

They learned a negro youth found the money, and that it was stolen from him and then later stolen from the thief.

Two negro youths have been arrested in connection with the thefts and Police Chief Jack Ellington said \$30 has been recovered. Officers still hope to recover the remainder, and the search continues.

Lt. John McGuire, Seranton, Pa., and Pvt. J. E. Moran, Stockton, (Continued on page 2)

## War Bullelfins

LONDON —(AP)— West bound formations of American bombers, shepherded by darting swarms of fighters, returned from across the Channel Friday, apparently from their first raid since the mammoth air battle over Germany on Tuesday.

LONDON —(AP)— The Moscow radio said Friday Cossack cavalry, slashing out across the snows of White Russia, had cut the escape route of beaten Nazi forces streaming westward from Mozyr and had left Mozyr far behind.

LONDON —(AP)— Handbills reading "pick your Dutch Nazi in time for the day of liberation" have been posted on trees, walls and billboards throughout Holland, a young refugee told the Dutch news agency, Aneta.

NEW DELHI —(AP)— Allied troops, continuing their push down the western coast of Burma toward the Japanese base at Akyab, have advanced to a point four miles below captured Maungdaw, Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten's headquarters announced.

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But she that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth.—Timothy 5:6.

## Tax-Free Securities Battle

The bell is about to ring in the Tax Court of the United States, marking the end of another not-so-fast round in the long fight over whether the federal government should have the right to tax the income on tax-free securities issued by municipalities, states or the subdivisions thereof. Specifically, what the Tax Court is about to decide is whether the Bureau of Internal Revenue may collect taxes on \$2493.62 of income representing interest on bonds issued by the Port of New York Authority, which is a proprietary instrumentality of the states of New York's port facilities, bridges, tunnels and the like.

The case goes back to 1941, when the Bureau of Internal Revenue sought to collect taxes on this \$2493.62 from one Alexander J. Shamburg, on the grounds that he had failed to declare this sum as income on his federal tax return. Shamburg resisted on the ground that Port of New York Authority bonds were tax-free. Shamburg died the same year the Bureau of Internal Revenue began suit, but his estate carried on the action. Evidence in the case was presented before the U. S. Tax Court in Washington last summer, and the court is preparing to hand down its decision.

This opinion will not, however, settle the issue. No matter how it is decided, the case will be appealed to the Supreme Court of another round. If the decision here goes in favor of the estate of Alexander J. Shamburg, Treasury officials will have to begin all over again their effort to levy taxes on state or municipal securities. If the government gets the decision, however, the Treasury Department may then be expected to recommend to Congress the enactment of a new law to conform to the Supreme Court decision and provide for federal taxation of securities issued by state and local governments.

Throughout this action, Treasury Department officials have tried to make clear that if the Bureau of Internal Revenue wins the Shamburg case, the government will not attempt to collect taxes on back issues of these securities, but only on new issues. There are now some \$20,000,000,000 worth of these tax-free securities outstanding, although the states have been retiring their indebtedness at a rapid rate during the prosperous war years. Because the interest from these securities is now tax-free, the federal government estimates that it loses some \$270,000,000 in income taxes every year. Such securities have always been sought after by individuals and institutions wanting to invest part of their money so as to reduce taxable income.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

## Himalaya Gas Supply Route

The startling fact that American heavy bombers stationed in China must make four flights over the Himalaya mountains into India, to pick up and transport their own gasoline and bombs back to their Chinese base, before they can have enough supplies to make one bombing attack against the Japanese, is disclosed by the commanding general of the Army Air Forces, Henry H. Arnold, in his report to the secretary of war.

The details of this one supply operation emphasize the problem of getting at the Japs. "Potentially, China remains our most effective base for aerial operations against Japan," says General Arnold. Yet before a B-24 Liberator heavy bombardment group can carry out one mission from its bases in China, the bomber crews must haul in their own supplies over what is unquestionably the most difficult flying terrain in the world, from Assam in northeastern India to Kunming.

The distance over this route is not great—only 250 miles. To cover that distance, however, the supply planes must climb over 17,000 foot high mountains, flying much of the time by instruments. This is the famous "hump" about which all flying men from the Asiatic theater speak with such respect. For reasons of military security, not a great deal has been written about it. The route was pioneered by Chinese National Airways Corporation, the Chinese government-Pan-American Airways Company whose civilian pilots specialize in bad weather flying in DC-3 transports which were never intended for such service.

Opening of this air route was necessary after the Japs cut off China's outlet through Hong Kong and closed the Burma road by their Burmese invasion up from Singapore. Today the Assam-Kunming hop is a regular route for the Army Transport Service, whose commanding general, Harold L. George, recently revealed that more freight is now being carried over this route by air than was formerly carried over the Burma road by truck.

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## Personals

Bob Preston Jr., seaman second class in the Coast Guard, has arrived home on furlough to visit his parents. He is stationed at St. Georges, N. Y.

## Congratulations To

Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Long on the birth of a daughter Thursday.

OSARKA WATER CO. welcomes these new arrivals. Phone 111 and a bottle of OSARKA will be delivered to you free.—Adv.

## WILLIAM COLLIER, SR. DIES IN CALIFORNIA

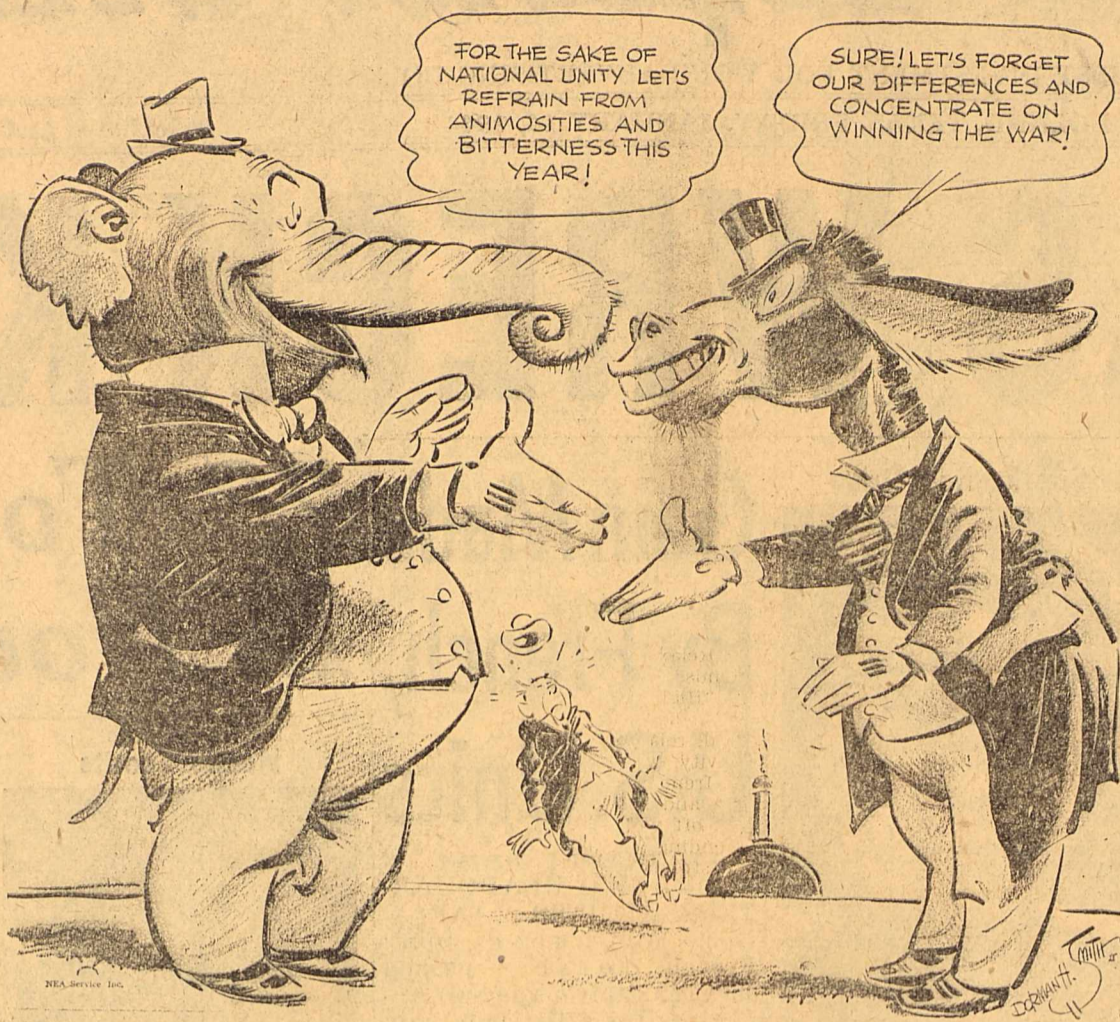
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF.—(AP)—Death has closed the 66-year stage and screen career of William Collier, Sr., 77. The playwright and actor died Thursday of complications following pneumonia.

## SECOND VICTIM OF FIRE IN BROWNWOOD DIES

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS.—(AP)—Homer Beckham, 33, died Friday, second victim of a fire which destroyed his home here Wednesday. His wife burned to death in the blaze.

POLAND'S GOVERNMENT STUDIES REFS PROPOSAL LONDON.—(AP)—Belief that Poland's government-in-exile is framing a conciliatory reply to the Soviet proposal that the Curzon Line divide the two countries was expressed Friday as the Polish cabinet met to consider the problem.

## A Possible But Most Improbable Millennium



## Reagan Wildcat - Southern Governors To Be Entertained By President Roosevelt

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below 1,225 feet in anhydrite and gypsum.

No. 2 Blue Expecting  
Stanolind Oil & Gas Company and Shell Oil Company, Inc. No. 2 Blue, East Winkler County project, at present exploring the Devonian, had reached 8,455 feet and was drilling ahead.

Other Winkler Wildcats  
Superior No. 1 Wheeler in East Winkler, was going ahead below 3,498 feet in gypsum, anhydrite and lime.

Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 21 State-Walton, was drilling past 10,503 feet in shale.

Magnolia No. 234 Walton, had reached 8,741 feet in lime.

Sinclair Prairie Oil Company No. 1, 4-A Walton, Winkler wildcat to the Ordovician, had made hole to 9,458 feet and was continuing.

Sinclair Prairie No. 4-A Walton was below 8,686 feet.

Grisham-Hunter, Southwest Andrews deep project, was digging below 8,901 feet.

Stanolind No. 1-B Cowden, North-Central Ector exploration to 10,000 feet was drilling around 9,546 feet in lime and shale.

Gulf Oil Corporation No. 46-O Keystone, Winkler County wildcat, was digging past 5,528 feet in lime.

Keynote Drilling Company is moving in derrick material for the 6,500-foot wildcat to be drilled by Northern Ordnance, Inc., on the Clayton & Johnson ranch in Borden County.

Signal Oil & Gas Company No. 1 Fisher, Central Andrews wildcat, bottomed at 4,628 feet in the San Andres, was scheduled to run a string of 7-inch casing to about 4,300 feet to allow testing of shows which have been developed in cores.

Reaming In Brewster  
W. B. Hinton (Floyd C. Dodson) Texas American Syndicate, old test in Brewster County which is to be deepened from the old total depth of 7,783 feet to around 8,500 feet, had reamed the hole to 7,182 feet.

E. C. Hitchcock & Son No. 1-A Daugherty, North Winkler extension effort to the Leck pool, had reached 875 feet in redbeds and was drilling ahead.

Mascho Outpost  
Skelley Oil Company No. 1-R University is to be a southeast outpost to production in the Mascho area of Andrews County. It will be 690 feet from the north and west lines of section 11, block 10, University survey.

Heater To Shot Pipe  
Gulbertson & Irwin, Inc., and Union Oil Company of California No. 1-A Heiner, Pecos County semi-wildcat, was preparing to perforate at 5,950-80 feet and test for oil in that zone.

C. U. Bay No. 2 Blair, Northwest Gaines prospector to the lower Permian, had reached 6,310 feet in lime.

Shell No. 1 Jones, another wildcat in the Northwest Gaines district was drilling below 3,950 feet in anhydrite and redrock.

Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 2-B Sawyer, Iron County exploration, was making hole under 9,069 feet in lime.

Big Lake Oil Company No. 1-D University, wildcat one mile west of the Big Lake pool in Reagan County, had set 9 1/2-inch pipe at 3,010 feet, one foot above bottom, in cement, and was waiting.

## German -

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announcement said the American bomber loss now is known to be 60.

This added another to the 59 bombers already listed as missing and officially established the total cost of the decisive blow as 60 bombers and five fighters — the heaviest loss in any U. S. air operation of the war.

The official statement also disclosed that the Americans had dispatched bomber detachments against two other objectives in addition to the three aircraft centers west of Berlin that constituted the major targets.

These were a railway component manufacturing center at Bielefeld, 55 miles northwest of Dortmund and 200 miles west of Berlin, and armament installations at Meppen, on the Dortmund-Ems Canal, 50 miles south of Emden.

Of the enemy warplane factories, that at Oschersleben, said to be the most important producer of Focke-Wulf 190s probably was given the worst drubbing, but the Junkers plant at Halberstadt and the Messerschmitt-110 production center at Brunswick also were hit hard.

At Oechersleben, the American announcement said, "the main machine shop of the plant received at least nine direct hits. The whole area is seen in later photographs to have caught fire." Bursts also were observed in all other sections of the sprawling factory as well as "on a highly camouflaged group of buildings."

It was disclosed officially that American fighters included the new U. S. P-51B Mustang, longest-range single-engine fighter plane in the world. An improved version of the P-51, which has been in action for months in the Mediterranean and Pacific, the new plane is expected to pace any land invasion of the continent.

German propaganda outlets confirmed an impression of the American fliers that the weight of the attack had forced the Germans to throw most of their available strength into the defense.

"It was openly admitted by authoritative military quarters," said a Berlin Transcon broadcast, "that Luftwaffe squadrons which so far had been held in reserve for particularly important operations shortly to be expected went into action Tuesday."

A German military spokesman also told Swedish correspondents that a new type of high-climbing Nazi fighter plane equipped with a "gliding bomb" was used for the first time.

## Gain Made -

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deep into enemy territory gaining information on formations and taking prisoners," the bulletin said.

"A broadcast by the German-controlled Vichy radio heard by Reuters said 'a move on the part of the Eighth Army can shortly be expected on the Adriatic coastal sector since British soldiers here have become particularly active.'"

French troops have advanced two miles and captured the eastern slopes of Costa San Pietro.

A headquarters recapitulation said that since the Allied landings in Italy Allied forces have now taken 8,000 prisoners.

Bombers Are Busy  
Heavy bombers and their protective fighters shot up Perugia, in Central Italy, 90 miles due north of Rome, and delivered a sharp blow at enemy installations.

Medium bombers attacked airfields in many places, dropping showers of high explosive and fragmentation bombs among hangars, dispersal areas and runways in a favored Allied bombing pattern which has been known to wipe out whole blocks of enemy air strength.

Other Allied formations jabbed at railway yards at Isola, 18 miles northwest of Cassino; at Collifero, at dock installations at Formia, on the coast just above the western end of the Fifth Army line and at enemy shipping off the Yugoslav coast near Sebenik.

Ten enemy aircraft were destroyed during Thursday's operation for an Allied loss of five.

DEAN JONES DIES  
NEW HAVEN, CONN.—(AP)—Frederick Scheetz Jones, 81, dean of Yale College from 1909 until his retirement in 1927, died Friday.

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## Starlings Are Blasted Friday

A blitz at dawn on the courthouse lawn thinned considerably the starling flocks which have been a nuisance this winter.

Ordered by the county, which furnished the ammunition, about twenty trussie airplanes blasted into the birds before their early morning take-off. Hundreds of birds littered the lawn, and courthouse caretakers were busy all morning picking them up.

Midland long has been saddled with the pests. A slow but systematic destruction of the lawn and shrubs has been carried out by the birds, and shortage of ammunition prevented their destruction. But county officials, realizing that Spring is coming and that soon the grass would be due to green up, thought ahead and saw a bare lawn in prospect for the courthouse. It didn't look so good, so they dug up precious shells and handed them out to the sheriff's office and ordered the wholesale slaughter.

Officials hoped the rude awakening of Friday morning will scare the birds away, but few doubt but that they'll be back again. Like the legendary bad penny, they have a hateful habit of always turning up at unexpected moments.

## 75 To 100 -

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Calif., helped carry fellow passengers from the train. "One woman was killed with a baby in her arms," said Moran, "and two other little kids were killed. You just can't say what you feel like when you see that."

All the crewmen on the extra train were injured, including Engineer J. B. McCall and Fireman J. E. Sanderson, both of Brownwood. Conductor Schultz, and brakemen M. L. Craft and J. E. Kirkpatrick, all of Temple, McCall and Sanderson jumped before the collision. None of the crew of the regular train was injured.

Luck was with J. L. Bothwell of Chicago, freight traffic manager for the Santa Fe, and Mrs. Bothwell. They occupied a private car at the end of the California-bound train but were in the diner at the time of the crash and escaped injury. Their private car was telescoped.

## Livestock

FORT WORTH.—(AP)—Cattle 700; calves 300; medium to good slaughter steers and yearlings 10.00-13.00; beef cows 7.50-9.50; bulls 7.00-9.50; good and choice fat calves 11.50-13.00.

Hog 1,000; butcher hogs 14.65; good and choice 170-190 lb. averages 11.50-13.00; medium to good 140-160 lb. averages 7.50-11.00; stocker pigs 4.00-7.00.

Sheep 3,200; medium to choice fat lambs 12.00-14.00; feeder lambs 12.50 down; slaughter ewes 5.50-6.50.

FORMER PREMIER DIES  
LONDON.—(AP)—Former Bulgarian Premier Andrea Tosche died in Sofia Jan. 10 following a heart attack, the Berlin radio said Friday.

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## Army Advised 'Running Count Calendar' After War May Not Be Democratic

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Army members are counseling tomorrow's veterans against any ideas about running the country when they come marching home.

A guide for informational officers and those concerned with orientation courses, issued by the War Department, notes that the task of keeping the soldier informed is twofold—to tell him of the war, its causes, issues and progress; to tell him what is happening on the home front and what it may be like when he returns. And, discussing the re-education of the armed forces to the home front, the guide has this to say:

"The men and women of the armed forces of the United States are citizens of a democracy. They, like the government, are the servants of the people. Were they to become masters, democracy would perish.

"In time, the majority will be returned to civil life and will have the same privileges and duties as other citizens. They will exert political force according to the ability and vigor of their political ideas.

"Hence irresponsible talk about the political implications of the growing strength of the armed forces, epitomized in such phrases as 'this army will return some day and run the country,' is only for those who have not yet taken an accurate measure of their wartime responsibility. It is not a proper subject for those who are conditioning the thinking of military personnel.

"The Army is serving the people—not expecting to dominate them."

continued their advance in the Berdichev sector while further east Gen. Ivan S. Konev's second Ukrainian Army improved its positions west and northwest of Kirovograd.

Rokossovsky's forces reached the outskirts of Moxyr and Kalinkovichi, junction of the Moscow Pinsk-Warsaw and Leningrad-Odessa railways, five miles to the north. Thursday, a Russian communique reported and Friday the two centers were outflanked and all but surrounded. More than 1,500 Germans were killed and many prisoners were taken and more than 40 towns were captured, the communique asserted.

The Russians said "extremely fierce fighting" took place in the Vinnitsa sector.

One of every 1,000 children born in the United States dies in its first year of life as the result of an accident.

## Vatutin's -

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attacks east of Vinnitsa as the enemy fought desperately to halt the Soviet advance on the Ukrainian Bug River and the Odessa-Warsaw trunk railway, principal supply artery for German forces in the lower Dnieper Bend.

Other units of Vatutin's left wing

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# Society

## Red Cross Seeks Piano For Fliers' Recreation Room

An urgent appeal has been issued by the Red Cross Camp and Hospital Council for a used piano. The council plans to buy the piano, as it has other furnishings which will be used to equip enlisted men's recreation room at Midland Airport No. 2.

So far there is no means of recreation at the room and airman, in at the port for a few hours or over night, are without amusement. Since a piano appears to be a very popular form of amusement in the armed forces, the council decided to buy it at the start of the campaign for furnishing the room.

Anyone who can give the council a lead on where the piano may be purchased is asked to call Mrs. L. G. Lewis, 1778.

A record changer, divans, lounge chair, lamps and pictures, will be purchased by the council in the near future.

## WINDIEST SPOT ON EARTH

Adelie land, on the Antarctic continent, is the windiest place on earth. A full gale blows there day in and day out. The wind never dropped below 90 miles an hour for one whole day in 1912, and raged along at 60 miles an hour for a month.

## Alberta Lee Fetes O. G. C. Members

Alberta Lee was hostess Wednesday to the Outdoor Girl's Club. Diplomas for full pledged members were planned and a social hour was enjoyed by the following: Doris Neil Adams, Patsy Boone, Rosie Lee Hart, Lauxagene Lands, Odessa Mae Read, Vera Williams and the hostess, Miss Lee.

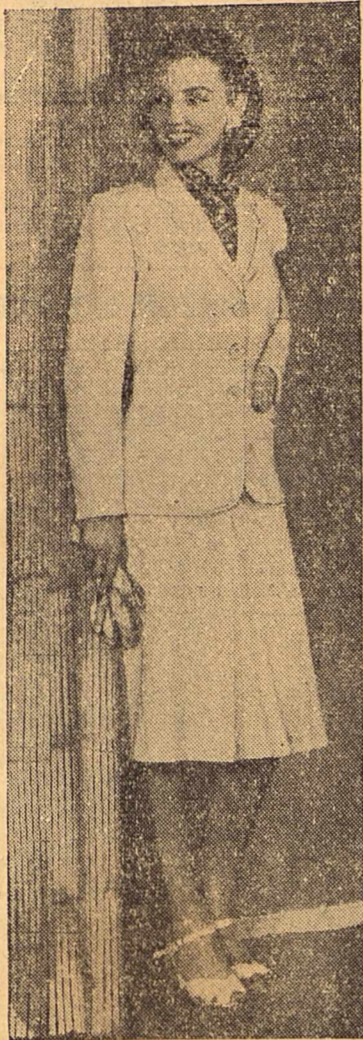
Odessa Mae Read will be the next hostess.

## Prairie Lee HD Club Plans 1944 Programs

The Prairie Lee Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday afternoon at the school house. Miss Alpha Lynn county home demonstration agent, assisted the members with plans for the future work of the club. Each member will plant an acre of vegetables for canning, in addition to the field corn and peas. Of the 144 families represented by the various clubs and 4-H girls, it was estimated each family will can between 450 and 500 containers of food stuffs for home consumption. A program of time budgeting also was launched by the club.

Miss Christian Golliday, Mrs. S. O. Golliday and Mrs. L. Rhinchart, new members, were present. Others were Mrs. J. C. Bradley, Mrs. Gus Meissner, Mrs. G. Stuart and Miss Lynn.

## WHITE FOR SUNTANS



Those going south are always warned to take something warm. One choice is the white wool jersey tailored suit, as shown, which goes smartly with gay scarfs and blouses, white or colored accessories, and a winter or suntanned complexion. White wool jersey also makes the simplest of one-piece chemise dresses, buttoned like shirtwaisters down the bodice, or fastened, cap-tivatingly, with tiny buttons down the entire length of one side. Cardigan jackets complete many of the ensembles, intended for cool days in winter's warm climates and for summer's invariable chills. The jersey weighs nothing at all, and, whereas it is as flattering as pre-war white linen, is a lot warmer. New York's cleverest designers use it unsparingly, appreciating its charm for evening as well as day and adding paillettes for nighttime sparkle.

## Coming Events

**SATURDAY**  
The Treble Cleft Juvenile Music Club will meet at 9 a. m. in the Watson Music Studio.

A dance for officers and wives at the MAAF Officers' Club will begin at 9:30 p. m.

Miss Lena Phillips, health education instructor at Midland High School, will have charge of the story hour in the children's reading room of the Midland County Library at 3:30 p. m.

## Beware Counterfeits, Fake Labels Warn

**HARRISBURG, PA.**—(P)—Too many words were the downfall of a Philadelphia couple says the Pennsylvania Liquor Board in charging them with using fake labels on liquor bottles.

The board said the tell-tale—and unnecessary—words on the labels were "beware of counterfeits."

## FIRE CAUSE

Matches or glowing cigaret ends, tossed from automobiles or left at camp sites, are the most frequent causes of forest fires in the United States.

## Give Yourself A Rest Cure



MISS MANNING: Lets down high voltage.

By ALICIA HART, NEA Staff Writer

Relax and see how calming the effect is upon yourself and your friends.

"High voltage energy is fine, when there is a job to be done," says Irene Manning, hard-working film star. "But when your task is finished, relax. Nothing wears you out and your friends down like intense activity, without a let-up."

Irene says you can go limp as an old sock, if you'll take your ease and s-t-r-e-t-c-h. Settle down on a couch or in a comfy chair, kick off your slippers, and pull yourself out to your full length. Keep extending arms and legs—tautening as you pull—until you feel a blissful languor creeping into your bones. Then relax and rest.

## Legislators Of Texas Favor Special Session

**AUSTIN**—(P)—All members of the Texas legislature who have expressed themselves on the question of a special session to facilitate soldiers voting in 1944 seem in favor of the idea, although some qualified their statements.

Rep. Ennis Favors of Pampa who originally opposed the idea revised his opinion after study and declared the legislature could abolish the poll tax for soldiers since it has exempted all honorably discharged veterans for the first year after their discharge.

Although Governor Stevenson declared he did not see any particular advantage to be derived from a special session, he has not flatly refused to call one.

## Odds Against Him, But Thugs Give Show Money

**INDIANAPOLIS**—(P)—Clarence C. Anderson told police two robbers, after taking his billfold containing \$6.50, asked "where you going now?"

"Home," Anderson said "but I was going to a show."

"Aw, go on to the show," one of the holdup-men said, giving him a dollar and his empty billfold.

## WARTIME MIGRATION

Since the war the shift of population in the United States has been toward the west and the south, with a total population shift of about two and a half million persons.

## Ration Calendar

By The Associated Press

Meats, fats, etc.—Book three brown stamps R, S and T valid through Jan. 20; Book four spare stamp 2 good for five points of fresh pork and sausage through Jan. 15.

Processed foods—Book four green stamps D, E and F good through Jan. 20; stamps G, H and J valid through Feb. 20.

Sugar—Book four spare stamp 2 good for five pounds through Jan. 15; stamp 3 valid for five pounds Jan. 16.

Shoes—Book one stamp 18 and book three "airplane" stamp 1 good indefinitely.

Gasoline—9-A coupons valid for three gallons through Jan. 21. B and B-1 and C and C-1 coupons good for two gallons. B-2 and C-2 coupons good for five gallons.

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## Mrs. USA Has Post War Dream

By ARLENE WOLF AP Staff Writer

We had a chat with our preferred prognosticator of postwar plans for women, and wonderous indeed are the things she saw in her crystal ball. Want a peek? Then put on those rose-colored glasses, girls!

What's that long wavy line there in the postwar forecast? Just thousands and thousands of women queuing up in front of hosiery mills, waiting for the first nylons to roll off the machines. As each gal gets her four or five dozens, she steps into a helicopter, and is whisked to the roof of a lingerie emporium, where real honest-to-goodness lasty girdles and bras with elastic are just waiting to be picked up.

There seems to be quite a bit of confetti in the air, too. Red, green, brown and white. Those are the remnants of ration books the gals have torn up in celebration of peace.

**No Servant Problem**

As soon as the ladies have finished with their shopping orgy, they're going right back to work. No need to stay home. There won't be any servant problem, because no one will need any servants. Homes will be operated efficiently by a series of remote control portable pushbuttons tucked in the hand-bag. Plenty of room for such a gadget, because no woman need carry cosmetics. Indelible lipstick will really be indelible. Powder will have some sort of adhesive ingredient, and a shiny nose will be just a wartime memory.

If the working gal is late, she'll eat breakfast while flying over to the office in her everyday helicopter—not to be confused with

the larger and more luxurious family sky buggy reserved for Sundays and holidays. The helicopter will just fly itself, so she can devote all her attention to coffee and toast—made to order by pressing a button on the instrument panel.

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Now, with her housekeeping worries off her mind, Mrs. America can relax and have her own lunch. Into the helicopter again, for a short five minutes jaunt to the best restaurant in the nearest city—four or five hundred miles away, if she's in a hurry.

When the day is over, and six o'clock rolls around, the lady of the future presses another button marked dinner. By the time she gets home from the office, tired and worn from a day of button-pushing, dinner's all ready, the table is set, and all she has to do is eat it. A robot, who asks no salary and supplies his own fuel and gears) does the dishes.

Then for a quiet evening at home. While the automatic sewing machine's doing a little mending, she may turn on the television or the movie machine.

Wait a minute now—the movie machine seems to be stuck. The sound tracks' repeating something over and over. What's it saying? Oh, just "Wake up!"

Nice while it lasted, wasn't it?

## Miss Alberta Smith Presented In Recital

**DENTON**—Eight undergraduate students in the department of music at Texas State College for Women were presented recently in the first of a series of recitals designed to give practice in public performances.

Miss Alberta Smith of Midland, pianist, gave "Moment Musical in A Flat" by Schubert and "Waltz in E Minor" by Chopin. She is a freshman, majoring in music and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Smith Jr.

A faculty committee of Miss Stella Owsley, Harold Kellogg and Harlan Pettit are in charge of the program series, which will be continued through the spring.

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## That Ain't Hay, Mule, Even Though Green

**ROXBORO, N. C.**—(P)—While feeding his mule, Waldo Satterfield lost his billfold, containing \$100 in currency. A little later he discovered his loss, went to the stall to look for it. All he could find was the indigestible zipper.

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# Gideon Planish

by Sinclair Lewis

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THE STORY: As Dean of Kinnickinnick College in 1923, Gideon Planish is well-esteemed, in demand as a public speaker, and referred to as a "leader of humanitarianism." His wife, Peony, is attractive, extravagant and ambitious. Through her maneuvering, the Dean becomes chairman of the County Censorship Board.

XI

BEFORE the first meeting of the censorship board with the Dean in the chair, Peony prompted him, "I've got something for you to go after—novel published a couple of years ago—The Tattooed Countess, by Carl Van Vechten. Why don't you get busy and censor hell out of it?"

"You can't! I understand Mr. Van Vechten was born here, in Iowa. He's a Native Son!" The Dean referred to Native Son as though it had a close relationship to the Nativity.

"That's why I picked it. All the guys in the State that knew him when, or claim they knew him when, will be jealous of him because he went off to New York."

"But is it immoral enough to get folks interested?"

"I haven't read it. I tell you, with all I got to do, I just don't seem to have time to read novels. But I hear there's a woman and a young fellow interested in each other in the book, without being married! And it's all laid in Iowa—the setting, I mean."

"And then it's kind of highbrow and kind of humorous, and that makes immorality a lot worse."

"We'll see what we can do to it."

THE rest of the committee, when the meeting was held at Mabel Grove, were pleased to censor a refugee Iowan, and they set forth with verbal flaming torches to drive the Tattooed Countess clean out of Garfield County. But in the entire county, though in cities like Dubuque and Des Moines it was rumored to be plentiful, they could discover the book only in the homes of a newspaper owner, a doctor, two lawyers and seven clergymen. There were listed in

WHEN the five censors appeared on the bandstand in Hawkeye Park, not more than 50 persons had gathered to listen, and most of them muttered, "What are they? Mormons or Seventh Day Adventists?"

In a hasty prologue lasting 17 minutes, the Reverend Mr. Pederson introduced Dean Planish. The Dean was in a deplorable state. It seemed to him that all of the twenty-three auditors who were still remaining were snickering.

"My—my friends," he groaned, and somebody down there laughed. He struggled, he tried to think of something better, and came out with a thunderous "MY FRIENDS!"

But Peony was looking up at him with eyes that promised that if he walloped them good, she would be very sweet to him tonight. Without effort or any apparent control of it, he heard his voice suddenly start flowing, strong and steady, full of morality and adjectives and grammar. Five minutes later he was trumpeting:

"If you will permit a teacher to use such a phrase, maybe we better quit kidding ourselves into the belief that it's Wall Street and Paris and Hollywood that start all this vice. Here's an Iowan boy, Carl Van Vechten, and here's Al Rood, a neighbor whom you all know, continuing to flood us with a masterpiece of such insinuation, immorality and wicked brilliance that we are all tempted to thoughts entirely different from those proper to the Middlewest. And what are we going to do about them?"

He never did answer his question, but wound up with Martha Washington and the Coast of Maine.

As they left Hawkeye Park, the Dean sighed, "Poor Rood! I'm sure he's not a bad fellow at heart. It's kind of a shame to ruin his business."

As he was driving past Rood's Cigar Store, he stopped. Standing on a box in front of the shop was Mr. Rood, a pile of a hundred books on a box beside him, and he was shouting, "Step right up, folks, and get your copy of The Tattooed Countess—all about the French countess and the sheik, in the Arabian desert—wild doings by moonlight on the banks of the Congo—the book that's being advertised right now by the president of Kinnickinnick College, at the meeting in the park, as the hottest yarn since the Song of Solomon."

They were buying.

Peony urged, "Oh, Gideon, I want to get a couple of copies. President Bull said he'd love to read it, and I think I might send one to Daddy for his birthday."

"I haven't had time to read it—I mean, read it all, yet," the Dean explained.

## McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY  
America's Card Authority

Sometimes things happen at a bridge table that are so funny you just can't get angry about them. I played the hand shown today at the recent Onondaga Tournament at Syracuse, in the open pair event which was won by Mrs. R. S. Weekes and Truesdale Clark.

I might sometimes bid the South hand, but being vulnerable, I elected to pass. West's bid of one spade

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♣ J 10 6					
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Pass	6 ♠	Double Pass			
Opening—♣ K. 14					

was quite an underbid, and I do not know why my partner did not overcall with two clubs. Some might even suggest that East should bid something with her holding. When she elected to pass, however, I could have had a top score on the board simply by passing. But I decided to bid two diamonds—and then things started to happen.

Four hearts by my left-hand opponent; five clubs by my partner; five spades by the little lady in the East position, who had passed on the first round. There was nothing I could do. West went to six spades, which my partner doubled. I was grateful at least that he opened a club; had he opened my diamond suit, the opponents would have made seven-odd.

I didn't feel good about this hand when the little lady who had passed one spade turned to me and said, "Mr. McKenney, do you think I should have redoubled?" What do you think? Having passed one spade, should she have redoubled six?

## Marines To Rescue, Baby Gets His Lunch

ATLANTA (AP)—A messenger's failure to put baby's milk on the train at Birmingham, Ala., didn't worry the mother, Mrs. William J. Leonard of Sulphur Bluff, Texas, until she learned the train had no diner.

The conductor wired ahead for canned milk at Bremen, Ga. Then Mrs. Leonard discovered she had no ration points.

A group of Marines, passengers on the train, collected enough points and baby had lunch.

Handshaking originally was a gesture of peace to prove that no weapons were concealed.

(To Be Continued)

## N. Y. Graduates Will Get Ersatz Diplomas

NEW YORK (AP)—More than half of the graduates of New York's public schools this month will receive "ersatz" diplomas.

Fire in a printing plant prevented completion of the certificates so temporary substitute diplomas will be awarded.

A silver sword plant grows only in the crater of a volcano in Hawaii.

## Tourists Can Take Liquor From Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Tourists are permitted to leave the country with five liters (a little more than five quarts) of alcoholic drinks, the National Economy Ministry informed customhouses Thursday.

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There are nearly 2,000 species of lizards in the world.

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THIS MAY LEAD TO VIOLENCE

## —By J. R. WILLIAMS

"MACHINISTS WANTED"

## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

—By EDGAR MARTIN

STEPHEN, YOU'RE AS PALE AS A SHEET! IS SOMETHING WRONG?

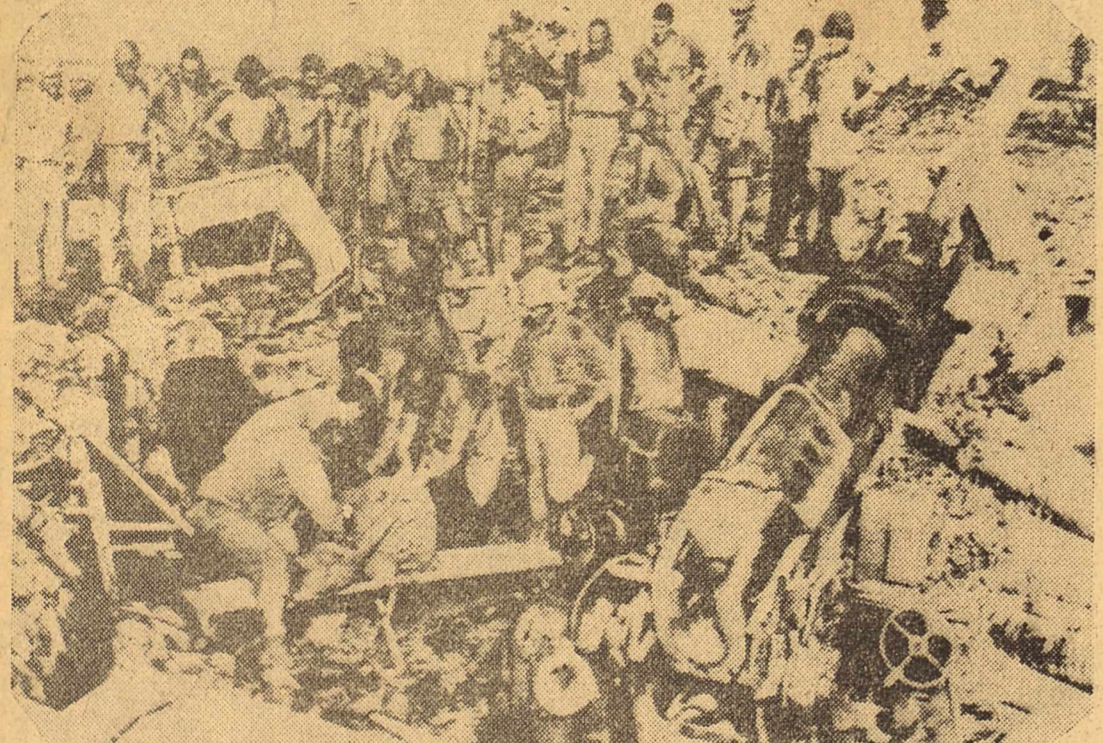
## —By EDGAR MARTIN

WERE OL' FASHIONED HERE, MISTER! CUSTOMERS WITHOUT FUNDS ALWAYS WORK OUT THEIR BILLS IN THE KITCHEN.

## —By EDGAR MARTIN

OH MY GOODNESS, I SEEM TO HAVE FORGOT MY WALLET!

## Jap Bomb Causes Gun-Crew Death



As Allied bombers continued to pound Germany, this picture of a demolished block in Cologne, Germany, reached the United States through secret sources proving the effect of United Nations bombs. (OWI Photo from NEA Telephoto.)

## HOLD EVERYTHING

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## —By MERRILL BLOSSER

THEY SURE LEFT IN A HURRY! THAT WAS A GOOD GAG!

## —By MERRILL BLOSSER

NOT BAD FOR THE FIRST TRIP OVER, COLONEL BRILL.

## WASH TUBS

## —By LESLIE TURNER

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## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

MANY PROMINENT GEOLOGISTS BELIEVE THAT THE DROPPING OF BLOCKBUSTER BOMBS INTO JAPAN'S VOLCANO CRATERS WILL SET OFF A CHAIN OF NIPPONESE EARTHQUAKES.

## SIDE GLANCES

EVERY YEAR, MEN LOST IN OUT OF THE WAY PLACES OF THE EARTH DIE OF STARVATION BECAUSE THEY DO NOT KNOW WHICH WILD PLANTS ARE EDIBLE, OR HOW TO PREPARE THEM.

OLDING ODDS

THE END OF A BALL OF STRING IS IN THE MIDDLE. Says RICHARD B. EDWARDS, Stamford, Connecticut.

NEXT: Nature's blockbusters.

## RED RYDER

—By FRED HARMAN

THIS IS 'H' RANCH, FOLKS! MAKE YOURSELVES COMFORTABLE!

## —By FRED HARMAN

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## ALLEY OOP

—By V. T. HAMLIN

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CAPABLE lady wants temporary stenographic work. Write Box 264, care this paper. (266-3)

**RENTALS**

**Bedrooms 12**

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FOR RENT: Bedroom, 910 West Missouri. (266-3)

BEDROOM for rent, \$5 week. 900 South Main. (267-2)

**Furnished Apartments 14**

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**Wanted To Rent 21**

WANTED to rent, by first of the month, three, four or five-room unfurnished apartment or house; permanent couple, no children, pets or parties. Present location last two years; owner needs to move in. Will take excellent care of place. Present position several years and prospect of long time after war job. Will buy if price within reason. Call Mrs. Russell, 1147-J, or Mr. Russell, circulation manager, Reporter-Telegram. (265-1L)

WANTED: Two or three-room furnished house or apartment. Phone 2336-W. Mrs. Beyers. (267-3)

CADET's wife wants small apartment or room with kitchen privileges. No children. Scharbauer Hotel, Room 615. (267-4)

WOULD like room, apartment or house, furnished. Am I to be commended for having a son 2 1/2? Must I go home or will someone make these last three months happy ones for my cadet husband, my baby and me? Write Box 265, care this paper. (267-2)

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## FOR SALE

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TREE - ripened grapefruit, \$2.75 bushel, oranges \$3.50 bushel, cash with order, express collect. Grande Fruit Company, Box 855, Mission, Texas. (256-12)

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## Legal Notices 68

signed Special Commissioners of Midland County, at the Court House in Midland, Midland County, Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 11th day of January, 1944. The file number of said suit being No. 3560.

The names of the parties in said suit are: State of Texas and W. C. Stevens, and wife, Mrs. Stevens, whose given name or initials are unknown, and if either of them is dead, then the unknown heirs and legal representatives of them that are dead, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: A hearing by the undersigned special commissioners, appointed by the Judge of the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property in Midland County, Texas, for constructing, laying out and reconstructing a Highway, designated as such, by the Highway Commission of Texas, as Highway No. 137, the same being surveyed through, across and upon, and will cross, run through and upon the following described real property, to-wit:

Being a strip of land in and out of Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 34, Cowden Addition to the City of Midland, said strip of land being 148.8 feet long and 80 feet wide, and lying 40 feet on each side of the following described center line of Highway as surveyed by the Resident Engineer of the State Highway Department of Texas:

Beginning at a point on the South line of said Lot 2, said point being Engineer's Station 39+86.5, lying 66.5 feet West of the S. E. corner of said Lot 1, and being on a 30-30' curve to the right.

Thence around said 30-30' curve to the right in a Northeasterly direction for a distance of 148.8 feet to a point on the North line of said Lot 1, said point being Engineer's Station 41+25.2 and lying 18.2 feet West of the N. E. corner of said Lot 1, containing 0.254 acres of land, more or less.

The fee simple title to said land being vested in said Defendants.

Witness our hands at Midland, Midland County, Texas, this 12th day of January, 1944.

Special Commissioners:  
R. L. Miller,  
John P. Butler,  
W. R. Upham.

1/14-21-28, 2/4

## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

TO: SALLIE WRIGHT, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 28th day of February, A. D. 1944, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable District Court of Midland County, at the Court House in Midland, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 13th day of January, 1944. The file number of said suit being No. 3840.

The names of the parties in said suit are: James B. Wright as Plaintiff, and Sallie Wright as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: Suit for divorce, alleging abandonment.

Issued this 13th day of January, 1944.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Midland, Texas this 13th day of January, A. D. 1944.

NETTYE C. ROMER, Clerk, District Court, Midland County, Texas.

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## Cigarettes Stolen From Bond's Truck

A thief Thursday night broke into the Cole Auto Service garage, 122 East Wall Street, then forced a lock on a truck of J. M. Bonds, and stole 20 cartons of cigarettes, five boxes of candy and two boxes of chewing gum.

The robbery was reported to police Friday morning.

## Political Announcements

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Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Election Saturday, July 22, 1944.

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For County Judge: **ELLIOTT H. BARRON** (Re-election)

For County Sheriff: **ED DARNELL** (Re-election)

For County Attorney: **JOE MIMS** (Re-election)

For County Clerk: **SUSIE G. NOBLE** (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor-Collector: **J. H. FINE** (Re-election)

For County Treasurer: **LOIS PATTERSON** (Re-election)

For County Commissioner: **J. C. ROBERTS** (Re-election)

Precinct No. 1: **J. C. BROOKS** (Re-election)

Precinct No. 2: **W. M. BRAMLETT** (Re-election)

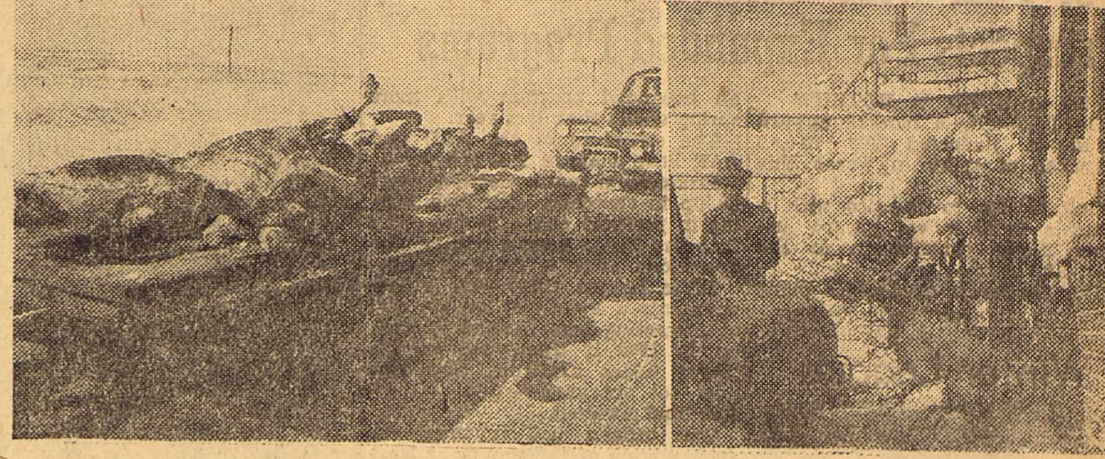
Precinct No. 3: **P. P. HERRING** (Re-election)

Precinct No. 4: **FRANK MIDKIFF** (Re-election)

Precinct No. 5: **A. G. BOHANNAN** (Re-election)

W. M. STEWART

## Cattle Die In Texas Panhandle



The snow scene pictured at the right at Amarillo, is very pretty but the scene at the left made cattlemen wish the snow had fallen elsewhere. Freezing weather and high snowdrifts caused the death of the cattle pictured as they were taken to town and reports indicate many cattle died because of the cold in the Texas Panhandle. (NEA Telephoto.)

## Church News

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Corner North A and Tennessee  
10:00 a.m.: Bible study.  
10:50 a.m.: Morning worship.  
7:00 p.m.: Young people's class.  
8:00 p.m.: Evening worship.  
4:00 p.m. Monday: Women's Bible study.  
8:00 p.m. Wednesday: Bible study.

**PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Garden City Road at City Limits  
Elder B. R. Howze, Big Spring, Pastor  
Regular services at 11 o'clock on second and fourth Sunday mornings. Services at 11 a. m. on second Saturdays.

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. R. L. Webb  
W. Pennsylvania and Lorraine  
Saturday Services  
10:00 a.m.: Sabbath school.  
11:00 a.m.: Morning service meeting.

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
H and Illinois Street  
Rev. R. J. Small, Minister.  
10:00 a.m.: Church School.  
11:00 a.m.: Morning prayer. Eric Bucher, layleader.

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Rev. O. H. Horn, Pastor  
Sunday school at 7:15 p. m. each Church services at 8 p. m. each second and fourth Sundays at Trinity Episcopal Church, 1410 West Illinois.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST (Southside)**  
410 South Colorado Street  
Raymond Boyd, Evangelist  
11:00 a.m.: Morning worship.  
8:30 p.m.: Evening worship.  
Wednesday 8 p. m. Bible study.

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. A. W. Smith, Pastor  
10:00 a.m.: Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.: Morning worship.  
7:00 p.m.: Training Union.  
8:00 p.m.: Evening worship.  
Wednesday: Prayer Meeting.  
7:30 p.m.: Prayer Meeting.

**PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS TABERNACLE**  
600 South Colorado Street  
O. W. Roberts, Pastor  
11:00 a.m.: Preaching.  
7:45 p.m.: Preaching.  
8:00 p.m. Thursday: Preaching.

**ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC**  
Father Frank Triggs, Pastor.  
The first Sunday in each month the English congregation at 9 a. m. and the Latin-American people at 11 a. m.  
7:00 p.m.: Novena and benediction.

**MEXICAN BAPTIST MISSION**  
Washington and Midland Streets  
Rev. Charles C. Pierson, Pastor  
9:45 a.m.: Sunday school.  
8:00 p.m.: Evening worship and sermon by the pastor.  
Wednesday 8 p. m.: Prayer service.

**GOSPEL HALL**  
500 South Lorraine  
J. D. Jackson, Pastor  
10:00 a.m.: Bible study.  
11:00 a.m.: Preaching service.  
7:45 p.m.: Preaching service.  
7:45 p.m. Tuesday: Young People's meeting.  
2:30 p.m. Wednesday: WMB meeting.  
7:45 p.m. Thursday: Preaching services.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
West Texas Ave. and North A St.  
Rev. Hubert Hopper, Pastor.  
9:45 a.m.: Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.: Morning worship.  
6:15 p.m.: Young People and Pioneers.  
7:45 p.m.: Evening worship.

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
300 North Main Street  
Rev. W. Carl Clement, Pastor.  
9:45 a.m.: Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.: Morning worship. Sermon: "The Shallows and Depths of Life."  
6:30 p.m.: Senior, Junior and Intermediate departments.  
8:00 p.m.: Evening worship. Sermon: "The Unconquerable Defense."

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
Private Dining Room  
Scharbauer Hotel  
10:00 a.m.: Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.: Sunday morning lesson-sermon. Subject: "Life."  
2:45 p.m.: Sunday radio services. Golden Text: "This is the record, that God hath given us eternal life, and this life is His son."  
The lesson-sermon also includes the following passages from the Christian Science Textbook: "We should remember that Life is God, and that God is omnipotent." (page 394).

Wednesday  
8:00 p.m.: Wednesday night services.

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
Indiana and Big Spring Streets  
Rev. R. M. Hocker, Pastor.  
10:00 a.m.: Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.: Morning worship.  
8:00 p.m.: Evening worship.

**AAF BOMBARDIER SCHOOL**  
CHAPL, Midland  
C. C. Dollar, Post Chaplain  
Catholic Services  
Chaplain Patrick J. Toomey  
9:30 a.m. Sunday: Mass.  
Protestant Services  
Chaplain C. C. Dollar  
11:00 a.m. Sunday: Morning worship.  
7:00 p.m. Sunday: Evening worship.

**HEBREW SERVICES**  
8:30 p.m. Friday.

**MEN'S CLASS**  
W. I. Pratt, Teacher  
Meets at 9:45 a. m. Sunday in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer. Non-denominational.  
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
316 North Lorraine  
Rev. J. E. Pickering, Pastor.  
9:45 a.m.: Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.: Worship hour. Sermon topic: "The Church - The Bride of Christ."  
6:30 p.m.: Youth Fellowship.  
7:30 p.m.: Evening worship. Sermon topic: "The Hope That Is Before Us."

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Main Street and Illinois  
Rev. Vernon Yearby, Pastor.  
9:45 a.m.: Sunday School.  
10:55 a.m.: Morning worship. Sermon: "Grace For The Backslider."  
5:45 p.m.: Training Union.  
8:00 p.m.: Evening worship. Sermon topic: "A W O L."

**FUNDAMENTAL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
502 East Illinois Street  
8:30 p.m.: Sunday radio program.  
10:00 a.m.: Sunday school.  
11:00 a.m.: Preaching service.  
9:00 p.m.: Preaching service.  
9:00 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting.

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# Texas Uptrend In Sports Indicated For Year With Calendar Jam-Packed; Prospects For Expanded Programs

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF  
DALLAS—(AP)—A marked upward trend is indicated for most branches of sport in Texas this year.

## Winter League



Pvt. Luke Appling, Chicago White Sox' 1943 American League batting champion, warms up at Camp Lee, Va., despite weather.

an expanded program with more spring sports than last year.

The amateurs of the AAU and AAF have mapped full schedules. Professional sports probably won't be up to standard, with little boxing in prospect and with few signs that the Texas League will resume operations after a year's lay-off.

Texas League cities were rather optimistic a month or so ago and at a meeting here decided to start up in 1944 if there was enough player talent available. Now this does not appear probable.

War Ended Awaited

One official put it thus: "A quick ending of the war or at least enough progress to forecast an end soon will be necessary before the league can hope to resume operations."

President J. Alvin Gardner will wait until February for the meeting at which a decision will be reached.

John C. Jester of Dallas, a member of the National Advisory Committee of the Professional Golfers Association, instigated a war relief program to include a number of tournaments from coast to coast. This program already has begun on the Pacific Coast and will move south.

In Texas there will be at least one tournament as part of this plan—the Texas Open at San Antonio Feb. 10-13 with \$7,000 in War Bonds making up the prize list.

The U. S. Treasury has given its backing to the national tournament program, Jester said.

George Aulbach of Amarillo, president of the Texas PGA, favors holding the Victory Open again in Dallas. This event last year brought \$3,000,000 in War Bond subscriptions and was one of the major events of the country.

Jester also revealed plans for a match between Texas and Illinois senior golfers to be played at Chicago next June. This resulted from a challenge issued by Chick Evans, noted Illinois golfer, to Jester when the latter was attending the PGA meeting in Chicago last year.

Graham Pierce of Dallas, president of the Southwestern AAU, says there has been a surprising upward trend in amateur sports. He revealed that the basketball and Army centers were showing large increases in basketball and other sports.

Shortage of equipment is a handicap in some sports. Especially is this true for shoes. However, there were large stocks of equipment on hand in most cities before the war started and Pierce thinks everyone will be able to get by for another year or two.

The Texas Amateur Athletic Federation set a slate of competitions in practically all sports at its annual meeting last October. The TAAF saw little activity in 1943.

Winter amateur sports such as basketball and the Golden Gloves are going full blast.

There has been a big revival in professional wrestling with no indication of let-up in 1944.

It looks like a good year in sports.

## Pro Football Tables Plan For Expansion

CHICAGO—(AP)—After scanning the player situation for 1944 and finding an acute shortage, the National Football League was held in Chicago Friday to follow through on expansion plans until after the war.

Club owners unveiled a pile of unfinished business into their brief cases after winding up their two-day winter meeting. Their next stop will be Philadelphia for their spring session April 19. At that time they plan to take some kind of action on the bid for membership by Buffalo, N. Y., to draw up a game schedule for the 1944 season and hold the yearly draft of college players.

Each team will draft 30 campus gridders. Last year's raft of 300 graduates netted only 23 recruits, many of whom entered military service before the season closed.

Foot Full Of Glass Yields Steady 'Crop'

HILLSBORO, TEXAS—(AP)—Just how much glass is there in a bottle, Cpl. Alvis Ballew of Frost, Texas, might ask.

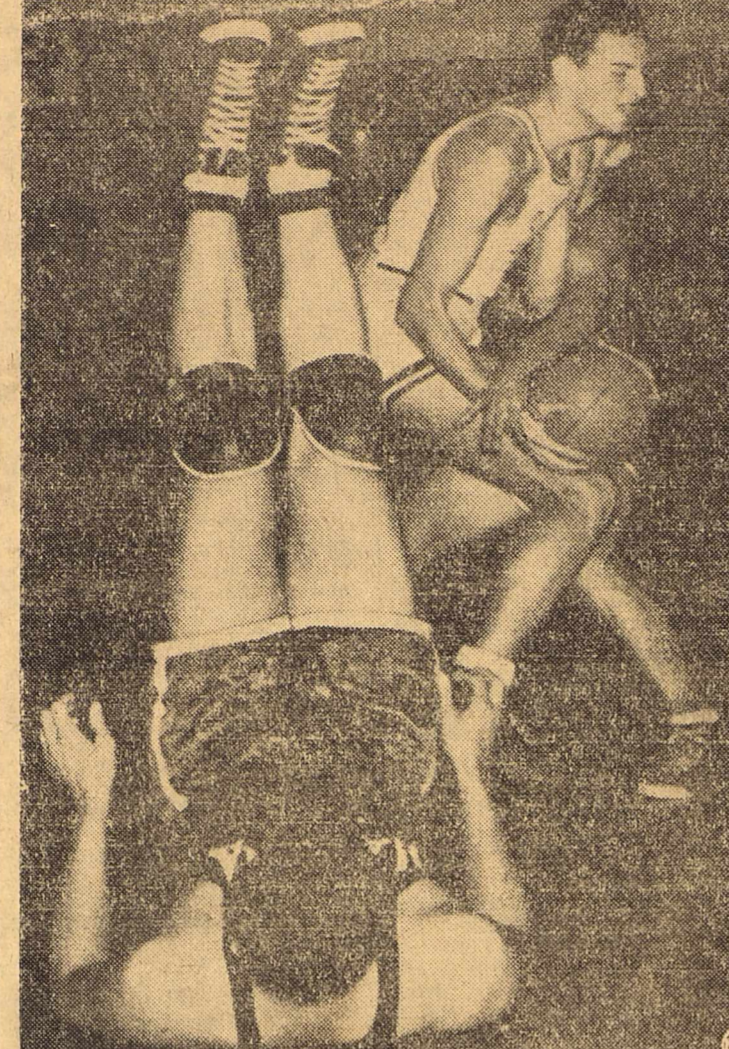
When he was 11 years old he stepped on a bottle, shattering it into many pieces. Several particles were removed from his foot and the wound healed.

But 18 months later glass began working out of the foot and an operation was necessary.

Since then he has been quite active and was a star basketball player. He entered the Army and his foot began giving him trouble. An X-ray showed nothing, but two weeks ago, the scar burst open and four more pieces of glass were removed.

Corporal Ballew, home on a short visit from Great Falls, Mont., hopes this is the end of the bottle.

## Time Out for Calisthenics



Juan Castro takes time out for calisthenics in middle of game with Temple in Philadelphia. Havana forward does shoulder stand following vain attempt to take ball from Marvin Sukonik, who is being guarded by Frederico Lopez. Haballeros are smothered, 43-22.

## Coastal Military Establishments Reduced As Men Moved Overseas

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Military establishments in the coastal areas of the United States are being reduced in order to augment offensive forces overseas, and the Army's Eastern and Central Defense Commands are to be consolidated in a further move to free military forces for combat assignments.

Secretary of War Stimson made these announcements on behalf of both War and Navy departments.

In connection with Army-Navy coastal defense reduction, Stimson said "a considerable number" of units, retained in the coastal areas for training, would be available for coastal defense in case of emergency.

It was noted that the number of installations along the coasts might be reduced, in addition to transfer of personnel from those areas.

Grunt Takes Over

The consolidation of the two defense commands will be effective Saturday, and Lt. Gen. George Grunt, commander of the Eastern Defense Command, will head the consolidated command with headquarters in New York City.

Lt. Gen. Lloyd R. Fredendall, commanding general of the Central Defense Command and the Second Army, will retain his second Army Command with headquarters at Memphis, Tenn.

There was no mention of the First Army, which heretofore has been commanded by the same general who headed the Eastern Defense Command, suggesting the possibility that large numbers of troops which have been stationed along the eastern seaboard may be destined for combat operations overseas.

The new developments were the latest in a series of recent steps reflecting the gradual de-emphasis of continental defense in favor of overseas expansion.

Air Fields Shut Down

Among these have been discontinuance of the civilian aircraft warning service, and the announced closing of 69 Army Air Forces installations in various parts of the country.

Further evidence that the war no longer is expected to hit the continental United States came in an announcement by the War Department and the Office of Civilian Defense that no more practice blackouts and alerts will be held in the interior. Such practices will continue in coastal areas, but only on Sundays.

Recently the nationwide dim-out was eliminated and earlier, the thousands of volunteer airplane spotters were relieved of their duties.

A "coastal area" is defined as all the territory of a coastal state. In this particular order, Pennsylvania and Vermont were included, because of their proximity to the coast, but the Gulf Coast states were not.

## Roosevelt Skips News Conferences

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Roosevelt, largely because of extensive wartime travels and occasional illnesses, apparently has discontinued his schedule of twice-a-week news conferences.

In 1943 he set a new low of 59, thus averaging a little more than one a week.

Presidential news conferences used to be held almost without fail every Tuesday afternoon and Friday morning. The schedule was followed in peacetime even when Roosevelt was traveling.

Only on rare occasions, since Pearl Harbor, have newsmen been allowed to travel with the chief executive.

Since Nov. 9, two days before he left for the war councils at Cairo and Teheran, the President has met with press and radio reporters just three times.

## Eight Teams Are In Tournament Of Bowling League

With eight full teams in the running, the City Bowling League is off to a good start. Play opened Wednesday night.

Sgt. George Seybold rolled a 230 game and Sgt. Ted Dykes came through with a 585 series for first honors in the competition.

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Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Tl.
Grant	126	175	153	454
Weaver	162	139	143	444
Cassidy	171	129	137	437
Dunnann	163	157	160	480
Chambers	138	166	147	501
	810	766	740	2316

SCOTT'S KEGLERS

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Tl.
McAshan	155	141	196	492
Young	160	120	146	426
Scott	119	143	168	430
Harrington	179	130	187	556
Ahlbin	136	145	159	440
	749	738	856	2343

SCHARBAUER HOTEL

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Tl.
Gronnion	197	178	181	556
D. Edwards	153	162	132	447
Scharbauer	172	200	144	516
Crites	170	209	199	578
C. Edwards	190	179	210	579
	882	934	899	2715

SEYBOLD'S HOOKERS

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Tl.
Brown	156	121	132	409
Dykes	205	199	181	585
Connover	141	141	132	384
Seybold	151	156	230	537
Strubling	135	173	164	472
	758	790	845	2393

BOMBARDIERS

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Tl.
Lt. Johnson	136	160	158	454
Lt. Bohl	152	160	130	442
Lt. Berg	80			80
Lt. Licordia	117	129	135	381
Lt. Lindt	179	155	164	498
Lt. Oddo	131	148	279	558
	664	735	735	2134

FIELD NO. 2

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Tl.
Ortman	129	166	174	469
Davis	142	161	174	477
Brown	142	145	120	407
Belin	141	150	164	455
Delabano	128	192	197	517
	632	814	829	2275

MACEY MOTORS

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Tl.
H. Hill	126	119	147	392
M. Hastings	131	99	99	329
E. Darnell	113	138	139	390
A. Clement	127	157	193	477
L. Hall	118	146	175	439
	615	659	753	2027

SHELL

Players	1st	2nd	3rd	Tl.
Boring	142	174	169	485
Stall	141	128	163	432
Allen	134	130	138	402
Harpst	96	142	165	403
McKinnon	145	139	102	386
	658	713	737	2108

## Austin Paralyzed By Big Snowstorm

AUSTIN—(AP)—Austin was paralyzed by one of its worst ice and snow storms in recent years.

Snow which started falling early Thursday totaled five inches and during the night leaved it to make impossible all vehicle traffic.

No buses were operating and the few workers who reached their jobs trudged their way over frozen ground and slippery streets.

Austin has no street cars and depends wholly upon bus and private car transportation. The city has many hills and while these coated with ice very few motorists ventured out with their cars.

The temperature was 23 Friday morning with clearing weather forecast for the afternoon.

WILLIAM C. BURDETT DIES IN NEW ZEALAND

WELLINGTON, N. Z.—(AP)—William C. Burdett, United States minister to New Zealand, died Friday.

Burdett, born at Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 3, 1884, had been in the diplomatic and consular service since 1919. The body was to be returned to Macon, Ga., for burial.

## THE WAR TODAY

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

It begins to look as though the Russo-Polish territorial dispute, inflammable as it is, may in the long run help the Allies to a solution of one of their most difficult problems—that of wiping out the arrogant, swaggering, bullying Prussian militarism which for generations has been the curse of Europe and has helped two world wars within our time.

Much depends on whether the Poles and Moscow are able to get together for negotiations over the new Soviet proposal. News Friday morning from London, headquarters of the Polish government in exile, shows the dispute is balanced on a razor edge.

Russia has offered to negotiate on the basis of the so-called Curzon Line, which roughly is the frontier adopted by the Red Army when it occupied Eastern Poland in 1939. The Soviet intends to keep most of this territory but is willing to discuss some adjustments of the border.

Rods Make Offer To Poles

In addition—and this is where the fate of Prussian militarism is involved—the Russians offer Poland German territory which presumably would include East Prussia and part of Prussia proper—dominant state of the Reich. Now it's interesting—and perhaps a hopeful sign—that Moscow's willingness to see Poland make these annexations coincides with a claim already made by the Polish government. Of course, the Poles also demand return of the area which Russia proposes to retain—but that's another side of the story.

Last autumn Karel Popiel, Polish minister of state, made this statement to an Associated Press correspondent in London:

"All the United Nations agree that the Poles, knowing the Germans better than anyone else, will take part in the obligation of serving as occupation authorities. This will not affect the eventuality of Poland having to bring part of certain German territories within her boundaries."

Must Re-Educate Inhabitants

"Certainly the territories east of the Elbe, the area Germany cultivated for years as a home of the Herrenvolk after trying to displace the Slavonic peoples who formerly inhabited it, must be occupied and its German inhabitants re-educated. (This area comprises a large section of Prussia.)"

"Silesia must return to Poland. East Prussia must be exterminated. It must be part of Poland."

"Extirpation" of East Prussia—perhaps with transfer of all Germans back to the fatherland—would remove one of the running sores of Eastern Europe. It's a hotbed of Junkerism. The Junker belongs to the insufferable "me and Gott" Prussian aristocracy, which believes that the Prussian race was born to rule and has maintained its supremacy with lash and sword.

Elimination of this isolated East Prussian province from Poland's side also would wipe out a cause of constant and dangerous friction between the Germans and the Poles. The position of East Prussia was one of Hitler's excuses for invading Poland.

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## Mother Believes Son In Hospital As Lifeless Body Taken From Wreck

By BETSY ROSS  
Abilene Reporter-News Staff  
Written For The Associated Press

NOVICE, TEXAS—(AP)—The frail, blue-lipped little woman shivered in the sudden gust of wind that swept over the snow-covered Texas plains, and huddled deeper in the heavy Army blanket draped around her shoulders.

"My boy already has been taken to the hospital," she said. "I'm waiting to go there now. I don't know how bad he's hurt."

Mrs. Ed C. Young didn't know that husky Camp Barkeley soldiers who were hacking with pick-axes at the end of a caved-in railway car a few feet away were trying to free the body of her 11-year-old son, Marvin Young. Calm stars twinkled down upon a scene of wreckage and death where two passenger trains crashed.

Marvin had wearied of sitting up in his chair after the long ride from Hattiesburg, Miss. He had decided to help the porter, E. V. Moore of Temple, sweep the car. He had taken a great liking to the porter and the feeling was mutual.

Swift, Grinding Death

And when the playful little lad's life was snuffed out in the body-marring crash, Mrs. Young and another son by a previous marriage, Melvin Riordan, 17, sat a few seats farther from the impact, reading and talking.

Moore said he and Marvin were "talking and laughing when suddenly there was a deafening crash and the next thing I knew both the child and the end of my broom were gone."

The family was en route to Winslow, Ariz., where Mr. Young is an employe of the Santa Fe Railway. The poignant Mrs. Young said: "Marvin is hurt in a train wreck. We got to stay until he gets well."

As she stood in the bone-chilling wind she reiterated she must get to the hospital.

Repeatedly kindly soldiers passing by tightened the blanket enveloping her and her other son, tucking them close.

## Jesse Jones Recovers In Houston From Flu And Accident Injury

HOUSTON—(AP)—Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones, who has been confined to his apartment here since Dec. 23 with the flu and a leg injury, experts to return to Washington shortly, his office announced Friday.

Jones was injured when he was struck down by an automobile. A bone in one leg was broken, the muscles and tissues bruised and the ankle severely sprained.

His injury prevented his making inspections he had planned of operation of numerous war plants in Texas and Louisiana, especially those manufacturing 100-octane gasoline, synthetic rubber and magnesium.

## Stamford College Will Be Rebuilt

ABILENE—Stamford College is to be rebuilt on the McMurry College campus. At a recent meeting in Munday, representatives of Methodist churches of the Stamford district voted unanimously to assume the district's project, in the McMurry College's \$1,750,000 endowment and building campaign, the erection of a Stamford College Memorial building.

A definite building has not been selected as yet for the memorial, but one of the buildings now planned will be designated as the Stamford Memorial Building and its erection will be financed by the Stamford district and exes of the college.

Stamford College, a predecessor to McMurry College, opened in 1907 and was in operation until 1917. The main building burned in the spring of 1917 and the college did not reopen in the fall.

## ICE STORM IN PALESTINE

PALESTINE, TEXAS—(AP)—A severe ice storm spread through the Palestine section Friday, breaking many trees and communications lines. A snow rain froze as it fell.

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## Freak Storm Sweeps San Antonio Region

SAN ANTONIO—(AP)—A freakish storm which sidestepped more northerly Texas cities brought snow and below-freezing temperatures to this part of Southwest Texas Friday morning. At 3:30 a. m. an inch and a half of snow had fallen, more was falling and the temperature stood at 28.

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