

SECOND U. S. FORCE HITS LUZON

President Roosevelt Presents Congress With 83-Billion-Dollar Budget

Seventeen Per Cent Drop Foreseen In Fiscal Year's Output Compared With 1945

By MAX HALL

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt sent to Congress Tuesday an 83 billion dollar budget that might swing more than 10 billion dollars up or down.

It all depends on the war—and the President refused to predict when the shooting will stop in Europe or anywhere else.

"My only prediction," he told Congress, "is that our enemies will be totally defeated before we lay down our arms."

At a moment when "fighting all over the globe reaches a climax of fury," Roosevelt sent up his annual budget message for the fiscal year 1946, which starts next July 1.

In it, he estimated total government spending at 83 billions. That would be the lowest in three years. It's nearly 17 billion below the record spending of 100 billion in the fiscal year 1945, which is now half over.

Based On A Guess
He based the 83 billion figure on a guess that the war will require 70 billion dollars. The other 13 billions are for:

- 1. Ordinary government expenses. Those would be reduced from \$3,502,000,000 to \$3,266,000,000, which he called "rock-bottom."
- 2. Three large items which are growing fast—benefits to veterans,

WASHINGTON (AP)—It's going to cost us \$602.20 apiece to finance the war and keep the government going through the year starting July 1.

But we're getting off cheap—the cost this year is \$722.38. The difference is \$120.18.

You get the per capita expenditure by using these figures: census population estimate 138,000,000; government expenditures estimate, \$83,103,000,000 in the coming fiscal year, \$99,638,000,000 this year.

interest on the public debt, and refunds to taxpayers.

Roosevelt said estimates for 1945 war costs have ranged from less than 60 billions to more than 80 billions—depending on various war possibilities.

He hit upon 70 billions as a "tentative" figure, but "the rate of actual spending must depend on developments on the battlefield."

War costs in the present fiscal year are about 80 billion dollars.

No matter what happens—even if Germany fights on for another year and a half—war spending is expected.

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5 More Wildcats Are Due To Start In Permian Basin

By JAMES C. WATSON, Oil Editor

New wildcat tests have been definitely reported in Garza, Scurry, Concho and Pecos counties, and an unofficial rumor indicates that another Ellenburger test is due to start soon in either North Coke or South Nolan.

J. C. Karcher No. 1 Post estate, in Garza County, is reported to have been staked in the southeast quarter of section 7, block 4, K. Aycock survey. This project is due to drill to about 3,000 feet.

In Southwest Scurry
H. W. Snowden No. 1 J. E. Murphy, in the Ira-Sharon Ridge area of Southwest Scurry County, is located 330 feet from south and 430 feet from east lines of southeast quarter of section 121, block 97, F&TC survey. It is proposed as a 3,200-foot cable tool exploration, to start by Jan. 11.

The test will be north of nearest production in the Sharon Ridge pool.

Prospector For Concho
Carl J. Westlund and Charles D. Hagerly plan to drill an Ellenburger prospect in South-Central Concho County, about two and one-half miles northwest of Eden.

Those operators have recently taken a block of about 10,500 acres in that area. No definite location has yet been revealed for the test, but it is reported that drilling will start within 60 days.

In Southeast Pecos
P. E. Clawson, Esq., has filed application with the Railroad Commission to drill No. 1 Jasper County School Land fee, as a 3,100-foot

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GIs Score New Gain In Snow

By JAMES M. LONG

PARIS (AP)—A merican infantry and tanks munched to within a mile of the Belgian road town of Laroche Tuesday in an advance of two miles over a ghostly battlefield piled with four-foot snowdrifts which impeded equally the advance of the German escape.

Three American and one of the British armies steadily were writing off the Ardennes wedge in the grim battle in zero weather.

The distance between the U. S. 1st and 9th Army elements on the north and the U. S. 3rd Army on the south was less than ten miles. Within that deadly gantlet, all raked by artillery, there was only a single good road for German retreat and that was hidden by snow and cratered by shells.

The blizzard, comparable to those on the Russian front, slackened a bit Tuesday, but the snow fell intermittently.

To the south, Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers' Sixth Army group blocked German probing for weak spots in Alsace and Lorraine. At least temporarily, the U. S. 7th Army counterattacks were plugging holes driven by the first fury of the German diversionary attacks on the Alsace plain.

The immediate threat to the French Rhine city of Strasbourg lessened, too, although headquarters said Germans 16 miles or so to the south "continued to be aggressive."

Another diversion in Holland was craved. Britons and Canadians teamed to wipe out a bridgehead across the Maas (Meuse) north of Venlo.

The enemy pulled back 1,000 yards before the British Second Army in the wild, desolate Ardennes country of wooded tracts and steep defiles southeast of Marche at the north-west tip of the Belgian salient, but a spokesman at Field Marshal Montgomery's headquarters in the north said:

"There is no sign of a German withdrawal from the tip, however, and von Rundstedt may only be pulling back to better prepared positions."

Capture Five Towns
General Eisenhower's communique named five towns captured in the shrinking bulge. These were Regne, Sart, Verleumont and Marcourt on the north, and much-swapped Bonnerue on the south. Field dispatches listed others.

It was evident that the Germans (Continued On Page 2)

WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press

WESTERN FRONT—American doughboys advance two miles over battlefield piled with four-foot snowdrifts to within a mile of Laroche; Germans have only a single ice-covered road for withdrawal from Ardennes wedge.

PACIFIC—B-29s bomb Tokyo in daylight as Japanese report second American task force of 150 transports has arrived in Luzon's Lingayen Gulf; Yanks continued air devastation of Luzon; carrier planes hit Formosa and Ryukyus for second time in week.

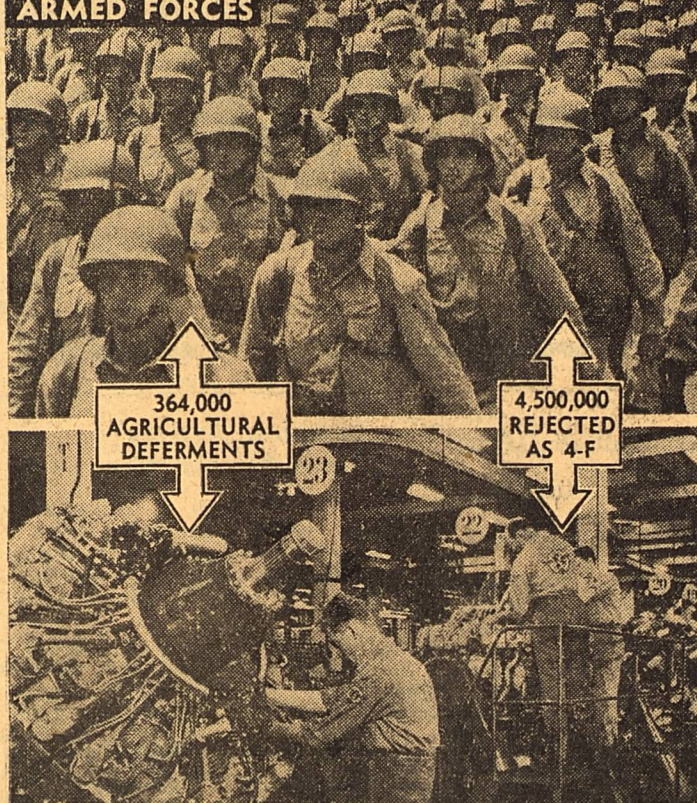
EASTERN FRONT—Russians within gun range of Komarom, communications center northwest of Budapest.

ITALIAN—Germans make stand along southern bank of River Reno after five mile retreat.

FAR EASTERN—Indian troops enter Shwebo, 46 miles from Mandalay.

See Farmers and 4-F's as Manpower Pool

ARMED FORCES



WAR INDUSTRIES

A possible pool of nearly 5,000,000 men lies in the two groups whose draft status is recommended for reconsideration by War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes and House Military Affairs Committee Chairman Andrew J. May. Authorities who urge drafting of 4-F's point out that those unsuited for any military service could work in essential industries, while others, though unfit for combat, might release physically fit soldiers now in non-combatant posts behind the lines or at rear bases.

Anti-Nazi Feeling Building Up May Destroy Germany

By THOMAS F. HAWKINS

BERN (AP)—New and possibly significant signs of Anti-Nazi resistance appear to be springing up in Germany.

Due allowance must be made for the possibility that reports on conditions inside the Reich are colored by German propaganda, but usually trustworthy private channels and German newspaper themselves give this picture.

The Communists are the best organized and the most persistent element working for the overthrow of the Hitler regime. The need for food causes another large group to commit regular subversive acts against the Nazis. Fully Pro-Allied organizations are almost non-existent.

Hit Position Go
The position of the industrialists who accepted and liked Hitler in the beginning admittedly is obscure, but some sources say these businessmen now feel that Hitler and the Nazis must go in the interests of shrewd maneuvering that might bring a peace which would save German industrial production.

Imported slave labor forms the nearest thing to an underground as seen in other European countries. There are rumors that around 5,000 foreign workers are hiding in one forest district south of Frankfurt AM Main, and that they constantly raid village stores and rob farmers. Food rather than politics is apparently the main objective of these bands.

The Communists, although well organized, are few in number. There are said to be not more than 200 in Berlin.

Unverified reports came across the border throughout December of disturbances in the Krupp factories by what is called a Communist Anti-Nazi ring. A number of workers, including some engineers, were said to have been arrested and six executed.

Frank M. Easley Dies Suddenly At His Midland Home

Frank M. Easley, 43, died suddenly at 6 p.m. Monday at his home, 901 North D, of a heart attack. Funeral arrangements await the arrival of relatives. He will be in charge of the Ellis Funeral Home.

Easley was born November 11, 1901 at Antlers, Okla. He came to Midland in 1937. At the time of his death he was a partner in the operation of the Minute Inn.

Surviving are the widow; three daughters; Mrs. Alois J. Bauer, Joan Easley and Evelyn Easley, Midland; one son, Frank Easley of Midland; two sisters, Mrs. Nena Cochran of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Ruby Hendrick of Tulsa, Okla.

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By EDDIE GILMORE

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Police Chief Says Reckless Driving Must Be Stopped

Some teen-age automobile drivers face revocation of their drivers licenses, and their parents who have better than A gasoline ration books probably will find themselves with A books only, unless reckless driving by the young drivers stops, Police Chief Jack Ellington warned Tuesday.

The number of calls to police concerning wild and reckless driving by teen agers is increasing rapidly.

If the teen-agers are caught driving recklessly the OPA ration board will be notified, Ellington said. In addition, the youths' drivers licenses will be cancelled.

The move by Ellington to halt dangerous driving has the endorsement and backing of the Midland Safety Council.

Hearing For McElroy Field On Thursday To Be In Courthouse

The Railroad Commission hearing on various items connected with regulation of production of oil and gas in the McElroy field in Crane and Upton Counties, to be held Thursday, starting at 10 a. m., will be in the County Courthouse on the second floor of the Midland County Courthouse, Ford Pullingim, district supervisor in Midland, for the commission, announced.

The meeting previously was announced for the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer. Change in the place was necessary on account of a prior commitment for use of the ballroom for another meeting.

All three members of the Railroad Commission, and several other executives of the oil and gas division of the organization are expected for the hearing.

Lt. A. D. Bryant Is Prisoner Of War

Mr. and Mrs. Bass Bryant received word Tuesday that their son, First Lt. A. D. Bryant, is a prisoner of war of the Germans. He has been missing in action in Holland since Oct. 27.

The official information came to Mr. and Mrs. Bryant from the International Red Cross. The officer was with the tank corps. His wife and daughter are in Memphis, Tenn.

FATHER SERIOUSLY ILL
Mrs. James C. Watson was called to Rotan Monday night on account of the serious illness of her father, J. R. Green, pioneer West Texas business man and ranchman.

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CONFUSED JAPANESE RADIO REPORTS YANK FORCES WITHDRAWING

By LEONARD MILLMAN Associated Press War Editor

A second American invasion convoy was reported to have joined the assault on Luzon Island's Lingayen Gulf Tuesday as Superforts and carrier planes blasted Japan's Formosa-Ryukyu Island reinforcement line to the Philippines. Other strong B-29 forces bombed Tokyo.

Contradictory Japanese broadcasts reported successively that 15,000 Yank soldiers failed in a landing attempt at Lingayen, 110 miles north of Manila; that 70 bombarding U. S. warships turned and fled; that a "second enemy convoy" reached the Lingayen combat zone and its escorting warships joined the "first enemy convoy" in shelling coastal fortresses.

Tokyo said 150 transports were in the second convoy, more than double the size of the first. A third 150-ship convoy was reported on the way.

Tokyo radio reported U. S. warships which began bombarding Lingayen last Saturday, were slackening their fire, "evidently due to the loss of regular aircraft carriers."

Earlier the Domei news agency said U. S. warships steamed away Monday morning with Japanese planes in hot pursuit. It said some warships were sighted in flames west of Manila.

Japanese propagandists poured out their confusion of reports as Vice Admiral John S. McCain's fast carrier forces combined with B-29s in a day-long raid on Formosa and three of the most important Ryukyu Islands. It was their second strike within a week.

These strikes were in strategic support of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's reported operations on Luzon, shutting off Japanese air reinforcements which might replace those destroyed in a two-day, round-the-clock bombardment of Luzon by U. S. sea-borne and land-based planes.

An early morning Pacific Fleet communique told of the new strike at Formosa, supply point for Japanese armed forces in the Philippines, and major air fields in the Ryukyus, which link Formosa with Japan proper. Carrier pilots swept over Okinawa, Ishigaki, Miyako Jima in the Ryukyus. Okinawa was raided in last week's two-day for-

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Pan-American Clipper Sinks At Port Of Spain

MIAMI, FLA.—(AP)—Pan American Airways reported Tuesday that 23 persons apparently were killed Monday night in the crash at Port of Spain, Trinidad, of a huge Africa-bound clipper.

Wm. Snyder, airlines manager here, said reports from the scene "indicated that 23 of the 30 persons aboard were lost."

Seven of the 30 passengers and crewmen aboard the Miami-to-Leopoldville flying boat are known to be safe.

The 26-ton plane, known as the China Clipper during its early service on the airline's trans-Pacific routes, apparently crashed in the darkness while coming in on a flare-marked area.

Early radio reports to the airline headquarters were indicated the ship broke up and sank. Navy divers went to work in an effort to raise the wreckage.

A full check of the dead awaited completion of the salvage. Since the clipper usually alights at some considerable distance offshore, there was little hope that any of the 15 persons listed as missing had made his way to safety.

Rescued By Boat
The only known survivors were picked up by boat not long after the crash.

Among the missing were missionary, Paul J. Whitlock, 36, of New York, his wife and their three young children.

There were two known survivors from another family of five on the big plane. Charles Donald Williams, 29, of Rio de Janeiro and his daughter, Nancy Lou, 7, were saved.

His daughters, Judith Carol, 4, and Patricia Emily, 2, were dead, and his wife, Margaret Elizabeth, 28, was missing.

The clipper carried a crew of 13 (Continued On Page 3)

Local Ration Board To Be Closed Afternoon

The Midland County War Price and Rationing Board office in the county courthouse will close every afternoon at one o'clock it was announced Tuesday by ration board officials, who said that the closing hour would be continued until further notice.

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Legislature Opens With No Deficit For First Time

By The Associated Press

AUSTIN (AP)—The 49th regular session of the Texas Legislature, facing a long list of problems charged with explosive potentialities, formally convened at 12:05 p.m. today.

Gov. Coke Stevenson has announced he will open the way for emergency legislation providing for long-delayed legislative re-districting, for pay increases for rural school teachers, and for an appropriation for the liquor board which has been operating partly under deficiency financing.

There was a concerted movement also to bring about increased pay for state workers who have gone for many years without raises in the face of sharply-rising living costs.

Now In The Chaps
The 49th Legislature became the first in many years to undertake the job of financing state government without a staggering general revenue fund deficit. There was much advance agitation of the "no new tax" cry that constantly rang through the last session, and demands for cautious spending despite prospects of increased revenue and the surplus in the general fund.

The first 30 days of the session should see a flood of bills, and proposed legislation is already in prospect on these subjects, among others: repeal of the poll tax as a prerequisite to voting; revision of the election laws; revision of insurance regulations in view of the U. S. Supreme Court decision declaring insurance to be interstate commerce; judicial re-districting; proposing elimination of some district judgeships; submission of a constitutional amendment prohibiting closed shop contracts and demands for repeal of labor regulatory legislation; new chiropractic regulation; broadening of the unemployment compensation statutes.

ROME (AP)—After withdrawing five miles from San Alberto in the past two days, German forces have made a stand along the southern bank of the River Reno east of the Valli di Comacchio lagoon, Allied headquarters announced Tuesday.

BERN (AP)—Anti-gas drills apparently deliberately performed in view of Swiss observers by German workers on Rhineland fortifications revived gas warfare speculation Tuesday.

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The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.—Psalms 19:7.

Uniform Air Laws

The 44 state legislatures meeting this month and next will have before them three bills of national importance. They are the proposed uniform air laws which have been drafted by the National Association of State Aviation Officials and the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers, after consultation with the Civil Aeronautics Administration.

The bills are titled the State Aeronautics Department Act, the State Airports Act, and the State Airport Zoning Act. Their general purpose is to avoid, before postwar flying expansion begins, the mistakes and federal-state conflicts which have plagued other forms of transportation in the past.

Under the first act, the CAA would still make the regulations governing the competency of flyers and airworthiness of planes, as it does now. But the registration of federal licenses and the enforcement of the uniform regulations would be in the hands of the states. By this act the states would adopt regulations consistent with the federal rules, and would define their rights to establish and maintain airports, and to finance and otherwise assist development by the states' political subdivisions.

The State Airport Act would give the states a uniform law generally concerned with federal aid, financing and taxation of state, county and city airports. The State Zoning Act would protect planes, pilots and passengers from such hazards as high tension wires and tall buildings in the immediate vicinity of flying fields.

These proposed laws are the result of careful study and the consensus of many minds. And they seem commendable for a variety of reasons. Perhaps the most important is that their passage would avoid the creation of another great bureaucracy in Washington.

It is not extravagant to predict that a half million airline, private and commercial planes may be flying American skies before many years have passed. The intricacies of licensing and regulating them will require a large force which might more safely and practicably be distributed among the several states.

The present CAA requirements for pilots and planes have worked out successfully. But a state government cannot enforce federal laws. So, if air control is to be decentralized, it will be necessary to duplicate these requirements in state laws and assign enforcement to the states.

It is true that some legislatures have a touchy feeling about "federal dictation." But it seems to us that in this case the "dictation," endorsed by several state governments, is beneficial. To combat it would be a disservice to the states as well as to the country as a whole.

OPA Anniversary Broadcast Will Feature Fred Allen

Chester Bowles, and possibly President Roosevelt himself, will be heard in the third anniversary broadcast of the Office of Price Administration in a skit written by Robert E. Sherwood, to be presented over the Blue network Wednesday evening at nine o'clock, it was announced Tuesday by the Midland War Price and Rationing Board.

Commissioners Hold Initial Session

The Midland County commissioners court met Monday in its first session of the new term and results of the school election held December 30 were canvassed by the court. Salaries of county officials, and employees for the year were set and other routine business transacted.

West Elected Chairman Of Texas Democrats

WASHINGTON—(P)—The solidly Democratic Texas delegation in the House Monday selected Rep. West Chairman for the next two years and made plans to hold executive luncheon sessions on the second and fourth Wednesday in each month.

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Oil Supply Firm To Open Midland Branch

D. D. Burcher of Houston arrived in Midland Tuesday to arrange for opening of a district office and warehouse here for the Oil Field Tool and Supply Company of Houston. Burcher will be district manager in charge of the business in this area.

He is seeking office and warehouse space here for the company.

Livestock

PORT WORTH—(P)—Cattle 2,500; calves 1,700; steady; good and choice fed steers and yearlings 13.00-14.50; common to medium 9.00-13.00; good beef cows 10.50-11.50; medium butcher cows 9.00-10.00; good and choice fat calves 12.50-13.50; common and medium 8.00-12.25; stocker calves and yearlings 8.00-11.50.

Hogs 14.00, steady; good and choice butcher hogs 13.00-14.50; sold at ceiling 14.55; good and choice 15.0-17.5 lb. 13.25-14.45; sows 13.50-18.00.

Sheep 3,000; fat lambs strong to 25 higher, others unchanged; good and choice fat lambs 14.00-25; medium grade 11.50-13.00; medium to good yearlings 10.00-11.50; slaughter ewes 4.75-6.50.

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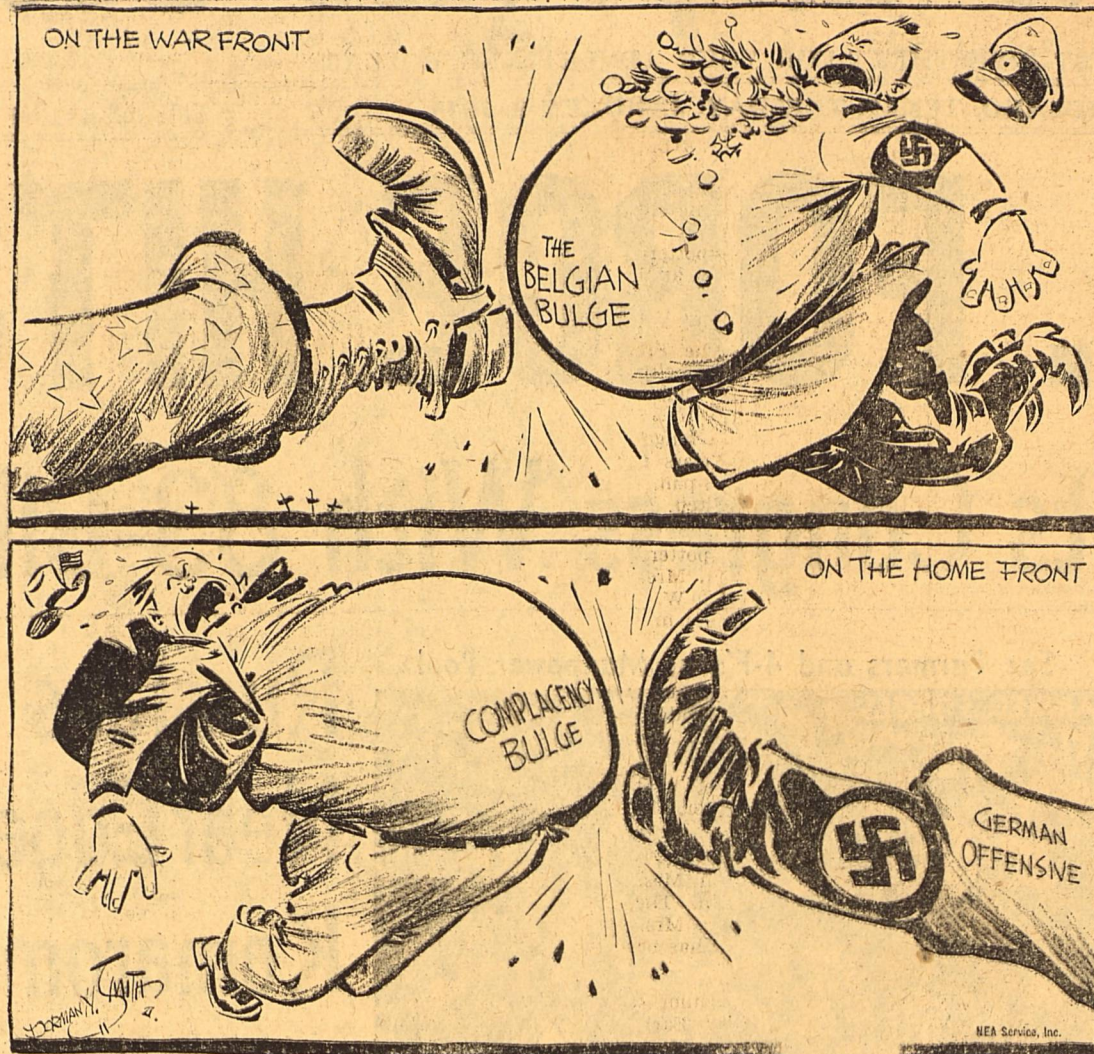
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More Wildcats -

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cable tool wildcat in Southeast Pecos County, about 41 miles southeast of Fort Stockton. Location is to be 1,900 feet from west line and 7,806 feet from south line of east-half of the Jasper County School Land survey, which is not numbered, but is immediately north of block 1,000, EL survey.

Strictly A Rumor
According to an unofficial, and unverified report, Warren Petroleum Corporation, Tulsa, likely is planning another Ellenburger test along the common boundary line of Nolan and Coke counties.

The report is that 6,700 feet of 5 1/2-inch casing has been unloaded in that area by the Warren concern, and this indicates the company may try again to develop commercial production in that district.

During 1943 Warren drilled No. 1 Fowler to the Ellenburger and had interesting shows of oil, but it also had considerable water and operator was never able to make an oil well of the indications.

No. 1 House Is Cased
Blackwell Oil & Gas Company No. 1 House, Northwest Kent County wildcat, is reported to have cemented a string of 5 1/2-inch casing at approximately 7,779 feet, in line, and was preparing to perforate and test opposite at least three sections which had shown some signs of oil, while drilling was in progress.

Frontier Fuel Oil Corporation No. 1-A University, section 35, block 13, University survey, wildcat project two and three quarter miles southeast of the nearest production in the Fullerton field in Northwest Andrews County, cemented a string of 9 1/2-inch casing at 4,533 feet, over a total depth of 4,600 feet, and was due to drill ahead as soon as the cement cured.

Superior Oil Company and Wiggins and Hyde No. B-1-A University, section 12, block 1, University survey, in Southwest Reagan County, was drilling ahead, past 10,114 feet, in fractured Ellenburger dolomite.

No top on the zone has been reported by the operator. A core at 10,098-114 feet, recovered nine feet of fractured dolomite, with no shows of oil or gas, and with no water indications.

Continental Oil Company No. 1-D Walton, section 20, block 77, psi survey, on southwest side of the Keystone - Ellenburger field, in North Winkler County, was coming out with packer after taking a drillstem test for 45 minutes at 10,300-480 feet. No recoveries from the investigation had been reported. The Texas Company No. 1 Hart,

Tuberculosis Group To Work For Better Hospital Facilities

A committee to represent the Midland County Tuberculosis Association was appointed Monday night at a meeting of the organization to work with other organizations toward obtaining a hospital for Midland. Dr. R. W. Harris, president, announced Tuesday.

Members of the committee are Mrs. Addison Young, Mrs. R. E. L. Taylor, Mrs. Ruby Devereux, H. S. Forester, John J. Redfern, Jr., and Doctors J. A. Olean, L. W. Leggett and Harris.

To Have Training School
The suggestion was made at the meeting a nurses' training school be constructed in connection with the hospital which would serve the entire Permian Basin area. The suggestion was adopted by the group.

Attention of the members was called to a bill before congress which, if passed, might result in the Federal government paying as much as 50 per cent of the cost of such a project as a postwar project.

Members of the association instructed its hospital committee to confer with other groups working for a hospital here.

Redfern reported on the Christmas Seal campaign and announced contributions were more than \$3,700.

section 2, block 114, GC&SF survey, one mile southwest of production in the Fort Stockton field, in West-Central Pecos County, was to core ahead from 2,850 feet, in shaly sand, after having a ten per cent recovery on a core at 2,800-50 feet, with two feet of the specimen showing an odor of oil.

Texaco No. 1-B Fraser, section 31, block 45, TP survey, T-1-S, in West Ector County, was to drill ahead after taking a ten-minute drillstem test at 8,073-8,150 feet, and recovering 30 feet of drilling mud with no shows.

Sun Oil Company No. 2 Keystone, section 8, block B-7, psi survey, North Winkler County wildcat, swabbed down to 4,000 feet from surface, on a drilled out total depth of 10,365 feet, and started to recovering salt water with a show of gas.

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Seymour Arrives From Pacific War

T/Sgt. Joseph A. Seymour Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Seymour Sr., arrived in Midland Monday after serving 27 months in the South Pacific with the Marine Corps.

He entered the Marine Corps in July 1941. Seymour is a graduate of Midland High School.

Connally Added To Roosevelt 'Cabinet'

WASHINGTON—(P)—President Roosevelt called Congressional leaders to the White House Tuesday for a discussion that presumably included international issues.

He added Chairman Connally (D-Tex.) of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to the usual list of Vice-President Wallace, Vice-President-elect Truman, Speaker Rayburn, Senate Majority Leader Barkley and House Democratic Leader McCormack.

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mosa strike which heralded intensified activity in the Philippines.

Details Unknown
Details were not available, indicating the strike was continuing. Japanese army headquarters on Formosa reported 450 carrier planes attacked the islands for nearly ten hours, beginning at dawn and continuing until late afternoon. The Nipponese communique claimed 11 raiders were definitely shot down and four probably.

Superforts from China hit Formosa while B-29s from Salpan bombed Tokyo. A Japanese imperial communique said 60 Superforts came over the imperial capital in waves in mid-afternoon.

A new flood of Tokyo broadcasts did not repeat previous stories of U. S. landing attempts in the Philippines, but told of American convoys of more than 210 transports and 20 carriers, plus uncounted warships en route from the Marianas and New Guinea.

Japanese propaganda broadcasts reported that a U. S. invasion force "estimated to be approximately one division strong" had been dealt a "staggering blow" in "attempting to land" at Lingayen Gulf, invasion gateway to Manila.

Nevertheless Japanese propagandists were obviously worried as to where Gen. Douglas MacArthur's major blow would fall.

Domel news agency indicated some concern about the destination of a convoy southwest of Luzon, reportedly carrying three American divisions.

Two Days Unchecked
In 48 hours of unchecked operations over Luzon, Navy and Marine planes from McCain's carrier force, and Army Philippines-based bombers and fighters blasted airfields on either side of Manila, destroyed at least 140 planes, sent Nipponese shipping fleeing into the China Sea, raised havoc with Japanese communications and established a blockade against potential air reinforcements from Formosa.

Associated Press War Correspondent Rembert James reported from McCain's flagship that the "enemy clearly was evacuating all sizable shipping from the island's harbors." With hunting limited, carrier airmen sank three sizable ships and 11 small craft. Twenty-two others were damaged.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz disclosed that he conferred in the Philippines two weeks ago with General MacArthur. The two previous meetings of these ranking commanders were followed by the invasion of Hollandia, New Guinea, and MacArthur's northward strike toward the Philippines.

MacArthur announced that Australian and New Zealand troops have relieved American soldiers in the Solomons, New Britain and New Guinea, where tens of thousands of Japanese have been cut off. The

Allies -

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were at least thinning out their salient at the western tip of the bulge, even though there was no sign of a general retreat. There was evidence that the Germans were preparing a stand near St. Vith, four miles from the German border.

That Belgian road center of 2,450 was in artillery range from Wanne, ten miles northeastward. The nearest approach to Larouche (pop. 1,128) came in a drive south of Marcourt, where savage resistance was encountered. Numerous enemy pockets remained to be cleared in and around the town.

The celebrated 82nd Airborne Division drove down the west bank of the Salm River to just opposite Vielsalm in a fighting comeback over country it held against the first onrush of von Rundstedt's December offensive.

Toughest Assignment
The 82nd had been ordered back by Montgomery early in the counteroffensive to maintain the line from which the present counterdrive was sprung. Officers and men of that division, which had never before known retreat, said that the withdrawal order was the hardest they ever carried out.

On the southern flank, elements of Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's 12th Army Group dropped back a mile on a three-mile front west of Bastogne under pressure of two German counterattacks involving 23 tanks and assault guns. The disputed ground had been won by Lt. George S. Patton's Third Army the day before.

The Third, however, finally cleared Bonnerue, six miles east of St. Hubert, which changed hands twice Monday. The Nazis infiltrated back into the village of Tillet and were fighting to hold it.

The Germans tried also to get into Millomont between Tillet and Bastogne by similar tactics and, failing, lashed out with an attack led by tanks. Up to dusk last night, 12 of the 23 tanks had been destroyed and the battle continued.

Cotton

NEW YORK—(P)—Tuesday noon cotton prices were 10 to 25 cents a bale higher. March 22.15, May 22.17, July 21.91.

Yanks, now available for duty in the Philippines, left the southern islands secretly last November.

More Rooms Are Needed Now For Combat Veterans

The need for renting spare bedrooms in Midland is more acute now than ever before, and the situation is becoming more serious day by day. Paul McHargue, president of the Chamber of Commerce, said Tuesday.

Each day more veterans of combat are reporting for a refresher course at the Midland Army Air Field, and most of the airmen bring their wives with them.

"Surely these men who have spent months in combat duty overseas are entitled to have their wives with them during the few weeks they spend at MAAF," McHargue declared.

The Chamber of Commerce office is crowded almost daily with veterans, who have returned from overseas, seeking lodgings. Many of them are forced to sleep in cars or in chairs in hotel lobbies.

Hotels Are Crowded
A. C. Hefner, manager of the Scharbauer Hotel, reported a greater demand for rooms than ever before.

"We try to do everything possible to take care of the returning overseas veterans for a few days while they attempt to locate permanent quarters, but it is an impossible task to take care of all of them," Hefner said.

"Now is the time for patriotic citizens of Midland who have spare bedrooms to list them at the Chamber of Commerce," McHargue said. "Let us show the veterans we appreciate the splendid job they have done overseas, and let us make their brief stay here as pleasant as we possibly can."

DEMOCRATS MEET

DALLAS—(P)—The first meeting of the State Democratic Executive committee since the November general election will be held in Dallas Wednesday, Harry L. Seay, State Democratic chairman said.

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Society

Roy De Wolfe Plays Selections For St. Anne's Altar Society

Roy De Wolfe, well-known Midland musician, presented "Nocturne In C" by Kahler, "Valse Brillante" and "Libesfreud" by Kreisler at the Monday meeting of the St. Anne's Altar Society which met with Mrs. Paul Schaefer, 804 West Kansas. Hostesses were Mrs. C. L. Chase and Mrs. J. E. Beckey.

Mrs. J. A. Morehouse opened the meeting with a prayer. A business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Paul Schaefer.

The refreshment table was decorated with pink camellias. Mrs. Chase played selections on the piano for the refreshment hour.

Attending were: Mmes. G. E. Sweeney, A. Morehouse, C. P. Yaden, J. W. McMillen, Earl J. Moran, Robert Lynch, Henry G. Krauss, T. J. McGuire, R. T. Kelly, Mary Ungerman, C. L. Mallon, Ralph Geisler, John W. Sabo, Jr., J. C. Underwood, Jr., Leo Gallagher, J. T. Hensy, W. E. Fox, L. A. Monroe, E. E. Borenst, Hugh Munn, J. H. Chapple, J. E. Beckey, Mrs. Allen Tolbert and the Rev. Father Frank Triggs.

630th AAF Band Will Give Music Program

The 630th AAF Band of Midland Army Air Field will present a musical concert under the direction of W/O Charles Charkins at the Post Service Club Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m.

Opening number on the program is "The Air Corps Song," which will be followed by "Brokenshine," "The Glory of the Trumpets." Next on the program is "American Fantasy" by Tobani featuring the works of Stephen Foster. The band will then play "College March" (Illinois Loyalty) by Guild, the Leiden arrangement of "I'll Get By" and Panella's "On the Square." Dave Rose's "Holiday" for "Strings" and Raymond Scott's "Power House" will precede the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner" which will ring down the curtain on the evening's music.

Mmes. Adams, Moseley Give Dorcas Class Pancake Breakfast

Mrs. Elmer Adams and Mrs. J. H. Moseley gave a pancake breakfast Monday for the Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church in the Moseley home, 1106 West Indiana.

Members of the class attending were Mmes. R. K. White, T. P. Davis, L. L. Jones, J. P. McElowney, R. L. Denton, Clifton Hobbs, L. E. Slagel, Wilma Austin, A. A. Jones, A. Wakefield, E. R. Powell, Otis James, S. I. Marsh, G. F. Chaney, M. U. Bagwell, I. E. Whitehead, Bert Cole, Jr., and Miss Alta Merrill.

Home-On Furlough

Seaman 2/c Copper Daugherty is home on furlough after finishing his ten weeks boot training.

OBTAIN MARRIAGE LICENSE

A marriage license was issued Monday at the office of County Clerk Susie G. Noble for Walter Don Martin and Virginia Louise Shepherd.

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MRS. Y. D. McMURRY IS HOSTESS TO ESTES PRESBYTERIAN CIRCLE

The Estes Circle of the First Presbyterian Church met in the home of Mrs. Y. D. McMurry, 409 North D, Monday afternoon for a business meeting. Plans were made for the "week of prayer and self-denial for foreign missions." Mrs. J. M. Devereux, chairman, was in charge of the business meeting, and Mrs. Walter Anguish conducted the lesson.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Devereux, Anguish, A. E. Lynch, E. C. Hitchcock, B. B. Huffell, Jack Wilkinson, W. E. Gilmore, Frank Stubbeman, Richard Peters and N. B. Winter.

HELEN SHARP IS NEW BROWNIE IN TROOP 14

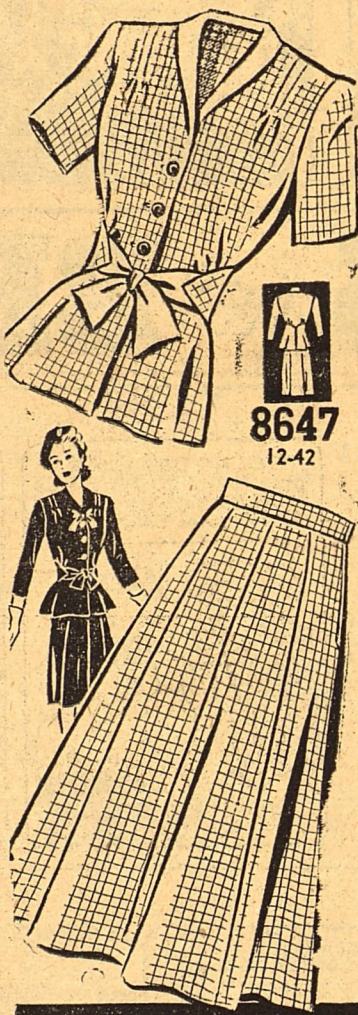
Helen Sharp was welcomed as a new member into Brownie Troop 14 in its first meeting of the new year, Monday afternoon at the Trinity Episcopal Church. The group sang songs and practiced the singing games. The members of the troop will present individual talks on Benjamin Franklin at the next meeting.

Brownies attending were Judy Cole, Carolyn Leggett, Juanda Bradshaw, Helen Zant, Rosemary Gaffney, Mimi Speed, Margaret Pool, Retta Hazlip, Peggy O'Neal, Betty Sue Crump, Gwendolyn Campbell, Helen Sharp, and the leaders, Mrs. Sherwood O'Neal and Mrs. John E. Gaffney.

Visits With Parents

Weldon E. Carden Seaman 2/c is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carden, 608 South Lorraine. Seaman Carden has completed his boot training in San Diego, and is awaiting further orders.

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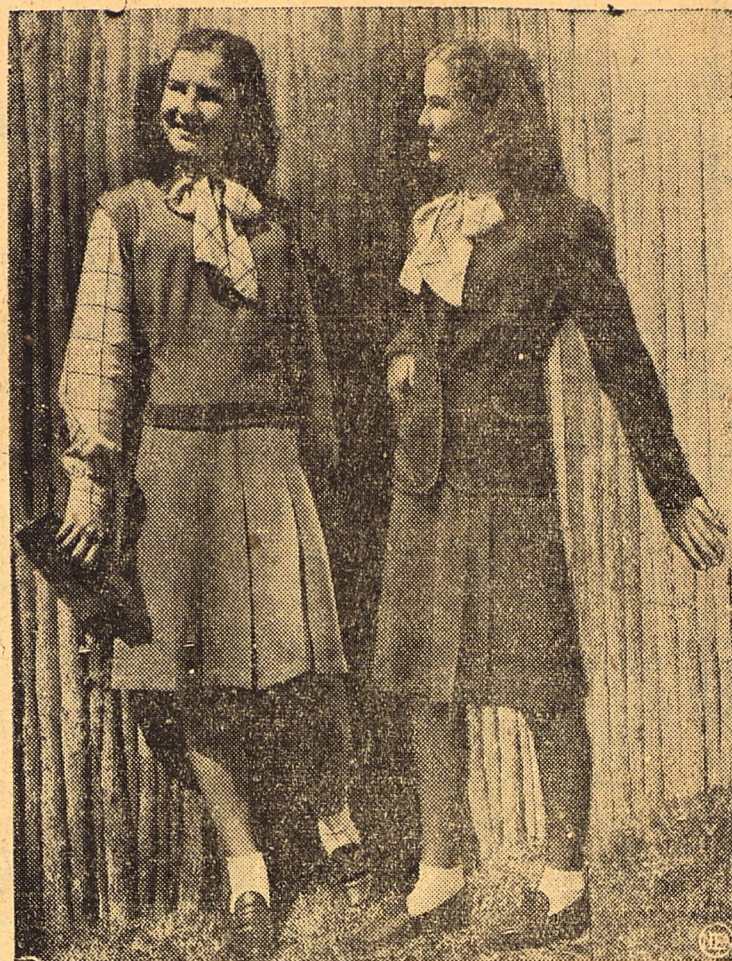


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JUNIOR JUGGLING ACT



By EPSIE KINARD

NEA Staff Writer

NEW YORK—The juggling act put across by girls with interchangeable clothes, to make a few pieces seem like more outfits, is booked for shopping tours of home-for-the-holidays collegiates.

To show you how the tricks work, take a look at two of a series of interchangeable junior team-mates, shown above. Basic pieces in both pictures are a cherry-colored woolen skirt and a rayon blouse in background beige, plaided with cherry and purple. For costume variety, a girl can add a cherry-colored woolen jacket, as is shown at the left, or she can switch to the purple woolen blazer at the right.

From that point, she can go on an ad infinitum switching to a team-mate waistcoat for another kind of top; to a pair of color-correlated slacks for still another casual costume.

Episcopalians Make Arrangements For Parish Dinner Here

The Woman's Auxiliary of Trinity Episcopal Church met with Mrs. C. P. Butcher, 904 W. Tennessee Monday and made plans for a parish dinner January 16 in the Education Building of the First Methodist Church.

Mrs. A. T. Barrett led the group in the Lord's Prayer. In the business meeting, Mrs. John P. Butler, and Mrs. B. K. Buffington were elected delegates to the annual Convocation in Lubbock January 20-21. Mrs. Felix Ankele and Mrs. C. L. Griffin were elected alternates.

Members attending the meeting were Mmes. Felix Ankele, Louis A. Bartha, A. T. Barrett, John P. Butler, B. K. Buffington, Griffin, W. B. Harkrider, Paul Kohn, R. E. Kinsey, N. B. Larsh, J. P. Ruckman, R. E. Gile, J. M. Shipley, and W. A. Yeager.

Clipper -

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for the 7,000-mile flight to the Belgian Congo, a route opened only last September.

Capt. C. A. Goyette of Miami, assistant pilot of the airlines Latin-American division was the skipper. He was one of the survivors.

Known Dead

The airline reported that the crewmen known dead were Capt. L. W. Cramer, a pilot, and T. J. Fleming, radio operator, both of Miami.

Known to be safe among the crew members were Capt. C. A. Goyette, Capt. S. K. George, and J. W. Morse, operations engineer, all of Miami.

Missing crewmen, all of Miami, were Capt. E. A. Kerry, pilot; A. Moore, navigator; W. A. Koser, flight engineer; J. Folsom, flight engineer; O. L. Olsen, radio operator; A. Reyes, steward, and A. Azavedo, steward.

Unreported passengers included: Edward Thomas Kenney, 39, communications superintendent of Parair do Brazil, Rio de Janeiro and San Francisco.

Webster Homer Rowell, 27, of Berkeley, Calif., and his wife, The Rowells were on their way to Rio de Janeiro, where Rowell is connected with the airline.

The United States maintains 345 consulates in foreign countries in normal times.

VEHICLES IN NORMANDY

There were more vehicles in the American sector of the Normandy beachhead than in the average-sized American city.

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Coming Events

WEDNESDAY—

The Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church will meet at 2 p.m. in the church for "Visitation Day."

Spotters Group Bowling Club will meet at the bowling alley at 3 p.m.

The Progressive Study Club will meet with Mrs. E. A. McCullough, 103 Club Drive, at 3 p.m.

A bingo party will be held at the Officers Club at MAAF Wednesday at 8 p.m. All officers and wives are invited.

Spotters Group One will meet with Mrs. J. Norman Goodman at 1206 W. Kentucky, Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

The Modern Study Club will meet with Mrs. B. W. Reecer, 501 N. Marlenfield, at 3:15 p.m.

The Woman's Study Club will meet in the home of Mrs. R. L. Miller, 911 W. Michigan, at 3 p.m.

The Fine Arts Club will meet with Mrs. L. G. Byerley, 1802 W. Wall. The meeting was announced as at Mrs. J. Howard Hodge's home, but has been changed.

Junior Canteen hostesses will be Mrs. Earl Chapman from 5 'till 6, and Mrs. E. W. Statton from 7 'till 9.

LOTS OF WATER

One day's consumption of water in the wartime steel industry is 4 1/2 billion gallons, enough to supply a city of 4 1/2 times the size of New York.

al Building of the First Methodist Church.

The Grace Lutheran Young People's Society will have a meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Synatschek at 8 p.m.

Mrs. S. I. Catalani and Mrs. C. W. Allen's group is responsible for the rolling of bandages at the Salvation Army USO at 9:30 a.m. All wives of military personnel are invited to help.

Junior Canteen hostesses will be Mrs. L. L. Butler from 4 to 6, and Mrs. E. R. Osburn from 7 to 9.

THURSDAY—

The Midland Garden Club will meet at 10 a.m. with Mrs. Frank Stubbeman, 1502 West Texas. New officers for the new year will be announced.

Girl Scout Troop 8 will meet at the Presbyterian Church at 4 p.m.

Junior Canteen Hostesses will be Mrs. Ellis Conner from 4 'till 6, and Mrs. M. T. Hartwell from 7 'till 9.

The Rev. Paul H. Cox will present a talk on "A Preacher Looks At Books and Reading" over KRLH at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY—

Belmont Bible Class will meet at 3 p.m. in the Scharbauer Education-

Norther Hits Eastern Part Of State Sending Mercury Into Twenties

By The Associated Press

A dry norther swept into Texas Tuesday with freezing weather extending from the Panhandle to Waco in Central Texas and through North and East Texas.

The coldest spot was Wichita Falls which had a temperature of 22 degrees. Pampa was the next coldest with 24 while Lubbock and Clarendon showed 25 and Amarillo, Dallas and Fort Worth registered 27.

Other Temperatures:

Ahilene 28, Austin 35, Big Spring 29, Waco 32, San Angelo 33, Palestine 30, Lufkin 32, Midland 32, Wink 29, Guadalupe Pass 34, Alpine 33.

Much warmer weather prevailed in South Texas with Brownsville reporting 51 degrees, Houston 40, and San Antonio 44, and the cold wave did not extend into the far west where El Paso reported 42 degrees.

Congress -

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"It is highly debatable that any action the Senate might take now would strengthen the hand of the President." Nevertheless, Senators Hatch (D-NM) and Ball (R-Minn) are continuing efforts to line up adherents behind a proposed affirmative declaration of foreign policy by the Senate.

Russian Lease-Lend

Russia will not receive civilian capital goods on straight lend-lease, says a Washington Lend-Lease official. Under consideration by the Kremlin is an American proposal that Soviet acquisition of goods with long-range civilian as well as immediate war uses be financed through a system of lend-lease credit. After a lapse of several months the Soviet has not accepted or rejected this proposition, designed to bridge the gap between shipments of strictly military goods and those which have a partial or mainly civilian use.

Nine hundred eighty communities expended a total of \$38,518,194 for recreation in the United States and Canada in 1939.

Stanolind To Erect Five Houses Here

Construction of five modern, three-bedroom houses here for the Stanolind Oil Company was started Tuesday by the A. & L. Housing & Lumber Company. The houses will cost from \$7,500 to \$8,000 each and will have asbestos siding and asbestos roofs.

All will be doubly insulated and have oak floors and floor furnaces. Building permits were obtained Tuesday.

The new houses, which will be occupied by Stanolind employees, will be located at 810 W. Missouri, 1600 W. Missouri, 1802 W. Missouri, 311 N. C. and 1011 W. Michigan. Each will be landscaped.

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The WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED

WHEN NEW YORK WAS YOUNG
IT snowed heavily on the night of the fourth day of December of the year 1750. On the morning of the fifth Major Lawrence walked to his office.

He wore a plum-colored square-cut coat which reached to his knees and flared out from the waist downward. His knee breeches were of black broadcloth. His vest, or doublet, was of dark yellow silk with flowery designs on it. There were lace ruffles on his shirt front and at his wrists. He wore a three-cornered cocked hat. At his side he wore a sword, buckled around his waist, beneath his coat. As a protection from the weather he carried over his shoulders a whittle or shawl.

The Major was an importer; he had correspondents in the West Indies, and on the African coast. From the islands of the West Indies came molasses (to be made into rum), raw sugar, and various tropical fruits. From the coast of Africa his ship brought slaves—not to New York, but to South Carolina—for at that period black slaves had become so numerous in New York that their prices had collapsed and the trade in them was no longer profitable.

He did not have much to do at his place of business on this snowy day, so he returned home shortly after noon and had his dinner. As soon as the meal was over he went into his library, leaving word that he was not to be disturbed by anyone, as he had much work to do. He remembered suddenly, however, that this was the fifth of the month, so he turned to Dykins, his man servant, and said, "That does not apply to Miss Fraser. If she comes bring her in at once."

THE Major had no work to do in the library and Dykins knew it. His seclusion for two or three afternoons a week on the pre-

tense of attending to his personal affairs was one of the polite fictions of the household. He was accustomed to spend these quiet afternoons in pipe smoking and reading, or in playing solitaire. Sometimes he would take a nap on the sofa.

In the course of the afternoon the Major would do a good deal of drinking. On this wintry day a fire of cedar logs blazed in the huge fireplace. In that era grates were unknown, so the fire was laid directly on the square stones that formed the surface of the hearth. Above the fireplace there ran across the chimney a thick, heavy mantel. At each end of it stood a candle in a silver candlestick.

The Major and his wife had a handsome and valuable collection of silverware which they kept in a locked closet on the second floor. In colonial times banks did not exist in America, and the unnecessary amount of silverware in the homes of the well-to-do took the place of bank accounts. It could always be turned into money quickly.

Besides the bookcases filled with solemn-looking tomes the library contained the Major's desk, a mahogany table, a sofa covered with flowery designs, and six chairs.

THE desk was so typical of the 18th century that it might as well be selected, as the most representative piece of furniture of that era. It was the kind of desk that was used by Washington, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Jonathan Edwards and thousands of lawyers, doctors and men of business. It was narrow and tall. The writing surface was hardly wide enough for two sheets of paper. The upright portion rose to the height of about six feet. It had glass doors and several shelves for papers and books and drawers in the lower part of the desk which could be locked. The materials for writing lay

in a recess on the same level as the writing surface. There was an ornate inkwell of brass, a metal holder containing three goose-quill pens, and a silver shaker of fine sand to be used in blotting the freshly written sheets. Blotting were unknown and sand was used instead.

On the finely polished mahogany table in the center of the room stood a bowl of long-stemmed pipes, a silver tobacco box, and a large candelabrum with branches for six candles. Also a flint-and-steel fire-maker, which was used occasionally for lighting pipes when the candles were not yet lighted and there was no fire on the hearth. The fire-maker consisted of a piece of flint held immovably in place by metal prongs. The flint could be struck by a hammer like that belonging to a musket, by cocking the hammer and pulling a trigger. The spark, thus created, fell into a little metal box filled with cotton, or lint, or fine wood shavings. The smoker then transferred the burning lint to the bowl of his pipe.

DYKINS knocked at the door, opened it a few inches and peeped. "Miss Fraser has come," he said. "It was then about 3 o'clock."

The Major replaced the book he was reading and took another from a bookcase near at hand. He had been reading Aphra Behn's novel, *The Nun, or the Perjured Beauty*, and the book he took in its place was Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress*. He did not consider the glibly and flamboyant Mrs. Behn's piece of fiction amusing, and after all Miss Matilda Fraser was a teacher of young girls, so he thought it better, as a matter of policy, to have her find him engaged in a more serious occupation than the reading of a trashy novel.

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY
America's Card Authority
Mrs. R. C. (Sally) Young of Philadelphia and Mrs. A. M. (Helen) Sobel of New York City are still the two outstanding woman bridge players of the world and when you pair them together, you have a difficult combination to beat, so I was not surprised to see them again win the Women's National Team of Four Championship at Atlantic City. Mrs. Young is a very keen and

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5♠	Pass	6♠	Pass
6♠	Pass	7♠	Pass
Double	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening—♠ K. 9

deceptive bidder and player. North's bid of four diamonds in today's hand is made to show no losers so Mrs. Young, being quick on the trigger, bids five clubs to lead her opponents into thinking that she is void of clubs and, therefore, if they get too high, a club opening may defeat a grand slam. Now, of course, she lets the opponents go merrily on their way to six spades and when she bids seven diamonds, which is a sacrifice bid, the opponents do not dare go to seven spades. While they do defeat her contract three tricks doubled, the loss only amounts to five hundred points, which is a lot less than letting them make even a small slam.

Standing Committee Appointments Are Highlighting Opening Sessions Of Stormy 49th Texas Legislature

By DAVE CHEAVENS
AUSTIN—(P)—Behind the scenes dickering that ultimately will emerge with the answer to the question of how Gov. Coke R. Stevenson's appointments fare in the Senate overshadowed interest in the formalities of opening the 49th regular session of the legislature Tuesday. The formalities of starting the session at noon were just that. There was no contest for speakership of the House, which Rep. Claude Gilmer of Kerrville had in the bag. Sen. George Moffett of Chillicothe was most often mentioned as the man who will be named president pro tem of the Senate.

Prestige At Stake
But in the Senate, where Gov. Stevenson's prestige is at stake especially on the matter of appointments to the board of regents of the University of Texas, his friends were lining up their forces. Stevenson himself was still not ready to announce his appointees for three places on the board.

Thus the University of Texas controversy that was climaxed with the discharge of President Homer P. Rainey and the resignation of three regents is already being felt in the legislature. Sharing interest with it was the outlook for a battle over labor union regulation. This was emphasized by Monday's United States Supreme Court decision invalidating a section of the Manford-Bridgers union regulation bill that emerged from the last session after a stormy course. Plans to legislate further to regulate labor, and demands for repeal of the labor union regulation law, have already been announced.

Not Yet Ready
Lt. Gov. John Lee Smith, whose duty it is to name members of

Belk Believes Worker Shortage Will Remain In Critical State

AUSTIN—(P)—For many more months Texas will be confronted by a difficult war manpower shortage, according to C. E. Belk, state director of the War Manpower Commission. In a formal statement Belk warned against over-optimism about the betterment of production schedules in Texas which show only 35 contractors currently behind schedule as compared with 84 behind schedule on Nov. 15. "The situation in Texas is still extremely serious, and the trend indicated by increases in production schedules and construction for new war plants to be located in Texas, means that for many more months to come Texas will be confronted with a difficult manpower problem," Belk said.

Not Due To More Help
He explained that betterment of production schedules was not due primarily to additional help. Factors such as the increased effort of workers themselves to step up their rate of production, cooperation of mayors and county judges to stop the flow of war workers back into smaller communities, and refusal of employers to hire male workers except through the employment service, have all helped. Belk said that a 40 per cent increase in volume of traffic through U. S. Employment Service offices throughout the state in response to the Byrnes order and Gov. Coke Stevenson's appeal for voluntary cooperation with WMC regulations is responsible for a major share of the reduction in plant production lags.

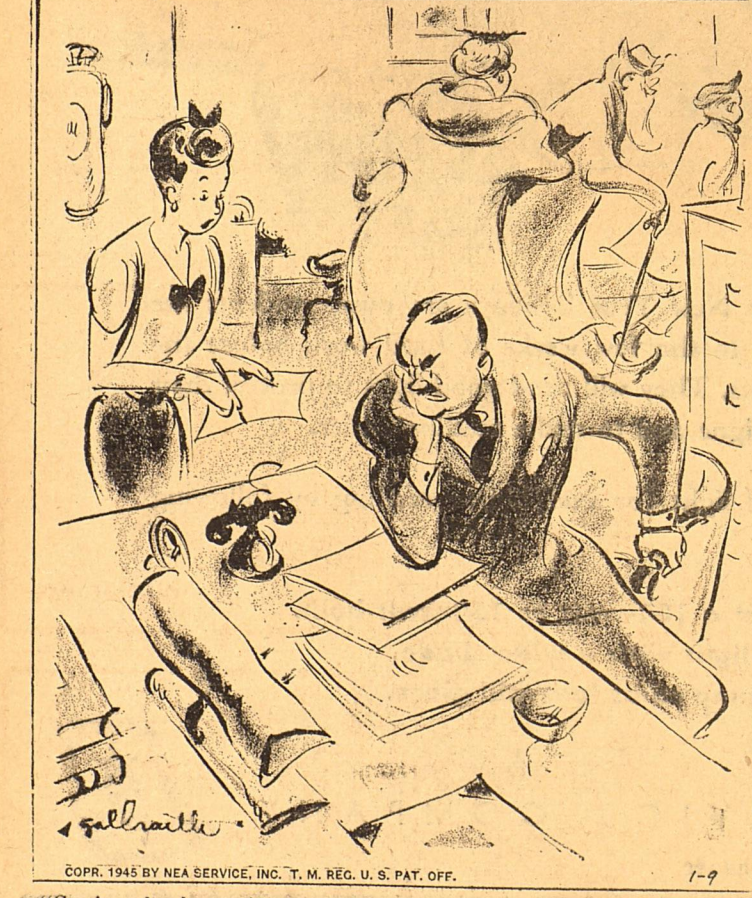
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Stenographer Shortage Hits Legislature

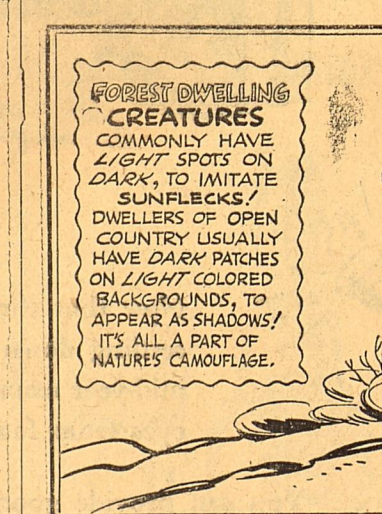
AUSTIN—(P)—Stenographers with their own typewriters were in demand by the 49th Legislature Tuesday, because of the scarcity of available machines. Several of the members played hunches and even brought their own machines to town with them. Others were beating the bushes in the state departments. This typewriter scarcity was an added wartime worry for legislators, many of whom were still having difficulty in hurrying the housing shortage. "Teen-age page boys for a time promised to present a critical manpower program until a patriotic appeal to youngsters to 'make application for this position and receive pay while learning how the state government functions' brought in enough recruits."

HOLD EVERYTHING
I only had a short furlough—just enough time to meet a gal and get married!

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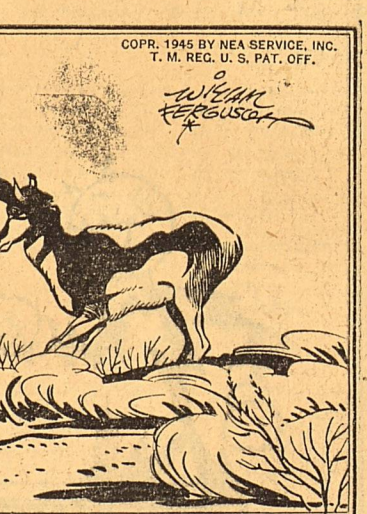


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By William Ferguson



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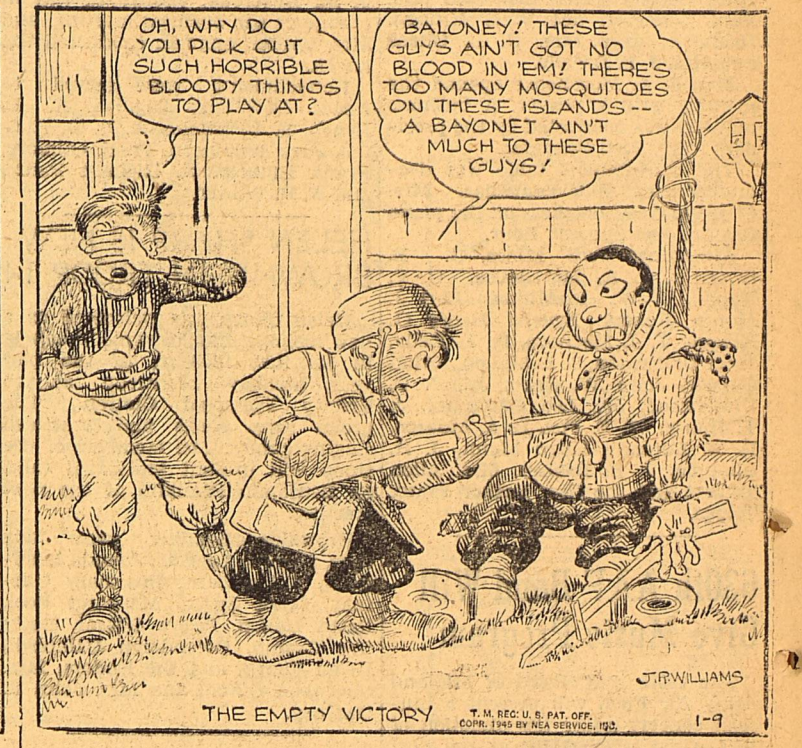
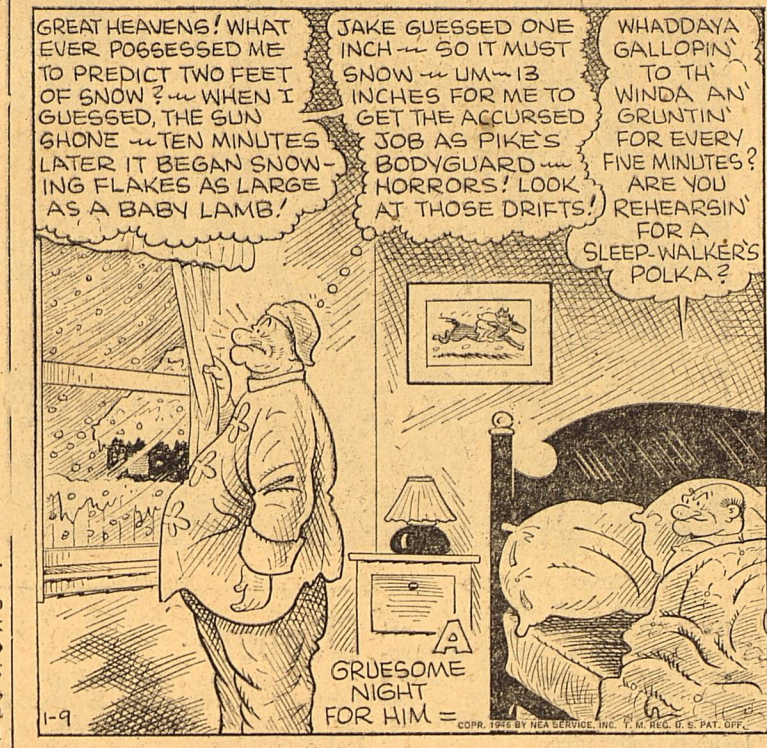
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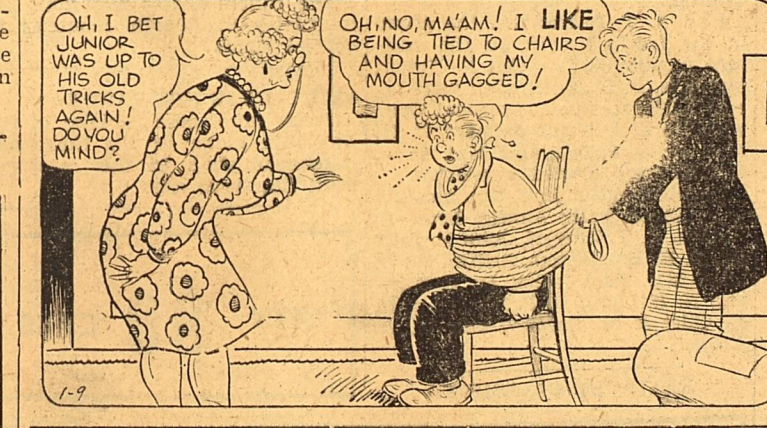


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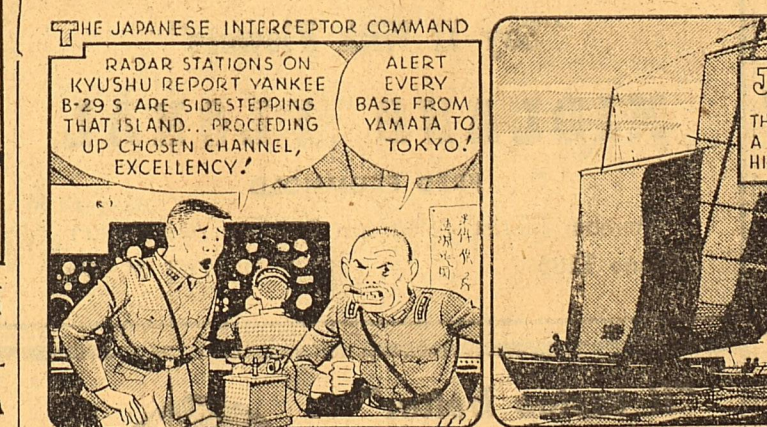


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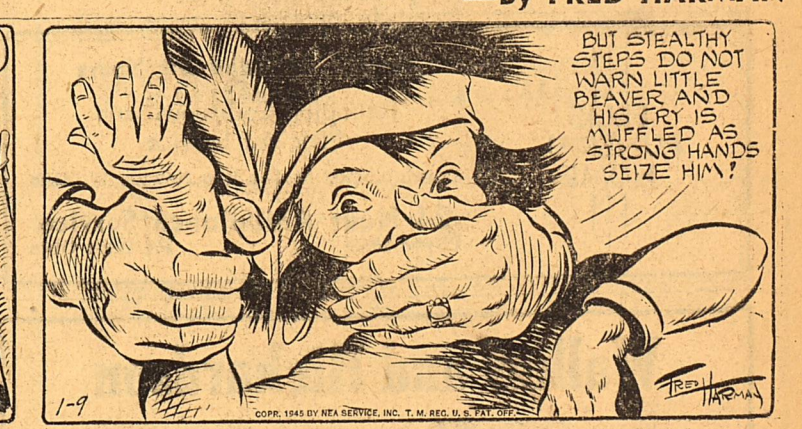
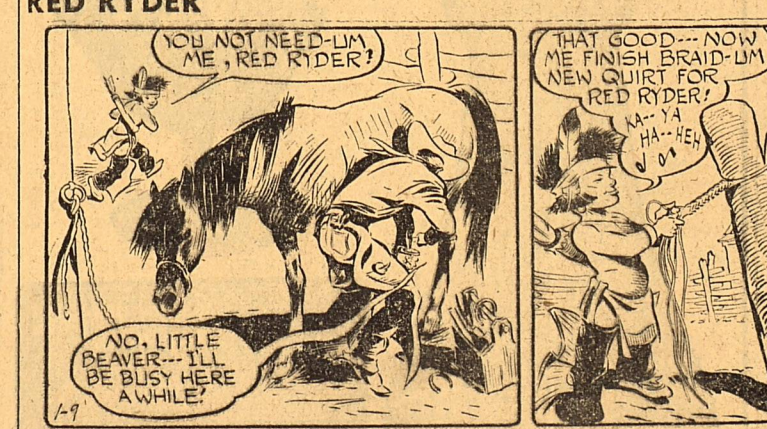
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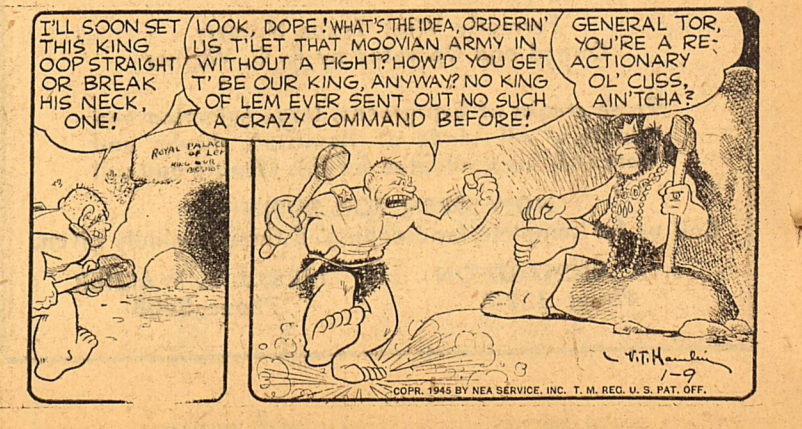
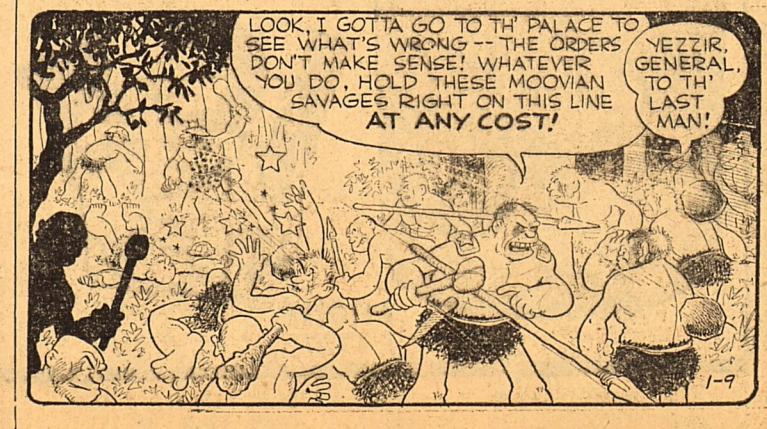
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Good Things to Eat 4

FRESH EGGS for sale at 707 S. Weatherford. (259-4)

PLENTY Winesap, Delicious and Roaming Beauty apples, also Maryland sweet potatoes. 400 East Florida, Garden City Highway. (259-3)

Lost and Found 7

LOST—Brown and black rat terrier, answers to name of "Poochy." Reward. Mrs. Crabtree, 102 South Marienfield. (261-2)

LOST—Ladies pink horn rim glasses. Phone 747-W. (261-3)

FOUND—Red Pekinese dog. Identify, pay for ad. Phone 144-J. (260-3)

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Help Wanted 9

WANTED—An experienced checker or one who wants to learn. — Fashion Cleaners. (257-6)

GROCERYMAN wanted at B & B Food Store. (256-1f)

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WAITRESSES wanted. Apply Scharbauer Coffee Shop. (120-1f)

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WANTED—Experienced stenographer, prefer one familiar with oil business. Also experienced bookkeeper. Carl E. King Drilling Co., Eastham Bldg., Phone 2164. (259-3)

WANTED—Dish washer from 7 a. m. to 3 p. m. Park-Inn Cafe, West Highway. (259-3)

ALTERATION woman wanted. — Fashion Cleaners. (259-6)

WANTED: Boys or girls, sixteen years of age, men or women for day messenger duty. Good salary. Apply Western Union. (260-6)

Situations Wanted 10

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RENTALS

Bedrooms 12

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Farms for Rent 19

FOR LEASE—200 acres grass, 140 acres in cultivation and 20 head of cattle to sell. See H. E. Benton two miles east of Cloverdale. (259-3)

Wanted To Rent 21

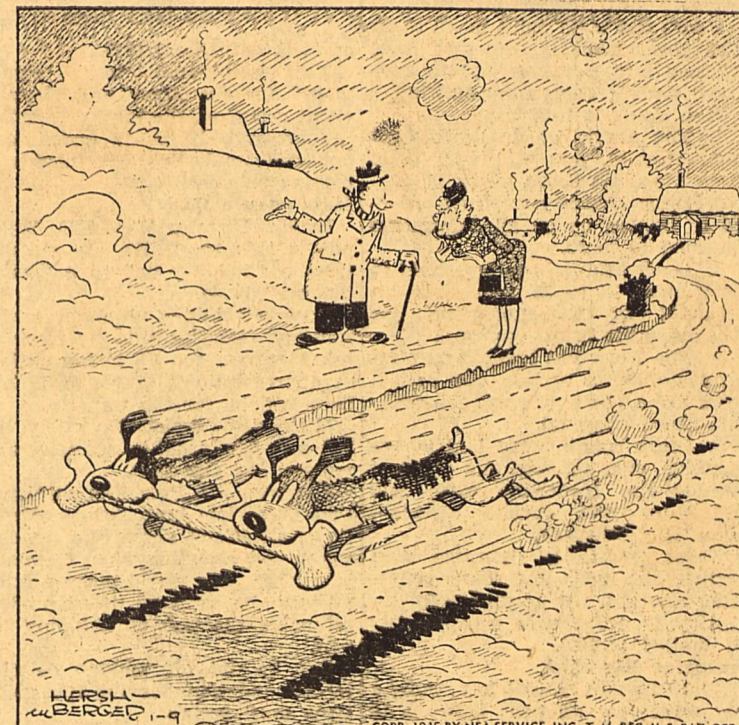
WANTED: Unfurnished 4-rooms or larger for civilian workers. Permanent. Phone 1433-W or 900-483. (259-6)

WANTED—Room or apartment, prefer apartment. Lt. Abraham, Buckner Hotel. (258-6)

WANTED—Room or apartment for officer and wife. Phone 9526. — Mrs. Blythe. (258-6)

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FUNNY BUSINESS



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Wanted To Rent 21

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FOR SALE

Household Goods 22

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ALMOST new coil bedsprings for sale. Also porcelain top kitchen cabinet. Phone 2314-J. (261-3)

MISCELLANEOUS 23

MANS bicycle for sale, like new—\$35.00. Phone 1672. (259-3)

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Machinery 33

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FOR SALE—F-12 tractor, complete equipment. 1 1/2 miles N/W of golf course. Jeff Langston. (259-3)

Livestock and Poultry 34

DEAD animals wanted for gunpowder. Free pickup service day or night. Call collect 484, Big Spring Soap Works, Big Spring, Texas. (134-121)

JERSEY cow with young calf for sale. 802 S. Connell. (259-3)

Pets 35

FOR SALE: Two male Cocker Spaniel puppies. Phone 1359. (260-3)

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AUTOMOBILES

Used Cars 54

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Motorcycles 56

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REAL ESTATE

Real Estate Loans 60

IS THERE A DEBT ON YOUR FARM OR RANCH? If so see your nearest National Farm Loan Association about the new Long Term, Low Interest rate on Federal Land Bank loans. You may save many dollars each year on reduced interest rate. Stanton-Midland NFLA, Stanton, Texas. (242-30)

Houses for Sale 61

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Legal notices 68

NO. 1092 ESTATE OF MARY L. QUINN, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that letters of independent administration upon the Estate of Mary L. Quinn, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 20th day of November, 1944, by the Court of Midland County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby requested to present same to me within the time prescribed by law. My postoffice address is Midland, Texas. (Signed) Paul J. Reiger, Independent Executor of the Estate of Mary L. Quinn 12/19-26-1/2-29

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FOR SALE—Furnished 5 room modern house. 900 W. Kentucky. No telephone calls. (261-3)

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Lots for Sale 62

LOOK—A few choice lots FHA approved, restricted district. All city conveniences available. Close in. Phone 823. (259-3)

Farms for Sale 63

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FOR SALE by owner—135 acre stock farm. 48 acres in cultivation, 10 acres orchard, balance good grass and timber. Five room modern house, electricity, butane gas, windmill, good water, good barn, outbuildings. Creek through pasture. Just off Highway 80, six miles west of Weatherford. Price \$6,500. E. H. Berdine, Rt. 5, Box 51, Weatherford, Texas. (259-3)

Real Estate Wanted 67

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Temperature Hits Freezing Mark Here

The temperature hit freezing in Midland again Tuesday when the mercury fell to the 32 degree mark at 8 a. m. The decline of the mercury started at 7 p. m. Monday when the thermometer registered 70 degrees, maximum temperature for the day. Monday's maximum held from 2 to 7 p. m.

WINFREY HAS NEW CANE

AUSTIN—(P)—Rep. Jo Ed Winfrey of Houston, whose collection of canes and walking sticks continually amaze house members, showed up for the 49th general session with a cane made of the backbone of a shark, which was sent to him by his son from Trinidad.

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Finland President crossword puzzle grid and clues. HORIZONTAL: 1 Pictured Finnish president, Baron Carl Gustaf. VERTICAL: 1 Greater quantity. 2 Era. 3 Compass point. 4 Revere. 5 Multitude. 6 Cloth measure. 7 Ailing. 8 Letters. 9 Type of molding. 10 Far. 11 Peel. 12 On top of. 13 God of love. 14 Horsemen. 15 Seas. 16 Roster. 17 Dispatch. 18 Domesticated. 19 Public notices. 20 Exclamation. 21 Symbol for samarium. 22 Meadow. 23 Universal language. 24 Be quiet! 25 From. 26 Rough lava. 27 New Mexico (ab.). 28 Church part. 29 Transaction. 30 Interpret. 31 Substitutes. 32 Be unsuccessful. 33 Existence. 34 Former Russian ruler. 35 Either. 36 Therefore. 37 Palm lily. 38 Steel. 39 Wand. 40 Pitcher. 41 Cupola. 42 Lamprey. 43 Narrow inlet. 44 Health resort. 45 Addend.

Basketball Rules This Year Will Have Spectators On Ears Greater Part Of Season With Many Changes

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
Associated Press Sports Editor

DALLAS — (AP) — A prediction: There will be an uncommon number of arguments over basketball this season—especially among the fans. Reason: It's almost impossible to get a rule book and without one a lot of folks won't know just what's going on.

For instance, they'll wonder why a guy isn't put out when he has four personal fouls, why subs run in and out at will and why the giants don't camp in front of the basket and rake the ball off the rim like you would peas off the plate.

Rule Changes—
There have been four important rule changes.

Now you have to get five personal fouls before you are thrown off the court. A coach can send in a man any time and as often as he pleases. Goal-tending has been made virtually null and void. And the only time a ball can be returned to

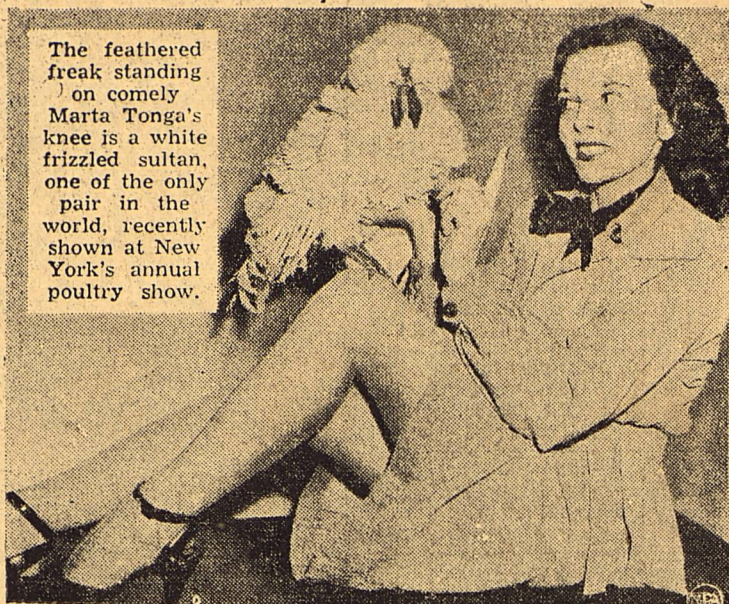
back court is after a tie-up or it is thrown in from out of bounds.

The Foul Rule
Purpose of the foul rule change is partially for the benefit of the crowd and partially for the players. How often have you gone to a game and seen the star of a team sent to the showers because he set a fast and terrific pace in an effort to roll up a lead and in so doing committed four personal fouls? Now he will have another chance although, if there is an overtime period, he won't get an additional foul as in the past.

Goal-Tending—
Officials who worked the Oklahoma City all college tournament declare goal-tending has been stopped under the new rule that says a defensive player can not touch the ball after it begins its downward flight toward the basket until it has hit the basket or backboard or definitely has fallen short on the way to the goal. If the ball is going up it may be slapped aside.

Violation of this rule means two points for the team that threw the ball.

Rare Beauty Out on a Limb



The feathered freak standing on comely Marta Tonga's knee is a white fringed sash, one of the only pair in the world, recently shown at New York's annual poultry show.

Sgt. Davidson Rated Fort Bliss' Hottest Bowler In Many Years

When the Fort Bliss five-man bowling team invades Camp Maxey, Texas, on the eighteenth of January in the Eighth Service Command Army Service Forces titular tournament, much of its success will hinge on the form of Sgt. William Davidson of Midland. The Midland citizen showed his class in the recent qualifying test when he turned in the highest individual total of 894 for the five games.

Sgt. Davidson was affiliated with the Wes-Tex Food Stores in Midland before he entered the service. He came to Midland from Eldora, Iowa. He is well known in Midland bowling circles, having competed in several leagues there during his civilian days.

American Legion Selects Markers For New Highway

AUSTIN—(AP)—The American Legion Memorial Highway committee has selected the design of markers to be placed on U. S. Highway 80 from El Paso to a point east of Marshall.

The committee, meeting with Julian Montgomery, chairman, viewed a number of designs submitted by M. B. Hodges of Austin.

Three monuments will be erected along the course of the highway which was dedicated by the State Highway Commission to veterans of World War II. The monuments will be placed at El Paso, Abilene, and at a point near Marshall.

Seventeen Promotions Announced At MAAF

Sixteen first lieutenants and one second lieutenant were promoted to captains and first lieutenant respectively on orders received from the War Department, it was announced Monday by Post Headquarters.

The new captains are: Gerald A. Wakefield, George C. Schwalle, Fred W. Curie, Cecil La. Dunsire, James T. Woodall Jr., William L. Fehon Jr., Melvin M. Kindy, Ernest P. Mayben, William E. Norris, Rex O. Biddy, James G. Willis Jr., Edroy C. Plom, James A. Todd, Hugh R. Harrison, Henry A. McEnroe and James R. Otto.

Second Lieutenant Samuel S. Balaban was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant.

Moffett Advocates New State Aeronautical Engineer Appointment

AUSTIN—(AP)—In anticipation of major aviation development in Texas and in line with a federally-sponsored program, Sen. George Moffett of Chillicothe has announced he will sponsor legislation to establish the post of state aeronautical engineer.

The measure would correlate highways and airports and other aviation facilities which may be constructed in this state under the federal program. Duties of the aeronautical engineer would primarily be in an advisory capacity with the state highway.

Oil Production Shows Slight Decline

TULSA, OKLA.—(AP)—United States crude oil production declined 37,000 barrels daily in the week ended January 6 to 4,677,350 barrels daily, the Oil and Gas Journal said Tuesday.

Kansas output fell off 41,200 barrels daily to 229,900; Louisiana, 1,000 to 359,650; Michigan, 4,700 to 49,250; the Rocky Mountain area, 200 to 124,350; Mississippi 3,000 to 49,700.

Texas production increased 8,750 barrels daily to 2,120,350; Oklahoma, 1,200 to 361,200; California, 1,000 to 886,250; Eastern fields, 550 to 63,000; and Illinois, 3,600 to 206,400.

Ike Williams Wins Philadelphia Bout

PHILADELPHIA — (AP) — Lightweight Ike Williams, fresh from Monday night's 12-round decision over Willie Joyce, is setting his sights on an April title bout with Jan Zurita, NBA champion.

Connie McCarthy, Williams' manager, said the bout, promised the winner of Monday night's bout by Promoter Herman Taylor, has been tentatively set for the first week in April here and will run 15 rounds.

Country Club Will Elect New Officers

Officers for the year are scheduled to be elected at a meeting of stockholders of the Midland Country Club at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, W. C. Chancellor, president, said. The meeting will be held at the club house.

Chancellor urged a full attendance of the stockholders as other business than the election of officers is scheduled to be brought before the meeting.

There are more than 2000 honey-producing plants growing in the United States, providing bees with a large variety.

Government Swinging Big Stick Over 18-38 Age Group Mainly To Force Workers Into Essential Industry

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON — (AP) — Are you confused by all the noise over manpower, 4-F's, war production and the new draft regulations? Here's the main point in all of it: The government is trying to force workers into war jobs and to keep those already there from quitting. It is doing it this way:

1. The Army, which didn't want men over 30, now will take them from the draft board up to 38.
2. Draft boards have been ordered to tighten up on all deferments for men 18 to 38.
3. Draft boards have been told to draft men 18 to 38 who leave an essential or war-supporting job without draft board approval.
4. The Army has lowered its physical standards to take for special work 4-F's who quit a war job without board approval.
5. Draft boards were told to re-examine men rejected for physical defects—the borderline cases and not those with obvious defects—since last February.

These physically defective men include the 4-F's and those others who, although not as physically defective as 4-F's, were capable only of limited service.

Swinging Big Stick
Thus the government has swung a big stick over all men between 18 and 38. Getting men for the armed services is only a small part of the general fuss. The draft boards can get them.

To understand how this has developed, go back to last May.

At that time, because the armed services had been built up to peak strength or near it, draft calls were drastically reduced. From then on the Army needed only replacements and it wanted the youngest men.

So draft boards were told to concentrate on men 18 through 25, to take men 26 through 29 only when needed, and not to touch the over-30 men if they were in essential jobs.

This was working so well that in July and again in September Selective Service officials said the policy would stand for the rest of the war unless there were "unforeseen military reverses."

Meanwhile, some men over 30, beginning to feel secure from the draft, hopped around from job to job or went into unessential or less essential work.

Our war in Europe bogged down. Manpower began to be needed badly for some kinds of war production.

Ordered To Tighten Up
And on Dec. 11 SS Director Hershey told draft boards to tighten up on deferments for men over 30 and not to permit job shifts unless they were for the good of the war effort.

Thus once more, just as it did before last May, the list of men eligible for the draft extended all the way from 18 to 38 but one SS official explained:

"This new change—boosting the age limit of draftable men again—might not net many men for the draft but it would tend to keep men in their jobs and that was the purpose of the change."

Then came the mid-December setback when the Germans counter-attacked. That cost us heavy casualties not yet announced.

Perhaps this was the "unforeseen military reverses" mentioned by SS officials in July and September. Late in December the Army upped its January and February draft calls from 60,000 to 80,000.

The total draft calls in those two months—from Army, Navy and Marines—will be somewhere around 115,000.

Perhaps only half that number can be supplied by the boys reaching 18 each month. The rest will have to come from the 1-A pool of men who have no deferment or lose deferment in the months ahead.

Roosevelt —

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ed to drop in fiscal 1946.

This is because "initial equipment" for the Army and Navy is about complete, the huge war building program is nearly ended, and our long supply lines are filled with moving supplies.

Maintenance Back
Budget Director Harold D. Smith put it this way: "We are shifting from a 'building up' to a 'maintenance' basis."

Roosevelt, taking no chances with war uncertainties, said he plans to ask Congress for 87 billion dollars in appropriations, of which 73 billions will be for the war.

If the war develops favorably, the left-over funds will be set aside and reported to Congress.

However, the President cautioned that there has been "over-optimistic speculation" about the possible cut in war spending when Germany is crushed. We would make a great mistake, he declared, if we underestimated the task of whipping Japan.

But he put off making detailed recommendations for war appropriations until spring.

Roosevelt proposed no new tax legislation. But he estimated that under present tax laws, the federal revenue will shrink from \$45,700,000,000 to \$41,300,000,000 in the coming fiscal year.

This is because reduced war spending will mean smaller individual incomes and war profits—and therefore smaller tax payments.

Even with less revenue rolling in, the government will need to borrow 40 billion dollars compared with 51 billion in the present year.

The federal debt, when figured at the ultimate repayment value, is now 239 billion dollars. Roosevelt said it's expected to be 252 billion by July 1, and then rise to 292 billion during the fiscal year.

He added that this will require a further boost in the debt limit which is now 260 billion.

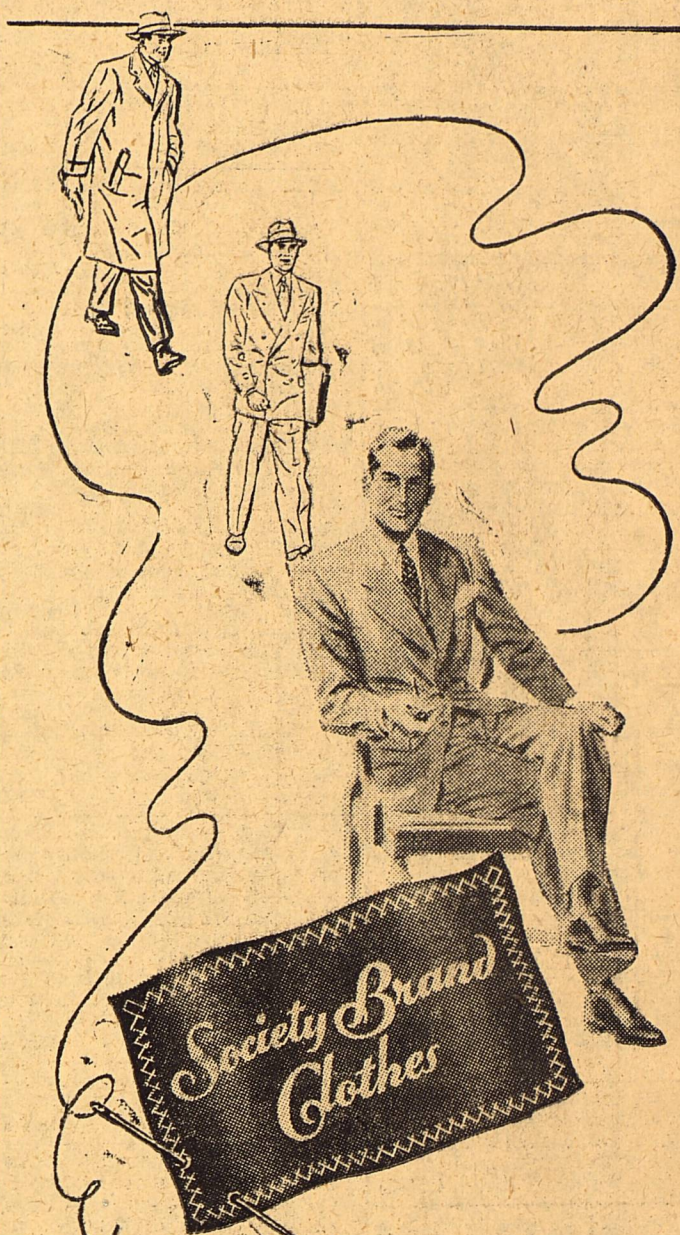
Three "Aftermath" Items
The President laid stress on what he called the three major "aftermath-of-war" items. They are all rising. Here they are:

1. Interest on the public debt. This will be \$4,500,000,000, an increase of \$750,000,000 over the present year.
2. Veterans benefits—\$2,623,000,000, more than twice as much as this year.
3. Tax refunds—\$2,725,000,000, an increase of \$556,000,000. About one billion dollars will go to individuals because the withholding tax will have taken more than the proper amount of their income taxes.

Other individuals will be paying the government for the opposite reason. The rest of the refunds will go to corporations.

In the forefront of the President's proposals for new legislation was a strong appeal to Congress to approve the Bretton Woods agreements. He said it's "imperative" that the international monetary and the international bank for reconstruction and development be established at once. Those two institutions were agreed upon tentatively by delegates from more than 40 nations at Bretton Woods, N. H., last summer.

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MAAF Post Engineers Awarded Bronze Plaque For Safety Campaign

The Post Engineers of Midland Army Air Field were awarded a bronze plaque Monday by Lt. Col. Howard E. Watkins, president of the Ground Safety Committee, for their victory in the post-wide ground safety contest held during the months of October, November, and December. Accepting the prize for the Post Engineers was Major Frank B. Essex, Jr.

Decision as to awards and winners was arrived at by the Ground Safety Committee under the direction of Lt. William R. Galt. The victorious unit won the award for their recognition and correction of safety hazards and for their diligence in preventing accidents resulting in loss of time on the job.

The overall success of the contest in cutting down injuries can be gleaned from the following figures: During the month of December only seven injuries resulting in the loss of time occurred among military personnel; in November there were seven, in October there were eleven, and in September twenty six. Since October 11 there has been no civilian accident.

One of the principal difficulties of the Ground Safety Committee during the first three months of the safety campaign was the "safety cynic," the greatest single menace to effective prevention of accidents. The "cynics" can be divided into three classes. First on the list is the man who takes the attitude that "accidents will happen." He is probably the most dangerous type of all, for he does nothing to avert catastrophe. The second type is the big go-getter, the rough and ready individual who was reared in the school of plenty. To him waste of time and manpower is nothing for he depends on a tremendous reserve. The third type, probably the most common of all, is the individual who believes in accident prevention but does nothing about it.

Having overcome all three types of "safety cynics" the ground safety committee is ready for an even better showing as the contest moves into the January, February, March period.

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Slammin' Sam Snead Cracks 'Gold Dust' Twins' Winnings

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — Slammin' Sam Snead has convinced 'em now he is the boss man of golf in this country.

He drove home the final clincher Monday when he straddled the 19th annual Los Angeles Open with a 72-hole total of 283.

The Virginian racked up his third victory in the five tournaments he has competed in since being discharged from the Navy a couple of months ago.

Smashed Combine
Snead has broken up the "Gold Dust Twins" winning combination of Byron Nelson and Harold McSpaden. These two dominated the 1944 tournament season—until the Virginia shotmaker hoveed onto the scene.

Snead won the tournament Monday with a two under par 69.

His birdie 3 on the 455-yard 18th brought home the bacon—top prize of \$2,600 in War Bonds.

Nelson had a chance to tie but missed a 20-footer for what would have deadlocked the tournament and provided a championship playoff.

Tied for second at 284 and winning \$1,600 apiece, Nelson had rounds of 71-72-70-71 and McSpaden 70-70-74-70.

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