

FINNS ANNIHILATE ENTIRE RUSSIAN DIVISION

Through the Editor's Spectacles
By GEORGE

The so-called "shinnery" lands which lie south of Cisco and from which, twenty years ago, farmers reaped a rich harvest of cotton, since practically gone, are coming into their own once more. For years this land, neglected since the days of the oil boom, was given little attention, although it offers to the enterprising and imaginative farmer a source of income not possible from other types of soil. Livestock farming, particularly cattle and goats, balanced with feed production and truck growing from the open sesame to agricultural prosperity in this district.

In some instances considerable investments of new capital are being made in the area. There are reports that additional investments are being made if the desired land can be obtained. Such investments, popularizing the type of agriculture thus carried out, will result in a general development of great possibilities. The district, in other words, will find its salvation.

The principal obstacle has been and is the lack of capital with which to secure the proper kind of fencing and the stock. Various agencies, most of them sponsored by the federal government, offer the opportunity of securing this capital on a long time basis after certain conditions are met, and where it is possible for the depressed-hit farmers and landowners to meet these conditions considerable progress has been made. Commercial bank loans for the purchase of stock and for other improvements under conditions prescribed for such credit also are available and many thousands of dollars have gone into the purchase of stock in this area.

But the great majority of farmers have been so drained by the strenuous economic conditions through which they have passed that they are unable to meet the minimum requirements for credit, and the process of development is being retarded in that proportion. But in time, as the slow advance continues, a new agricultural level will be reached and that condition will accelerate its prosperous march as it continues.

The significant fact underlying this quiet metamorphosis is that it will exert a great influence upon the kind of a community we have in Cisco. Agriculture has definitely taken the place of oil as the prime influence in our community support. Unless our community planning takes into consideration this change and shares to take advantage of it, we are, within the next few years, certain to find ourselves without a support structure with what district can afford.

ought to resolve at time of the new year
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Golf Prodigy Makes Low Score



Charging espionage methods to Colin Ross, above, registered Nazi propagandist, the Dies committee said the German had attempted to take moving pictures of U. S. specialized industrial plants on a recent tour of the country and asked that the German be barred from ever entering the United States.

AGE BENEFITS NOW READY TO BE PAID OUT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1 (AP)—Thousands of men and women 65 years of age or over became eligible at midnight Sunday night for government pensions of from \$10 to \$41.60 a month.

Hailing this newest phase of the social security program, Paul V. McNutt, federal security administrator, said in a radio address Sunday night that the New Year's Eve would bring to 30,000,000 workers the satisfaction of knowing that they could expect security for the remainder of their lives.

"For both youth and old age," McNutt said, "the prospects are brighter than on the last New Year's Eve. We can expect them to be brighter still on the eve of 1941."

First checks will be mailed about Feb. 1. The Social Security board estimates that 900,000 men, women and children will receive benefits totaling \$100,000,000 during 1940.

In addition to retired workers, widows and orphans of insured workers will also receive monthly pensions. The total payment of such a family will range from \$15 to \$62.40 a month, depending on the amount of wage credits accumulated by the husband and father during the three years that workers and employers have been paying into the old age pension fund.

The wife of a pensioned worker also will receive a pension—equal to one-half her husband's—if she is over 65. Thus the total maximum payment to such a couple in 1940 will be \$62.40.

Actuaries estimate that pensions of unmarried workers will average about \$26 a month in 1940 and that the combined payments to married men and their wives will average \$39.

DANCE TONIGHT

There will be a dance at the V. F. W. hall this evening, it was announced today. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Weather

EAST TEXAS: Partly cloudy, somewhat colder in west and north portions Monday; Tuesday partly cloudy, colder.

WEST TEXAS: Fair Monday and Tuesday, except partly cloudy southwest portion; colder Monday, rising temperature Tuesday.

QUIET MARKS NEW YEAR'S OBSERVANCE

Most Citizens Take 1940's Arrival With No Celebration

New York city may have spent \$20,000,000 on its New Year's eve celebration last night, but the event came and went here with unaccustomed quietness. Only quiet celebrations in some homes marked the turn of time into a new decade so far as this community was concerned.

Most of the residents went normally to bed in the old year and woke up in the new precisely as if nothing more unusual than the passing of one day and the arrival of a new had occurred.

Today, with most of the business men engaged in year-end inventories or reviews of their business, there was little activity. But on the whole, the community business interests had an optimistic outlook.

The prospect for the new year is taken to be much more hopeful than at any time during the past several years, a consensus of opinion revealed.

Hundreds of Crippled Children Are Given Aid

The following summary of the activities of the Eastland district of the state department of education, was released today from the office of B. E. McGlamery, supervisor of the district.

The crippled children's division is a division of the state department of education, Austin, Texas, Hon. L. A. Woods, state superintendent. The division was created for the purpose of providing hospitalization and medical care for crippled children whose parents were unable to provide such care. The division operates on funds appropriated by the national government and the state legislature. During the six years of its organization, the division has provided hospitalization for more than 3,500 crippled children. J. J. Brown of Austin is the director of the crippled children's division. B. E. McGlamery of Eastland is the supervisor in charge of the work in the Eastland district.

During the year the supervisor of the Eastland district has visited 1,112 families in field work, and 30 parents have come to the Eastland office for information concerning the treatment for crippled children. 787 visits were made in the interest of the after-care program, which aims to bring to each child the utmost benefit from hospitalization.

Three hundred twenty-five visits were made to homes in which new cases of crippled children had been reported. The supervisor visited the homes, made such investigation as was needed, and placed applications for hospitalization in 134 of the homes. In many of the homes, applications had already been sent from the Austin office, and the cases were referred to the supervisor for visitation.

Conferences about crippled children were held with 123 physicians and surgeons during the year. The work of the department of education for crippled children was discussed with 433 public officials and welfare workers in the several counties. During the year, nine addresses were made to civic groups, which included a total of 333 persons in attendance. At these meetings, the program of the crippled children's division was discussed, and in several instances, definite projects were laid out for accomplishment.

Approximately 100 children were visited in the various hospitalizations.

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Dafoe Resigns; Quints Go Back to Daddy Dionne



Agreement by Dr. Allan Roy Dafoe to resign as guardian of the Dionne quintuplets ends a series of controversies between the doctor and the Dionnes over control of the quintets. Oliva Dionne had sued the physician, twice over income received through advertising contracts, and once charging ridicule. The quintets' father had long protested the separation of the five girls from the rest of the Dionne family. Dr. Dafoe, shown above with

Yvonne, Annette, Marie, Cecile and Emilie, has cared for the quintets since the day he brought them into the world and will continue as their personal physician. The agreement, signed by Dr. Dafoe and Mr. Dionne, wipes out the pending legal actions. It recommends erection of a house in which the children can live with the rest of the family.

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Floods Add to Quake Horrors in Northeastern Turkey

DEATH TOLL 40,000 IS STILL RISING

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Jan. 1 (AP)—Floods Sunday inflicted new loss of life and widespread damage and suffering in Turkey, already heavily stricken by Wednesday's disastrous earthquake in the northeastern provinces.

The floods, caused by heavy rains, struck areas some 700 miles west of the earthquake zone, the districts of Smyrna and Brusa, in Asia, and Adrianople, on the European side, being most severely hit.

Meanwhile the death toll in the quake-stricken provinces, especially Erzinca, already estimated at 40,000, was reported rising due to bitter cold and the inability to get through to many stricken regions.

In the flood regions, human beings, livestock and homes were swept away by swollen streams, which destroyed crops and left thousands homeless camping in the fields in the cold.

Swirling Torrent
In the Adrianople district the Maritza river, famed in history, was a swirling torrent, causing heavy damage along both sides of the Turkish-Greek border.

Streams flowing into the Sea of Marmoura in the Brusa region likewise were over their banks, while the Gedez, Menderes and other rivers flowing into the Aegean sea caused havoc around Smyrna.

Rivers still are rising with more serious losses feared in the next twenty-four hours.

Blizzards continued in northeastern Turkey, covering the entire earthquake area with a thick

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Cash for Industry Dwindles in 1939

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (AP)—The flow of new money into industry dwindled to a tiny trickle in 1939.

New issues of corporate securities, sold for the purpose of recruiting additional funds, amounted to approximately 365 million dollars, compared with an average of 5 1/2 billion dollars a year during the 1925-1929 period.

New corporate financing in recent years compares as follows (in millions):

1929	\$8,639
1933	161
1934	178
1935	404
1936	\$1,217
1937	1,227
1938	854
1939	365

Lots of Gasoline Burned Up in '39

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (AP)—Consumption of gasoline and other motor fuels in the United States reached a new record high in 1939, totaling 532,000,000 barrels, as compared with 522,000,000 barrels in 1938 and 519,000,000 in 1937.

Profits of major oil refining companies failed to follow consumption upward, however, as overproduction brought weakness in the price of gasoline.

Soviet Paper Flays Hoover For Finn Aid

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (AP)—The newspaper Trud, organ of the soviet industry, vigorously attacked ex-President Hoover Sunday for his Finnish relief work. It said he was aiding the "White Finnish government" and recounted in bitter terms the bonus march in 1932, when he was in the White House.

375 Million Loaned in Texas by Federal Gov't

AUSTIN, Jan. 1 (Sp)—Loans and outright expenditures of the federal government in Texas during the 1939 fiscal year which ended last June 30, amounted to \$375,177,515, according to a statement made today by B. Frank White, acting state director for the office of government reports. This compares with a total of \$51,348,643 expended during the prior fiscal year of 1938.

Loans totaled \$121,874,007, and grants-in-aid and other expenditures amounted to \$253,303,508. In addition, the Federal Housing administration insured \$47,507,026 worth of housing improvement notes and mortgages in the state. The largest amount of loans, \$58,363,756, was made by the Commodity Credit corporation, and the greatest amount of direct expenditures, \$95,661,701, was disbursed by the Agricultural Adjustment administration.

Loans were made to businesses, farmers, home owners, public housing authorities, and to individuals whose property or holdings were damaged by such catastrophes as floods or fires. Grants-in-aid were made to the aged, farmers, and for the construction of public roads and buildings. Relief was extended to able-bodied men and women employed on Works Progress administration projects, to young men enrolled in the Civilian Conservation corps, and by the distribution of surplus commodities through the state relief agency. This amount also includes pensions paid war veterans.

Mr. White pointed out that an itemized accounting of the federal loans and payments is available to persons interested in the function.

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15,000 DEAD IN FIGHTING, SAYS REPORT

Red Drive to Cut Finland at Waist Halted By Defenders

HELSINKI, Jan. 1 (AP)—The Finnish high command announced Sunday that red Russia's one hundred and sixty-third division had been cut to pieces and "for the most part destroyed" in a bitter two-day battle on the eastern frontier, and that the soviet lost thousands of men.

Panicky remnants of the red division scattered through the forests near Lake Wianta and were pursued by Finnish cleanup squads, the Finnish command reported.

Russian air raiders elsewhere spread new death and terror. Red machine gunners splattered a hospital train with lead, the Finns announced officially, and fired on "a clearly marked Red Cross ambulance" from the air.

In southern and western Finnish cities many people spent the last day of the year in air raid shelters, as bombs rained down.

Division Destroyed
The defeat of the Russian One Hundred and Sixty-third division was announced in an army headquarters communique Sunday night amplying a previous communique. The second communique read:

"On land: Fighting in the Lake Kianta country in the Suomussalmi commune on the eastern frontier resulted in a great victory of our troops on December 29 and 30.

"The enemy's One Hundred and Sixty-third division was definitely destroyed. Remnants of the division were partly scattered in the forest and partly fleeing, pursued by our troops, toward Junturanta.

"At sea: Numerous air and artillery attacks by the enemy on two of our coastal ports occasioned slight damage. Our batteries by rapid bursts of fire inflicted losses on the enemy advancing on the ice of Lake Ladoga and on enemy transport columns moving on the roads. Elsewhere there was slight enemy air activity.

Enemy Air Raids
"In the air: Enemy aircraft carried out several raids on south-west Finland on December 30. Among other places Hanko was bombarded with a loss, according to reports received, of one civilian life. Several civilians were wounded and a few buildings were damaged.

"In the war zone enemy airmen machine-gunned a hospital train and a clearly marked Red Cross ambulance. Our own aircraft carried out reconnaissance flights and drove off enemy planes. One enemy plane was shot down.

Finns said their forces north of Suomussalmi, on the east central front, had smashed Russian troops in bitter fighting on frozen Lake Kianta.

Russian infantry divisions, one of which the Finnish command said had been "annihilated," usually are of about 15,000 men.

A Finnish communique told of enormous captures of war supplies, including "27 different kinds of guns, four anti-aircraft machine-guns, 150 trucks, 250 horses, between 400 and 500 vehicles for troop transport and 12 field kitchens" in the Lake Kianta battle.

Red warplanes bombed at least six Finnish cities, including Vaasa, western coastal city on the Gulf of Bothnia, where more than 100 bombs were dropped in four raids within an hour.

ONE OF FIRST REDS DIES
DAYTON, Ohio, Jan. 1 (AP)—Frank C. Cummings, 84, catcher on the original Cincinnati Reds baseball team of 1868, and who caught many of the games pitched by the late George Wright for that team, died Saturday.

SCHOOLS BACK TO REGULAR WORK TUESDAY

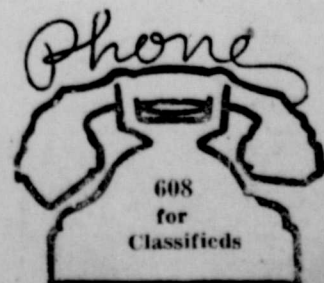
The Cisco public schools will reopen tomorrow morning after the Christmas holidays. There will be no special program, the schools taking up regular routine of class work. The Christmas holidays come within the first semester and do not signify the end of one period. The semester ends during the latter part of January.

Chemical Companies Had a Good Year

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (AP)—The chemical industry enjoyed a strong recovery in 1939 as fourth quarter profits of most companies compared favorably with record levels attained in the spring of 1937.

Louisiana Former Congressman Dead

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1 (AP)—Former Congressman Arsene Paulin Jujo, 79-year-old attorney of Lake Charles, died of bronchial pneumonia Sunday in Toussaint infirmary here. The former legislator headed the "money trust" investigation in 1912, while he was in the national house of representatives.



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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, Rejoice.—Phil. iv. 4.

Take Joy home.

And make a place in thy great heart for her,
And give her time to grow, and cherish her;
Then will she come, and all will sing to thee
When thou art working in the furrows, ay,
On wedding in the sacred hour of dawn.
It's sunny fashion to be glad,
Joy is the grace we say in God.

—Jean Ingelow.

To make some work of God's creation a little fruitfuller—to make some heart a little wiser, happier.—It is work for a God.—Carlyle.

Just Enough Time for a Deep Breath

THE 10 years that shook the world, bounced it around, left it dazed and jumbled are over at last. They weren't all good, and they weren't all bad. They were tumultuous years that will be remembered for two things—depression and war. The 1930s were years in which hard times followed quite naturally the fabulously good times of the '20s; when the beer baron racketeers of America moved over to make room for the dictator-racketeers of Europe.

During the riotous decade, new social theories were tested, new men shot to world prominence, a great many new problems appeared and some old ones were suddenly drawn in sharp relief. It was an era of shameless aggression and hypocrisy on a broad scale. The rumblings of war that were almost inaudible in the late '20s rose in a

terrifying crescendo and crashed intermittently upon the world almost at regular intervals during the '30s.

Manchuria fell to the Japs, Mussolini grabbed Ethiopia, Spain was ripped apart by civil war, Japanese aggression in China started anew, Hitler took Sudetenland, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Memel, Danzig, and divided Poland with the Soviet Union. Mussolini reached over to annex Albania. Britain and France declared war on Germany; Stalin began an offensive against peace-loving Finland.

AMERICA began the '30s with a depression so devastating that in a couple of years the people were willing to try anything. They turned to the New Deal, with a governmental philosophy the country would have rejected in the midst of the opulent '20s. They watched with mingled cheers and catcalls as the New Deal placed a firm restraining hand on business, as it inaugurated NRA and AAA and later CWA and FERA and WPA and PWA.

They watched the new government as it tried first to save and then to bolster home-ownership with HOLC and FSA and FHA and USHA. They waited for jobs they were told would come after Uncle Sam started putting nickels into the slot machine on the theory that some day he would have to hit the jackpot.

The citizens cheered and wailed when prohibition was thrown out; and by the end of the decade they were watching apathetically the growing campaign pointing toward a new prohibition era.

And all the while, Americans were anxiously watching Europe and the rest of the warring world. The scars of the last major war were far from healed, and Americans were grimly determined as the decade drew to a climactic end, that they would have no part in the new conflict.

WHAT is there to do in the 1940s? Plenty. The biggest problem of the world in general is to find a new kind of peace—a peace that will outlast the power-lust of selfish men. Whatever America can contribute toward such a peace, it should offer unhesitatingly.

Within the United States, however, are still the enigmas we have tried but haven't succeeded in solving. We must concern ourselves with unemployment, with security, with national economy. We must try to set up a sound agricultural program and to improve housing conditions. We must do all these things while, at the same time, we keep out of Europe's struggles, except insofar as we can help in establishing peace.

There will be plenty to do in the next 10 years. We had better roll up our sleeves and get going before time slips away.

Glen Miller Now 3 Times Weekly for Chesterfield

Answering an avalanche of requests from dance fans, Chesterfield cigarettes will sponsor Glenn Miller's orchestra and the Andrews sisters three times weekly, instead of once a week as originally announced. The new program, introduced in a half hour broadcast December 27, will be heard hereafter each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday eve-

ning, beginning January 2, at 10 p. m. EST.

Glenn Miller is America's favorite dance band today, leading all others in record sales and making box office history in personal appearances. The Andrews sisters are the most popular singing trio that ever came down the pike, both on records and on the variety stage. Chesterfield has definitely scored a coup in bringing these stars together for the radio audience, in their first regularly sponsored broadcast.

Miller Sets New Style

Meet the new King! Glenn Miller is 29 years old. For years, he arranged and played for such musicians as Tommy Dorsey, Benny Goodman and Ray Noble, form-

ing his own band only when the time was ripe—when he could assemble musicians suitable to suit the new dance style which brought him fame. Time magazine recently said, "The Chesterfield hour conferred Swing's Pulitzer prize on Miller by signing him to take Paul Whiteman's place."
Well, all right—now meet these Andrews sisters—from Minneapolis. They've been singing ever since they can remember—but it took them years of hard work be-

The Next Event Will be a Wrestling Match



Over 5 Million Fish Raised by Texas Hatcheries

AUSTIN, Jan. 1 (Sp.)—Fish production in the ten hatcheries maintained by the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster commission increased nearly 2,000,000 (million) in 1939 over the 1938 crop of fingerlings, final reports of production from hatchery superintendents to the executive secretary show. The total production for 1939 was 5,212,288 (million) as compared with 3,206,969 (million) the previous year. That is an increase of 1,905,292.

The Heart O' Texas hatchery near Nattalia led in the distribution of fish in 1939 with a total of 795,817. The Dundee hatchery was second with 679,776. The Tyler hatchery was third highest in production with a total of 642,210.

Work at High Level for 1940 at Ford's

DEARBORN, Mich., Jan. 1—The Ford Motor company enters 1940 with operations in many departments at the highest levels in recent years, officials of the company said today.
At the close of business Friday, the company had produced in the United States and Canada approximately 300,000 Ford cars and trucks and Mercury cars since the

Political Announcements

The Cisco Daily Press is authorized to announce the following as candidates for the offices under which their names appear, subject to the action of the voters in the democratic primaries of 1940.

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For County Clerk
R. V. (Rip) GALLOWAY

Japan's leadership in the production of commercial synthetic fibers was made possible through patent agreements with foreign interests and the important manufacturing equipment.

BRUCE CATTON'S AMERICAN ROUNDUP

BY BRUCE CATTON
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—You might think that social security legislation, having been passed and become a recognized system, would be finished business. But not at all. It will be one of the most controversial subjects in the winter session of Congress.

That is because a social security system is built gradually, and the laws governing it are never final and complete.

The administration is not asking any changes in the present Social Security law. But the Connolly amendment, which lost out last winter, is likely again to be called out on the floor. This amendment would increase the federal government's grants to the states in matching state appropriations for old age assistance.

At present the federal government puts up as much as \$20 a month if the state matches it. Connolly would have the federal government put up two-thirds, or twice the sum put up by the states.

AND of course the Townsend plan will still be around to bedevil the many statesmen who have told the old folks at campaign time that they favor it, but who privately hope they will never have to vote for it.

Senator Downey of California will be back with a streamlined version of the now-famous plan as soon as Congress convenes, and will be demanding action. There is some chance of getting a vote in the House, but it would not be surprising to see the Senate stall this one off.

Senator Wagner is likely also to offer an amendment to social security laws allowing the government to sell old-age annuities those now sold by private companies, except perhaps che- President Roosevelt is known to be interested in the idea, but cause so many controversies inevitable, this one may be st off by delay, as bitter opposi to this "further encroachment private business" would cer- follow.

ANOTHER Wagner pro- which bade fair to raise ruckus has probably also stalled off by the President's cent proposal to build a string cheap hospitals in places w hospital service is not now available.

Wagner has a plan to as everyone adequate medical when sick, and public healthi ice when well. It is a varie state-federal health insuran to cost \$800,000,000 a year.

This met immediate op with the American Medical cation plan to set up a nate "health agency" to co- nate-all present federal ervices, and also to provide ical care for the poor und auspices and control. The AM bitterly opposed to "state p- cine" as a trend toward total- ianism.

Complete adoption of either Wagner or AMA plans is now likely, as the President's hospi plan offers an "out" to lea who would prefer it to cho between the embattled force "state" and "private" medic- ne.

NEXT: The neutrality issue

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



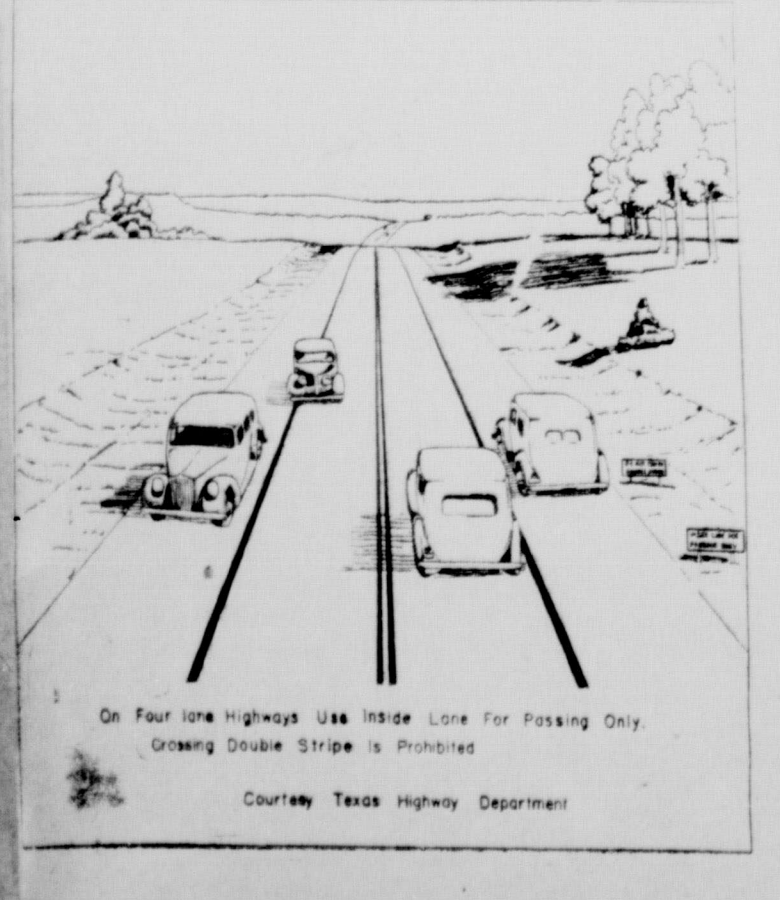
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OUT OUR WAY By Williams



HEROES ARE MADE --NOT BORN

support. She felt a splash of cold water pouring in through the shattered porthole.

She was pitched headlong across the cabin as the convulsed Moravia listed to the starboard.

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One of the world's largest copper deposits is located in Africa, in Cape Province, Northern Transvaal and on the Northern Rhodesia-Belgian Congo border.

CAPTIVATING OFFER

BOWLING GREEN, Ky., Jan. 1 (AP).—Wanna buy a jail. The 79-year-old county jail here, "together with all fixtures and equipment thereto attached," has been offered for sale by the fiscal court. The rub is that the buyer will have to take the jail home with him. The court has sold the lot on which the old structure stands.

Daily Press Want Ads Click.

DEBTS ARE LONG

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan 1 (AP).—St. Joseph banks still are making good on scrip issued in the panic of 1907. Three pieces are for

\$1, one for 50 cents and one for 25 cents recently were mailed in from Levinworth, Kans., for redemption. The bank paid par.

Japan annexed Korea in 1910.

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TOMMY FARR FIRED

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AP).—Tommy Farr, one-time British Empire heavyweight boxing champion, discharged from the Royal Air Force Sunday because he refused to pass an eye examination flying as an observer or gun-

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MARY CAROL — American fashion expert, in London during wartime.

VINCENT GREGG — soldier of fortune, in love with Mary.

CARLA MARCHETTA—a mysterious London socialite.

DR. GILBERT LENOX—surgeon, serving with British army.

Yesterday, terrified by the man following her, Mary runs to her cabin. Calm slowly returns and she resolves to shake off her morbid mood. She dresses Anna in one of her most glamorous gowns and stares in amazement at the transformation. Anna is grateful, supremely happy. But the overtones of impending tragedy continue.

CHAPTER VI

As Anna turned slowly to leave the cabin, Mary Carroll caught up her own gold evening purp up her own gold leather evening purse.

"Here," she cried, tossing it to Anna. "There's make-up and everything in it, just as it was the last time I carried it. Wait for me in the salon. If I don't have to plow through swarms of admirers to reach you, I'll be disappointed."

It was the exact right note to strike with Anna. Smiling, suddenly confident, she left the cabin.

When the door closed, Mary's shoulders sagged. It had been exhilarating to work the Cinderella transformation. But now that it was complete, the same black mood she had been trying to fight off overwhelmed her again.

She had promised to join Anna, and she turned to her own dressing. Disrobed, she opened the traveling case for the negligee she would wear to the shower.

Her hand reached into the pocket and touched a card. It was the card she had tucked there on the last morning in London two days ago.

She read again its message—"At midnight."

The words leaped up like something evil. Her tortured mind began to go over the events of the past few days. This was the card the waiter had brought to the table in the restaurant where she and Vincent dined. Vincent had not shown it to her, but in the near-panic during the air raid alarm the card had slipped from his hand and somehow had lodged in the bow of her dress.

It had frightened her when she had found it, but the next morning she had dismissed her fears in the thrilling thought of sailing on the Moravia with Vincent. She had convinced herself the card had been unimportant and meaningless.

Of a sudden, a shattering thought struck her. That note. The woman who had come into the restaurant and exchanged such an intimate glance with Vincent.

"The message was from Carla!" Mary was unaware she spoke aloud.

She dropped her head on her hands before the dressing table

who strides like a Valkyrie on a dark deck?"

Mary stood invincible. "I am sorry if Mademoiselle misunderstood." He offered the beret to her. "Perhaps later I may have the chance to prove what you believe is untrue."

Mary took the tam and bowed. "Thanks and good night," she said, but her voice was no longer sharp.

When she shut the door, she had a disturbing feeling the young man still stood in the passageway. Resolutely, she rang again for the steward. She mustn't delay in dressing to join Anna.

Anna's gray uniform dress with the prim white cuffs was still on the chair; her practical black handbag on the dressing table.

Mary pushed them aside as she began to lay out her own clothes for the evening. She chose a gossamer white dress. "White for heartbreak," she said to the silence of the room.

She was still puzzling about the strange encounter on the deck when the bath steward entered.

"Will you see if the shower is ready?" she asked.

"Yes, Miss, the shower room is empty—three door down."

Through the night, the black-ended ship cut through the heaving Atlantic. A few more days and it would dock in New York harbor.

As Mary Carroll picked up her bath kit, lights in the cabin blinked and went out. In the dark, a shuddering thud resounded from below.

An ominous silence followed the deafening sound. Then a terrific din of shrieking, gasping voices struck the air.

Mary groped for the bunk for

and in her alarm everything became clear.

Carla Marchetta, the hostess of celebrities, Carla, at whose Mayfair house Vincent had been a guest.

As a reel unrolling faster and faster, flashbacks came to Mary. She and Vincent had been separated in the rush to the shelter. After the young American doctor had carried her to the basement shelter, Vincent had been strangely jarring.

Had it been because of Carla that Vincent had failed to sail on the Moravia?

"No, no," she moaned, "I'm hysterical—I'm mad."

A sharp rap sounded on her door. Expecting the steward, she stood up and, wrapping her robe around her, said, "Come in."

The door opened slowly. "Perdon, Mademoiselle, I believe this is your beret."

The blonde young man who stood in the doorway, a forced smile on his lips, spoke with a foreign inflection.

Mary scowled. "Yes, it's my beret," she said coldly. "It blew off when I was on deck."

The stranger nodded. "You must not mind, Mademoiselle, because I bring it back myself instead of sending it by the steward."

Mary looked at him. The only man who would have known about her tam blowing off was the man who had been shadowing her on the deck.

"You were following me!" she blazed hotly. "How dare you!"

There was nothing ominous about the face or figure of the flaxen-haired youth now. In the light from the passageway, he was quite innocuous except for his eyes. He turned on her with a haunted, beseeching look.

Taken aback for a minute by Mary's sharp accusation, he recovered his poise and said in the same low voice, "Is it wrong for a man to gaze at a beautiful girl

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Hundreds...

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pitals used by the crippled children's division. About 75 newspaper articles have been prepared and distributed to the newspapers in the area. Two clinics for crippled children were arranged and held during the year, at which 175 children were examined by the visiting physicians. The Graham clinic was held on May 19, and the Wichita Falls clinic on December 7. Immediately following the clinics, visits were made to the homes where it appeared there were emergency cases, which needed immediate care, and arrangements were made for early hospitalization. In many instances, the supervisor has had to arrange for transport through local agencies, and occasionally had to call on welfare agencies for help with clothing and food. The supervisor has also aided in the organization of local committees, who have given invaluable aid in providing transportation and giving aid in the after-care program.

these cases have been emergency cases for which immediate hospitalization was provided. Of the 225 cases handled, 42 of the children were crippled from accidents, 69 were crippled from birth, and 115 were crippled as the result of disease. A further study of the cases of disability showed the following types: Infantile paralysis 47, osteomyelitis 27, tuberculosis of bone 3, spinal curvature 20, club feet 11, bow legs 9, hare-lip and cleft palate 13, old fractures 26, burns, 8, spastic paralysis 12, disease of joint 9, dislocations 26, others 22.

There are now on the waiting list in the Eastland district only 45 children. This is a reduction of more than fifty per cent from the number on the waiting list at the close of the year 1938.

375 Million...

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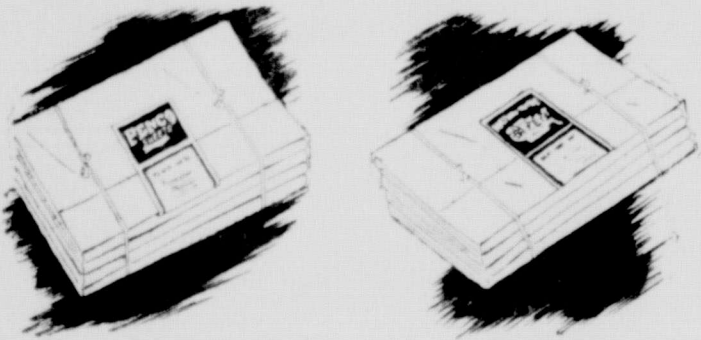
coat of snow. Temperatures remained many degrees below zero Fahrenheit in some sections.

Reports from Erzinian City, which suffered worst, said when the first relief train arrived hordes of hungry, half-crazed, half-frozen survivors attacked the relief crew, shouting for bread and other food.

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New Year Reunites Brothers And Sister

Mrs. R. M. Bates left Saturday for Ardmore, Okla., where she will visit two brothers whom she has not seen in 24 years. She accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Grace Farnsworth, son-in-law, M. P. Farnsworth, grandchildren, M. P., Jr., James and Donald Ray, who continued their journey to Jennings, Okla., where they are visiting the parents of Mr. Farnsworth.

Specs...

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and the beginning of a new decade, that we shall be realistic as regards the conditions and opportunities about us, quit hoping for a bonanza, roll up our sleeves and go to work intelligently upon the material at hand for community building. It will take plugging but plugging will win.

With Our WILD LIFE

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE IN 1939?

A summary of the activities of the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission during 1939 toward the restoration of many of our wildlife species will be partially outlined in this short column.

The Pittman-Robertson Act of our national Congress a few years ago gave many states funds with which to carry on wildlife restoration projects, and since Texas qualified for maximum benefits, we have already been making the best of all we had and all that we can get. Much has been done to make hunting and fishing better for our Texas nature lovers.

The first projects approved were quail restoration projects in many suitable Texas counties, and this has produced some wonderful results. These demonstration areas have definitely showed that with the improvement of the habitat goes increased quail. Improved areas in this short period have shown that quail populations may be doubled in a year's time, if certain work is carried on on our farms and ranches (just providing our birds with a little extra food and cover). The quail projects are going to continue and probably more such demonstrations will be carried on in more counties on voluntary efforts on the part of landowners. Bulletins showing how to do this will be provided by the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, Austin, Texas, on request of interested persons.

300 Antelope Trapped One time not so long ago we thought that the pronghorn antelope would be an extinct animal in Texas within a short period, but this thought picture is beginning to fade and now it looks as if we might have an open season on antelope in Texas within a few years.

Recently nearly 300 antelope were trapped on nine section Brennan ranch in Sterling county. These trapped antelope were used to stock more than 22 suitable areas, none of them smaller than nine sections and which totaled nearly 200 sections. The next trapping operations for antelope will be conducted by the Texas Game Department in the Trans-Pecos region. Here many acres of land are suitable for antelope that are not occupied at the present, whereas some range is overstocked with the approximately 4,000 antelope which range that section of the state.

Fish Production Up The ten Texas Fish Hatcheries this year produced 5,212,288 fingerling fish compared with 3,306,996 in 1938. That was an increase of about 2,000,000 fish. Less than 15 per cent of the total number of fish raised by the hatcheries this year went to private lakes and streams. Twelve species of fish were raised this year. They are channel cat, large mouth black bass, green sunfish, blue gills, long ear bream, white crappie and black crappie, spotted bass, small mouth bass, red ear bream, warmouth bass and rock bass.

Kill all wild house cats.

Floods Add... (Continued from Page One)

tions of the federal loans and payments is available to persons interested in the functions of the federal government as they relate to the state of Texas, by applying to the office of government reports, 208 Old Post office building, Austin, Texas.

The Notebook

Tuesday

The Ceclian Singers will meet at the First Methodist church at 6:45.

Cisco Chapter 461, Order of Eastern Star, will meet at the Masonic Hall at 7:30.

All Circles of the First Baptist Women's Missionary Society will meet at the church at 3:15 in a business session. The sunbeams will meet at the same hour.

Circles of the First Presbyterian Women's Auxiliary will meet at 3 o'clock as follows:

Circle One with Miss Willie Word; Circle Two at the church; Circle Three with Mrs. F. D. Pierce.

Wednesday

The First Baptist Junior G. A. will meet at the church at 4 o'clock.

The Delphian Study club will meet at the clubhouse at 9:30.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Lovelady of Houston are expected to arrive today to visit Mr. Lovelady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovelady.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lauderdale and son, Jack, spent the week-end in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Shaw and Miss Alice Spencer have returned to Fort Worth after spending the holidays in the home of Miss Spencer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer.

Miss Nova Skinner of Sanger spent the week-end visiting her room-mate, Miss Martha Graves.

Mrs. Lena Hight and daughter, Freida Hight McBride, and Miss Lilian O'Brien, have returned to their home in Fort Worth after spending Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wallace and children.

Miss Johnny Slaughter of Abilene spent the week-end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Slaughter.

Bill Dolgener of Wichita Falls has returned to his home from a short visit with relatives and friends in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Osburn attended the Waco-Lubbock game in Dallas Saturday.

Lee Smith, Jr., of Dallas, has been the guest of Cisco friends for the past few days.

Stockholm has 26 parks, where 100,000 tulip and hycinth bulbs are planted annually, in addition to 66,000 dahlias, phlox and other summer plants, 1,500 azaleas and 300 rhododendrons.

Seven tea tasters dictate the tea tasters of America. They meet annually to test tea samples and to decide which teas shall be admitted to the United States.

Quenches Fires on Mound, Too



Alex Pitko, Burlington, N. J., volunteer fireman, will forsake smoke-eating role for diamond in spring. A pitcher, he has been signed by Washington Nationals.

Elmoad Courts And Cafe Are Sold

Sale of lease and fixtures of Elmoad courts and cafe to B. Dodd, formerly of Snyder was announced today by Emory and Charles Moad.

The courts and cafe are located in connection with the Sinclair service station on west Eighth street.

The transaction became effective today.

Mr. Dodd has had several years experience in the hotel business and formerly owned and operated the Algerita hotel at Post, Texas. He also has had long experience with cafe operation.

Automobile Men Step on Gas

DETROIT, Jan. 1 (AP)—Production of automobiles and trucks in 1939 totaled about 3,700,000 units, 40 per cent more than in 1938, but not a big year in the industry's history.

The auto makers say they expect big things of 1940. Production in the last quarter of 1939 compares favorably with the record fourth quarter of 1936, which was followed by a 5,600,000-car year in 1937.

Most estimates for 1940 are more conservative, however, and run around 4,200,000 cars.

Annual production of cars and trucks compares as follows (in thousands):

Table with 2 columns: Year, Production (thousands). Rows: 1929-5,621; 1932-1,431; 1933-1,986; 1934-2,870; 1935-4,120; 1936-4,616; 1937-5,016; 1938-2,655; 1939-3,700.

Lots of Shoes—But Little Profit

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (AP)—The shoe industry, 1939 was a fat year in volume but a relatively lean one in profits.

Production of boots and shoes is estimated by Standard Statistics Co. to have set a new record of about 417,000,000 pairs compared

New High in Home Building in 1939

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (AP)—The construction industry hit a new recovery high in 1939. Construction awards for the 37 states east of the Rockies totaled approximately \$3,355,000,000, about 5 per cent more than in 1938, and the best for any year since 1930.

Residential building led the march to higher levels, as new homes rose at the fastest rate since the boom days of 1929. Other construction, however, tapered off as federal appropriations declined.

Private capital bore a larger share of the load, accounting for 5 per cent of the total construction volume compared with 47 per cent in 1938. Private funds poured into the home building field in the largest volume in 10 years. The sharp pick-up in industrial activity set off a wave of factory building in the fall.

Trade authorities look for a further increase of about 7 per cent in total construction volume in 1940, with public projects holding at about the same level.

Foreign Money in U. S. Declines

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (AP)—Most major foreign currencies declined during 1939 as huge amounts of capital seeking safe refuge in the United States created a strong demand for dollars.

Quotations compared as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Currency, Jan. 3, 1939, Year End (Approximate). Rows: Pound sterling \$4.62 \$3.95; French franc .0262 .0224; Canadian dollar .99 .88; Dutch guilder .544 .532; Mexican peso .20 .175; Japanese yen .27 .235.

with the previous record of 415,227,000 pairs in 1936.

Profits, however, were curtailed by the small spread between costs and selling prices. The war cut profit margins still further as hides advanced 60 per cent in the first five weeks of the war, while the price of shoes was increased only 10 to 15 per cent.

Chatham Islanders Greet New Year

THE CHATHAM ISLANDS, Jan. 1 (AP)—Residents of these peaceful isolated islands of the south Pacific Monday greeted 1940 earlier than any other community in the world.

Close to the international date line, the new year started at midnight when it was 11:45 a. m. Sunday in London and 6:45 in New York. The international date line generally follows the 180th meridian, halfway around the world from the meridian of Greenwich, England, which is zero.

The 700 inhabitants of the islands, 460 miles east of New Zealand, celebrated the holiday with traditional festivities, including dancing and horse races at the

Metropolitan Race course

The islands, which New Zealand, have a population of 400 Europeans and natives. Sheep raising and farming are the main occupations. One automobile, two numerous radio sets and a steamship visit are the amenities of life here.

Plenty of Scrap for the Scrapper

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Iron and steel—prime factors of war—will float in huge quantities, baring the way to British ports in the months.

Exporters estimate 350,000 tons of scrap iron will be sent from the

Footballer Smacked... And Like



Johnny Butler, Tennessee's spectacular running back, gets smacked with no interference in sight, by Florence Rice, left, and Turner of the screen. The Volunteers took in everything in the game, on their trip to play Southern California in Pasadena Rose Bowl.

Everybody Fights in Finland



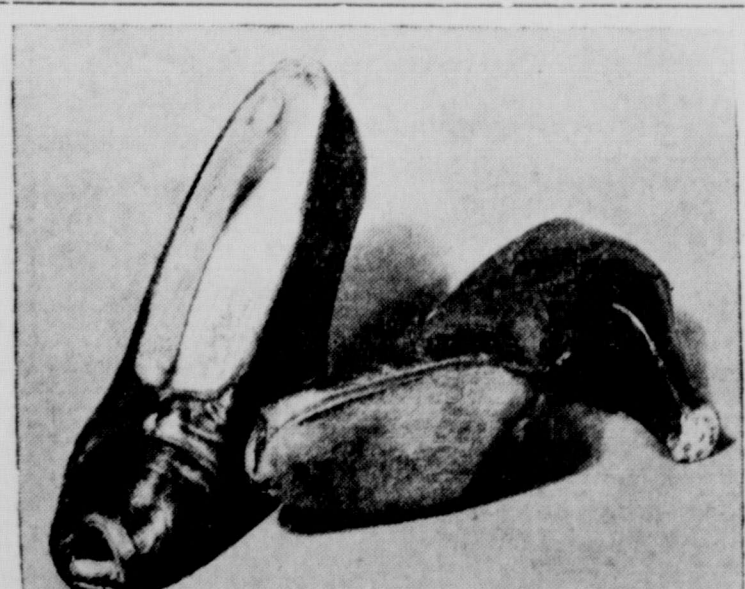
There are no stay-at-homes in the Finnish war. The wife, daughter, above, of Gen. Lennart Oesch, chief of staff of the Finnish army, are both in service. Mrs. Oesch is a member of the Lotta Svast group, and her daughter is an army department phone operator.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

Cartoon titled 'THIS CURIOUS WORLD' showing a volcanic landscape with a sign that reads 'IN ZANGUEZUR, ARMENIA... HOMES ARE MADE IN CONES OF VOLCANIC ROCK THAT HAVE BEEN CARVED INTO FANTASTIC SPIRES BY EROSION.' Below the cartoon is an advertisement for 'A SINGLE BACTERIUM, BY THE PROCESS OF DIVISION, CAN GIVE RISE TO 16,700,000 OTHER BACTERIA IN 24 HOURS.' and another for 'KAZKORER'.

The Sole Survivors



These are the Paris Fashion shoes worn by Mrs. Eva Blair of North Vancouver, B. C., when the Athalia was torpedoed and sunk on the first day of the European war. They came through the sinking and rescue in good condition, except for the soles.

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