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## Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

The contract reported to have been made between the Wright Aeronautical Co. and an independent union representing the majority of the 16,000 employees of the company evinces the new trend in employer-labor relations. The contract outlaws strikes, sit-downs, slow-downs, stay-ins and other forms of interference with production during the period of a controversy and provides for the impartial arbitration of disputes between the management and the workers. The high court of New Jersey has been petitioned, in the name of a grievance, to be the arbiter.

A strike is similar to a war. Both sides lose, no matter how the decision is rendered. As regards national defense, which is vitally concerned with the uninterrupted production of the materials and instruments of war, the country loses. The temper of the American public, confronted with the need of vastly increased armaments, is now of such a nature that sit-down strikes are the character that distinguished the controversies between the CIO unions and the automobile industry of a few years ago, or even a strike-out affecting the production of planes, ships or other character of defense materials, undoubtedly would meet with a reception which is unfavorable to labor.

The country's sympathies are certainly with the workman, but that sympathy tends only to desiring that the working man get his proper share of the rewards of the industry. It unquestionably does not extend to contemplating any method which is this industry.

The attitude of the country on this question is reflected in the sentiment of Congress for taking strong measures against curtailment of industrial output because of labor disputes. While this sentiment is opposed in responsible administration circles, it is nevertheless a good indication of what the country as a whole is thinking and there is reason to believe that it is having an effect upon the current trend of labor leadership policy.

The agreement which the Wright corporation and its employe union is reported to have made is an example of employer-labor cooperation which should offer the most equitable solution to disputes while maintaining the flow of production. It is similar to the method employed by the railroad industry and the railroad brotherhoods with signal success. The absence of railroad strikes, tying up transportation and disrupting the whole economic system by reason of the lack of a vital service, is testimony to the effectiveness of the mediation system, and it is a curious thing that the method has been ignored in setting up machinery for the solution of labor difficulties in other industries, especially since the outcome of all such strikes invariably is compromise. It is much better

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## Army's New Phantom Car



Over the hill and through the mud—this new war department phantom auto keeps going on nearly any type of terrain. The low slung car, pictured during test trials at Baltimore, carries three men, has four-wheel drive, and can travel up to 60 miles an hour over extremely rough ground. The army plans a fleet of these machines to take over reconnaissance missions generally assigned to sidecar motorcycles.

## Right Wing Of Italians Retreat

ATHENS, Dec. 10.—(AP)—The entire Italian right wing behind the Greek-occupied port of Porto Edda has been put to flight and a whole series of strategically important peaks in the northern sector of the front has been captured by the Greeks, a government spokesman declared last night.

The Greek warriors, with a fifth of Albania's territory behind them, were making a vast twin drive against the Italian armies between the city and the port of Valona, the city they expect to be their next big prize.

King George addressed his congratulations to Greek commanders and soldiers, declaring he was "full of joy for the occupation of Argirocastro and proud of the new brilliant victories of my army."

Occupation of Argirocastro was a "victory both of great military and moral importance," he said. The government spokesman said "in the north the enemy has been compelled to abandon important strategic positions and withdraw in full flight after fierce attacks by our troops. If the enemy was able to avoid annihilation it was due to bad weather."

**Flight General**  
The flight of Italians was general along the entire front he declared.

Passing Argirocastro, last of Italy's southern Albanian bases which was captured Sunday, the Greeks swiftly organized their campaign aimed from the east and south toward Valona, 40 miles northwest, an entry point for fascist men and supplies.

Exact positions were withheld as military secrets.

"On to Valona!" the Greeks shouted, coupling this slogan with their battle cry of "Tirana by Christmas," Tirana, Albania's capital, some 60 miles above Valona, is the object of another Greek drive from the east.

The immediate objective of both drives was Tepelini a road junction, about 20 miles from Valona.

The army fighting in the south reported fierce resistance from the Italian rearguard, strongly entrenched to cover the retreat of the main fascist body to the north and west.

Spurring the Italian withdrawal were constant charges from Greek cavalry and harassing raids by planes with machine-guns and bombs.

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## Weather

**EAST TEXAS:** Generally fair, warmer south and central portions, somewhat colder extreme north portion Tuesday. Wednesday partly cloudy, somewhat warmer in south portion, colder in north portion with generally to moderate occasionally fresh easterly to southerly winds.

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## MORRIS WELL TO DRILL OUT PLUG TODAY

Results of Shot in No. 2 Thomason Well Waited

The Gallagher and Lawson No. 1 R. C. Morris in the South Carbon pool today prepared to drill out cement plug after cementing pipe on top of the Caddo at 2,553 feet. The strings of 15-inch, 10-inch and 8-inch pipe will be pulled before further drilling and it is not likely that the formation will be entered before late Wednesday night or Thursday morning, operators said.

The well, located 1,900 feet south and 100 feet east of the Mahaney No. 1 Jackson, produced the best show of any of the wells so far drilled in the new and promising area four miles south of Carbon. With the bit 11 feet in the Caddo, the Morris had a show of about 10 barrels of free oil and a considerable amount of gas, whereas the Jackson No. 1, rated by operators as better than 2,500 barrels a day after a shot, had little more than a rainbow of oil on the slush before the shot.

Meanwhile, interest was centered on the Dobbs No. 2 Thomason, east of the Jackson No. 1 and between it and the Dobbs No. 1 Thomason, also a good well, which was shot yesterday. This well, like the Jackson, had only a slight show but on the basis of the showing in the Jackson and because it is located between two excellent producers, it was expected to make a good well.

The Morris topped the Caddo at 2,531 feet and was drilled to 2,542 feet before drilling was stopped and pipe set.

## NYA Age Limit Lowered to 16 Years

AUSTIN, Dec. 10 (Sp)—Unemployed boys and girls in Texas who are 16 years of age, out of school, in need, and who want the work experience provided on National Youth administration projects are now eligible for such employment J. C. Kellam, state NYA administrator, announced today.

With the minimum age requirement for work on NYA projects reduced from 17 to 16 years, approximately 127,000 Texas boys and girls become eligible for NYA employment, Kellam said.

With funds that are available, the National Youth administration in Texas will be able to provide employment for 15,000 of these young people at any one time, it was pointed out.

"As youth go off NYA projects into private industry or are selected for military service, other eligible youth in the state will have the opportunity to replace them," Kellam explained.

## County Road Work Begins After Xmas

EASTLAND, Dec. 10 (Sp)—County road construction work for which a work order has been issued and on which it is expected work will begin immediately after Christmas, begins at the old Pleasant Grove cemetery, extending west two and two-tenths miles from an intersection with Highway No. 67 north of Eastland.

Another piece of construction will begin at Highway No. 67 north of Eastland and run two and one-half miles west of the intersection of the old Eastland and Breckenridge road southwest of Eastland.

Starting at Lone Cedar east of Eastland, another piece of construction work runs west two and one-half miles to an intersection of the Eastland - Staff road.

The work to be done will consist of fencing, grubbing, drain construction of rock and concrete graveling, etc. The finished road will be of an all-weather type and will cost approximately \$79,000.

Only 10,241 students in New York high schools are studying German, as compared with 22,500 in 1934. French ranks first.

## Guess Who They're Looking At!



One look at the rapt ecstasy of these youngsters' faces should tell you they are looking at Santa Claus. They were among 200 Dutch children, many of them war refugees, who took part in recent celebration of St. Nicholas Eve, traditional with New York Dutch since the city was New Amsterdam. The party was held at Holland House, center of Netherlands activity in Manhattan.

## Organization for Annual Christmas Tree Completed

### Generosity of More Fortunate Is Appealed to

The Cisco Welfare association met this morning to form its organization for the annual Christmas tree for underprivileged children, to be presented this year on Monday, December 23, at 2 o'clock at the city hall.

Mrs. B. S. Huey, executive secretary, reported that the Cisco Recreation project is making new toys from apple boxes, scraps of lumber and other odds and ends, and that the project is also repairing and repainting used toys. Need of paint and other materials for making or refinishing toys is urgent she said, asking that donors of such materials take them immediately to the recreation headquarters.

The Rev. Leslie Seymour, pastor of the First Methodist church was named chairman of a committee to provide for barrels to be placed at strategic places in the business district as receptacles for donations of food, clothing, toys and other useful articles. These barrels were expected to be in place today or tomorrow.

There is a special need for children's shoes, stockings and underwear the association said. Another special contribution sought in the form of a tricycle for a child recovering from infantile paralysis. The doctors have advised a tricycle for the exercise it would give the child's

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## McCrea Re-Elected By Postmasters

ABILENE, Dec. 10 (Sp)—Postmasters of the 17th congressional district meeting here Sunday elected O. A. Hale, Abilene as president of their association. Other officers named are Mrs. Maurine Stewart of Blackwell, secretary, and LUTHER MCCREA of Cisco, executive secretary, both re-elected.

Speakers heard included Sam Russell of Stephenville, congressman-elect; Postmaster J. Edward Johnson of Brownwood; and D. C. Jernigan, postal inspector.

## ROME ASSERTS THAT VICTORY IS CERTAIN

ROME, Dec. 10 (AP)—Fascist authorities, taking notice of interpretations abroad to the effect that the shake-up in the fascist high command showed a weakening of Italian morale, declared in a statement Monday: "This uproar, if anything, will only sharpen the will to victory of the Italian people and their reverent and absolute faith in Benito Mussolini and his commanders."

"No one has ever thought of denying in Italy that the undertaking of its liberating war is vast and arduous and that in it might be harder moments. But the same organs which have seized on the pretext of the change in the high command to look for dangerous symptoms and indications of pessimism and the possibility of delays, are drawing from them with too evident joy catastrophic forecasts for their future."

Instead of foreign predictions of a slowing down in Italy's war effort, the statement said the contrary may be foreseen, it being permissible to consider the changes which have taken place as stepping on the accelerator to give, if anything, swifter and more efficient rhythm to the Italian war machine.

The statement likened the current foreign reaction to what it described as the clamorous agitation accompanying League of Nations-sponsored sanctions against Italy during the Ethiopian war. It branded that campaign as one of poisonous insults, slanders and sarcasms against Italy, its soldiers and its chiefs.

"The imprudent revival," it went on, "gives the Italian public the right to hope for the same final outcome which—contrary to insinuations and predictions of enemy critics—crowned the Ethiopian undertaking."

"Meanwhile, the Italian people, compact under Il Duce's orders, and with the most absolute faith in their army and the command

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## Camp Building Completed in 5 Hours, 49 Min.

BROWNWOOD, Dec. 10 (Sp)—The old question, "If it takes one man fifty days to build a building, could fifty men complete the building in one day?" was partially settled Sunday in the light artillery area at Camp Bowie.

Starting from scratch at 10 a. m. 365 carpenters, laborers, plumbers and electricians had a completed regimental headquarters building, 90 to 25 feet, ready for occupancy in five hours and forty-nine minutes.

The building was complete in every respect. Water was running in lavatories, the electric lights were on, the hot-air heat distribution system was in and ready for use and the interior and exterior swept of the last trace of sawdust.

The exhibition was not a stunt in any sense of the word. It was merely a concentration of the work which goes on daily at Camp Bowie. Ordinarily each building at the camp is constructed by several groups of men—floor crews, joist crews, roofing crews, interior crews, etc. The work of these men is staggered in such a manner that no crew overlaps the working time of the adjoining crew.

In the course of the usual construction work at the camp minutes, hours, or even days may elapse between the time a floor crew completes its work and a joist crew moves in. Sunday there was no delay between crews—in fact several crews were working on the building at the same time almost constantly.

The project Sunday enabled camp officials to secure valuable information regarding the number of work hours required to complete a building.

Prefabricated sections were not used in constructing the building—McKee Construction Co. was interested in this angle, too—and all materials used were "in the raw."

## 1,000 TAKEN PRISONER IN BRITISH DRIVE

Swift Thrust Against Italians in Egypt Made

WITH BRITISH FORCES IN EGYPT, Dec. 10 (AP)—Britain's armored desert fighters, striking at dawn with new and sudden fury against Italy's invaders in Egypt, captured 4,000 prisoners, killed their commanding officer and seized his assistant, the British high command announced late last night as the fighting went on.

This "great raid" against Marshal Graziani's legions in the Sidi Barrani region, 70 miles from Libya's frontiers, possibly heralded the full-fledged offensive against Italy because of its gearing with Italian reverses at the hands of the Greeks in Albania.

Fighting still swirled south of Sidi Barrani late last night, and more Italian prisoners were being rounded up, the British said.

An Italian camp at Mabeysa, a few miles south of Sidi Barrani, the coastal base the Italians occupied three months ago, yielded 500 prisoners, the British said.

That many more were reported captured about 30 miles from the coast. This attack, on the Italian right flank, apparently was the main thrust and other British units surged around it and pressed on westward behind the Italian advance lines.

The staff of Lt.-Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavel, commander of Britain's middle eastern forces, gave no indication as to how extensive the operation would become, but showed his pleasure at the first day's results. The number of prisoners taken in a single day's fighting perhaps was the best gauge of the extent of combat.

For weeks British armored units have been probing Italy's defenses, even employing camels in one extended operation deep into Italian Libyan sands.

Many observers believed today's blow was the beginning of operations designed to trap the main Italian body of troops at coastal Sidi Barrani—a strike made while Premier Mussolini juggled his high command.

"Following Italy's debacle in Albania at the hands of the Greeks, it is evident that the moment has been well chosen to make Marshal Graziani fight," one British military observer said.

General Wavel himself announced the first news of the attack less than four hours after it was launched.

The commander said: "I have asked you here to tell you our forces began to carry out an engagement against Italian armies at dawn today."

Then the general described his troops' steady advance during the night to within striking distance, and declared: "Two hours ago I received word that we had captured an Italian camp (Mabeysa)."

The British offensive in Italy's 70-mile-long strip in Egypt was the result of careful planning in utmost secrecy.

Even though it was described as only a "great raid" rather than a general offensive, it was believed

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IS FOR OPTIMIST, HE IS THE GUY..... WHO WAITS TILL THE DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS TO BUY..... 12 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS



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### Welfare Groups Given New Army Task

**MEN** who go into the new army will never know one feature that was a commonplace to the men of 1917-18. That is the welfare centers conducted by the Y. M. C. A., Salvation Army, K. of C., Jewish Welfare Board, and similar organizations.

As the new cantonments rise, each has a recreation center, but it will be army-built and army-controlled. The writing paper, the exhortations to write home, the piano in the corner, the dog-eared magazines and books, the lounging chairs and checker sets will be administered by the army itself, through a Morale Division in Washington. Social workers and National Youth Administration employes will take the place of the "Y-Workers" and Salvation Army Lassies of the World War.

RELIGIOUS organizations are being urged to do their part no less actively than before, but in another way. They are being urged to minister to the recreational and

spiritual needs of the soldiers outside the military reservations, in the hours when the men are on pass and not under direct military control. The army considers the problem of the young man on leave in a large and strange city with no place to go and nothing constructive to do as one more worthy the attention of the private welfare organizations than that of recreation during out-nours in the camps themselves.

There has been considerable confusion among welfare groups willing and anxious to offer their services, yet uncertain as to just what they may properly do. Only the general lines have been laid down: that "legitimate and appropriate services by civilian welfare agencies are to be solicited, with the only stipulation that there be no restrictions on military reservations." Permanent installations, like the Y's elaborate one on Governor's Island in New York, will not be disturbed. But as a general policy new ones will not be set up.

THE field for such work is a large one. It is hard for military authorities to control the activities of men on pass, harder still to control the places of entertainment which cater to the soldier trade but which are outside a direct military jurisdiction.

A large field for beneficial welfare work among soldiers is still open to provide organizations. But the sooner that field is defined, the better, for important facilities are probably being held up simply because welfare groups do not yet know exactly how they may be of the greatest service.

When it comes to cleaning up Britain and mopping up Greece, Adolf and Benito are just a couple of scrubs.

Imports of all fresh fruits except oranges being banned for Great Britain sounds like the old squeeze play.

Long after the football season is forgotten we'll still be reading about All-Americans. Those in the training camps.

Where do some people get the idea that it's against the law to call a doctor before midnight?

The late Oswald, mascot duck of the Reno, Nev., CCC Camp, drank auto-freeze. There were no quack doctors in camp.

### Text For Texas

#### By George C. Hester NEW MILITARY TRAINING TO BE DIFFERENT

The young man looking forward toward doing his year of military training under the selective draft act might be wondering about the experience for which he is needed. Will it be like that in the traditional armies of the past? The average young man has gotten his idea of army life from the tales and stories of the war with its noted shavelled, hard-boiled top sergeants and pompous staffed-shirt attitude, court-martials and endless days of close-order drill.

Strangely enough this was the old Prussian ideal of militarism.

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It was the system upon which the goose-stepping German army of the World War was built. To a considerable extent it permeated the armies of the rest of the world. Needless to say, the German mechanical war machine of today is built on an entirely different organization and technique, with an entirely different relationship existing between officers and men.

But what can the young American recruit expect when he goes to training camp? He will probably be surprised at the new spirit that will permeate the new American army. Obedience of command, of course, will still be necessary. Officers will still have to be saluted and cleanliness of dress and equipment required as usual.

But beyond these, there won't be much similarity. All signs indicate that the new army will be built on different principles. Generally speaking, it will be a far more democratic army. The old-time class snobbery of officers which incidentally did more to make lazy officers than disciplined soldiers, is being discouraged.

Instead of staying aloof from his men, the new commander will see to it that he gets acquainted with each man in his company, and knows his likes and dislikes and his ambitions. Officers and men are going to build common basis of understanding and respect that will reduce to a minimum the old formalities, and make buddies of men and officers on a scale unprecedented in military history.

Never heard of such an army, you say. Well, watch the new American army.

There are several reasons for these changes. In the first place, the scientific armies of the machine age have already set the precedent, and it works. Then there is the natural reaction against the old hard-boiled military attitude and the unpleasant experiences of the World War.

### Speaking of Preparedness--



### Anson Prepares for Big Time at Annual "Cowboys Christmas Ball"

ANSON, Dec. 10. (Sp.)—The cowboys of the ranges are bedding down their "doggies", putting away their branding irons, polishing up their high heel boots and getting ready to hit Anson for one grand "swarrow", the Cowboys' Christmas ball, to be held here December 19, 20, 21.

For the first time the ball will be held in its own home, the new Pioneer hall, of rock construction, erected this year. There is plenty of space for hundreds of

A more important factor, however, is the new mechanics of warfare. The old rigid formation, known as "square drill," etc. are gone.

Simpler close-order drills that teach automatic obedience and coordination have taken their place. The new army is largely a matter of machines, not so much of mass formations. Promotions will be encouraged.

The recruits being taken into the new army are men of intelligence and education which demand respect. It will be an army of skill and training for the manning of equipment. Moreover, it's a peace-time army and this respect must be gained, or the reaction will be felt in public opinion and in congress.

In short, the young man going to camp for his military training can dismiss many of his erroneous impressions about army life. The new army will be different, and incidentally, a much more pleasant and profitable experience.

partners to do the square, Virginia reel, heel and toe, waltz, polka, two-step, dressed in their cowboy togs, with their partners in fashions of the 1890's. For Pioneer hall has the largest dance floor in this section and in addition has a lobby, kitchen, rest rooms, cloak rooms and stage. For those who just want to watch, there is a large balcony.

As usual many of the pioneers who attended the first Ball will be back to re-live by-gone days of

"That whirl at Anson City just takes the cake with me. 'I'm tired of lady shufflin', of them I've had my fill, 'Give me a frontier breakdown, backed up by Windy Bill'."

And just as in the early days the men and ladies who attend will come attired in fashions of the 1890's and each night the most appropriate, costumed couple will be given a prize, as well as for individuals.

So to the tune of the fiddle and banjo, the modern cowboys will turn time back for three nights, to enjoy the festivities at the Cowboys' Christmas ball on December 19, 20, and 21st.

For the first seven months of 1940 airline traffic stood at 555,150,270 revenue passenger miles—an increase of 54.32 per cent over the same period in 1939.

Argentina has 24,532 miles of railroads.

### 1,000 Taken--

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ed it might lead to further offensives.

Preparations were carried out in the dead of night. Troops moved supplies—including gasoline—across eight miles of no man's land and hurried them under the sands.

British forces attacked an Italian camp at Mabeys, south of Sidi Barrani, and had completed the operations by 10 a. m. Other British units meanwhile, were pushing forward elsewhere in the same region.

The British command, pleased with the beginning of the operation, indicated that its extent would depend partly on how strenuous Italian resistance is.

It is the conviction of Britain's army leaders here that if the switches in Premier Mussolini's high command mean action in Egypt, British desert forces are ready.

In fact, impatience is apparent, and some troops has been allowed to work off their energy in special Italian Libya. Camels were

put first.

SONY BEANS COME OF AGE

WHEN soy beans hit a dollar a bushel in the Chicago market recently, the Department of Agriculture realized that another crop had—so to speak—come of age. Soy beans have become an important crop in the Midwest, raised from an acreage of about 2,000,000 fifteen years ago to 10,000,000 acres today. Production for this year is figured at about 79,000,000 bushels.

Reason for the rise in price—jumped 35 cents from September the November—is probably the drop in hard production due early this year. A good part of the soy bean crop is used in making margarine and cooking oils. Drop in less production hence means a bigger field for soy bean oils.

Agriculture Department experts doubt that the defense boom is putting the price up. Only about 15 per cent of the crop goes to industrial uses. Besides, the war has practically killed the export demand.

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### Nazis Protest Haven For British Ships

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Dec. 10. (Sp.)—While sailors rapidly patched battle scars on the British cruiser Carnarvon Castle, Germany formally protested to the Uruguayan government against granting the ship 24 extra hours to make repairs.

Details of the protest delivered by the naval minister, Otto Langmann, were not disclosed, but it was understood he said the British were making additional repairs other than those affecting her seaworthiness. The Carnarvon Castle first was given two days to complete repairs, but the time later was extended 24 hours.

Informed sources said the German action likely would not change plans by which the Carnarvon Castle would sail today before 4 p. m. (3 p. m. CST) to resume her "normal duties" in the south Atlantic.

The Carnarvon Castle was battered by German shells in a running fight with a raider last Thursday and put into Montevideo harbor to make repairs.

The Langmann protest parallels Britain's action last year when the British Minister Millington Drake protested to Uruguay against giving the German raider Admiral Graf Spee additional time to make repairs. The Graf Spee was used for the first time in this way recently on one such expedition.

Spee, rather than face the fate again with British ships, she drove her to the harbor and blown up by her captain.

With peanuts at 96 cents a bushel, growers in the southern part of the United States expect to make "a fair profit" this year.

A total of 155,426 motor cycles were produced in Canada during 1939; 108,309 of these were passenger cycles, valued at \$71,101,204.

### Lemon Juice Recipe Checks Rheumatic Pain Quickly

If you suffer from rheumatism or neuritis pain, try this simple, inexpensive home remedy: thousands are using this package of Ru-Ex Compound, a two-week supply, today, with a quart of water, or a juice of 4 lemons. It's a trouble at all and pleasant to times a day. Often within hours—sometimes overnight—splendid results are obtained: the pains do not quickly return and if you do not feel better, turn the empty package and Ru-Ex will cost you nothing to as it is sold by your druggist for an absolute money-back guarantee. Ru-Ex Compound for sale and recommended by MANER'S PHARMACY and Drug Stores Everywhere.

### BRUCE CATTON'S AMERICAN ROUNDUP

#### WAGE-HOUR LAW OFFICIALS WORRY AS PASSAGE OF TIME MAKES PAY PENALTIES MORE SEVERE

By BRUCE CATTON  
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

time of the inspection will delay, even though he may be disregarding it in the past.

WASHINGTON. — Enforcement of the wage-hour law is running into one of the oldest problems that ever vexed a government agency.

This doesn't mean that the wage-hour division has abandoned its idea of getting restitution of back wages. In October, for instance, brought about payment of over \$1,000,000. What is happening is simply that the job of general universal observance of the law is being put first.

The penalty ordinarily used in enforcing the law is getting too stiff to use. This penalty is the requirement that an employer who has been paying sub-standard wages pay up all back wages due his workers. So far it has been the chief club in the hands of the wage-hour division's inspectors.

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OBSERVANCE PUT FIRST

THE division is already waiving restitution in some cases. By waiving it, the co-operation of a number of trade associations is obtained. A wage-hour official, for instance, will tell trade association executives something like this: "We haven't been able to inspect your field yet and probably won't for some months to come. Meanwhile, we know perfectly well that some of your people aren't paying the wages this law requires. Get them into line now; in return, when we do make our inspections, any man who is meeting the law's requirements at the

### OUT OUR WAY . . . . . By Williams



### ALLY OOP . . . . . By Hamilton



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## SERIAL STORY

### DUDE COLLEGE

BY OREN ARNOLD

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YESTERDAY: Andre and Lona lay plans for a daring move. Girardeau leads Lona into believing he loves her, but secretly intends marrying Ronnie and her millions. At Bailey's ranch, Wes is surprised to learn of the bombing tests in Rainbow canyon. Ronnie cuts him off before he can tell their secret. But he is more concerned with a remark about Andre's engagement to Ronnie.

#### WES MAKES A CATCH

DURING the few days since they had discovered the significant cache in Rainbow canyon, Wesley had barely mentioned it to Ronnie at all. In truth, he was gravely disturbed. He wondered if he should simply make light of it so as to prevent Ronnie Bailey from doing something foolhardy again.

"She is very impulsive," he told himself. "She went with Mr. Starr of the Border Patrol to arrest some Japanese and—"

Wes interrupted his thoughts, snapped his fingers.

"Gosh!" he breathed aloud. He had been sitting at his office desk with a book on primitive Indian cultures before him, but he hadn't read much. Now, he forgot the book altogether.

Here was an array of assorted facts which suddenly had slipped a little closer together. Ronnie Bailey, daughter of an airplane manufacturer just moved to New Mexico. Five Japanese shooting at her not far from Rainbow canyon, and being captured by the Federal Border Patrol. United States army officers arriving to test a priceless new bomb sight on the isolated plains. Andre Girardeau seen coming from Lona Montoya's apartment and Andre Girardeau apparently intimate with the Baileys and with the army officers as well. Lona Montoya seen meeting a strange man in Rainbow canyon.

"Whew!" Wes exclaimed again, quietly.

THE facts didn't quite add up, didn't dovetail. But they did alarm him. He realized that he alone knew all the facts, and this weighed heavily. Added information—most important of all, really—was that Ronnie Bailey had violet eyes, and hair that shone with the deep rich glint of youth and healthfulness, and an incomparably pretty smile. These latter phenomena, no doubt, could be claimed by other young women somewhere but Wesley had never encountered them, or at least had never been aware of them. But one was constantly aware of Ronnie Bailey even in one's most intimate thoughts!

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Byron is pictured on the stamp above, arriving at Missolonghi in 1824. The stamp is one of an issue of two commemorating the centenary of Byron's death.

Early travels in the Near East gave Byron a love for Greece, and when leaders of revolutionary factions appealed to him for help, he gave money freely, hurried to join them. He united rival factions, advanced money to pay troops, build fortifications and provide medical supplies. He was eager to lead an army in the field, was offered the post of governor-general.

Before he could attain either ambition, Byron's health broke. He was recovering from nervous attacks when he was stricken with fever, died April 19, 1824. Greece decreed a general mourning of 21 days.

Byron's body was returned to England for burial, but his heart is buried at Missolonghi.

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### British Drop Tons of Bombs on Bordeaux

By the Associated Press  
LONDON, Dec. 10.—British bombers dropped tons of high explosives on the Bordeaux air of German U-boats which raid Atlantic shipping and possibly scored direct hits on some submarines moored at the main work dock, it was reported.

"The pilots are certain that many heavy high explosive bombs fell close to, if not on, submarines at the dock," the air ministry news service said in its report of last night's raids by the royal air force upon Germany's war machine.

Other RAF bombers caused "great destruction" at Dusseldorf, Germany's second most important steel center, it declared, and raided the submarine base at the German-occupied port of Lorient, the harbors of Brest, Flushing, Dunkerque and Gravelines, and several enemy airdromes.

The news service said the Germans were using Bordeaux as a base for submarine attacks in the Atlantic in "their much advertised 'new phase of the war'."

(This was taken to mean Germany's declaration of a stringent blockade of Britain by air and sea.)

Describing the attack by a "strong force" of RAF bombers, the news service said they tackled "this new phase of the attempted blockade as they did the phase of projected invasion."

(The British have said the RAF broke up Adolf Hitler's invasion armada by concentrated and pro-

### You'll Be Seeing Her --- Next June



Presenting — just to take your mind off nipped ears and chibblans — the 1941 Swim-for-Health girl. She's Angela Green, of Whitestone, L. I., and recently won the title in a New York contest. She'll pose for posters you'll see during Swim-for-Health Week, June 23-25.

longed attacks on the continental ports.)

Many bombers found the main work dock where German submarines were moored along the dock wall, the services bulletin declared.

One explosion lit the interior of a plane flying well over 14,000 feet, it was said, and a fire "burning very fiercely and without any smoke" was seen near the mouth of the Gironde river from 50 miles away. "Other heavy bombs fell among warehouses railway sidings and jetties with good effect and the RAF had the time and ammunition for an attack on nearby air-plant engine construction works which were hit and set afire," the bulletin said.

### London Free of Bombs Last Night

LONDON, Dec. 10 (AP)—Although a brilliant moon lighted the English channel early today, German warplanes failed to follow up their previous night's savage assaults on London or other parts of Britain.

There were no alarms nor reports of raiders up to midnight.

### Regular Army Makes Room for Guard Units

BROWNWOOD, Dec. 10 (AP)—Regular army military units stationed at Camp Bowie for the past few weeks are moving out of their quarters today to make room for the advance guard of the 36th division, due here Wednesday.

Quartermaster corps troops stationed in the quartermaster area immediately west of the headquarters area at the camp are moving to the corps service command area east of the warehouse of the cantonment now ready for occupancy.

Into the area vacated by the regular army quartermaster soldiers will move the men and officers of the 111th Quartermaster regiment, Austin, first national guard unit to arrive at Camp Bowie.

The medical corps detachment, which has also been occupying buildings in the quartermaster area, will move to the hospital, where a 300-bed section is ready for use.

Facilities for the 36th division are slightly over ninety-one per cent complete, Capt. Earl L. Jackson, executive officer, constructing quartermaster's office, said today.

Although facilities for the 36th division are rapidly nearing total completion, construction work at the camp is not slowing down. The 36th division, while the largest unit yet to be assigned to Camp Bowie, is only one of several military organizations to be stationed here, and facilities for the remainder of the camp are being pushed.

### Farmers of France To Be Regimented

VICHY, France, Dec. 10 (AP)—The farmers of France, hard-headed independent and traditionally the bulwark of the old republic, are to be regimented. A decree ordering reorganization of the entire French agricultural structure on a corporative basis and forbidding strikes and lockouts has been signed by chief of state Philippe Petain.

### French Warplanes Bomb Siamese Town

HANOI, French Indo-China, Dec. 10 (AP)—French warplanes were reported to have dropped 22 bombs on Thai (Siamese) town of Lakhon in "retaliation" for an alleged bombing of the Indo-China border town of Vientiane by Thai planes Sunday.

French authorities announced officially that hostilities in the border dispute had flared to serious proportions and involved considerable bombing.

### German Gasoline Reservoir Flames

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Dec. 10 (AP)—A huge reservoir of airplane gasoline for Germany exploded and spread a serious fire over Rumanian oil fields near Polesi Monday.

First reports said a workman's cigaret caused the blast in the grounds of the Standard (Rumanian-owned) company.

Late last night the fires were reported still rapidly spreading.

### The Notebook

Wednesday  
The West Ward Parent-Teacher association will meet at the studio of Hjalmar Bergh at 3:30. Every member is urged to attend.

Thursday  
The Cecilia singers will meet at the studio of Hjalmar Bergh at 7 o'clock.

The Music Study club will have a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. R. S. Cope, beginning at 9:30.

The Philathea Sunday school class of the First Methodist church will have a Christmas party in the class room, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

### Specs---

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for all concerned to reach this solution by peaceful means than by violence. The agreement between the Wright corporation and its employes obviously is a step in the proper direction.

### Organization for---

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legs, but the parents are unable to purchase it, the association said.

Committees on donations for the Christmas tree were named with the following chairmen: Candy—Mrs. R. B. Carswell; Fruit—Mrs. B. C. Metcalf; Bags—Mrs. Sam Kimmell.

Miss Alice Bacon was named chairman of the committee to sack the fruit and candy. Mrs. E. Hooks will arrange for Santa Claus to visit the tree; Mrs. W. W. Fewell and Mrs. L. E. Vaughn will have charge of distributing the gifts to the children; Mrs. R. S. Cope will arrange the program, and Mrs. N. A. Brown will arrange for the program for the colored children.

The association made an earnest appeal to the public to be generous in their contributions toward the Christmas tree project, pointing out that unless the program is presented large numbers of youngsters in the city will have no Christmas of any character.

### Production Control of Cotton Assured

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 (AP)—Marketing and production control over cotton for another year is assured by results of a grower referendum in 19 states Saturday showing large pluralities for the quota system of the agricultural department.

Incomplete totals showed 761-117 votes favoring the federal control system and 61,408 against, or a percentage of 92.5 for the proposal.

Approval by two-thirds of those voting was required to insure continuation of the program. Agriculture department officials said less than half the 2,250,000 eligible farmers had balloted.

Under the system, started in 1938, the department fixes marketing quotas for all cotton growers. Sales of cotton above the quotas are subject to penalty taxes of three cents a pound.

The 1942 program is to limit plantings to 27,900,000 bales, the same as this year.

The Zamzama guns, now on the wall at Lahore, India, mentioned in Kipling's "Kim" show the skill of the Indian cannon makers of the sixteenth century.

Vatican City, with an area of 168.7 acres, is the smallest country in the world.

### U. S. Pilot in His Air Ferry Garb



Col. George R. Hutchinson, above, head of famed "Flying Hutchinsons" family, is one of 40 U. S. pilots regularly making mass flight deliveries of bombers from Canada to England. Transatlantic flights, averaging 10 hours, are made at high altitudes to escape interception by Germans, hence heavy uniforms are required.

### Right Wing---

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day celebration over the capture of Argirocastro. Sparring Greek enthusiasm was news of President Roosevelt's promise to help the embattled Balkan kingdom.

"Mr. Roosevelt's message is causing joy through the entire Greek nation as showing the extent of friendship and mutual assistance existing between our country and his great nation," Eleftheros Vima, government spokesman, told American correspondents.

It was disclosed meanwhile that the Greeks captured Argirocastro by craftily flanking the town from east and west rather than by a frontal assault. Some sections were burned by the Italians, but the Greeks declared they left intact huge supplies of war material, including 12 full batteries of artillery.

The Greeks now have routed the Italians from about 2,125 square miles—of the rugged 10,620 square mile Albanian kingdom Mussolini seized in his Good Friday invasion in 1939.

Prior to Argirocastro's fall, the Greeks placed the cash value of captured Italian booty at \$10,000,000, a figure expected to be greatly increased when stock is taken of equipment seized in the southern invasion base.

### Rome Asserts---

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ders who are guiding it are drawing from the campaign of imperialist rage reasons to intensify their efforts and bend their discipline and will to achieve Il Duce's slory in the world.

### Miss Armstrong in TCU Mixed Chorus

(Specials to the Press)  
Fort Worth, Dec. 10.—Miss Edleen Armstrong of Cisco is one of 100 Texas Christian university students who will sing in the T. C. U. Mixed chorus' presentation of Gault's "Holy City" in the University Christian church Sunday afternoon, Dec. 15.

The chorus is directed by Prof. W. J. Marsh, prominent in the Southwest as a composer and choral director and best known in Texas for the composing of the official state song, "Texas Our Texas."

The chorus will be accompanied by the T. C. U. Symphony orchestra of 50 pieces, directed by Prof. Claude Sammis.

Miss Armstrong, a sophomore, is a member of the alto section of the chorus.

### Doctors---

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yet completed its initial induction—showed more than 30 per cent of the men turned down by the army's doctors were rejected on account of bad teeth.

In addition to bad teeth, other principal causes of army rejections, as indicated by the initial sampling, were: mental deficiencies, 8 per cent; poor vision, 8 to 10 per cent; flat feet and other foot troubles less than 2 per cent.

Ambrosia, which in Latin means delectable, unbelievably sweet and so delicious as to be beyond imagination, is the botanical name for ragweed.

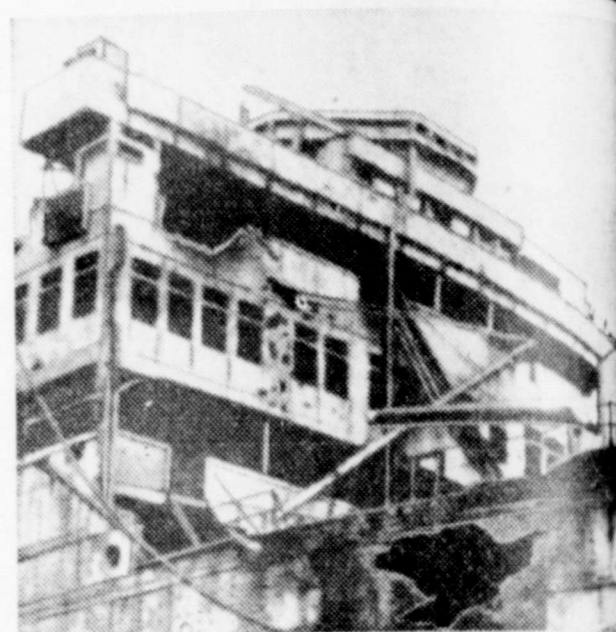
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### Basketball?



This easily could be mistaken for center jump on basketball court, but it's Bill Wixted, left, end, and Jack Doolan, back, reaching for high pass as Georgetown football team practices for game with Mississippi State in Miami Orange Bowl, Jan. 1.

### Carnarvon Castle After Battle



(NEAV Radio)  
This is a closeup of the damage done to the hull and superstructure of the British merchant cruiser Carnarvon Castle when attacked by a German sea raider off the coast of South Africa. The English battleship Warspite and the cruiser Enterprise chased to the German raider, while the Carnarvon Castle went repairs in Montevideo harbor.

### New Style of Basket Ball Play Is Well Fitted to Lobo Squad

Well pleased with the showing of the team in the Colony tournament last week, Coach Johnny Edwards expected to enter a Lobo basketball five in the Morton Valley tournament Friday and Saturday much improved by a week of practice and the addition of the Morris twins, Bill and Bob, to the squad. Both boys reported yesterday and looked well in workouts.

A spirited contest for the fifth place on the starting five was being waged by James Wright and W. C. Gardner. Both boys will see plenty of action this season, if immediate prospects are any indication.

At the center post, "Slim" Taylor is turning in a better performance than his fine play of last season. Bruce Sanders is another newcomer to the squad who is playing a top game.

Although the Lobos yield in average height to some of the teams they will meet this year, the new "blitz" style of play, put-

ting a premium on cleverness, gives much better chance of winning than the former style, and more open.

"It looks like we may have a better team than expected," said Edwards.

### Dude College---

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ranch-reared. He allowed the rider to pass horse walking fast. Then—swiss-swiss—three rapid twirls of the loop and—through!

He saw his loop dart out and settle with perfect aim around the rider's shoulders. Then Wes dug in his heels for the jerk he knew was coming.

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According to recent figures, there were 23,800 more private flyers in September, 1940, than there were in the same month in 1939.

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