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11 TO GRADUATE IN EXERCISES TONIGHT

ABBOTT WELL DEEPENED; WILL BE SHOT

New Operation South of Cisco Drilled to 3,587 Feet

Deepening of the Danciger Oil and Gas company's No. 1 Mary Abbott in the area five miles southwest of Cisco is being completed today. The well was deepened to 3,587 feet where a good showing of oil and gas has been found, reports from the area said this morning.

It was expected that the formation would be shot. The Abbott is located about 1,900 feet south by east of the Groover and Rose No. 1 McElreath, a well which was completed last summer. After treatment with 4,000 gallons of acid, the McElreath has been constantly making its allowable of 50 barrels per day.

Conciliators Seek To End Strikes

By the Associated Press. Federal conciliators sought last night to end work-delaying disputes at two plants assigned important roles in the navy's huge expansion program. Of chief concern was a strike of 7,000 men at the Milwaukee plant of the Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing company, which has \$26,000,000 worth of defense orders, mostly for naval equipment. The other dispute affecting the navy's program was at Mobile, Ala., where 3,400 workers at the Alabama Drydock and Shipbuilding company, a destroyer repair base, were demanding increased pay. A spokesman for the industrial union of marine and shipbuilding workers (CIO) said that, rather than a strike, there would be a two-hour work stoppage each day.

50 to 60 Millions Campaign Cost, Gillette Says

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP).—A "rough guess" that between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000 was spent on political campaigns leading up to the recent elections came from Chairman Killeite (D-I) of the special senate committee investigating campaign expenditures.

The senator's estimate was based on a report approved by the investigating committee, which showed that contributions aggregating \$24,174,223 and expenditures amounting to \$22,740,740,313 actually were reported by national, state and senatorial groups. "I believe expenditures probably were three times the reported total," Senator Gillette said. "The committee compilation does not include campaign funds used by county or local candidates and committees. It does not include hundreds who are under on legal requirement to make reports such as money spent for newspaper and billboard advertisements within states and local jurisdictions. "No one could make an accurate estimate on the total campaign costs."

One report, approved by the committee and to be sent to the senate later, said republican organizations reported spending \$1,941,143, and receiving \$16,570,040, and democratic groups listed \$6,095,357 in expenditures and \$6,284,463 in contributions.

Miss Mary Louise Poe of John Tarleton college in Stephenville is spending the week-end here.

Charles Van Geem of Eastland is visiting relatives here today.

No Danger of Invasion--Lindbergh Tells House



Col. Charles A. Lindbergh appeared before a full house, as pictured above, when he testified against the president's lease-lend aid-for-Britain bill. The arrow points to Lindbergh, who told the house committee that he did not see any danger of invasion of the U. S.

LINDBERGH DENOUNCES AID MEASURE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP).—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh emphatically denounced the British aid bill yesterday as a "major step" toward involvement in a war which America could not hope to win and asserted that if the United States minds its own business, and arms itself reasonably, it is not in danger.

Repeatedly, in answer to questions put by members of the house foreign affairs committee, he said that the combined forces of both Great Britain and the United States could not successfully invade the continent of Europe, unless there should be an internal German collapse. Success, he said, would be dependent on "a coincidence of miracles."

The famous flier, appearing at the request of opponents of the bill, urged an immediate negotiated peace. Even though it would not be a just one, according to American standards, he said, it was preferable to the continuance of a war which would bring disaster to Europe. He wanted neither side to win, he said, for a victory for either would be "disastrous" to all.

Hugh S. Johnson, the newspaper columnist, followed him to the witness stand, and said that the bill amounted to "a defensive and offensive alliance with Great Britain," in which any war aims the United States might have would be entirely in the control of the British government.

Says America Safe
America was safe behind its oceans, he said, and he didn't see how "anyone could turn up his nose at 3,000 miles" when "Mr. Hitler is having so much trouble with 5 or 30 miles."

"If we're not careful we're going to be in this war in 30 to 90 days—possibly on the north coast of Africa or the west coast," said Johnson, retiring brigadier general and former NRA administrator.

While Lindbergh was on the stand, Rep. Luther Johnson (D-Tex.) inquired: "Have you ever expressed any opposition to Mr. Hitler's policies, his aims or his war objectives?"

"Yes, I have," the flier promptly replied. "I believe that publicly we should maintain a position of neutrality. Privately, I don't like many things that are going on in Germany, but over a period of years I think one (side) is just about as much at fault as the other."

As for differences in "ideals" between Germany and England, he went on to say, that in the light of history "you won't find so much difference" as has been asserted to exist.

Fire Breaks Out in Historic Dublin Castle

DUBLIN, Jan. 24 (AP).—A fierce fire broke out early today in Dublin castle, where the Eire censorship offices are located.

A Dublin newspaper messenger gave the alarm on discovering the blaze while taking copy to the censor for approval.

Fire-fighting brigades worked feverishly to prevent the flames from spreading to a congested residential area nearby.

The offices of the ministry of commerce in the castle were destroyed before the fire was controlled two hours after it was discovered.

Dublin castle is the nucleus from which the city of Dublin is said to have developed. Although part of the castle was built in the first decades of the 13th century, the building is mostly 16th century or later.

The castle was built on a ridge overlooking the River Liffey, which divides Dublin, and the expansion of the two from this point has been of great interest to students of municipal planning.

The most which once surrounded the castle now is a sewer.

The castle was the official seat of the lords lieutenant until the establishment of the free state in 1922. Government offices are housed in it now.

Selassie Back Inside Kingdom

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 24 (AP).—Haile Selassie has been inside his old Ethiopian kingdom, since Jan. 15, it was officially disclosed Thursday night.

The Ethiopian emperor, without an empire for five years since the Italians invaded his country, previously was reported at Khartoum, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

There at an improvised court he received Ethiopian chieftains who slipped across the border to meet him. There, it was said, he took a hand in directing native resistance to the Italians in his former kingdom.

A small British mission has been deep in the interior of Ethiopia for months raising a black army and drilling it despite efforts by the Italians to locate and destroy the group.

P.-T. A. Sponsors Games Tournament
The West Ward Parent-Teacher association will sponsor a games tournament on the roof garden of the Laguna hotel Friday night at 7:30, it was announced today.

The affair is a benefit, it was pointed out, and 25c will be charged for admission. Various table games will be played, and the public is urged to attend.

FDR SENDS AIDE TO MAKE STUDY OF CHINA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP).—In a parallel move to Harry Hopkins' special mission to England, it was announced Thursday that Lauchlin Currie, administrative assistant to President Roosevelt, would visit China soon to make an economic survey. Apparently he is to help determine what aid that country should receive if the lend lease bill is passed.

Emphasizing the administration's interest alike in Chinese and British resistance to Germany, Italy and Japan, Currie will go to Chungking at the invitation of the Chinese government and will bear a special message of greeting to Generalissimo Kai-Shek.

Known as President Roosevelt's personal economic adviser, Currie, 38 years old, but with an extensive background in economics, will be accompanied by Emile Destres, senior economist of the federal reserve board.

Currie is expected to make an intensive study of China's whole economic structure to determine the most efficient means of helping that country in an economic and financial way.

As a close adviser to the president, however, he is expected also to study China's war needs generally and the strength of Chinese resistance to Japan.

The United States has been supplying material assistance to China. A few weeks ago it granted a \$50,000,000 export-import bank credit and a \$50,000,000 currency stabilization loan.

Chinese authorities have encountered difficulties in purchasing planes and other equipment because of the priorities of British and American orders.

There have been indications, however, that the government expects to be able to increase the flow of arms to China in the spring.

Former Pastor to Preach Here Sunday

The Rev. J. Stuart Pearce will preach at both services at the First Presbyterian church Sunday, it was announced today. Dr. Pearce, a former pastor of the Cisco church, is now superintendent of home missions in the Presbytery of Fort Worth.

Dr. Gary Smith, pastor, will supply the pulpit in the First Presbyterian church in Abilene Sunday.

HEARING ORDERED
WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP).—The Securities commission Thursday ordered a general investigation of the rules of the New York Curb exchange as they relate to the suspension, expulsion and disciplining of members. A hearing was ordered for February 10 at the SEC headquarters here.

ARMY RETAKES BARRACKS IN BUCHAREST

Fighting Reported to Be Continuing in Provinces

By the Associated Press. The last of the Rumanian rebel Iron Guardsmen holding the police barracks and city hall in Bucharest were reported dislodged early today but it was not clear whether that signaled the end of a bloody civil war against the regime of Premier Ion Antonescu.

Estimates of the dead were 2,000 and up with total casualties put at 6,000 since the outbreaks were set off by the slaying of a German major in the capital Sunday morning.

An air traveler arriving in Sofia, Bulgaria, from Bucharest said the surrender of the police barracks was brought about when the army artillery fired on the barracks from a distance of 300 yards.

Border reports to Sofia said fighting was continuing outside Bucharest, especially in Rumanian Transylvania where peasants were reported joining the rebels.

Earlier, an official statement in Sofia and Budapest said the Antonescu regime was "complete master" of the uprising attributed to Iron Guard hotbeds and communists.

The statement mentioned a leading role played by Gen. George Petrovicescu, deposed three days ago as minister of interior.

In the Balkan war, the Greeks resumed their drive on the Albanian port of Valona as the weather turned more favorable. In some of the fiercest fighting of their war with Italy, the Greeks claimed they took new position north of captured Klisura, in Central Albania.

Move Westward
In Africa, advance units of the British army moved westward from captured Tobruk toward the final phase of operations against the Italians in North Libya.

Motorized patrols of the British already were reported operating 110 miles to the west of Tobruk in the vicinity of Bomba and Derna, the next apparent objectives in the drive of General Sir Archibald Wavell's army of hardy Australians, Britons and "Free Frenchmen."

Meanwhile in completing the occupation of Tobruk, the British counted at least 14,000 Italian prisoners, including four generals headquarters communique said 2,000 Italian wounded were evacuated from Tobruk yesterday.

Recapitulating, the British said they had captured at least 99,000 Italians since the start of the Egyptian-Libyan campaign, vast quantities of war materials including 200 guns and that the Italian dead, wounded and missing would number about 10,000.

The British said their losses in the capture of Tobruk would number under 500, but the Italians without specifying a figure disputed this, asserting "severe losses" were suffered by the attackers. The high command at Rome said the broken Tobruk garrison was outnumbered almost 5 to 1.

Taft Introduces Substitute Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP).—A substitute aid-to-Britain bill, providing for loans of \$1,000,000,000 to the United Kingdom, \$500,000,000 to Canada and \$50,000,000 to Greece, was introduced Thursday by Senator Taft (Rep.-Ohio).

"This substitute," Taft explained, "is designed to give aid to England instead of aid to the president of the United States."

Tiny Mermaid



Bramwell Gabrielsen, baseball coach at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minn., holds his 25-month-old daughter, Sharon, who is claimant to swimming and diving championship for her age class. She dives from regulation board, can swim more than 30 feet.

Natives Mistake Willkie For FDR In Azores

HORTA, The Azores, Jan. 24 (AP).—Wendell L. Willkie, "carried" this island of 20,000 Thursday.

Because of slight translation difficulties and despite his explanations, most of the natives believed they were entertaining the president of the United States. The 1940 republican candidate had to stop over on his trip to London until today because of a 35-mile-an-hour gale that grounded the Pan American clipper.

Bornhill was high point man for Cisco with 14 points. Taylor, Childers and Bob Morris, each tied for four. Gardner and Wright were substitutes.

Barnhill finally went out on fouls, and Cain of Breckenridge was ruled out for unnecessary roughing.

The next game will be with Brownwood here on Tuesday, January 28. Of the last three games the Lobos have played they have won two, losing to the strong Gorman five by two points.

Rifle Ass'n Head Deplores Ban Bill

FORT WORTH, Jan. 23.—Disarmament of law abiding citizens through legislation restricting or banning fire arms weakens national defense, McLeod A. Greathouse, president of the Texas State Rifle association, declared Saturday in announcing a meeting of the organization's executive committee in Austin Sunday, Jan. 26.

Pointing out that Switzerland has escaped an invasion while most other European nations have been overrun by the Nazi hordes, Greathouse stated that the little country in the Alps is the only nation on the continent which does not restrict ownership of fire arms.

Walker Nominated Postmaster General

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP).—President Roosevelt Thursday nominated Frank C. Walker to serve four more years as postmaster general.

He also sent to the senate the nomination of Dean C. Acheson to be an assistant secretary of state in place of Henry Grady, resigning.

WAR VETERAN DIES
LLANO, Jan. 24.—George Calhoun, 64, Spanish-American war veteran and resident of Llano for many years, died here Thursday. Mr. Calhoun was born in Temple. Funeral arrangements will be made after the arrival of a daughter from California. Mr. Calhoun's widow also survives.

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM AT 8 O'CLOCK

Justice Grissom Will Be Speaker for Mid-Term Event

Associate Justice Clyde Grissom of the 11th court of civil appeals at Eastland will be the speaker for the mid-term graduation exercises at the Cisco high school this evening at 8 o'clock.

Eleven high school seniors will receive their diplomas from the hands of L. A. Warren, member of the school board and father of one of the graduates. The class will be introduced by Supt. R. N. Cluck after formal certification of the graduates by High School Principal O. L. Stamey.

This is the first time in the history of the school, as well as can be determined, that mid-term graduates have had exercises similar to those who graduate in the spring, it was announced by officials, who expressed the hope that the practice could be continued in the future.

The program for the exercises will include two musical numbers. The first will be a violin duet by Misses Gloria Graham and Rose Ann Woods. They will play "Ave Maria." Miss Billye Cole will sing "Thank God for a Garden."

Invocation will be by the Rev. Leslie Seymour, pastor of the First Methodist church.

Members of the class to receive diplomas are:

Coy Warren, James Qualls, Alton Lomax, Robert Donovan, Gladys Kinard, Bobbie Jo Brooks, Bill Prange, Eldon Smith, Gayle Bailey, Walter Dolgener, Troy Stewart.

Only 2 of 14 on Airliner Die in Crash

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24 (AP).—The twisted and torn wreckage of a 12-ton Transcontinental & Western air sleeper made it apparent that only a miracle prevented more than 14 deaths among the 14 occupants of this plane in a crash Thursday.

Capt. P. T. W. Scott, 36, of Little Neck, N. Y., veteran pilot who had flown more than 1,500,000 miles, and J. F. Mott of Kansas City, a TWA employe riding as a passenger, were killed.

The 12 others on the plane were hurt, half of them seriously and six suffering only minor injuries.

The \$135,000 ship, banking steeply for a landing at Lambert, St. Louis municipal airport just before dawn, struck a tall maple and hurtled to the ground, plowing through a row of trees and smashing two telephone poles.

About 40 telephone wires and a 30,000-volt electric transmission line were severed. A bright arc of flame from the cut cables momentary.

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Weather

East Texas—Mostly cloudy, soovers over south and extreme east portions, colder over north and central portions Friday; Saturday mostly cloudy, colder over extreme north and extreme south portions; moderate to occasional fresh southeasterly winds in the coast, becoming northerly by Friday night.

West Texas—Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday with occasional periods of fair; rising temperature over Panhandle, slightly colder in southeast portion Friday.

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1941 --- Year of Reappointment

GOVERNMENT is machinery. Naturally, the purposes for which the machinery is used come first. The direction in which it is set going, the fuel and upkeep in the form of taxes and other support—all these are of first importance.

But there is another matter, less dramatic and interesting, but also important—the redesign and replacement of worn-out parts in the machine itself. That is the way you might describe the congressional reappointment due in 1941.

The constitution provides that each 10 years, when the census is taken, the president shall report its results to congress, which shall then determine the number of representatives each state shall have, "according to their respective numbers." The

only restrictions are that each state must have at least one representative, and that their total shall not exceed one for every 30,000 people.

OBVIOUSLY, if congress were to have one member for every 30,000 people today, it would have more than 4300 members. To cut down the size of the house, the present arrangement is based on about one for every 250,000—435 members for something over 100,000,000 people.

The present census will show close to 132,000,000 people. If the same proportion of representatives to population were to be kept, it would mean a house of representatives of more than 500 members. If the house is kept the same size, it would mean that each member will be representing more than 300,000 people.

Certainly, the house of representatives, with 435 members, is large enough—if anything, it is too large. Many students of government believe it would work better with fewer members, and that the quality of members would improve if each had to convince a larger block of district voters of his worth.

ALL this puts congress in the unhappy position of a surgeon about to operate on himself. It always does this with reluctance. In fact, the reluctance was so great in 1921 that it violated the constitution by failing to do it at all.

Despite all the grave major problems that face congress in 1941, reappointment must not be neglected. Congress must demonstrate that it can keep the machinery of government itself in repair; it must have the courage to make an apportionment of its membership which will not increase the total, but decrease it if possible. Perhaps that is a good deal to expect, but there must surely at this time be no repetition of the failure of 1921 to carry out a clear constitutional mandate.

Look out that those who take the trouble to flatter you don't just take you.

Whenever you hear that horse race betting has been stopped, don't bet on it!

Important Piece of Art Work Destroyed



Your Federal Income Tax

HOW TO AVOID COMMON ERRORS

Fifteen million persons, firms, and corporations, it is estimated, will probably file income tax returns this year. These returns began to trickle in around January 1. Every return for the calendar year 1940 must be in by midnight of March 15. In order to handle the enormous volume of work alone entailed in receiving these returns, the bureau of Internal Revenue has greatly increased its staff in its several district offices. The experience of former years shows that the bureau is always swamped with late returns. If taxpayers will file their returns early, they will find that this will be mutually beneficial to them and to the government.

A large number of these returns contain errors which, if not corrected by the audit, would result in the disadvantage of the taxpayer. Many persons pay in more than the amount of the tax due; others fail to take advantage of

the personal exemption, the credit allowed for dependents, or deductions from gross income to which they are entitled. In making out your income tax return, read carefully and study the instructions that accompany the forms on which the tax is computed. If you need more information, it may be obtained at the office of the collector of internal revenue, deputy collector, or an internal revenue agent in charge. When you visit an internal revenue office to get assistance in making out your return, take a copy of your 1939 return with you.

Auditions Heard For All-American Youth Orchestra

AUSTIN, Jan. 24 (Sp.)—The National Youth administration of Texas will receive applications again this year and arrange preliminary auditions for Texas contestants for the one hundred seats in Leopold Stokowski's second All-American Youth orchestra. State NYA Administrator J. C. Kellam has been informed by Aubrey Williams, national administrator.

From auditions to be held in the 22 NYA areas will be chosen outstanding contestants to appear before the State Auditioning committee in Austin, which will select the best five musicians to be heard by Stokowski at Dallas March 8, as he conducts final auditions in key cities of the nation.

Kellam said the state committee would be composed of Miss Nell Parnley, state supervisor of public school music, state department of education; Anthony Donato and Homer Ulrich, faculty members of the University of Texas school of fine arts; and Hendrik Buytendorp, Austin symphony orchestra director.

Initial auditions over the state will be held on Jan. 25 at 8 o'clock in the evening at the University of Texas school of fine arts. The preliminary auditions will be held on Jan. 26 at 8 o'clock in the evening at the University of Texas school of fine arts. The final auditions will be held on Jan. 27 at 8 o'clock in the evening at the University of Texas school of fine arts.

\$25,800 Awards to Good Drivers League Winners

DEARBORN, Mich., Jan. 25 (Sp.)—With the nation's high schools preparing for second semester activities, the Ford Good Drivers' league today announced details of its 1941 good driving contest, in which \$25,800 in scholarships will be awarded boys and

girls of high school age throughout the country. Started last year by Edsel Ford to promote improved driving and increase motoring safety among youth, the Good Drivers' league embarks on its second season with one major innovation that is expected to more than double the membership.

Where the nation-wide 1940 good driving contests were open only to boys, the 1941 contests will be open to girls as well as boys. This major change in the league program already has produced widespread interest, with indications that girls are fully as anxious as boys to demonstrate their knowledge and skill at handling an automobile.

Under the new rules set up by Mr. Ford as league president and his national advisory board, girls will compete in a separate division, while the boys also will have a section of their own. There will be no mixed contests. All young men and women between the ages of 16 and 24 years, inclusive, regardless of race or color and whether or not they work on NYA projects, are eligible to apply for auditions, Kellam said.

Applications will be received by local auditioning committees, which may be reached through NYA area offices in Amarillo, Lubbock, Eastland, Wichita Falls, Fort Worth, Dallas, Mt. Pleasant, Marshall, Lufkin, Palestine, Waco, San Angelo, El Paso, Austin, Brenham, Houston, Beaumont, Cuero, Robstown, McAllen, San Angelo and Crystal City.

As awards for the national winners, Mr. Ford revealed that 98 Good Drivers' league scholarships would be presented as follows, with identical awards for both the boy and girl divisions: First prize, \$5,000 university scholarship; second prize, \$2,000 university scholarship; third, fourth and fifth prizes, each \$500 scholarships; and

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BRUCE CATTON'S AMERICAN ROUNDUP

FIRST FIGURES SHOW U. S. MEN IN POOR SHAPE, BUT ARMY REPORTS DON'T COVER NEW DRAFTEEES

BY BRUCE CATTON
NEA Service Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — America's manpower is in poorer physical shape today than in 1917-18, preliminary figures on army applications rejected because of physical defects can be seen.

In the last war, between 20 and 25 per cent of the first 3,000,000 men called up in the draft were rejected for physical defects. A comparison with today's draftees is not yet possible, since not enough men have yet been called to service. Only about 20,000 drafted men have been "processed" by the various induction boards. The various comparisons available come from a study of the army's figures on voluntary enlistments.

Latest tabulations cover enlistments for the first six months of 1940. These show that 32 per cent of all the men who sought to enlist in that period were rejected. Some were turned down for other than physical reasons—married men aren't accepted, for instance, or men with criminal records—but in the main the rejections were of men not physically fit for service.

Army authorities are extremely loath to admit that a comparison between 1918 draftees and 1940 enlistments may properly be made. They prefer to wait until the medical records of at least 200,000 draftees are at hand before trying to make any comparisons, and do not expect to draw any conclusions before some time next spring.

OTHER OFFICES WORRIED, TOO
NEVERTHELESS, it is true that the physical standards applied to drafted men in 1917-18 are practically on a level with those applied today, both for voluntary enlistments and for men called

under the selective service act. It is also true that other branches of the government which have had a look at the current enlistment rejection figures are badly worried about the situation. Among these is the Farm Security Administration, which independently is making extensive studies of health conditions in rural areas—from which the percentage of enlistments in proportion to total population is about twice as heavy as from urban localities.

FSA officials suspect a great many of the physical defects which are showing up both in the army figures and in FSA's own studies are due to poverty—to malnutrition, and to the fact that many Americans are growing up without getting any medical care whatever. Health surveys made in two "sample" southern counties in cooperation with state health boards, FSA officials say, showed 575 low-income persons studied had a net total of 1373 serious physical ailments, including things like infected tonsils, seriously defective vision and bad teeth which could have been corrected if medical care had been available.

THIS whole problem is being studied in for serious study by the office of Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt, recently named co-ordinator of health and recreation under the defense program.

One reason why non-defense items in the current budget were not slashed more heavily is the fact that the administration has become concerned over the health picture among low-income groups. Original plans called for much heavier cuts than those finally made in appropriations for such activities as WPA, administration of the stamp plan, and so on. The seriousness of the situation was made graphic by the 32 per cent rejections in the army's enlistment drive. This, together with other studies such as those made by FSA, convinced New Dealers that continuance of these various "social services" is vital to national defense.



Catton

Winant Reported Envoy to Britain



John Gilbert Winant, above, liberal Republican and former governor of New Hampshire, is reported to be President Roosevelt's choice as ambassador to Great Britain. Winant is director of the International Labor Office.

Emphasis on Texas Peanuts During Week

Texas peanuts, which are measured by the ton when the farmers sell them, are getting special attention this week in stores, lunch rooms and candy counters from coast to coast, in a gigantic sales campaign to help the farmer.

Chain stores and independent merchants are cooperating in this sales effort, known as National Peanut week, which was organized under the sponsorship of the National Peanut Council, with headquarters in Suffolk, Va. During National Peanut week January 23 to 31, peanuts and peanut products are being featured in advertisements and sales campaigns all over the nation.

To Texas agriculture, this campaign has great importance. Texas produced some 80,000 tons of peanuts in its last crop, or about 10

per cent of the total of the nation. From these 80,000 tons it is estimated that Texas farmers will receive between \$4,500,000 and \$5,000,000, with the money going into widely separated growing areas in west, south and north-west Texas. Only four states—Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia and Alabama—produce more peanuts than Texas.

Realizing the growing importance of the peanut industry in the southwest, a group of farmers in Texas organized the Southern Western Peanut Growers' association in 1937. This year this farmer-owned, farmer-controlled organization, which has headquarters in Gorman, Texas, and warehouses in 23 Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico towns, will market about 50 per cent of the Texas crop.

National Peanut week last year demonstrated that Americans can be induced to eat peanuts, and lots of them, when farmers and merchants work together to encourage them. The U. S. department of agriculture estimated that 25,000 tons of salted peanuts, peanut butter and the peanut products were sold for edible consumption as a result of peanut week

last year. This season, with additional emphasis being placed on the sales, the amount is expected by the National Peanut Council to be doubled.

As encouragement to store managers to emphasize peanuts in their window displays this week, prizes amounting to \$1,000 have been offered for the best display of peanuts and peanut products. Last year the first prize for the nation was won by an S. H. Kress and Co. store in San Antonio.

National Peanut week was given official sanction in Texas in a proclamation by Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel.

Big Increase in 1940 Fire Deaths in Texas

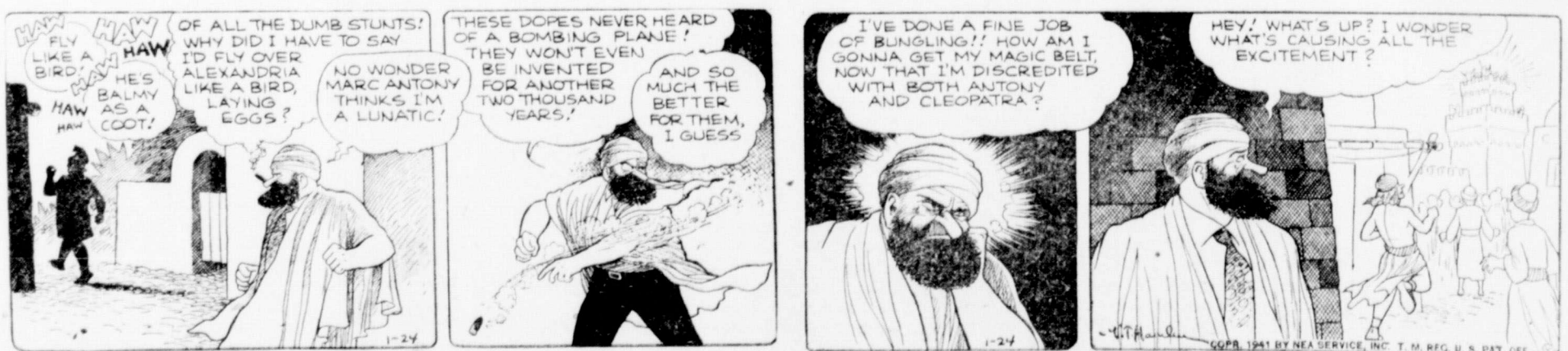
AUSTIN, Jan. 24 (Sp.)—The 1940 Texas fire death record skyrocketed five and a half per cent over the previous year, 469 persons losing their lives. This was an increase of 86 over 1939, according to information made available to Marvin Hall, state fire insurance commissioner.

After reaching an all-time high of 507 in 1936, the number of

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• SERIAL STORY

CONSCRIPT'S WIFE

BY BETTY WALLACE

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YESTERDAY: Martha decides to spend week-ends in camp, gives up the apartment to save money. She meets Suzanne Decker and the girl threatens to tell Bill of the country club dance. Martha realizes that Bill might believe even the most malicious gossip. She determines to tell Paul to stop Suzanne. A telegram summons her to her sister's, Helen is ill. Martha must come at once.

AUNT MARTHA TAKES OVER

CHAPTER XVI
THE hour and a half on the train, after hurried packing and a quick dash downtown in the cab, was like a nightmare to Martha Marshall. The rumbling wheels seemed to be saying, over and over, the words Eugene had used on his wife. "Helen critically ill. Helen critically ill. Helen critically ill." The sick shock, the sudden all-consuming fear for her sister, drove everything else out of Martha's mind. Helen had never been strong, but she stood up to life and battled so valiantly! There

was Eugene, and his little garage that seldom made money. There were the three small children, the oldest only 7. Helen did her own housework, her own washing, her own ironing. And now, she was in the hospital.

All those letters Helen had written later—those letters asking her to come and stay with them while Bill was in the army—had they been Helen's indirect, hesitant way of telling her that she needed help? Help for which Eugene was unable to pay?

A MOUNTING panic shook her as the train neared Bayville. She was standing on the platform, suitcase beside her, hat on her gloves on, clasping her handbag very tightly, when at long last the train rolled in.

Eugene was waiting for her. He was a short, stocky man, whose usually ruddy face looked pasty and green. There were deep wrinkles under his eyes. He was worn, haggard, as if he hadn't slept for nights.

"How's Helen?" Martha shot at

him immediately. "What was wrong with her? How long has she been in the hospital?"

"She's had a hard time," Eugene evaded. "They operated this morning and I kept hoping I wouldn't have to wire you..."

Her fingers were tight on his arm. "Do you mean Helen's—Helen's—" Her voice seemed to give out. She couldn't utter the horrible word which was searing into her. No. No. It couldn't be that bad. It couldn't be.

"She isn't rallying," said Eugene dully. "They're doing everything, but she won't rally."

"What is it?" He couldn't look at her. He muttered, "Complicated. She didn't tell me right away—"

Martha bit her lip. She didn't ask him anything else as they drove to the hospital. She could guess, now. Helen who was so small and slender—Helen who had borne three children so quickly, one after another...

It was after visiting hours at the hospital, of course. The quiet lobby was dark, with a pool of light over the switchboard. A nurse sitting there looked up.

She recognized Eugene, for she said at once, "Go right up, Mr. Nugent."

A nurse at the chart desk rose and walked toward them. Her rubber heels were almost soundless on the tile floor. "She's not sleeping, Mr. Nugent. You may go right in."

Martha braced herself as the nurse opened the door of a room just beyond the bay-windowed waiting room. She tried to pin a smiling to her lips in case Helen should be lying there, watching the doorway, waiting for them.

But Helen wasn't caring who came and went, she realized in the next shocked second. Helen lay white and bloodless on the bed with parched lips, with tumbled hair to which the odor of ether still clung. Her fever-bright eyes were fixed on the ceiling.

"Oh, Helen! Helen!" The cry was torn from her.

Helen's head moved on the pillow. She looked at her sister, but her expression scarcely changed. Martha ran to the bed and bent over it. "Helen, darling! You're going to be all right, aren't you, sweet? You're going to get well, aren't you?"

The too-bright eyes didn't seem to understand, at first. Martha took her sister's thin fingers in hers and squeezed them. "Helen, it's Martha. Don't you recognize me?"

And then Helen smiled, and suddenly she seemed to have come back from the far land to which she had journeyed so strangely, with her eyes wide open.

NEXT morning, Martha waited for the doctor in the hospital corridor. "How is my sister?" she asked him bluntly. "She seemed so strange last night—for a little while—"

The doctor had kind, shrewd

eyes, and a reassuring smile. "She wasn't doing very well yesterday. But she's better now. I think your coming has helped her."

"Is—she out of danger?" "I see."

So she telephoned Air Transport from the canteen in the hospital lobby. Paul wasn't in his office. She talked to the chief engineer. "My sister's very ill in the hospital. Very ill. I must stay here. There are three children, and she's been worrying... I don't know how long I'll be gone. Until she's well."

He was very kind, then. "All right, Mrs. Marshall. Don't worry about anything. I'll get a girl from sales to help with your work until you're back."

Swiftly she planned her days. Morning visits to Helen, bringing the children. She'd bring them neat and clean! Then home, lunch, tidying up the house, putting the children to bed for their naps.

At 4, she'd slip back to the hospital, alone. By 6:30, when Eugene came home, dinner would be fixed, the children rested. In the evening, Eugene could see Helen while Martha played with the children.

It was a good plan. But it didn't work.

GENIE, who was 5, and Sister, who was 7, could dress themselves, all right. But the effect was weird. And Martha had to be dressing the baby, getting breakfast, feeding the baby, and somehow straighten herself out before they could go. By then the baby had to be changed, Genie had gotten his blouse dirty, the baby was crying, and it was 10:30 and they were nowhere near the hospital. In despair, she commanded a taxi.

Genie and Sister had to be desisted, violently, from climbing up on Helen's bed. "Oh, darling!" Helen whispered. "Sweeties..." The children, suddenly very grave, stood one at each side of the bed and Sister began to sob. "Mama, you're so white! Mama, you're not going to die, are you?"

"Oh course not, Sis!" Martha cried harshly. "Of course not!" Helen wanted the baby lifted so she could kiss him. There were

tears of joy in her eyes as she thanked Martha. "It's so good of you, Martha!"

"Nonsense!" Martha cleared her throat. "How are you feeling this morning?" Chipper?"

The pinched white lines of pain around Helen's lips belied her brave "Fine."

They didn't say long. When they reached the bungalow, the baby was a damp mess. Martha's dress was ruined. Sister had blundered into a mud puddle, and Genie had found three stones which he insisted on bringing into the house with him.

"I don't think we'll go to the hospital every day," Martha told the children. "I think we'll have the lady next door in here, mornings, to mind you while I go."

BY Friday, with Helen definitely getting better, if slowly, Martha was almost in command of herself and the children. The baby had learned that "No!" meant he mustn't pull the tabcloth, dragging all the dishes to destruction with it. Genie had learned that a big boy 5 years old could wash his own face and hands, must not jump on the sofa, must drink all his milk, and must never let the water run in the bathroom until it overflowed the bowl and made an ocean on the floor. And Sister had learned that a 7-year-old young lady took her own baths and wheeled her little brother up and down the sidewalk—without a single spill—for an hour every afternoon. She also dried dishes with hardly any accidents.

Martha was cutting up a chicken, Friday afternoon, and hoping fervently that the no-spill record for baby rolling had not been broken, when the doorbell rang. She raced to answer it.

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A Diving Queen With Wings



In a bathing suit, soaring from a springboard, you'd recognize this beautiful miss as Helen Crenkovich, former national women's diving champion. She makes an equally appealing picture twirling propeller of training plane preparatory to solo flight at San Francisco airport.

Two Dead-11 Hurt in Airliner Crash



Two airline employes, the chief pilot of the plane and an employe riding as a passenger, were killed and 11 others aboard were injured when the huge silver ship crashed near the St. Louis airport, as shown above. Though the plane broke in two, none of the passengers were thrown clear of the wreckage.

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A Religion of Redemption Must Be Concerned With Saving 'The Lost'

BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D. Editor of Advance

A PERSON'S conception of Christianity is very much upon what he conceives to be its nature and mission in the world. If Christianity is just a good religion, a bond for keeping society together, and concerned chiefly with civilized and respectable people, its outreach may easily be limited, and there need be no great thought about the outcast, the underprivileged and the sinful.

Conscripts Wife--

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PAUL ISSUES ORDERS

MARTHA MARSHALL, in a printed house dress that belonged to her sister, with her hair straggling about her unpowdered face, a knife in her damp fingers, was a different Martha than the girl Paul Elliott had always seen before.

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soft little amber lights, and the short reddish hair, were much like Martha's own. But the small pink mouth, the little snub nose, were Helen's. There was a daintiness about Sister, even when her hands were grubby.

Paul said, "I'm glad to know you, Sister. You look like your Aunt Martha, did you know that?"

"Isn't he lovely?" she asked triumphantly. "Did you ever see a handsomer child?" She fluffed up a silky yellow ringlet on top of the baby's head. "Druidry, huh?"

Genie, still in the hall, sidled inside. "That your car outside, mister? C'n I mind it?" His eyes were uncertain, but his dirty little face yearned. "Sometimes kids slide on the fenders . . . I wouldn't let 'em. T'd fight 'em."

Paul grinned, despite himself. "Mind it, son," he said. "And you may take a few slides, if you like."

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THE Pharisees and the scribes murmured about this. They drew their skirts back from contact with anything unclean, and they could not understand that a good man, with love and the passion for redemption in his heart, could become the friend of "publicans and sinners."

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