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## Congress Must Make a Decision

Americans may just as well be prepared to face the fact that there will probably be more incidents similar to the German interception of the U. S. government-owned S. S. City of Flint. This is a war, no matter how you look at it. And war is never quite as polite as a quiet game of backgammon.

Distinctive features of the City of Flint case are that the steamer is the first U. S. ship to be detained, and the ship and cargo are the first under the American flag to be waylaid by Germany. The boat's cargo was not the first American cargo taken during the present engagement. For carrying alleged contraband, England has already seized the contents of several American vessels since the war began.

So there is no reason to become unduly alarmed. There is small likelihood that any of the crew on the City of Flint was harmed, although the American seamen may probably be held temporarily. The vessel was not sent to the bottom of the sea, American lives were not lost.

Argument over the detention revolves chiefly around the nature of the vessel's cargo. Was it carrying absolute contraband or conditional contraband? Absolute contraband comprises such commodities as are specifically classified under the terms of international law. Conditional contraband include goods listed by individual belligerents and not necessarily synonymous with those on the international ban.

The City of Flint was reportedly carrying tractors, wax, grain, and other goods not classified as absolute contraband. Some of the ship's cargo was on the conditional contraband list published by Germany. And most of the items mentioned in the conditional lists become absolute contraband if intended directly for the armed forces of a belligerent.

All of this is pretty confusing, even if it might be assumed that international law is to be adhered to strictly. The fact is, international law is still a theoretical code of ethics, and one that is obeyed by belligerents only when it is convenient to do so.

The incident, whatever its final outcome, is almost certain to have some bearing on the neutrality debate now before Congress.

What if the vessel HAD been sunk? What if American seamen HAD been killed?

It is time to decide now what America's policy on the high seas will be during the war. It may not be long before there is another "incident," more serious than the case of the City of Flint.

Winston Churchill refers to Russia's position as "a riddle wrapped in mystery inside an enigma," and thus clears things up considerably for those of us who only read the papers.

## BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

NEA Service Staff Correspondent  
WASHINGTON—A half-billion-dollar government corporation, which would try to cushion the sharp swings of boom and depression by buying industrial products in bad times and selling them in good times, is projected in a far-reaching proposal now being formulated by top New Deal planners.

In substance, the idea is simply an adaptation to industry of Henry Wallace's "ever-normal granary" scheme. It has not yet got into the public discussion stage, but it will probably be ready for presentation to Congress sometime next spring—perhaps early in the winter, if there is a business recession.

The Federal Reserve Board's index of industrial production stood at 101 for January of this year, and ran a little under 100 for the first nine months. Then, when the European war began, it jumped; now, on unofficial estimates, it stands between 118 and 120.

But it isn't war demand that caused the boom, say Commerce Department experts; it was simply fear of a war-created price rise. Inventories have been built up to forestall such a price rise, and have gone up much faster than consumption.

If the process continues, and if neither an export trade boom, a sharp increase in domestic consumption nor a boost in capital expenditures by business develops, there will be an equally sudden slump.

So this plan for an adaptation of the ever-normal granary is taking shape.

Under the plan there would be set up a government corporation, headed by at least half a billion dollars' worth of government bonds.

products, such as ores, non-ferrous metals, and the like, and semi-manufactured goods.

Its purchases (to which army and navy purchases would be correlated) would serve to cushion the slump.

Later, when another boom began, the corporation would sell the materials it had bought. Thus, as the planners see it, would check rising prices. Manufacturers would know that they did not need to build up their inventories ahead of a wave of rising prices, and hence increased industrial activity would be kept more closely to actual consumption—which, in turn, would make the prospects of another slump later on more remote.

In itself, say the authors of the plan, this would not be enough—unless there was simultaneous action by the government to stimulate public consumption when a slump set in.

That would mean more spending along the traditional lines—as via the WPA.

It is also suggested that the stamp plan by which surplus agricultural products are now being disposed of to the needy be adapted to manufactured goods, so that surplus shirts and shoes as well as tomatoes and apples could be moved in that way.

Lastly, the exponents of the plan say there must be much more thorough collection and dissemination by the government of week-by-week developments in regard to the inventory situation.

Steps to set up such an information service are already being taken, under the general supervision of Richard Gilbert, head of the Division of Industrial Economics of the Department of Commerce.

Mr. Gilbert sees this as the most important part of the entire job.

## The 'Incident' in China and the War in Europe



## Texas Tax Bill And Texas Crop Value Compared

DALLAS, Tex.—Total amount of taxes paid by the people of Texas during the fiscal year 1938 was equivalent to more than the value of all the field and non-field crops produced in the State that year, plus the value of all the wool and mohair, plus all the cash income from cattle and calves, according to the current issue of The Taxpayers Digest, Dallas.

## GERMANY NOW

Germany almost certainly will seek to cripple Great Britain's arms industry early in this phase of the war because many Germans fear that if Britain's tremendous armament drive continues unchecked it may become superior to Germany's by spring.

## Are You Waiting For Your Ship To Come In?



## New Manager

V. H. Moore, new manager of the telephone company here until D. E. Daniel, present manager, is able to resume his duties.

## Divine Help Claimed By Tenant Farmer

TYLER, Tex.—When a Tyler landowner arrived at one of his tenant farms to see how harvesting was progressing and to try to collect some \$200 in loans, he found that the family had left.

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## IT'S UP TO CONGRESS TO RETURN HIM

## \$350,000 Appropriation Pays for Voyage In, But Not Return Trip; Land-claiming, Scientific Observation And Map-Making Is Threefold Purpose of Expedition

By Marshal D. Shulman  
NEA Service Correspondent  
BOSTON—A lot of people want to visit the South Pole, to judge by the flood of mail into the headquarters of the Second U. S. Antarctic Expedition here, but not many people know why the United States, for the second time in a hundred years, is going to give the Antarctic an official once-over.

First of all, there's the matter of land-claiming. The United States has never recognized the claims of any other country to the Antarctic, nor has it ever made a claim on the basis of the previous trips of Lincoln Ellsworth and Admiral Byrd. Just in case the Antarctic might turn out to be valuable (as Alaska did, to almost everyone's surprise) it seems to be a good idea to get in on the ground floor.

And so the Expedition is going to set up a more-or-less temporary residence, on the basis of which the State Department in Washington may subsequently assert a claim.

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EXPECT MUCH OF SCIENTIFIC INTEREST  
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On the basis of its observations, the expedition hopes to shed some light on the mystery of weather. Expedition leaders are convinced that Antarctic observation posts will make it possible some day to forecast accurately weather in the South Pacific area—a matter of tremendous importance to airlines and naval operations.

Biology, bacteriology, meteorology and geology are some of the sciences expected to benefit from the expedition. The clarity of the atmosphere will make possible a careful study of meteors. And because cosmic rays bombard the earth with greater intensity in this area, the too will be in a favorable condition for study. Regular observations will be taken of the Aurora Australis, southern sister to the Aurora Borealis.

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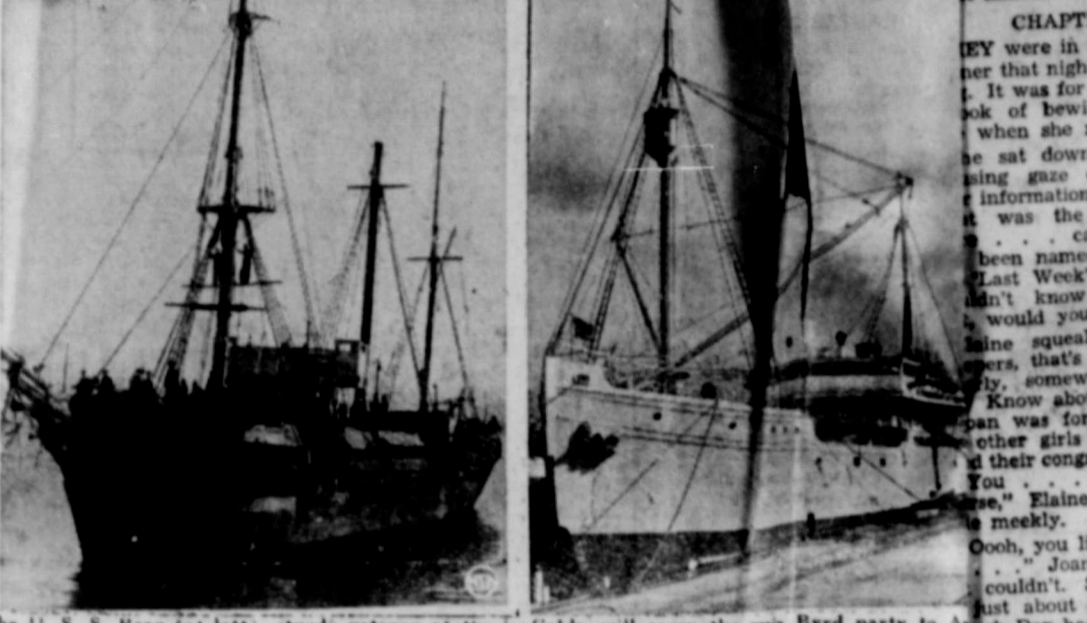
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The U. S. S. Bear (at left), sturdy veteran of the icefields, will carry the main Byrd party to Antarctica. The North Star (at right) is supply ship of the expedition.

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The two ships which are to carry the expedition—the Star and the Bear—are having finishing touches put on. The fingers crossed, the expedition hopes that the North Star will be able to leave Boston around 4 and that the Bear will follow about a week later.

In the meantime they have packed aboard some 70 tons of two army tanks, four air (perhaps five), a 22-ton snow machine and 140 dogs, not to mention coal and clothing and pre-erected buildings.

This expedition is expected to be a more comfortable one than the last one. For one thing, they won't have to eat bacon keep warm, as did the last expedition, because their hatched sufficient fat content time scientists have developed pemmican mixture which contains about 20 ingredients and is about a 50 per cent fat content.

A second improvement is the use of double floors in the expedition's Antarctic quarters. The crew complains they couldn't keep their feet warm. Lastly, the giant snow machine will prove the greatest revelation of all in down-under expeditions. Built at a cost of \$150,000, the cruiser is expected to materially reduce the hazards of ice. But, strangely, the expedition has no money with which to buy equipment and food since their return in 1938. The present Congress has not yet passed the appropriation bill. The expedition will have to wait for another Congress appropriation. Or else.

Someone invents a device that fires a gun and turns on a light when a fish nibbles at it. Thus if the hook fails to bite, the poor fish will be ended to death.



After making the east-west passage through the Panama Canal, Byrd expedition will head for the frozen mystery land shown on map—first of all, to the Ross Sea barrier, the large ice shelf on Little America (encircled) is built. The expedition expects to get in three or four miles of Little America by boat, and will establish West Base in that vicinity, probably in January. The ships will refuel at some South American port; then one or both ships attempt to land parties in the vicinity of Alexander Land (also encircled) for the establishment of an East Base. Between these two bases a 100-mile coastline (indicated by arrows) which parties from both will explore.



Admiral Richard E. Byrd "models" his Antarctic flying costume—of reindeer skin.

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JOAN OF ARKANSAS

JERRY BRONDFIELD

CHAPTER XIX
They were in the midst of dinner that night when the phone rang. It was for Joan. There was a look of bewilderment on her face when she returned.

"Coming right over," she said. "You're busy tonight," he told her. She suddenly forgot all about the three chapters of political science she was to read that night.

Both teams were in good physical shape. Pitt's Hal Forrest, a dynamo in human form, and the hardest-hitting fullback in the east, was fully recovered from a slight cold that had bothered him the week before.

"OUT OUR WAY" - - - - - By Williams



ALLEY OOP - - - - - By Hamlin



V. H. Moore Made District Manager Of Telephone Co. Magnolia Dealers Start A Winter Campaign For Cars

V. H. Moore of Lubbock has been appointed manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company here until D. E. Daniel, present manager who is seriously ill, is able to resume his duties.

Thousands of Magnolia dealers throughout the five Southwestern states are united in one big campaign to remind Southwestern motorists of the necessity to condition their cars for winter driving.

Model Plane Meet Will Be Staged In Ranger On Sunday

The model airplane meet, to which model plane owners in Eastland, Ranger, Olden, Abilene, Sweetwater and other towns in this part of the country have either entered planes or have indicated they would, will be held in Ranger Sunday afternoon, Nov. 5.

Bird Fights Own Hub Cap Reflection

BEAUMONT, Tex.—A mocking bird has been fighting its reflection in the hubcap of the A. H. Aiken family automobile for several weeks.

More than \$37.50 in prizes, consisting of model airplane motors and kits from which to build planes, are being offered in several classes, for which more than 25 are expected to compete.

Alameda Club To Meet Next Friday
The Alameda Home Demonstration club will meet Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Nov. 3 in the home of Mrs. Melva Love.

RED RYDER - - - - - By Fred Harman



THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



Advertisement for Magnolia Winter Proof Service. Includes text: 'This Sign is Going Up...', 'WINTER PROOF SERVICE', 'Quick Start', 'Easy Shifts', 'Mileage Economy', 'MAGNOLIA Winter Proof SERVICE', '1. CRANKCASE--Drained and refilled with Mobil Oil.', '2. RADIATOR--Drained, flushed, Mobil Freezone added.', '3. WHEEL BEARINGS--Removed, cleaned, and repacked with Mobilgrease.', '4. TRANSMISSION--Drained, flushed, Filled with Mobil Gear Oil.', '5. BATTERY--Test checked, Terminals cleaned and tightened.', '6. CHASSIS--Complete lubrication of vital points with Mobilgrease.', '7. DIFFERENTIAL--Drained, flushed, Filled with Mobil Gear Oil.'

Texas Quirks

By United Press
EL PASO, Tex.—Jesus Jasso almost had a good reason why he shouldn't pay his wife alimony.

ANSWER: "A tree whose hungry mouth is pressed against the earth's sweet flowing breast."—From Joyce Kilmer's "Trees."

Mrs. J. W. Duckler
Society Editor

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CONFLICTS AT SEA, IN AIR HIGHLIGHT SECOND MONTH OF WAR



After eight weeks of war, Europe tallies result of action on major fronts. On the sea, the family decisive blows are still to be struck. On land, the French are back where they started in stalemated war on Western Front. Russia chalks up three wins and a loss in her diplomatic war, is still parrying...

1920 Club To Meet Thursday at 3 o'clock

The regular meeting of the 1920 Club will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Blue Room of the Gholson hotel.

Schedule for First Baptist Mid-Week Services

The officers and teachers of the First Baptist church will meet this evening at 7 o'clock. All class officers and departmental officers requested to be present.

LODGE NOTICE

Ranger Masonic lodge will meet tomorrow evening at 7:30. Examination will be held in all degrees according to the announcement and plans will be perfected for the home-coming to be held in December.

Hallowe'en Celebrated At Country Club

The Ranger Country Club entertained Tuesday evening with a Hallowe'en dance for members and their friends.

Methodist Mid-Week Services This Evening at 7:30

The mid-week services of the First Methodist Church will be held this evening, beginning at 7:30.

Ranger Couple Observe 56th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Gregory, who have made their home in Ranger for the last 21 years, observed their 56th wedding anniversary, Tuesday, and received congratulations and gifts from their many friends and relatives.

WAKE UP YOUR LIVER BILE

Without Calomel—And You'll Jump Out of Bed in the Morning!—Get the Little Liver Pills to get those two pounds of bile flowing freely and make you feel "up and up."

BEFORE THE LOSS

Buy the Kind of Insurance you will be glad you have

AFTER THE LOSS

C. E. MAY

IMPORTANT! Good personal appearance means as much in every way to a man these days. And neatly trimmed hair is necessary to good appearance. Have your hair trimmed frequently— and have it done here where we know how to make it look its best.

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Former Ranger Teacher Recovered From Illness

J. E. Blaylock, who formerly taught in the Ranger Junior College, has received a report of definite recovery from his illness and has returned to his home in Waco.

I.O.O.F. To Confer Degree Saturday

Sam L. Knight, high priest of Fort Worth I.O.O.F. Encampment No. 46, and his staff, will be in Ranger Saturday night to confer the three degrees on A. H. Williams, J. L. Dorsey, Noah Burns and J. A. Seay, it was announced here today by Aaron L. Stiles, chief patriarch of the Ranger I.O.O.F. lodge.

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LODGE NOTICES

Stated evening Ranger Masonic Lodge No. 728 A. F. & A. M. Thursday night at 7:30. Examination in all degrees. All members urged to attend. Visitors will be welcome.

SPECIAL NOTICES

PARAMOUNT TAXI! Phone 1. Prompt Service Day and Night. JIM TOLAND, Driver.

Jones' Furniture and Exchange. Dealers in Used Furniture.—217 Rusk Street, Ranger, Texas.

HOUSES FOR RENT

FOR RENT—My furnished home at 214 Marston Street, opposite High School. See Mrs. E. V. Reynolds at above address.

Nath Pirkle Made President Of '85' Club By Chevrolet

Nath Pirkle, shop foreman for Anderson-Pruett, Inc., local Chevrolet dealer, has been notified that he has been selected as president of the Chevrolet '85' Club, and will be given a free trip to Detroit Dec. 11 and 12.

Famed Auctioneer Sells Oil Lands of Texas University

AUSTIN, Tex.—A tall man, straight as an arrow despite his 74 years, pumps his arms and every time his hand descends \$1,000 rolls into the coffers of the University of Texas.

Fair Idea

Glendale, Calif., Junior College boys decided to make football practice more attractive by using a tackling dummy resembling a feminine movie star.

Texans Qualified By Red Cross For Accident Duty

DALLAS, Tex.—More than 15,000 persons in Texas were qualified during the last fiscal year to deal with accident emergencies, the Red Cross reported today.

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In the third and last round of the Touch Football Tournament between the Grade School Play-ground teams Hodges-Oak Park and Cooper played to a 0-0 tie.

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ARCAD XIII



Mr. and Mrs. Bruce have arrived from El Paso visit with relatives in Ranger. Mrs. James Hill of here for a visit with relatives.

Suffering Women

Welcome! A simple method is shown how to relieve women's pain and discomfort. It is based on the knowledge of the Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

NOTICE

We have purchased Heinie's Cafe, 108 Main St. We will serve—CHILI—HAMBURGERS—SHORT ORDER—All kinds of Cold and the Best Coffee

N. H. Hood Cafe

108 Main St. Ranger

ART LESSONS

Still-life, Landscape painting, water color and drawing will be offered by Mrs. Charles Bell (Cooper and Apple Sts.) who was in charge of the art department at H.P.C. four years.

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All Sizes and Prices An extra large allowance given for sets of old tires traded in for NEW B...

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Buy now and let us prepare your car NOW for Winter. And avoid being delayed with old snap comes. PRESTONE and ALCOHOL Water and Hot Air HEATERS

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