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President's Ball Meeting Will Be Held at Eastland

A meeting of chairmen and committeemen of all towns in Eastland county, appointed to sponsor Presidential Birthday Balls latter part of February, has been called at Eastland in the office of Mayor C. W. Hoffmann for tonight. Committeemen from all over the county have been urged to attend by C. J. Kleiner of Cisco, county chairman.

Meeting Planned By Brotherhood of Christian Church

Rev. H. B. Johnson, pastor of the First Christian Church, announced today that a brotherhood meeting would be held at the church Wednesday evening to discuss the meeting is the third in a year program planned by the church.

City Commission Is Postponing Meeting

Because some of the members of the city commission are out of town the regular meeting of the city commission, scheduled for tonight, will be postponed until Thursday night, it was announced today by E. T. Eubank, city secretary.

Former Ranger Man's House Is Burned

Word was received in Ranger at Ed Dixon of Van Horn, formerly of Ranger, had suffered the misfortune to lose his home by fire several days ago. Most of the furniture was saved.

18,382 Visitors See Famed Caverns

CARLSBAD, N. M.—The year 1939 saw 218,382 visitors, the largest number in the history of the Carlsbad Caverns, tread over the seven miles of trails winding among the underground formations.

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Old Master On Location



Framed by cactus and distant mountains, Robert C. Zupke forgets football problems as he sketches near Phoenix. The University of Illinois coach turns scenes into oil paintings.

College Students Favor Funds For Dies Committee

AUSTIN, Tex.—A majority of U. S. college students would see federal money appropriated to continue Dies Committee investigations another year, the current poll of Student Opinion Surveys reported here today.

Three of British Submarines Sunk By German Craft

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The Admiralty today announced that three small British submarines, which had been assigned to a hazardous mission, were missing and it was feared that they had been lost.

Rubber Bands Eaten By Stray Cat Makes Him Grow Fatter

EL PASO, Tex.—Johnnie, pet feline who probably wandered from only the very best alleys into adoption by freight handlers at the System Freight Co., doesn't look any different from a plain, garden-variety alley cat, but he ought to feel different.

Three Fugitives Are Fleeing North

CHILDRESS, Jan. 16.—Three fugitive convicts, who slugged a guard and escaped at Buffalo Saturday, today left a trail through this part of the state, it was believed today.

Share Croppers In South Seeking Aid

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WAR CAUSING U. S. COTTON TO STACK UP

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Commerce Department stated today that cotton was piling up in warehouses and on piers, due to the shortage of vessels in which it can be transported to foreign countries.

It was stated that one-third of American cotton sold in foreign markets is transported, in normal times, on American ships, but that neutrality law restrictions prevent American ships from plying in belligerent waters or to warring nations.

Most of the cotton awaiting shipment is located at Galveston and Houston, two of the country's leading cotton shipping ports.

500-Mile Planes Within Two Years Are a Possibility

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Civil Aeronautics Authority was told today that it was reasonable to believe that airplanes would attain speeds of up to 500 miles an hour, possibly higher, within the next two years.

It was pointed out that speed of airplanes had been increased 100 miles an hour in the past year, and that speeds above 500 miles an hour were possible now, as soon as propulsive problems, on which work was being done, are solved.

Titular Bishop Is Consecrated



Relinquishing his duties as president of the University of Notre Dame, the Most Rev. John F. O'Hara is consecrated titular bishop of Milasa in ceremony on campus.

Appointments Are Confirmed Today

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Farm Families of The United States Are the Thriftiest

By United Press
By FRED BAILEY
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—A house-to-house survey of more than 1,000,000 farm, village and city families under Department of Agriculture direction reveals some interesting differences—and similarities—in living habits.

Some of the odd comparisons, gathered from thousands of pages of reports covering every section of the country, every income strata of society and all races, include:

Farm families are the best-fed population group in the country. Village families are the poorest-fed. City families fall between the two in the proportion having an adequate diet.

Eat More Vegetables
Farm families on an average consume 60 per cent more milk, 15 per cent more butter and 25 per cent more leafy, green and yellow vegetables than small-city families.

Farmers have larger families. Forty-two per cent of the farm families have five or more members, compared with 26 per cent of city families. Farmers, on the average, are younger. Thirty-six per cent of persons living on farms are under 15 years, while in the city the percentage is only 26 per cent.

Farmers are more thrifty; they tend to live more within their income. In the principal farming areas, farmers within an annual income of \$1,000 to \$1,249 a year, saved an average of \$26. City families at that level were "in the red." When the income rose to \$4,000 to \$4,999, farmers saved \$2,182 and city families \$1,183.

Fewer than half the farmers had electricity, while 98 per cent of city and village dwellers had it. The percentage of farmers having electricity ranged from 8 per cent in Mississippi to 95 per cent in California.

In automobile ownership, however, farm families were ahead—94 per cent to 70. Three-fourths of the automobiles bought by farmers were from the used-car market, while only half the city purchases were in that market.

Paper Circulation Varies
Daily newspaper circulation varied widely in different sections of the country. In the north-central region 90 per cent of the city families subscribed for a daily paper. In isolated rural areas the percentage was much smaller.

Telephones were installed by 82 per cent of the farm families and 60 per cent of those in small cities in the north-central region. In the southeast the figures dropped to 5 per cent for native white farmers and 49 per cent for city families.

The number of radios on farms varied in about the same proportion as electricity. In the north-central region 24 per cent of the farms had running water, while 94 per cent of the city homes enjoyed that convenience.

City families spent more to "keep up appearance." Their clothing bills were a third larger and they spent an average of twice as much for beauty treatments, toilet articles and preparations and in barber shops. Another item was the frequency with which city families purchased new automobiles.

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Ranger Cage Game Has Been Canceled

Coach Bill Tipton of the Ranger Bulldogs announced today that the basketball game, scheduled for tonight at the Recreation building, with the Carbon High School eagles, had been canceled.

The Bulldogs have two out-of-town games remaining on their schedule for this week, the first with Rising Star Thursday night and at Breckenridge Friday night.

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Widow, 21, on Trial for Slaying



Mrs. Lucille Marie Swails, 21, mother of a 6-year-old boy, goes on trial in Belleville, Ill., circuit court on charges of fatally shooting her husband, Herman, 30, while he slept last Nov. 25. Mrs. Swails is shown with her father, Jacob Wittauer.

FINNS WIN AS ROOSEVELT IS URGING LOANS

HELSINKI, Jan. 16.—Another Russian attack on the Karelian Isthmus was broken up by a stout Finnish counter attack today.

Two Russian "parachute troopers" were captured behind the Finnish lines where they had landed and were attempting to guide the Russian forces by means of short-wave radio sets.

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Workers stated they had orders last night to take photographs of anyone trying to vote on fake registration papers.

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Darden opposed the sales tax, which the legislature defeated over Gov. O'Daniel's vigorous protests.

MORE-BELISHA TELLS COMMONS OF ARMY WORK

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Leslie More-Belisha, former war secretary in the British cabinet, spoke before the house of commons today before a cheering crowd which packed the galleries, and defended his "streamlining" of the British Army.

More-Belisha was cheered as he arose to speak and was cheered when he finished. Stanley Oliver, who succeeded him on the cabinet, was also cheered, indicating that there was once more harmony in the British government.

More-Belisha did not condemn Prime Minister Chamberlain for dismissing him from the cabinet, however. He stated that there had been harmony in carrying out the army reforms and that his only purpose was to win the war. There were some differences of opinion at times, he said, but these were always ironed out.

Prime Minister Chamberlain emphatically denied that "brass hats" in the army had put pressure on him to dismiss More-Belisha from the cabinet.

Field Forces Will Help Sift out NYA Band Applicants

AUSTIN, Tex.—Field forces in NYA's twelve Texas districts the next few weeks will help to sift out outstanding musical talent of boys and girls between 16 and 25 to make a South and Central American tour next summer with a 109-piece All American Youth Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Leopold Stokowski, J. C. Kellam, State NYA Administrator, said today.

Kellam said the time in which to file applications had been extended to February 16, instead of February 1 as formerly announced. Applications should be filed with the nearest NYA District Director by any Texas youth within that age limit, regardless of sex, race, or color, who wishes to compete for a berth on the tour.

NYA District Directors are located in Marshall, Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth, Waco, Austin, San Antonio, McAllen, Amarillo, Lubbock, San Angelo, and El Paso.

Selection of young people to play in the Orchestra, he said, would be made first by local committees in each district. Winners of the district tryouts will enter the state contests to be held in Austin the early part of March. From the state eliminations winners will compete in regional meets to be held in eight key cities over the United States. Kellam added that youth will have to pay their own expenses to district, state and regional contests but that the winners of the regional auditions will be given a trip to New York at the expense of Mr. Stokowski to undergo final selection for the 109 who will make the tour.

"Young people interested in this good-will tour sponsored by the Pan-American Union should make application immediately to the NYA District Office nearest them," the State Administrator said. "They should keep in mind, however, that in such a widespread competition great talent is a necessity, much more so than experience, and that only 109 will be selected from the entire United States to make up the Orchestra."

Iowa Runaways Found In Ranger In Just An Hour

At 2 o'clock Monday afternoon the Chief of Police of Oskaloosa, Iowa, telephoned Chief of Police Guy Pledger of Ranger that a runaway boy and girl from there were thought to be in this vicinity.

At 3:05 p. m., Chief of Police Guy Pledger of Ranger telephoned the chief of police at Oskaloosa Iowa, that the two runaways were being held in the city jail in Ranger.

"Well," the Oskaloosa chief asked the Ranger chief "were you in a very big hurry?"

"No," he was told, "but we thought you might be."

Pledger was asked to hold the two, a boy of 19 and a girl of 15, but who looks younger, until officers there could determine what to do with them.

The two were traced to Ranger through a telegram which they had sent home asking for money.

NYA Cagers Win In A Game at Colony

The Ranger NYA basketball team defeated Colony Monday night at Colony by a score of 29 to 21.

Tonight the NYA cagers go to Olden, where they will play the Olden Hornets at the Olden High School gymnasium at 7:30.

Cold Weather Will Continue Tonight

Cold weather was due to prevail tonight over most of the state, with warmer weather predicted throughout most of East Texas.

Colder weather was predicted for the Panhandle and Northwest Texas. Minimum temperatures reported today were from Abilene, Amarillo and Dallas, each with 24 degrees.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Fair tonight and Wednesday, warmer in Central and Southern portions tonight. Cold in Panhandle Wednesday.

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It's Healthier on This Side of the Atlantic

Both the general death rate and the infant mortality rate in the United States hit new lows in 1938. The figures for that year are the latest which have been compiled. How the nation's health was rated last year will not be known for sometime. But of one thing Americans can be certain—both immediate health and prospects of longevity look a good deal better on this side of the Atlantic ocean than they do on the European side.

The general death rate in 1938 was 10.6 per 1000 as compared with 11.2 in 1937. The previous low record was set in 1933 when the rate was 10.7. The infant mortality rate in 1938 was 50.9 per 1000, the lowest in American history. The rate in 1936 was 57, in 1934 it was 60, and the average rate between 1921 and 1925 was 74.

Few European countries would care to scan their health statistics during the past couple of years when the peril of war kept them concentrating on methods of ending, not sustaining life. It is probable that, in most of these countries, the necessity for concentrating on the military machine will put a considerable dent in records of health advancement.

Americans should be proud that conditions in this country make it possible for scientists to proceed with their humanitarian works. They are still free to work in their laboratories along lines they have chosen. They are not compelled to bend their talents toward finding new processes to destroy, new formulae for war.

Their job of saving humanity has not yet become a futile farce. Their work is not a profanity of life. They do not need to save lives so that the products of other scientists and inventors can snuff out those lives on battlefields. American scientists are too busy with the art of life to bother with the arts of death. Nothing they do will be wasted as long as the rank and file of us keep conditions that way.

Americans have reason to feel satisfied with their lot. But to feel too secure about health is to invite retrogression. The battle to preserve life does not belong alone to the scientists. They can point the way, but they can succeed in their missions only when the people are trying to help or willing to co-operate.

Dr. Thomas Parran, surgeon of the United States, said recently: "It should always be borne in mind that the general mortality rate is a national average in which are obscured significantly high rates among certain groups of the population and in certain localities."

Despite the steady inroads that have been made against disease, much remains to be done. No one realizes that better than the medical profession. Constant attempts are being made to broaden the scope of medical benefits. Persistent campaigns are fostered to instill in people respect for preventative methods. Americans are not willing to relax this fight against death. They are not willing to substitute for it the battle against life.

Picture of a Quiet Man Getting Mad



N.T.S.T.C. Students Have Adventures While On a Tour

DENTON, Tex. —Four wrecks and a forty-eight hour stopover in a Jasper (Tenn.) jail where they were lodged as bank robber "suspects," worried six "Yankee" students in the North Texas State Teachers College not at all. They are back in classes now after a Christmas vacation which included calamities galore, ending with a final car breakdown in Memphis, Tenn., and a 400 mile hitch-hike back to Denton.

The boys who made the comparatively uneventful trek northward for the holidays were Ted Romaine, Little Falls, N. J.; Martin Perry, the Bronx, New York City; Joe McCabe, Bob Wassner, Jimmy Nuss, and Bob O'Sullivan, all Teachers College students from Philadelphia.

Beginning the return trip on Dec. 30, the boys reached the Tennessee-Virginia boundary with a few minor mishaps which included a run-in with an 8-ton truck, a four-car smash-up, a frozen motor, and a lost bumper in a skidding session.

At Jasper, the six boys stopped so that Romaine could visit with relatives, but there, they say, is where they made their big mistake. After spending several hours in Jasper, the boys pushed off the car and headed for Texas again—but only for 32 miles, for then, at the top of Mount Eagle, a siren shrieked in their ears and as their car stopped, two men carrying shotguns approached it.

On admitting that they had passed through Jasper on their trip home, the boys were taken back to Jasper and slumped in the one big room which constituted the city jail. There, associates included a man who had murdered his father, three brothers and a sister; a Negro who had slaughtered three

children; and a Negro called Father Divine who was in jail for murdering a man and stealing chickens, the boys said.

It was not until the boys fumed and stormed around the cell for a half-day that they discovered the charge against them. On the night on which they had passed through Jasper on their way east, the town bank had been robbed, and the boys' license plate had been recorded as an out-of-state-car in Jasper that night.

After checking and re-checking, the sheriff was finally convinced of the boys' innocence and they were released to proceed to Memphis, where the car made its final breakdown, and the boys threw up their hands in desperation. Four hundred miles from school, the boys began hitch-hiking, landing in Denton three days late for the beginning of the 1940 school year.

The penalty wasn't exacted, however, for the boys brought back with them a note from the Jasper sheriff, dictated to the justice of peace, written on the back of a mittimus from that city and badly crumpled now, the excuse reads: "To whom it may concern, these boys were held in Jasper, Tenn., for an investigation."

Day Set Aside To Social Hygiene On February 1st

AUSTIN, Tex.—National Social Hygiene Day on February 1st suggests the timeliness of a review of recent gains against syphilis, the nation's leading public health problem. "Although it is too early in the present campaign to state accurately what reductions in prevalence have been realized, it is not too early for an estimate regarding future success," says Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer.

Red River Dam To Make News During The Coming Year

DENISON, Tex.—The Red River dam, nearing the more spectacular stages of construction, bids for another top position in the news this year.

The protracted fight by Oklahoma's Governor Leon Phillips to halt the \$53,000,000 Texas-Oklahoma power and flood control project has not been settled. Many contributory factors still are in the air. There is the feverish effort, for instance, to strike oil in the proposed reservoir area so that the landlords can get more for their land.

Phillips also might use word of an oil development to bolster his arguments before the U. S. Supreme Court that the dam would destroy valuable resources. The tribunal recently agreed to take original jurisdiction in deciding his protest.

The dam was authorized in the omnibus flood control bill of 1938. Last year brought the first steps toward its physical reality.

Three sets of contracts have been awarded since the war department made a \$5,700,000 first-year appropriation on June 28, 1939.

1. Contracts for the clearing of land on the Texas and Oklahoma sides of the river at the dam site. Bids were opened last July 19.

2. Contracts, awarded two Omaha, Neb., companies, for excavation of more than 300,000 cubic yards of earth for the outlet works, begun last Oct. 2, this project is scheduled for completion in April, at a cost of \$761,450.

3. Contracts for actual construction of the outlet works. The job was awarded the C. F. Lytle Company of Sioux City, Ia., last Dec. 15 on a low bid of \$3,470,640. Major construction is not expected to start until next March.

Despite Phillips' opposition, work on the dam has progressed steadily. Engineers already are entered but truer still is the fact that only sustained interest and public support can assure the eventual routing of the pale spiral germ of syphilis, the next great plague to go.

Other significant achievements in the war against the venereal diseases in Texas include: Increases in the number of persons tested and treated for syphilis; improvement in case finding and case-holding facilities; a greater participation by industry and labor in the campaign; and significant widening of public understanding of the problems of syphilis control.

"Most of the task remains before us, despite these remarkable gains," Dr. Cox said. "The incidence and prevalence of the venereal diseases in Texas are still far too high. True it is that great forward strides have been made,

grossed in plans and specifications for the main embankment. They expect to be through by April, and bids probably will be opened in July.

It will be the world's largest earthen fill. The outlet works alone will require a concrete intake tower equivalent in height to a 13-story building, and eight concrete conduits 20 feet in diameter and 800 feet long.

Other developments expected during the new year are the start of railroad and highway relocation in the proposed reservoir basin, and the condemnation and clearing of additional property.

Almost 700 persons are now employed by the dam contractors, and an additional 400 have been given work by army engineers.

Ranger Girl Among Leaders In Class

Dixie Gilger, niece of Mrs. Vance Blamer of Ranger was named one of the three outstanding students in the department of Economics at John Tarleton College. This was made known this week after the college annual staff requested the various college departments to submit names of outstanding students. The selections were made after faculty members in each department voted on the students.

Further recognition will be given these Tarleton students in "The Grass Burr," college year book, which will be published in May.

TOWN MODERATOR 18
By United Press
HANCOCK, N. H.—George Goodhue, 82, has served as moderator at town meetings here for past 25 years and has no idea of retiring.

ODD SAMENESS IN CASE
By United Press
PHILADELPHIA.—After Davis was fined \$5 in City Court for playing dice, John Davis, the same address, was fined same amount for the same offense.

Political Announcements

This newspaper is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for offices, subject to the action of Democratic primaries:

- For Assessor-Collector: CLYDE S. KARKALITS
- For County Clerk: R. V. (RIP) GALLOWAY
- For Sheriff: LOSS WOODS
- For County Judge: W. S. ADAMSON
- For County Treasurer: GARLAND BRANTON
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: HENRY V. DAVENPORT
- For District Clerk: JOHN WHITE
- Justice of the Peace Precinct 1: N. McFATTER

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- Valise.
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- Pitcher lug.
- Cotton staple.
- Close.
- Slit.
- Wayside hotel.
- Ancient Mexican people.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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14 Unit of work.
16 He was a famous man during his lifetime.
19 To remark.
20 Measure of area.
23 Parted.
25 Schemed.
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30 Amphitheater center.
36 To percolate.
37 Wading bird.
39 Pertaining to osmium.
40 Adhered closely.
42 Code of laws.
45 Song for one.
46 Courtesy title.
47 Book part.
50 Small shield.
52 Neither.
53 To possess.
54 Postscript.
55 Indian mulberry.
57 South America.
58 Form of "L"

VERTICAL

- 1 Eagle's nest.
- 2 To employ.
- 3 To be spent.
- 4 Theater guides.
- 5 Berets.
- 6 Mother of mankind.
- 8 To accommodate.
- 9 To avail.
- 10 God of war.
- 11 More massive statues.
- 60 His native land.
- 44 Snake-like fish.
- 46 Slipped.
- 48 Affirmative vote.
- 49 Myself.
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- 53 Oil (suffix).
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SERIAL STORY BLACKOUT BY RUTH AYERS

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YESTERDAY's Mary's stay in the hospital is made doubly pleasant by the extra attention given her by Dr. Gilbert Lenox's wife. In her delirium, Mary revels about the sinking of the Moravia, her suspicion of Trudy, and her sense of urgency to take it up with Sealand Yard. Then comes the day for the removal of the bandages. After they are removed, Dr. O'Connell hands Mary a mirror.

CHAPTER XX

TREMBLING in every muscle, Mary lifted the glass, forced herself to look at the reflection. Looking back at her, she saw Mary Carroll—the real Mary—the Mary who had sailed on the Moravia. The Mary Vincent had loved.

Gone was the hateful, twisted face of the Mary Carroll who had become Anna Winters. She could smile now. She tried it, spreading her lips gingerly.

Dr. O'Connell's voice startled her. "No wonder you wanted this done!" He spoke softly, almost as if he were talking to himself. "You're beautiful!"

MARY CARROLL kept looking at Mary Carroll in the mirror long after Dr. O'Connell had gone. It was as if nothing had ever happened—the tragedy of the Moravia—the strange events that had led to her marriage to Gilbert Lenox. That was all a horrible nightmare.

In the restoring of the mutilated face, it seemed as if all else that had made her Mary Carroll had returned, too. Her skin was fresh. Her eyes glowed luminously and blue. Even her hair had lost its dullness and was like a cop of curly cornsilk. And her voice, so muffled and strange during the paralysis, was as clear as it had ever been.

It took hours to become accustomed to it. Nurses came in to look at her. "Why, how bully," Miss Babcock said. "You're absolutely fetching. Mrs. Lenox. Dr. O'Connell's a miracle man."

The next day, Mary could wait no longer. She wrote to Vincent. But first, hardly considering why she did it, she sent a note to Gilbert. "I've never been so happy in my life," she wrote. "Everything came out perfectly. You are my deepest gratitude."

The letter to Vincent was more difficult to compose. It would be a terrific shock to him—as if the dead were coming to life. And there would be so much to tell him—and so much he must tell her before she could place absolute trust in him again.

She did not tell him about her marriage to Gilbert or her new name—simply requested him to come to her hospital room.

It was agonizing to wait for him. . . .

AND then, the waiting was over. Vincent Gregg stood in the doorway.

"Darling, my darling," he was whispering. "Please don't be afraid. It's me—Mary Carroll."

The words seemed to release him and with one swift step he was at her side, his arms enfolding her, his lips on her face, her eyes, her mouth.

"You've changed," she began, trying to reassure each other with their very silence. It was Mary who spoke first. "So much to tell you," she began.

"Don't try to tell me now." "I must. You see, it was my cabin mate, Anna Winters, who died on the Moravia. No one except you knows this, so you must guard the secret with me. In the terrible confusion, there was a mix-up in identity. I had on Anna's dress and had picked up her purse and her passport. When I was brought into this hospital as one of the survivors, no one thought I was going to live. I didn't care—you see, there'd been a horrible accident. It—it disfigured me."

"You—disfigured? I can't believe it. You're as lovely as you've always been."

"A famous plastic surgeon, Dr. O'Connell, eliminated the facial paralysis."

"And you've been going through all this alone? Why didn't you let me know?"

"I couldn't bear to," she said wearily. "You were here one day and when you looked at me you didn't know me. It was as bad as that."

SHE hurried on then with her story, even to the marriage at the Registry to Dr. Lenox.

This would hurt Vincent most of all. She looked at him and found his eyes expressionless. "I see, of course," he began. "It was a marriage just for the records—to help you. It doesn't mean you belong to him?"

"Oh, no," she said. "He left that very night to go to France. Gilbert Lenox gave me his name because he pitied me and knew I was destitute. As his wife, I was able to stay at his lodgings—able to come to this hospital for the operation as a private patient instead of a charity case."

Vincent stood by her bedside. "I let you in for all this. I'll never forgive myself for letting you sail on the Moravia alone. I swear it was the last thing I'd meant to do."

"That morning I had to make a short plane trip to help a friend who was in trouble. There would have been plenty of time to make the boat if the plane hadn't been forced down."

The explanation sounded hollow. Something flared in Mary Carroll.

"The friend was Carla Marchetta," she accused.

VINCENT turned, slow flush mounting in his white face. Mary went on. "It was Carla who sent you the note in the restaurant that night. I found it—'At Midnight! You met her that night and after that, everything changed.'"

"You found it?" He sounded flat and defeated. "Yes, Carla Marchetta sent it to me."

Desperate now to learn the whole truth, Mary said—"You've seen Carla many times since?"

He groaned. "I can't deny it. But it means nothing. You'll have to believe me, Mary. I was my only friend through the time when I thought you were—dead."

Yes, she must believe it. She must. Vincent was her life.

His eyes watching hers became eager. "Now that you're here beside me, Mary, all that's over. I never loved any girl but you. Can't you trust me, Mary? Can't you take me on faith?"

"I'm not angry because you married Dr. Lenox. If I can understand and trust you, you must do the same for me. Devilish, fantastic things happen in wartime. We've been caught in the net of it—but we're together and that's all that counts."

Winter twilight toned the room in gray. A clock in the hall chimed softly. "Tell me, dearest, that everything's all right between us," Vincent begged.

Mary looked up and saw Miss Babcock coming through the door, staring curiously at her and Vincent. Mary did not answer. (To Be Continued)

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS—



BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

BY BRUCE CATTON AEA Service Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON—In spite of Congressman Dies' over-enthusiastic estimate of 7,000,000 aliens in industry, which caused quite a few chuckles here from those who will undertake to prove that it isn't and couldn't be, so there is likely to be some sort of restrictive action against aliens in the coming session. Anything as arbitrary as compulsory fingerprinting or concentration camps will be resolutely fought by groups devoted to civil liberties, but closer regulation is in the wind. The rush for citizenship in every big city where there is any great number of foreign-born shows that such action is being anticipated.

STATE ACTION RULED OUT

THE alien problem will center especially in Congress because of a recent U. S. district court decision clearly indicating that states have no power to regulate aliens, that being a concern of the national government alone. This decision threw out a Pennsylvania law requiring all aliens to register and show identification cards on demand. This state law was to have gone into effect last month, and is now nullified. A Michigan alien law of 1930 went out with it.

Since this is a good indication that all similar state laws attempting to cope with alien regulation may be thrown out in court contests, pressure will be redoubled on Congress as the sole power in a position to deal with the matter. It's likely that a senatorial commission will undertake to study the whole body of immigration laws, some of which are clearly unjust and a source of

SECRETARY HULL'S INSISTENCE

that he isn't ambitious for the presidency and isn't seeking it will do little to stop the talk that he is apt to receive before the 1940 campaign. President Roosevelt's official benediction as successor.

Watch Hull's fight for his cherished trade treaties in the coming session. If he wins a clear-cut victory for his principles over an organized and bitter opposition, he will be in many ways the outstanding Democrat and might well be the answer to his party's 1940 problem. The usual objection to Mr. Hull, that he is too old (he's 69), comes as often from proponents of Mr. Garner (who is 71), as from anyone else. In any case, the reciprocal trade treaty fight is apt to reveal Mr. Hull as either the outstanding Democrat outside Mr. Roosevelt, or else as just one less possible candidate.

Crescent City Told It Faces Cave-In

By United Press NEW ORLEANS.—New Orleans, a city built on wood pilings, may cave in on itself while trying to keep cool, according to Charles Evan Fowler, a widely known building expert and consulting engineer.

Shallow wells in the business district are constantly pumped for air-cooling purposes, Fowler said. He added that this eventually will lower the water table under the city's area and cause wood pilings, which serve as support for some of the largest buildings, to rot.

Already one large building has had to be underpinned because of sinking.

Fowler, author of some 30 books on engineering, made a survey across Lake Ponchartrain for a proposed 24-mile causeway. He issued designs for reinforced concrete piling of four, eight, and twelve vanes, the last having an increased geometrical ratio of frictional power over the first. Increased frictional power, Fowler explained, means increased supporting power.

Accidents Reduced By Non-Skid Paving

ST. LOUIS.—Traffic accidents at busy intersections have been reduced here more than 50 per cent as a result of special non-skid pavings, according to Frank J. McDevitt, director of streets and sewers.

McDevitt said non-skid paving of intersections was inaugurated after tests showed a car with average tires required 134 feet to stop on ordinary sheet asphalt while only 57 feet were required to stop on non-skid pavement.

The non-skid preparations were developed at the city asphalt plant.

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OUT OUR WAY



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Peach Produced To Resist the Cold

By United Press PORTALES, N. M.—The world has a new peach tree and Dr. Andrew Fletcher Ogle, New Mexico botanist, the surprise of his life—a surprise that was 15 years in materializing.

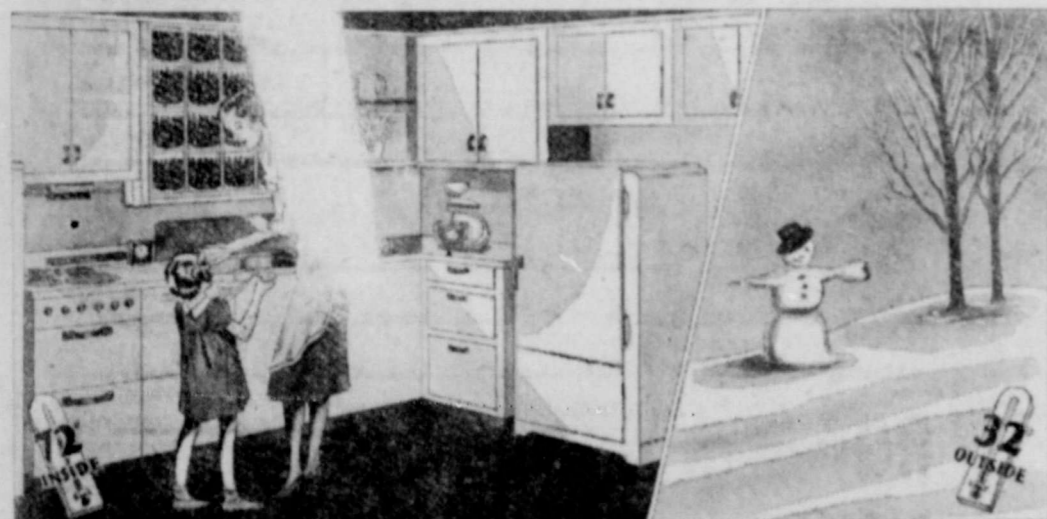
Dr. Ogle, who is a professor in teacher education at Eastern New Mexico Junior College, related the story of the new Giant Snowball peach which he has been developing since 1913.

The professor had been experimenting in the development of new colors and forms of tulips, dahlias and apple trees for many years later that his new strain of

peaches was a success. It also sent him royalties on sales of the Giant Snowball peach which the nursery sold through its marketing organization.

SEAL HUNT CANCELED CAPE TOWN, South Africa—Changing fashions in fur coats have resulted in the cancellation of the Union Government's annual official seal hunt this season. The demand for sealskins on South African and foreign markets is small this year.

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Society Notes

W. S. C. S. Has Business Meeting and Missionary Bulletin Program

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Methodist church.

Mrs. J. L. Turner, the president, presided over the business meeting. Reports from the following officers were heard: Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall, I. N. Griffin, W. F. Creager, A. J. Ratliff, J. F. Warren, Don Minnick, P. O. Hatley, S. P. Boon and G. O. Strong. Plans were made for papering the three bedrooms of the parsonage.

Mrs. Vernon Deffenbach was leader of the "Missionary Bulletin" with the following officers reporting news of the various departments: Mrs. J. F. Warren, Mrs. S. P. Boon, A. J. Ratliff, a good Griffin and A. R. N. they do.

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tion of the Twenty-Third Psalm in her devotional. Mrs. G. Alfred Brown said the benediction.

A program on Christian Social Relations will be given at the next meeting with Mrs. J. F. Warren, chairman of that department, as leader.

Ladies Bible Class Meets With Mrs. Wilson

The Ladies Bible Class of the Christian Church met Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. J. A. Wilson.

The devotional for the afternoon was conducted by Mrs. E. T. Matthews and Mrs. J. A. Stacks gave a review of the first 39 chapters of Ezekiel. Following the lesson a shower of gifts, mostly fruit, was presented to Mrs. S. F. Lake, mother of Mrs. Wilson. Favorite old hymns were sung for Mrs. Lake.

Those attending the meeting were: Mrs. A. O. Himmans, L. R. Moring, Jack Blackwell, Frank Weckey, B. S. Dudley, E. T. Matthews, H. A. Jones, John Mills, L. N. Bryan, J. C. Carothers, Harry Warner, J. A. Stacks and H. R. Johnson.

Baptist Training Union Directors Meet

Monday night a group of directors and associate directors met at the First Baptist Church, to plan the next worker's meeting for the Young People's Training Union.

These monthly workers' meetings are to be on the fourth Tuesday night of each month, so each department director can have his monthly record ready for the first of the month.

Plans were made to have a large number attend the association meeting to be held in Eastland on January 21st. These meetings are held on the third Sunday of each month.

Those present at the directors meeting were: R. J. Taylor, president; E. N. Varner, Lloyd Bruce, Earl Page, Morris Jeffries, Mrs. E. S. Brink, Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Jackson and Mary Jane Todd.

Dr. David Addresses Training Union

Sunday night Dr. Ben M. David of the Bible Department of Howard Payne College, Brownwood, spoke to the general assembly of the Young People's Training Union.

This department of the Baptist Training Union has been doing some splendid work, with 70 members present Sunday night, and all young people are urged to attend these Sunday evening meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Hicklin have been elected to sponsor the L. L. U. union.

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Mrs. Ready Complimented On 92nd Birthday

Mrs. J. E. Marrs entertained Monday afternoon with a surprise birthday party for her mother, Mrs. Lucy Ready who was 92 years old on Monday.

Winter flowers in attractive arrangements were used throughout the house. A shower of gifts was presented to Mrs. Ready.

Refreshments were served to the following guests: Miss Faye Nichols of Thurber, Mrs. S. J. Nichols, J. E. S. Lee, Frank Conn, J. T. Disharoon, and J. W. Latimer all of Strawn, Mrs. Gid Boot and Mrs. Cicero Harris of Ranger, Edith McElroy of Roosevelt, Okla., and W. L. Ready of Strawn.

Mr. and Mrs. West Compliment Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Julian A. Sory of Fort Worth who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn West were complimented Saturday evening when Mr. and Mrs. West entertained at their home with a small party honoring their guests.

Those attending were Messrs. and Mrs. Alex Roberson, Nath Pirkie, J. B. Houghton, C. E. Prust, Sory and the host and hostess.

W.M.U. Has Bible Study

Mrs. W. A. Reawer conducted the Bible study for the Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist church when it met Monday afternoon at 2:30 in the church. The subject for study was a review of the book of Exodus.

At the close of the study a short business session was held with the president, Mrs. Bob Hodges, presiding.

Legion Auxiliary Postpones Meeting

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary which was scheduled to be held this evening has been postponed until Thursday evening at which time a joint meeting with the legion will be held.

Woodmen Circle To Meet Wednesday

The Julia Alexander Grove of the Woodmen Circle will meet Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Viola Brink, 609 Wain. Street for an all day meeting. A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon and all members are invited to attend.

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Society Personal

Mrs. Helen C. Yonker who has spent the last 18 months in Buffalo, N. Y., arrived home Monday evening.

Wreckers Beat Cops To Accident Scene

FORT WORTH, Tex.—Lee Roy Manuel, police reporter, dutifully notified police when his automobile and a truck were involved in a minor accident recently.

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