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Help Build Ranger By Buying Here

Buy It In Ranger And Help Business

AST WRECKS UPONT PLANT NEW JERSEY

BBSTOWN, N. J., Jan. 17.—A terrific explosion in the Du Pont experimental laboratories wrecked the Du Pont plant the local school building, demolishing both. Two were killed and two injured seriously. Cause of the explosion, which felt in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware, was not determined. At the Du Pont headquarters in Wilmington, Del., it is reported that 6,000 pounds of glycerin was stored in the factory warehouse.

Two men were reported to be working in the plant at the time of the explosion. All telephone and graph lines to the town and to the plant were destroyed by the force of the blast was so great that buildings in Philadelphia rocked north and south and it was believed it was caused by earthquake.

Must Back Trade Treaties Says Johnson

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—The Cotton Institute must stand solidly behind the State Cordell Hull's trade agreements, according to O. Johnston, President of the National Cotton Council, today.

Painting a dark picture of the export prospects for cotton to South America as Prospect for future markets, but said United States can't sell more to southern neighbors without

Warring nations in Europe and Orient are consuming less cotton than they use in peacetime and Allied naval policy is interfering with American shipping neutral ports, he observed.

With state socialism now dominant in the Eastern Hemisphere, speaker questioned whether nations would return to "normal" in their trade relations after war.

It was thought that United States exports to South America would boom while Europe is preoccupied with its war, but these have been largely frustrated by the difficulty of securing exchange on this country, he said.

Former Resident Dies In Oklahoma

Friends have been advised of the death this week of Charles H. Gorman, formerly of Eastland, Oklahoma, who resided at Fort

Man Fined In Chicken Case

J. J. Barron of Gorman, tried in 88th district court, was found guilty of jorine and fined

APPING GOES STREAMLINE

CORVALLIS, Mont.—Ben McNeill has streamlined the pioneer of trapping wild animals. He has forth in a radio and electrically equipped trailer and enjoys all comforts of modern life while

Guns, Bomb Making Equipment Taken in Raid



Clips of ammunition, .30-caliber rifles, dynamite fuse and materials for bomb manufacture were part of armament seized by FBI in basement of one of "Christian Front" members in New York. Some of guns planned for use against U. S. were taken from National Guard armory.

Eastland Plans In Drive Outlined To Aid Crippled Youth

Eastland citizens this week were beginning preparations to assist in the annual President's Birthday Infirmary Paralysis Fund work.

Charles J. Kleiner of Cisco, who is county chairman, has appointed C. W. Hoffmann as chairman of Eastland activities in the work.

Long Is Leading In Primary Vote From Louisiana

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 17.—Gov. Earl K. Long held a substantial lead today in the democratic primary election, but apparently must have a runoff for the governorship with Sam Houston Jones.

Most of the returns tabulated today were from New Orleans, a Long stronghold, with few of the rural communities having reported.

Returns in Tuesday's primary gave Long 85,093 votes, compared to a total of 103,634 for the four anti-administration candidates.

Browder on Trial In Passport Case

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—A jury of 11 men and one woman was completed today to try Earl Browder, communist party secretary, on federal passport fraud charges.

Three Convicts Are Sought in Nolan Co.

HYLTON, Nolan County, Jan. 17.—West Texas officers joined state police today in a search for J. W. Mann, Robert Lacy Cash and Andrew Nelson, three Texas convicts who escaped after slugging a guard near Buffalo last Saturday.

Five Are Killed In Houston Fire

HOUSTON, Jan. 17.—A three-alarm fire destroyed a three-story Salvation army home here today in which five people were believed to have perished. Five others, including two firemen, were injured in the blaze.

Fair Committee To Meet Thursday

A meeting of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce fair headquarters committee, the aim of which is to secure permanent headquarters for the annual county fair, is to be held Thursday night in the Chamber of Commerce office.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Generally fair tonight and Thursday, little change in temperature.

Put in Jail At Early Age



The law finally caught up with two-and-a-half-year-old Bruce Carl, above, who was turned over to thegendarmes by his father, Raymond A. Carl, separated from his wife, had his young son pinched to keep Mrs. Carl from taking the boy to California from New Jersey.

Second Rank Given At Pythian Session

The second rank was conferred upon John J. Boen at a meeting of the Knights of Pythias Tuesday night in Eastland.

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Publisher Will Be A GOP Candidate

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 17.—Frank E. Gannett, publisher of a chain of newspapers, last night threw his hat into the ring as a candidate for the republican nomination for president. Gannett announced his candidacy at a banquet at Rochester.

Judge Hawkins Is Speaker Before Rotary Meeting

C. E. May had the Rotary program today and introduced as his guest Hon. Lindsey D. Hawkins, who addressed the Club on the subject of "The Public Speech."

Judge Hawkins began with a review of the great orators of the platform and halls of oratory, that America had produced, paying fitting tribute to each in his field of greatest interest, and quoted many excerpts from each one. After giving bits of biography from the fifteen immortals who have electrified the American people by their oratory he then declared that the greatest orator the world has ever produced was Christ.

In genuine oratory itself the speaker then carried his audience through the steps of preparation and delivery of public speeches and stated that his conviction was that no man belonged among great public speakers unless he has a deep concern and a real message that the man himself believes is important for his hearers.

Funeral Held For Aged Resident Of Ranger Wednesday

Funeral services for William Wright Crabb, 71, for 36 years a resident of Ranger, were conducted from the First Baptist Church of Ranger this afternoon at 2:30 with Rev. H. B. Johnson, pastor of the First Christian Church, conducting the services. Burial was in Merriam Cemetery, with Killingsworth in charge of arrangements.

The deceased was born in Madison County, Alabama, Jan. 17, 1869. He had long been a member of the Baptist Church.

Surviving relatives include his widow, Mrs. W. W. Crabb of Ranger, two sons, Alvie Beamon Crabb of Talco, and William Terrell Crabb of Ranger; four daughters, Mrs. Bertha Tankersley of Ranger, Mrs. R. L. White of Minton, Mrs. H. B. Groce of Ranger, Mrs. D. C. Livingston of Breckenridge and Miss Cuba Crabb of Ranger; two brothers, Tom Crabb of Ranger and Nat Crabb of New Market, Ala., one sister, Mrs. Mary Preston, Huntsville, Ala., and 13 grandchildren.

Daughter Seeks Missing Father

County Clerk R. V. Galloway has received a letter from Mrs. Thelma Shirts of Benton Harbor, Mich., seeking information about Harvey L. Shirts.

The letter reads: "Could you please tell me the whereabouts, alive or dead, of Hervey L. Shirts. He was last heard of from Ranger Texas. If he has moved away from Eastland County, Texas, or you have any information about him I would appreciate it very much to hear from you. It is very important that I get in touch with him at once."

Desdemona Man's Funeral Is Held

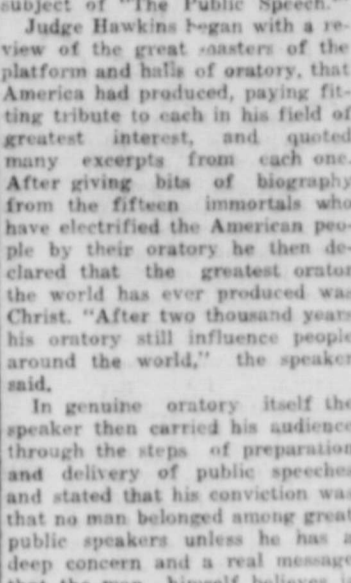
Funeral services for Dal Riggs, who died Tuesday, were held Wednesday afternoon at the Riggs home north of Desdemona in the Howard cemetery.

Widespread Gas Use On Front Reported

PHILADELPHIA.—Newcomb K. Chaney, who produced the first gas masks for American troops during the World War, predicted here that troops will be sorely hampered by mustard gas and choked by chlorine and phosgene as soon as they emerge from the Maginot and Siegfried lines.

Masks Thwart Mistletoe

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Call To Identify Prisoners Brings An Experience to Mind

A telephone call from the sheriff of Van Zandt county, of which Canton is the county seat, today brought back memories of a peculiar experience for C. J. Moore, Ranger automobile dealer.

Moore stated that he was identified a man to whom Moore sold an automobile back in 1925.

Moore tells his 1925 experience like this: Back in 1925 an automobile salesman's pep meeting was being conducted, and Moore spoke before the group.

After the meeting Moore and several of the salesmen were riding along in an automobile and saw a man walking down the street, carrying two large sacks, one under each arm, which appeared to be sacks of groceries.

"I'll show you boys how to sell automobiles," Moore boasted, pointing out the man. "See that man walking along there? I'll bet I can sell him a car."

Moore drove up along side the man and suggested to him that he should buy a car so he could carry his groceries home easier.

"That's not a bad idea," the man replied. "I might do very thing."

An old model car, which was for sale at \$50, was demonstrated, the man gave the names of several men in Ranger for references, gave his home address and the name of the oil company for which he claimed he worked, and a trade was made whereby Moore accepted his check for \$25 and two notes of \$12.50 each, payable in 30 and 60 days.

After bragging about his salesmanship, Moore went on about his business. A few days later he got a subpoena to appear before the court at Canton to identify an escaped convict. It was the man to whom he had sold the car, and the bundles which were thought to contain groceries contained the escaped convict's prison clothes.

Needless to say the check "bounced back" marked "no funds," the address he gave was a vacant lot and the company for which he claimed he worked had never heard of him.

Moore quoted the Canton sheriff as saying the man was now being tried as an habitual criminal, but Moore is uncertain as to whether or not he can identify the man after 15 years.

Plans Made for Birthday Balls Over the County

Arrangements were made at a meeting of representatives of Eastland county towns, held in the office of C. W. Hoffmann, mayor of Eastland, Tuesday night for a series of three Presidential Birthday Balls to be held in Ranger, Cisco and Eastland, on Jan. 29, 30 and 31.

The first dance will be held in Ranger on the night of Monday, Jan. 29, the second in Cisco Tuesday night, Jan. 30, and the third in Eastland Wednesday, Jan. 31.

Admission prices will be the same in all towns, \$1.50, with the ticket good for any one of the three dances.

Carbon, German, Rising Star and Desdemona will be asked to sell tickets, good at any of the three dances, but will not put on dances of their own, it was decided at the meeting.

Jack Free and his Hilton Hotel Orchestra will play for all three engagements. This well known dance orchestra will also have Bennie Ruth Garrett as soloist.

Display Of Camera Prints Scheduled

J. C. Cozby, president of the Ranger Camera Club, announced today that arrangements have been made for a display of 50 prints, made by the Fort Worth Camera Club during the past year.

The Ranger club has members both in Ranger and Eastland. No definite date has been set for the showing, Cozby said today, but arrangements are being made to have the prints displayed in early February.

Pythian Sisters' Officers Installed

New officers of the Pythian Sisters of Eastland, to serve the coming year, were installed at a meeting this week.

Mrs. C. N. Nicols was installing officer. Those installed were: Mrs. B. R. H. Ferris, most excellent chief; Mrs. Raymond Hunt, excellent senior; Mrs. Guy Robertson, excellent junior; Miss Katharine White, manager; Mrs. Bill Darr, protector; Mrs. T. M. Follen, guard; Mrs. C. F. Shepperd, mistress of records and correspondence; Mrs. C. C. Street, mistress of finance, and Mrs. K. K. White, past chief.

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DIPLOMACY OVERSHADOWS EUROPE'S WAR

Diplomatic moves and warnings today overshadowed war news both in Finland and on the Western Front, though it was reported that the Finns had again surrounded Russian forces on the Salla front, and Russian planes continued bombing Finnish towns.

At Stockholm, Sweden, the prime minister answered Russian notes by stating emphatically that Sweden was free to aid Finland in any way she thought fit, and that no orders from Moscow concerning her activities would be followed out. The prime minister said Sweden was better able to judge just how the country could serve Finland, as were other Scandinavian countries.

One correspondent, who visited the Finnish ski patrols, reported that he had not seen signs of any Russian invaders near the central front and that while cold weather was a decided factor in Finland's favor, spring would be another matter, though the lakes and marshlands might still serve Finnish resistance.

Small neutral countries were warned that the threat of German invasion was not entirely over, and were urged to be on the alert for the next few days for any possible invasion.

Observers were divided on the Nazi viewpoint, some believing that a major drive against England, through the air, would come shortly, or by early Spring. This would endanger the lowland neutral countries of Holland and Belgium which lie directly in the path of the Nazi raiders might take to reach the English coast and the English naval bases.

Other observers believed that Germany might seek to drag the war out for a time, in an effort to kill public support and sympathy for the war in both England and France.

Meantime a Nazi plan to bomb British bridges and railways, as well as British naval bases, was reported in England, without official confirmation.

At Rome the secretary general of the Fascist party, warned Italians that Italy may be forced to take up arms at any time.

"We must not sleep in the illusion that Italy's present neutrality may not always be maintained," he warned Italians.

The chamber of deputies at Paris took a decisive step when it ousted all communist members of the chamber.

Small neutral countries were assured that they can count upon the allies for aid in the event they are attacked by an aggressor nation.

Eastland Group To Dairy Club Meet

Several from Eastland attended a meeting of the Eastland County Dairy Cattle Club Tuesday evening in Rising Star.

Representing the Chamber of Commerce of Eastland were T. E. Richardson, Dr. C. C. Cogburn, H. J. Tanner. Others from Eastland included A. C. Pratt, A. J. Treadwell, Margaret Blount, Ruth Ramsey, B. F. McInroe and Elmo V. Cook.

The Chamber of Commerce of Eastland invited everyone at the program to attend the annual extension service dairy day April 23 in Eastland.

The club also voted to have its next meeting, due April 19, in Eastland.

Those from Ranger who attended the meeting were Dr. Ross Hodges, J. H. Clemmer, Raymond Eckleberrly and Charles H. Bell.

Smith To Speak At Meeting Of Vets

A social meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars post will be held tonight at 7:30 in Cisco, it was announced here today by local members of the organization, which is county-wide in scope.

John Lee Smith of Throckmorton, widely-known West Texan, will be one of the speakers, it was stated.

Lambert Condition Reported Improved

I. J. Lambert, who has been ill this week, was reported Wednesday as "doing very well."

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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Aviation Has a Big Year

It is as safe in an airliner these days as it is in a baby's crib. Or at least it was during 1939, according to a fistful of heartening statistics released by the Air Transport Association of America.

Domestic airlines carried 1,400,000 persons over a total of 620,000,000 passenger miles without even scratching the nose of a single person. Col. Edgar S. Gorrell, president of the Air Transport Association, was probably right when he said that this was the "greatest increase in safe travel of any class of passenger service for any similar period in the history of transportation in the United States."

The safety record becomes even more remarkable in view of the fact that the number of passenger miles flown both by domestic and international lines originating in this country increased from 635,000,000 in 1938 to 880,000,000 last year. Mail and express shipments also increased according to the report.

The increase in passenger travel is directly linked to the enviable safety record set by commercial pilots, mechanics and all others who are responsible for the safe flight of transport planes. The increased enthusiasm for air travel enabled airline executives to dip into the black ink bottle again for the first time in several years. For the past several years, airlines have been operating at a net annual loss of \$2,000,000, Colonel Gorrell said.

It is also true that the confidence of the public in air transportation is making it possible for airlines to rely less on mail contracts and express business and more on passenger services. Only five years ago, about 70 per cent of the business handled by transport ships included mail and express shipments, and passenger service comprised only 30 per cent. Last year, 60 per cent of the commerce handled by commercial aviation firms was in the form of human cargo.

While safety played a prime part in vitalizing passenger business, the airline firms also bestow a certain amount of deserved credit upon the smooth functioning of the Civil Aeronautics Act and on the Air Traffic Conference which opened up a system of coordination among the various lines.

Aviation is still a growing industry. No one would contend that it has reached the peak of its efficiency, the pinnacle of its ability to serve the public. Fifteen years ago there was no scheduled passenger service. Twenty-five years ago, most people still regarded the flying machine as something with which only a fool would play.

Yet, despite its comparative youth, aviation has already set a record which no other mode of transportation can claim. There were airplane accidents in this country in 1939. But they did not happen to the trained pilots of the transport companies. The airlines have proved that, given good equipment, and expert personnel, there need be no fear of accidents. It is the best kind of publicity aviation can possibly get.

CREATURE WITH SNAKY LOCKS

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Mythical creature with snaky locks.
- 7 She was one of three sister—s.
- 12 Burden.
- 13 Grinding tooth.
- 16 Jar.
- 17 Golf device.
- 18 Saline solution.
- 19 Fish.
- 20 To occupy a place.
- 21 Testified.
- 23 To marry.
- 25 Musical note.
- 26 Fairy.
- 27 Entrant.
- 29 Sun god.
- 30 Stomach.
- 31 Nothing.
- 33 Blow on the head.
- 35 Passage.
- 37 Rigid.
- 39 To dangle.
- 41 Marked with spots.
- 43 Potpourri.

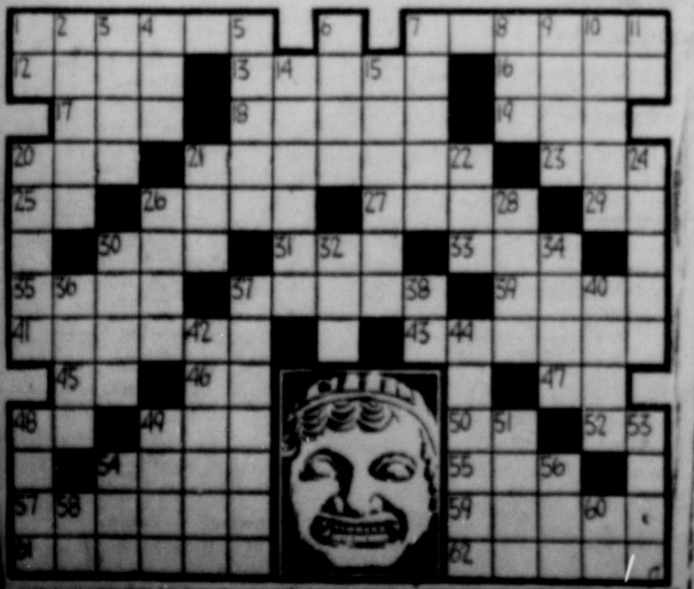
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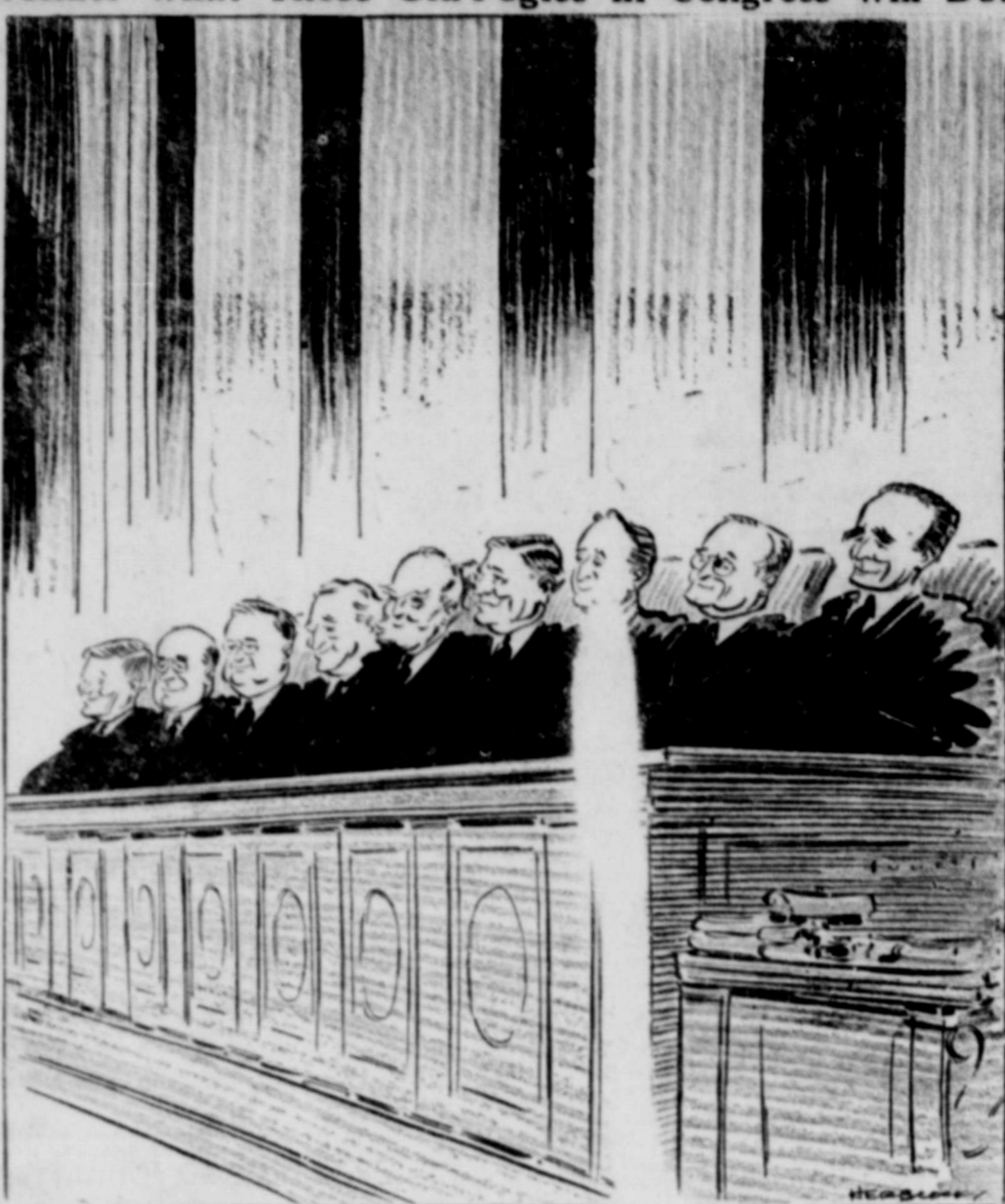
- 45 Mother, looked at her turned to
- 46 Ream.
- 47 Each.
- 48 Musical note.
- 49 Policeman.
- 50 Idant.
- 52 Father.
- 54 Back of neck.
- 55 Part of mouth.
- 57 Operation of intelligence only.
- 59 Mistake.
- 61 She was a creature of terrible or looks.
- 62 All who

VERTICAL

- 1 Volume.
- 2 Beings.
- 3 Song for two.
- 4 To consume.
- 5 Yellow resin.
- 6 Hodgepodge.
- 7 Capidity.
- 8 Fabulous.
- 9 To flame.
- 10 More ancient.
- 11 North Africa.
- 14 Live-forever
- 15 Records.
- 20 She was or killed by a trick.
- 21 Moisture.
- 22 Clamor.
- 24 To trifle.
- 26 Kind of rubber.
- 28 Related.
- 30 Boundary.
- 32 Writing fluid.
- 34 Tree trunk.
- 36 Heavy volume.
- 37 Storm.
- 38 Typesetter's term.
- 40 To jump.
- 42 Circle near the Equator.
- 44 Banishes.
- 46 Genus of frogs.
- 49 Box.
- 51 Filth.
- 53 Land measure.
- 54 Wool fiber.
- 56 Professional athlete.
- 58 Bone.
- 60 Upon.



'Wonder What Those Old Fogies in Congress Will Do!



TEXAS PROHIBITION SENTIMENT WEAKER, SURVEY OF LOCAL-OPTION VOTING SHOWS

AUSTIN, Texas.—Is prohibition sentiment stronger or weaker in Texas today than it was in the days before State-wide prohibition was voted?

"Definitely weaker," Austin observers are saying, after making a comprehensive survey of sentiment as reflected by local-option elections.

The State's status as of January 1, 1940, is contrasted with the only truly comparable period—1919, preceding State-wide prohibition. Geographically and from the standpoint of population, those who believe the sale of alcoholic beverages can be successfully prohibited are in the minority. Three of these were dry before State-wide prohibition came in Texas.

Presuming a 1919 population of 4,663,000, as shown in the 1920 census, and today's population of 4,218,441, the 1939 official estimate, the actual gain or loss in strength of the two schools of thought is as follows:

In 1919, there were 1,240,445 Texans living in "legal" counties, whereas today they number 4,310,505, a gain of 3,070,060. In 1919, the population of dry counties totaled 3,422,174, as contrasted with 2,111,339 today, a loss of 1,310,835.

Not only have those favoring legalized sales overcome the lead which prohibitionists held two decades ago; they have forged far ahead, winning and holding a substantial majority since repeal.

This progress on the part of those favoring legalization was through actual expressions of the people in their only forum: At the ballot box; similarly, the losses recorded for the prohibitionists were through elections.

In other words, when prohibition was repealed in Texas, the entire State returned to the exact status it held in 1919. A county which was dry in 1919 could sanction sale of alcoholics, after repeal only by

Women's Army Aide Arrives In France for Visit

By United Press

WITH THE B.E.F. IN FRANCE—There is a flutter of excitement in the ranks and even among the generals of the B.E.F. because Britain's women's army has at last come up the line.

The commander-in-chief herself, Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan, who holds the rank of major-general in the A.T.S., her aide-de-camp and her chauffeur are among them.

It is the aide-de-camp who has set troops' hearts aflutter, because she is extremely pretty, and her uniform seems to enhance her beauty.

She tries to look very soldierly and army-like in her neat khaki uniform, with two pips on her shoulder to indicate that she is a lieutenant. She wears an official looking armband, black and vivid red. It is from the War Office, and looks very brass-battish.

She knows the B.E.F. code and keeps it. "Don't talk about your job with the army in France." "I'm sorry, I can't say anything about our visit. It is a secret," she

Used Car Sales Are Keeping Pace With 1940 Models

Sales of used cars by Chevrolet dealers are keeping pace with the heavy deliveries of new 1940 models of passenger cars and trucks. From every section of the United States and particularly from that area of North Texas included in the Dallas Zone of Chevrolet reports of increased and increasing used car activities and sales are being received from Chevrolet dealers. In line with improved general business conditions in this section, sales of new 1940 model Chevrolet passenger cars and trucks have increased in almost unprecedented proportions and this has brought into the used car stocks of Chevrolet dealers a choice of late model passenger cars and trucks representing unusual values in used cars. These trade-ins are quickly and thoroughly renewed in accordance with outlines and suggestions from the Chevrolet Motor Division and are offered to the public bearing the Red O. K. Tag, a copyrighted feature of Chevrolet and representing cars with an O. K. that counts. Facilities of Chevrolet dealers for carrying out the requirements of selling used cars with the Red O. K. Tag are checked regularly by factory representatives and the used car buying public have learned that Chevrolet dealers' used cars represent the ultimate in quality for satisfactory service and long life.

Soil Conservation Fund Reductions Hit Great Plains

By United Press

AMARILLO, Tex.—Reduced Federal funds for soil conservation work envisaged in President Roosevelt's budget recommendations present a poser for Great Plains farmers.

If gain of recent years in checking soil erosion are to be maintained, dust bowl farmers will need to co-ordinate and expand local efforts, according to H. H. Fennell, regional conservator of the soil conservation service.

Although a cut in appropriations for the soil conservation service will result in a proportionate reduction in serpice personnel and material aid to farmers, Fennell believes that increasing local responsibility can protect the progress of the conservation program.

Average Age For Criminals Is Rising

By United Press

FORT WORTH, Tex.—Edward E. Conroy, special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Dallas, told a Fort Worth civic club recently that the average age of criminals in the United States is rising.

The FBI agent found it gratifying that "we can no longer pin most of the crimes on youth." Since 1930, he said, the average age of desperate criminals has risen from 18 to 22 years.

Conroy also declared that the public mistakenly blamed foreign-born Americans for too many crimes. Most criminals are native-born citizens, he said.

NYA Boys Win and Girls Lose In Cage Contests At Olden

Ranger NYA boys won from the Olden Hornets in a basketball game at the Olden high school gymnasium Tuesday night, while the NYA girls lost in their first game of the season to the Olden girls. The score in the boys game was 44 to 31 and the Olden girls won by 31 to 30.

Couch Hughes of the NYA cage team was well pleased with the showing made by both teams, as the NYA girls had worked out but once prior to the game Tuesday night. Suits for the NYA girls have been ordered, but have not arrived as yet.

Elbert Bennett was high point man for the NYA boys, with 19 points and Hendricks of Olden was high point man on his team with 11 points to his credit. Holt of Olden scored the most points for her team in the girls' game and Imogene Norris of the NYA girls held high point honors for her team.

Stomach Ache Is Boy Gang's Downfall

NEW BRITAIN, Conn.—An alert bus station clerk and a stomach ache helped solve a robbery.

Four boys, one of them grasping his stomach in pain, bought tickets from the clerk for New York. The clerk, suspicious, notified police. They learned the boys had stolen \$40, part of which they spent lavishly for candy and banana sandwiches.

Leopold Leads Belgian Troops



King Leopold of the Belgians takes direct command of troop mobilizations as the low countries brace once more arm and strengthen defenses against Nazi military intrusions.

Hunt Is Suspicious But It's for

By United Press
MANCHESTER, Conn.—An officer's duty to be suspicious strangers in the early hours of morning, so when Patrolman Thur Seymour noticed a maning into hallways and alley followed him for several blocks and then cautiously asked: "Looking for somebody?" "Nops," replied the stranger. "Then why all this searching?" demanded Seymour. "Lost my teeth," mumbled man in cmt explanation. Seymour joined the hunt.

Food Stamps Going By Rochester Bar

By United Press
ROCHESTER, N. Y.—banks part in refunding of stamp cards, which threaten end the distribution of commodities to relief clients. Rochester, has dwindled to 15 per cent of the total number.

At one time, local banks of approximately 90 per cent of food-stamp cards distribute Rochester. The decline is when bank executives complete the burden was too heavy that a service charge would be levied against grocers the work.

Almost \$2,000,000 worth stamps have been sold here the plan was inaugurated May.

It being leap year, men can sit back with a gleam in their eyes and watch the proceedings.

For more pleasure of the movies see Paramount's Feature Attraction THE GREAT VICTOR HERBERT starring ALLAN JONES and MARY MARTIN For more smoking pleasure enjoy CHESTERFIELD'S Feature Attractions... REAL MILDNESS and BETTER TASTE.

Real Mildness and Better Taste are Chesterfield's Feature Attractions

The Right Combination of the world's best cigarette tobaccos in Chesterfield gives you two features you can get in no other cigarette... Real Mildness and Better Taste.

On top of that, Chesterfield gives you a far cooler smoke. You can't buy a better cigarette.

The Cooler, Better-Tasting, Definitely Milder Cigarette

Chesterfield

MARY MARTIN

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SERIAL STORY BLACKOUT BY RUTH AYERS

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YESTERDAY: The operation restores the real Mary Carroll to life and happiness. She writes Gilbert expressing her gratitude, overjoyed to find her, but the smile of Carla stands between them. Vincent begs for a chance to regain their former happiness. Mary does not answer.

CHAPTER XXI

MARY remained in the hospital a week longer.

In that week, Vincent was at her bedside almost continuously. His flowers made a florist's shop of her room. Awaiting her in the morning on her breakfast tray were notes from him—amusing and endearing.

They'd reached an agreement at last. They would forget the last few weeks of their lives since the Moravia disaster and start all over. As soon as it could be arranged, her marriage to Gilbert would be annulled and she and Vincent would return to America.

If Mary would awake sometimes at night and remember Gilbert's kind gray eyes and the boyish, unruly red hair, she'd brush the thought aside. If she would pause sometimes in looking at Vincent, she would find that she would shut out the picture.

There could never be anyone but you," Vincent would tell her, his old assurance returning. "Smitten—that's me. Crazy, goofy, simply hepped."

That stolid British nurse, Miss Babcock, sometimes made Mary nervous by her silent disapproval. A married woman—Dr. Gilbert Lenox's wife—to have so attentive a visitor. Mary could almost read her thoughts.

It was because of this that Mary refused to let Vincent take her home. "Afraid of a scandal, aren't you, sweet?" he teased.

She couldn't explain to him, but there was another reason. It wouldn't be fair to let Vincent go with her to Gilbert's rooms, so intimate with all that belonged to him.

IN the days after she was home, Vincent seemed to relax. "We'll soon be out of this," he promised, and he took her for daily walks. "You and I—back to Manhattan. You and I, Mister and Missus, just as we'd planned before all this happened."

Tea in hidden-away teashops. Dinner at night and the walk home in blackout, arm in arm. But she couldn't bring herself to

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Mary whispered, "Thanks," amazed because she felt no elation.

Gilbert turned and began to slip into his officer's overcoat. Mary came close to him, touching the braid timidly. "Are you leaving so soon? I thought perhaps you'd come home to stay, it would be nice if I could talk to you again, to thank you for everything."

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He stepped to her and drew her hands away, staring at the new-found loveliness.

"Love, you're stunning! I knew you must have been beautiful, but I'd no idea it would be like this."

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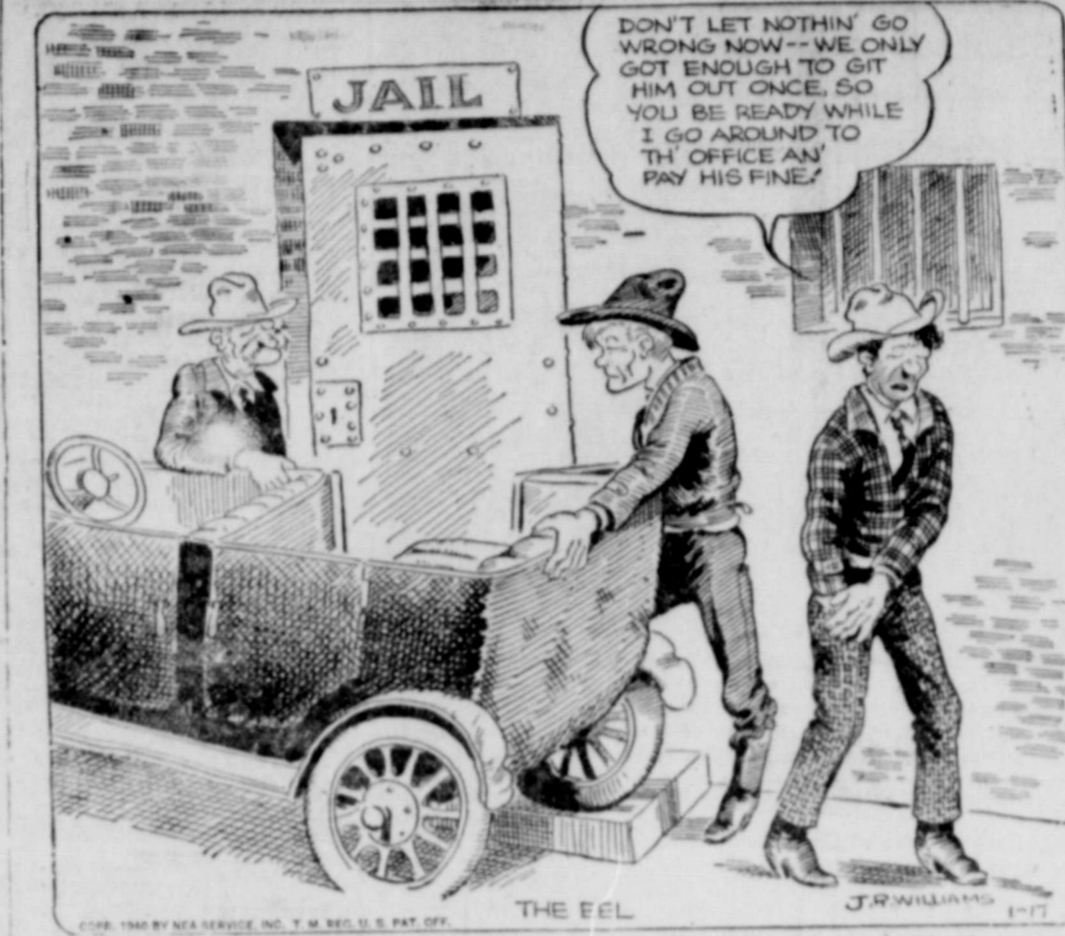
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"OUT OUR WAY" By Williams FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS



ALLEY OOP By Hamlin



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BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

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WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt's 1941 budget looks like an extremely smart move in the intricate chess game that has been going on between the executive and the Congress. Whether it is much more than that is an open question—open-and-shut, maybe.

That the President put over a very fast one indeed, with lots of body English on it, is evident from a simple study of the figures.

First of all, he handed Congress a set of estimates which run about \$788,000,000 under those for the present fiscal year. These include big cuts in things which a congressman hates to cut in an election year—money for roads, for various forms of relief, for the culture, for the government payroll generally, and so on. Congress will be under tremendous pressure to go above the estimates, and will almost certainly do so.

But the catch in it—the thing that really makes it a fast one—isn't just the fact that the President would then be able to turn to the country and say, "Well, I tried to reduce expenditures but Congress wouldn't go along." The real sticker is the fact that the law sets the limits to which the federal government's debt may rise at \$45,000,000,000.

Listen, now, to the canny way the President figured this one. If the President's budget should be adopted in toto, the total government debt at the end of the next fiscal year would be just \$62,000,000,000 under that legal debt limit of 45 billions.

But if Congress spends more—if it goes only \$63,000,000 over his budget—it must, at the same time, vote to raise the debt limit. Which is the one thing above all others that a congressman approaching a re-election fight would truly hate to do.

The President, in other words, gets himself out of a tight corner.

"Gas at least is useless against present defense methods, while epidemic and other germs could easily do more damage to the armies setting them loose than to the objects of such an attack."

Texas Hatcheries Increase Output Of Fish For 1939

AUSTIN, Tex.—Having increased production of fish in its ten hatcheries by nearly 2,000,000 during 1939, the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission is preparing to turn out an even larger crop this year and improvements at four hatcheries which will cost \$30,000 are under way or will be started soon, it was announced today by the executive secretary of the Game Department. WPA funds and labor will be used for part of the work.

The biggest project being undertaken by the Game Department is at the Huntsville Hatchery. That hatchery's thirty-two ponds will be augmented by the addition of four more, each of which will be approximately an acre in size. To improve the watering system at Huntsville the drainage ditches will be lined with rock masonry and reinforced concrete. A new filling system to carry water into the ponds is being built, under the direction of the Department's hatcheries' engineer. Most of the present ponds at Huntsville will be deepened.

Repair work on the large levee at the Olmito hatchery has already been started.

A drag line will be used to deepen the canal through which water enters the San Angelo Hatchery. Work there will start within two weeks.

The finishing touches are being put on the Medina Hatchery near Nacalla. That hatchery is the latest addition to the Game Department's list of fish-producing plants. Four ponds were in operation during 1939.

LOST HOLBEIN FOUND LONDON.—Discovery of a Holbein portrait of Queen Elizabeth as a girl is claimed by George Fripp, an antique dealer. Fripp is certain that the picture is one for which generations of art experts have searched in vain. It is the portrait which Elizabeth sent to her brother Edward in 1551.

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Surgeon Allays War Gas Fears

SAN FRANCISCO.—Gas and disease germs in warfare as a means of disabling the combatants is much more of a bugaboo than a menace, according to Dr. Philip J. Lipsett, reserve army colonel and instructor in surgery at the University of California's Medical School. Col. Lipsett has made a 20-year study of this question both from a military and a medical point of view. "The closest calculations possible of the use of poison gas during the World War," he said, "showed that it takes some eight tons of gas producing materials to kill one man in ordinary warfare. "This virtually places gaseous warfare out of the reach of most nations as an instrument of warfare." Col. Lipsett has found that out of more than 70,000 American casualties in the World War, only 1,400 could be attributed directly to gas. "The after effects of so-called gassing," he said, "were so greatly exaggerated, as it was shown in many instances through autopsy that gas had nothing whatever to do with the cause of the death." He quotes Col. Harry L. Gilchrist of the U. S. Army, who headed a commission to investigate gas damage and reactions, and who reported that many of the so-called pulmonary and respiratory conditions attributed to gassing were due to other causes. Col. Lipsett has ascertained that two other reasons also are calculated to keep poison gas or disease germs methods from ever being used on an extensive scale in future warfare. "The economic drain caused by this particular kind of warfare alone would be sufficient to prevent its use, but does not constitute the principal objection to it on a purely war time basis."

Society Notes

Winsome Class to Have Monthly Business Meeting



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Mrs. Bell's Cafe

monthly business meeting Friday evening at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. J. D. Johnson.

Baptist Young People's Conclave Held in Ranger

The Baptist Young People's Conclave of the Cisco Association was held at the First Baptist Church in Ranger, Tuesday evening.

The guests were greeted by members of the local Y. W. A. and their sponsor, Mrs. Finis King. The evening meal was served buffet style from a lace covered table centered by a bowl of yellow and white chrysanthemums.

Rev. Weather's of Eastland delivered the message of the evening and chose as his subject, "Opportunities and Advantages." Our Young People Enjoy Today."

Double Barrelled Romance



It's the Cisco Kid, O. Henry's renowned smiling desperado, and he pursues two lucky sendritas in "The Cisco Kid and the Lady," featuring Marjorie Weaver, Cesar Romero as the new Cisco, and Virginia Field, at the Arcadia today and tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. May have returned from Dallas where they attended the meeting of the Texas Association of Insurance Agents.

Mrs. Mary Young was a visitor in Fort Worth, Monday.

Mrs. Theresa Bearden and Miss Ella Joy Bearden have returned from a visit in Fort Worth.

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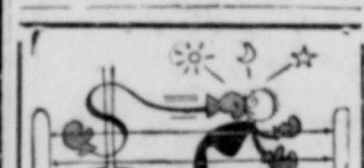
PARAMOUNT TAXI! Phone 1. Prompt Service Day and Night.—JIM TOLAND, Driver.

11—APARTMENTS FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two-room furnished apartment. Carter Apartments.

12—WANTED TO BUY

WANTED to buy mower and hay rake.—MRS. CORA A. HILL, Route 3, Box 7, Ranger.



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Girl Adds Kick to Her Regular Prayer

By United Press AMARILLO, Tex.—Mayor Ross D. Rogers is getting a kick these days out of telling a story of a small girl, a resident of New Mexico, who put a punch line on the end of her prayer. The child returned thanks at a dinner. She asked that all those present be made thankful "for these and all other blessings." In conclusion, she said: "And dear God, please help the Finns whip hell out of the Russians."

High-ranking Republicans decided to turn down the Democratic invitation to the Jackson Day dinner and to concentrate instead on full dinner pails.

CARD OF THANKS We sincerely wish to thank all our friends and neighbors for their many kind deeds and their sympathy during the illness and death of our father and grandfather. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Parker and children. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Parker and daughter.

HOOT MON! HERE'S A BARGAIN ON PARD! PARD! SWIFF'S DOG FOOD A PRODUCT OF SWIFT Wholesale and Retail Feed - Flour - Seed

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Political Announcements

This newspaper is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public offices, subject to the action of the 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 2: J. N. McFATTEE

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CISCO KID AND THE LADY CESAR ROMERO Major Tommie Weir and Bob Lee Rabhart ARTIE SHAW And His Band MARCH OF TIME "CRISIS IN THE PACIFIC" Plus LATE NEWS EVENTS COMING FEB. 27 & 28 GONE WITH THE WIND 2 Shows Daily—All Seats Reserved

VEGETABLE SALAD By United Press REDDING, Cal.—A vegetable salad of unusual proportions and variety of ingredients was concocted here when a huge refrigerator truck overturned when the driver attempted to dodge a herd of cows. Celery, carrots and other vegetables were strewn along the highway with a few bottles of beer thrown in as dressing. GOOD FOOD and GOOD SERVICE Enjoy eating a noon luncheon where the foods are good and the service excellent. Be at Mrs. Higdon's tomorrow! Try Our Noon Specials MRS. HIGDON'S CAFE

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