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Federal Old-Age And Survivor's Insurance Plan

(Editor's Note: The following is another of a series of articles prepared by W. O. King, manager of the Abilene Social Security Board field office...

What Is Meant by Covered Employment?

All employment except for certain specifically excluded types of work is covered under the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act.

Covered employment, generally speaking, is a job in a factory, shop, mine, mill, store, office, American ship, national or State bank, building-and-loan association, or other place of business.

Jobs not covered are, in general as follows: Agricultural labor; domestic service; government work; work for an educational, charitable, or religious nonprofit organization; work on railroads...

NEXT: Qualifications for Monthly Benefits.

Courthouse Clock At Weatherford Is Now Minus a Face

WEATHERFORD, Feb. 20.—For years the four clocks on the Parker County Courthouse here never kept the same time and the commissioners court hired an itinerant workman to repair them.

The face, eight feet in diameter and weighing 260 pounds, is still far below the clock and has used it as a refuge from cold winds.

Louisiana Votes Today After Big Bitter Campaign

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 20.—Gov. Earl K. Long of Louisiana today had national guardsmen guarding polling places, after he had received reports that ruffians had been paid \$50 a day to create disturbances around the polls.

Roosevelt Pleaded With Canal Defense

ABOARD DESTROYER LANG, Feb. 20.—President Roosevelt told a press conference today that one of the main objects of his cruise was to inspect the fortifications along the Panama Canal.

Acker Rabbit Drive To Be On Feb. 23

The Acker Community is preparing for its first big rabbit drive of the year, which will be staged Friday, Feb. 23, instead of Friday, Feb. 25, as erroneously reported.

Dies Back in Storm Center



Back to work in Washington after a long illness, Representative Martin Dies (Dem., Tex.), finds the Pelley storm blown over, but new ones brewing in and around his committee investigating un-American activities.

Material Aid for Finland Seems To Be Bottled Up By German Threats To the Scandinavian Countries Now

By LOUIS F. KEEMLE United Press Cable Editor

The tug of war between the Allies and Germany over Scandinavian neutrality leaves Finland in a precarious position. General Mannerheim, the Finnish commander, has made it clear that he does not expect to be able to hold out indefinitely against the crushing Red Army drive in the Karelian Isthmus...

Plan of Commodity Stamps a Success Officials Decide

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Administration officials today expressed themselves as being well pleased with the experiment with the commodity stamp plan for aiding relief clients, nine months after it was first inaugurated in Rochester, N. Y.

Mrs. Roosevelt Has Filed Counter Suit

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Friends of James Roosevelt, son of the president, today stated that his estranged wife, Betty Cushing Roosevelt, was entering a counter suit for divorce.

Eastland, Callahan Doctors to Meet at Baird this Evening

Local members of the organization are planning to attend a dinner and regular meeting of the Eastland-Callahan Counties Medical Society tonight in Baird.

Terrace Work Is On Agent's Slate

Terrace work occupies the major portion of the schedule of County Agent Elmo V. Cook this week.

Doctor's Bag Lost In Ranger Found

Chief of Police Guy Pledger announced today that a doctor's handbag, which was lost from an automobile in Ranger last week, had been recovered and returned to its owner.

40 PLANS FOR COUNCIL MADE AT GATHERING

Delegates to a district meeting were chosen and a budget for the year adopted at a recent meeting of the Eastland County Home Demonstration Council in the courthouse at Eastland.

The delegates to the district meeting, to be held in April at Abilene, the Mrs. T. E. Robertson of Flatwood, Mrs. Jessie K. Nix and Mrs. John Love of Alameda.

Other committee reports adopted by the group:

- Exhibits Committee: 1. Each club sponsor fair in local community. 2. Each club show educational exhibit at county fair.

Expansion Committee

- 1. More social meetings in each community with non-club members invited. 2. Stress of educational exhibits in local and county fairs.

Recreation Committee

- 1. Each club required to start program with ten minute recreation.

Education Committee

- 1. Invite all women in the community to all club meetings.

Reporters Committee

- 1. Each club reporter write one feature story during the year.

President on Mystery Cruise Leaves Nation Guessing



Off to do more than fish on his mystery cruise into the Caribbean, President Roosevelt leaves the nation guessing as to possible courses he may follow: (1) inspection of reinforced garrisons at Panama or Puerto Rico bases; (2) observation of U. S. fleet now maneuvering in waters mapped above; (3) conference on the high seas in this area with British, French or Italian representatives.

EASTLAND MAV SCHEDULE FOR YEAR LISTED

Coach E. B. Grady, Jr., announced Tuesday the 1940 schedule of the Eastland Mavericks.

The Mavericks are a member of the district 12-A in which Weatherford and Rising Star were recently added as member teams.

Ranger Boy Named As President Of University Council

AUSTIN, Feb. 20.—Frank Conley of Ranger became president of the Inter-Fraternity Council at the University of Texas this week upon the resignation of Everett Hutchinson of Hempstead.

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Army Will Mass 80,000 In the South For War Practice

By United Press By MERRIMAN SMITH United Press Staff Correspondent

ATLANTA, Ga.—Strength and speed of the army will be tested in the deep South this spring on a mammoth scale never before equaled in this country.

Regular army troops, 80,000 strong, will be divided into two huge opposing forces for a lengthy sham battle "somewhere along the Mississippi."

Military officers, from corps area generals down, are working daily with complicated maps, diagrams and combat statistics to complete plans for the gigantic maneuvers to be carried out by forces comprising the 3d Army.

Because most of the maneuver dates and places are tentative, 4th Corps area officials here are withholding definite details.

Lieut. Gen. Stanley D. Emdick, commander of the 2d Army, will direct advance plans for the maneuver and the two armies of 40,000 men each will be led by Maj. Gen. Walter Krueger of Fort Sam Houston and Brig. Gen. Walter C. Short of Fort Benning.

Unusual public interest, inspired largely because of the current European conflict, has been evidenced in the planned "battle of the South," the locale of which probably will be disclosed as soon as the army has received permission to "trespass" on land in the area.

The war games, however, were expected to be "fought" somewhere near the Mississippi river, probably over an extended "front" of several hundred miles.

Normally placid bayous will hear the crash of artillery (firing blank but nonetheless loud shells). And sleepy little river towns probably will snap into a wakeful attitude to the tune of rumbling tank companies.

Test For Motorization Transporting 80,000 men into a concentration maneuver area will be a major and colorful task in itself, particularly since virtually all American fighting units have been motorized.

Soldiers by the thousands have been sent to Southern forts for winter training in recent months and these forces probably will be combined for the spring "battle."

The concentration of tank strength at Fort Benning, near Columbus, Ga., has been in progress for months to the point that every tank in the nation, except for two companies, is in training at the Georgia post.

Separate maneuvers for the 4th Corps area of the Southeast will be held in March or April near Fort Benning. These somewhat smaller war games, but still involving thousands of infantry, artillery and tank troops, were expected to serve as an advance test of strategy prior to the "big push" of the 3d Army.

FINNS REPORT NEW DIVISION IS ENCIRCLED

A Finnish communiqué said tonight that heavy fighting had resulted in great Russian losses on the Karelian Isthmus and north of Lake Ladoga in which all attacks were repulsed.

Finland today reported that another Russian division, this time the sixth, had been surrounded and soon would be cut to pieces like other divisions have been, bringing the total Russian casualties in two major counter attacks on the eastern front to approximately 36,000.

Meantime Russia has reported that advances are still being made on the Karelian Isthmus, toward Viipuri, though the Finns still claim that the attack has been slowed up. Some concern was reported being felt over the number of Russian wounded in the Leningrad hospitals, which are full and overflowing.

Viipuri was again bombed from the air, with incendiary bombs being used. Large parts of the city, which is constructed chiefly of wooden houses, are reported to be in flames.

Reports have been received that a Russian woman diplomat had been the main factor in keeping Sweden from giving direct aid to Finland, and for the announcement by King Gustav that foreign troops would not be allowed to enter Finland through Sweden.

She is reported to have promised that Russia will not invade Sweden.

It is feared that with the Russian army so near to Viipuri that the town cannot hold out much longer and may soon be taken over. Baron Mannerheim, commander in chief of the Finnish forces, however, has reported that the second defense of the Mannerheim Line was to be held at all odds, and that it is much stronger than the fortifications which have already been taken.

Celebration By Ranger Masons Will Be Tonight

The annual Masonic and Eastern Star Washington Birthday celebration will be held tonight at 7:30 in the banquet room of the Masonic building in Ranger, with a good program being presented.

The banquet room, which has been used for the past year by the National Youth Administration for its wood shop, has recently been vacated and cleaned up in preparation for the celebration tonight, which is for Masons, their families, members of the Eastern Star and their families. The refreshments will be served by the Eastern Star.

C. E. May will be presiding officer at the annual event, and the program will be opened by singing of America, led by F. D. Hicks. Rev. H. B. Johnson, pastor of the First Christian Church of Ranger, will pronounce the invocation.

Musical numbers to be presented include a piano solo by Peggy Bundick, a vocal solo by Vera Vivian Cooper, a xylophone solo by Elsie Hummel, a violin solo by Jack Pearsall, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Pearsall, and a vocal solo by Gaston Dixon.

A short talk will be made by Mrs. B. E. Rigby, district deputy grand matron of the Eastern Star, and address and other numbers will be presented by Mr. and Mrs. Pitt Pitman, of Hella Temple, Dallas.

The refreshments will be served just before the benediction. The banquet room has been decorated for the occasion by members of the Ranger Fire Department.

Gold Circulation Plan Considered By United States

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The treasury department is seriously considering a proposal for free circulation of gold in the United States again, and going back to the gold certificates.

The country now has about 60 per cent of the available world supply of gold, or approximately \$18,000,000,000 worth on hand.

Continued flow of gold to the United States, it was indicated, might soon force other countries on a trade or barter system if the gold is kept out of circulation longer.

Japan's Economic Strength Sapped In Chinese War

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The state department has received reliable reports that the Japanese economic strength has been almost spent in the war with China and that the country is now near economic exhaustion.

The abrogation of the Japanese-American trade agreement has also been reported to have an effect upon Japan's economic welfare.

Shortage of coal and fuel are reported to be the most pressing in Japan right now.

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The Weather

WEST TEXAS—Fair tonight and Wednesday with rising temperatures Wednesday.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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There's Money for Rent Again

People who go around looking for mortgage money usually have a reasonably fair idea just how good times are. If the money's easy to get, they know things aren't so bad; if capital can't be readily pried loose, conditions aren't so good.

So the recent report of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, to the effect that capital is again looking for takers, offers a hopeful footnote on the signs of the times. In 81 per cent of 261 representative cities, the report said, capital was readily available for mortgage loans. In 11 per cent of the cities, the supply was keeping up with the demand, and in only 8 per cent was there a shortage of money.

In fact, the situation has never appeared more favorable during the 17 years in which surveys have been made, the association said.

Of further cheer to the prospective home owner should be the fact that mortgage interest rates have dropped off generally from 6 per cent to 5 per cent. In some places, money can be had for 4 1/2 per cent.

The decline of 1 per cent in the standard rate may seem like a dribble, but calculated over a long term it is nothing to sneer at. On a \$12,000 home, financed on a 20-year plan the difference between 6 and 5 per cent would amount to \$2400 after 20 years.

In only 3 per cent of the cities surveyed is there a current tendency for the interest rate to rise. In 41 per cent of the communities, on the other hand, the tendency is toward even further reductions, and in 33 per cent, it is steady.

The fact that mortgage money is plentiful, despite the fact that interest rates have dropped, would be encouraging during any era. That it should come at a time when war has struck the world is regarded by real estate men as an extremely favorable sign. It is an indication that war influence has not yet gripped the nation and that mortgage money is showing no tendency to become scarce, as might be expected in a period of unstable economic and political conditions.

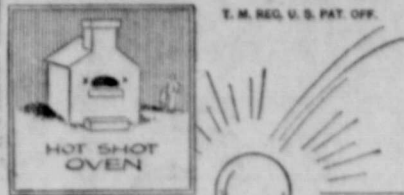
Connected with the government programs for expanding and improving housing and with the current campaign to trim building costs, the reduced mortgage rates and the abundant supply of capital offer genuine incentive to the man who is thinking of building. Most home builders are dependent on the use of someone else's money to get their project under way. If such money can be easily obtained, the confidence of capital in the building program is pretty well established.

Nothing more wholesome could happen to the American people in the spring and summer to come than a substantial increase in building activity.

Two New York gentlemen are charged with making off with a 2000-pound linotype machine. Just wanted it for the children, no doubt.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



AT FORT MARION, N. ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA, THERE STANDS A "HOT SHOT OVEN" WHICH WAS DESIGNED TO FURNISH A SUPPLY OF RED HOT CANNON BALLS TO BE FIRED FROM THE BATTERY.



IT COSTS ABOUT 400 DOLLARS A YEAR TO FEED AN ELEPHANT!



WHAT DO WE CALL A METEOR AFTER IT STRIKES THE EARTH?

ANSWER: A meteorite.

Ranger NYA Team To Enter State Meet

Coach S. C. Hughes of the National Youth Administration basketball team of Ranger, has received a notice from H. A. Ziegler, NYA district director of Fort Worth, that the Ranger club would represent the district at a basketball tournament at the Regional Youth Center at Inks Dam, Burnet, on March 1 and 2.

The Ranger team has been declared champions of District 7, which has headquarters in Fort Worth.

A large number of strong NYA teams have indicated their intentions to participate in the tournament and from a starting field of over 50 clubs, 12 outstanding teams are expected to enter the state meet.

The eliminations will begin Friday afternoon, March 1, and the meet will continue through Friday night and Saturday. The consolation and final games will be played Saturday night and the championship team will be presented a suitable trophy, immediately following the game.

Texas produces more than four-fifths of all the nation's output of carbon black, used mainly by tire manufacturers.

Dr. Woods' Talk Set at Eastland

L. A. Woods, superintendent of public instruction for the state will speak at a meeting to which the public is invited Wednesday morning, Feb. 21, in one of the district courtrooms in Eastland. The talk will begin at 10 a. m.

T. C. Williams, county superintendent, teachers and officials of Eastland county schools are invited to attend the meeting.

Dr. Woods has chosen as his subject "State and Local School Problems."

Baldness Hereditary A Doctor Declares

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—It's hereditary—if your father has a bald head so will you, according to a professor.

"Most bald men today, with some exceptions, of course, had bald fathers," he said.

"If your dad lost his hair at an early age, chances are you'll also acquire a shiny pate at an early age."

"Men worried about their thinning locks ought to take it easy and wait for the inevitable."

The oil refining industry pays workers the highest wages of any industry in Texas.

Six Jobs Offered 'Incompetent' Worker

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—Miss Dana E. Jones was out of a job. This ad she inserted in a Salt Lake paper:

"Incompetent, unoriginal stenographer needs a job. Cannot be secretary because never passed ugly duckling stage. Call Elizabeth Lawrence after 10 A. M."

By noon, Miss Jones had six offers of jobs—including two as a secretary.

Will Is Preserved For Future History

PHILADELPHIA—The Board of City Trusts has voted to spend \$350 out of the \$86,000,000 estate of Stephen Girard Jr. to restore and preserve the original will, which is becoming dangerously brittle and discolored with age.

The century-old document, one of the prized records of the office of the Register of Wills, is more than 100 pages long. Each page is covered with an invisible preparation to protect it from light and wear.

There are 79,000 gasoline pumps in use in Texas service stations, an average of one pump for each 18.7 automobiles.

Legionnaires Serve As Cops for Night

MILFORD, Conn.—The annual police ball, American Legionnaires took over protection of the town while regular officers went in for a "rug-cuttin'."

Not only did they keep the community crime free, but they tared four men wanted in another city as suspects in a series of metal thefts.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Ernest Halkias and family, Andrews and family and A. Prutas, attended funeral services in Abilene Monday for Gus Pete Vletas, 43, a native Greece.

Texas' carbon black, used tire makers to toughen rubber, made from sour gas, unfit for other commercial use.

The presence of oil in Texas was first reported in 1543 by explorers of the De Soto expedition.

In the Corsicana oil field, of the most famous oil fields of Texas, there are 621 wells producing an average of only one-tenth of one barrel of oil daily. Thirty-six other wells average only one-fifth of a barrel each day.

Meet Top Dog of the U. S. A.



Top dog of America, and looking as if he knows it, is Champion My Own Bruce, beautiful jet black cocker spaniel owned by Herman E. Mellenthin of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He is pictured with his prize cup after being named best dog in the Westminster Kennel Club show in New York.

Junior College To Play Game Tonight

Coach H. G. Jennings of Ranger Junior College, announced today that the Decatur Indians would play the Ranger Junior College basketball team tonight in the Recreation Building.

The Ranger college team has been showing steady improvement, and is expected to put up a good game tonight against the visitors.

Candidates Begin To Come Out In Governor's Race

State Highway Commissioner Harry Hines will announce his candidacy for nomination as governor of Texas in an address from Austin tonight and Railroad Commissioner Jerry Sadler, although unannounced, said he was "raring to go" because nobody of his political belief was in the race.

At Dallas former Governor James E. Ferguson said that many persons were urging that his wife enter the race for governor, and that she cannot be counted on, although she is not planning to run.

Baird Boosters to Visit In Eastland

A group from Baird advertising the Callahan County Fat Stock Show and Rodeo, scheduled in Baird next Saturday will visit shortly in Eastland Wednesday morning to advertise the event.

The motorcade group arrived in Eastland at 10 o'clock and will stay for 20 minutes. Towns to be visited Wednesday are Putnam, Cisco, Eastland, Rising Star, Pioneer, Cross Plains, Burkett, Coleman, Goldsboro, Novice, Lawn, Opalin and Eula.

Finnish Defense a Factor In a Loan

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Jesse Jones, chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the Export Import Bank, stated today that the American loans to Finland, which have been suggested in congress, will depend largely on how long Finland can hold out against the Russian invasion.

Should the Finnish defense crack up soon the loan will not likely be made, it was indicated in reliable sources in Washington.

Political Showdown Seen for Spring

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Political observers today saw possibilities of a showdown between President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Vice President John Nance Garner in five and possibly six states this spring.

Garner's name has been entered or is expected to be listed in primaries in Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Oregon and possibly California.

State Deficit Has Decided Increase

AUSTIN, Feb. 20.—State Treasurer Charley Lockhart revealed today that the state general fund deficit had increased from \$20,917,447 on Feb. 5 to \$22,750,024 as result of slump in tax receipts.

Two Children Born At Payne Hospital

Two children were born Monday at the Payne hospital in Eastland. A girl, weighing 7 1/4 pounds, was born to Rev. and Mrs. Jones W. Weathers. The father is pastor of the First Baptist church of Eastland.

Wool, Mohair Meet Held at Gatesville

Several from Eastland county attended a recent meeting in Gatesville at which the cooperative marketing of wool and mohair was discussed, it was announced today.

Attending were County Agent Elmo V. Cook, Assistant Agent A. C. Pratt, J. F. Mosley and Dr. R. H. Hodges of Ranger.

Among officials present were M. T. Payne, district 8 extension agent; W. I. Glass, agent of this extension district; C. E. Boyles, cooperative marketing specialist; A. K. Mackey, animal husbandryman, and L. F. Aston, Texas manager for the Midwest Wool Marketing Association, with offices in Fort Worth. During the meeting Mosley was appointed to represent the Midwest concern in Eastland county.

Counties represented at the meeting were Shackelford, Eastland, Bosque, Frio, Fritch, Limestone, Bell, McLennan, Hamilton, Mills, Coryell.

The first oil well completed in Texas was in 1866 near Oil Springs in Nacogdoches County.

CANDID SHOTS of Yourself Enjoying EASIER SEEING

← Good light makes reading easier and enables you to read longer without becoming drowsy, one of the first signs of over-worked eyes.

→ Sewing, as every woman knows, requires good eyes and good light, especially if fast and accurate work is to be done.

← Treat yourself to a good light in the bathroom and see how much better you can give your face a quick shave

→ Kitchen work is easier if you have plenty of light to see clearly what you are preparing or have cooking on the stove.

Plan Now to Have EASIER SEEING in Your Home

- You can enjoy Easier Seeing in YOUR home at small cost. Inexpensive light fixtures are available in local stores which just screw into present light sockets. Even just a larger bulb may give you the added light you need. You'll find that the slight additional cost of GOOD light, only a few pennies a day, is one of the best investments in your home.

Buy Lamp Bulbs and Fixtures from Local Stores

TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY

CANAL BUILDER

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Pictured canal builder, Ferdinand
- 9 He was in charge of building the Suez
- 13 At this place, 14 Born.
- 15 Astringer.
- 17 To wander about.
- 18 Father.
- 19 Ruby.
- 21 Ancient deity.
- 23 To flatter.
- 26 Roof final.
- 28 To deposit.
- 29 Part of foot in ginning.
- 30 To bend the head.
- 31 Russian.
- 32 Ogled.
- 35 Part of circle.
- 36 Bones.
- 37 Girdle.
- 39 Lion.
- 40 Mother.
- 42 Dye.
- 43 Onager.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

AMERICA
VESPUCO

VERTICAL

- 2 Exclamation.
- 3 Envoys.
- 4 Age.
- 5 Serious.
- 6 To endow.
- 7 To ring as a bell.
- 8 Auto body.
- 9 Imprisoned as a bird.
- 10 Mail drink.
- 11 Cardinal number.
- 12 Common verb.
- 16 He was also a statesman or
- 20 His title.
- 22 Regret.
- 24 Flightless bird.
- 25 Toward.
- 27 Innocent.
- 33 Battering machine.
- 34 Photographic material.
- 38 Poise.
- 41 Land measure.
- 44 Silk.
- 45 To hurl.
- 47 Sloth.
- 48 Nightman.
- 49 Casper.
- 51 Person opposed.
- 55 Organ of hearing.
- 56 Plural.
- 58 Wing.
- 59 Pronoun.
- 60 Southeast.
- 61 Africa.
- 63 Note in scale.

SERIAL STORY

THE CAPTAIN'S DAUGHTER

BY HELEN WORDEN

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YESTERDAY, Dan and Marie had a delightful party, but Marie wishes that she had never broken up with Dan's level of society.

CHAPTER XXV

THE success of the William Martin party could be measured by the number of photographers and newspaper reporters congregated outside the great mansion at 82th Street and Fifth Avenue.

Suddenly there was a shout, "Here come the Donovans, father, mother, Dan himself and Lynda Martin!"

Lights blazed. Lenses clicked. Mike took Dan by one arm and Katie by the other.

"How vulgar," exclaimed Mrs. Morgan, hobbling out with the aid of a footman.

MIKE broke in. "What's that Lynda, me dear?" His voice, usually gentle when he spoke to her, had become gruff.

"Oh, you wouldn't understand, Mr. Donovan," Lynda snapped. "You just happened to make me out a little idiot. It's not your fault. I should have known better."

MR. AND MRS. DANIEL DONOVAN. A footman in knee-breeches, standing at the top of the red-velvet carpeted marble stairs, boomed out the names of Mike and Katie.

"I don't see why he should," answered Lynda stiffly. "Well, I do. Come on let's dance."

Before she could protest he had whirled her out on the floor. "Oh, this is a waltz. I hate waltzes," she cried.

"Never mind," he said. "The next one will be a tango." "And I hate to tango," she fussed. "I'm not the type."

Someone cut in. Dan didn't even know the boy, but he surrendered Lynda gladly enough.

"EVERYBODY'S over at Kelly's Dance Hall, sir," the hot dog stand man told Dan at Pier Six. "I'm goin' jes' as soon as I close."

As Dan watched, he saw Marie dance away with Tommy Ryan. A woman shrieked. Dan heard loud, angry voices.

MR. LA PORTE. Dan said. "Dad says we can turn the Katherine into a horse if we want to."

MIKE chuckled. "I must admit, I've forgotten such a possibility, but what I want to say, if ye should ever want to go into the truckin' business to work with Donovan and La Porte, I must stake—"

Donovan for an instant. "I know, baby," he said tenderly. "Why? Because you wanted to marry Tommy Ryan?"

"No, because I want to be near Dan Donovan!" "Do you think that a boy like that can really care for you—a barge captain's daughter?"

On the one hand, the trust fund which is financed by the 3 per cent payroll tax, and from which benefits are paid, has grown rapidly.

It has increased by 35 per cent since benefit payments began. Although payments ran to \$200,000,000 during the last six months of 1939, the fund took in \$400,000,000 during the same period.

On the other hand, there is good evidence to show that a number of small business firms are having great difficulty meeting the tax, and that it is proving onerous enough to generate a substantial demand that the load be lightened.

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OUT OUR WAY

BY WILLIAMS



THE BLACK SHEEP

J.R. WILLIAMS



WEDDING ON THE WIRES

BY WILLIAMS



Double-Duty 'Dreadnaught' Tanks



Real "land battleships" are these amphibians of the U. S. Army Tank Corps. With guns bristling from main side turret and others aimed astern, the tanks ford a stream nearly five feet deep during recent war games at Fort Benning, Ga.

BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

BY BRUCE CATTON

WASHINGTON.—Demand for modification of the state-federal unemployment insurance system will almost certainly be made before this Congress adjourns.

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THE payroll tax is collected by the Internal Revenue Bureau, which looks on it as just another tax and operates in the same way; if you don't pay a distraint warrant is issued, and your real and personal property may be seized.

One man in California some months ago announced that he could not and would not pay, and broadcast appeals to his fellows to do likewise.

He got by until he sold a consignment of goods for cash; Treasury men learned about it and came down and got the tax regardless. He has quit rebelling.

Figures on failures to pay the tax are not kept on file in Washington, and the Internal Revenue Bureau can only make general estimates. By and large, it figures there is just about the same number of failures to pay, and of distraint warrants, in relation to the total number of taxpayers, in the payroll tax as in the regular income tax field. The department declined to give figures, but said the percentage was "very small."

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Dairy Products Association Will Meet On Mar. 7

COLLEGE STATION, Tex.—Delegations from North, South, East and West Texas Counties will gather here Thursday, March 7th, for the Annual Meeting of the Texas Dairy Products Association according to Charles N. Shephardson, Head of the Department of Dairy Husbandry, Texas A. & M. College, and Vice-Chairman of the Association's Dairy Development Committee.

Forced to Slay Husband's Killer



Weird events of the wildest nightmare couldn't match the torturous ordeal of murder and suicide lived through by Mrs. Ralph Caldwell in a snowbound farmhouse east of Washington, Pa. Wounded as she tried in vain to protect her husband from the mad shotgun charge fired by a disgruntled farm hand, she was later forced by the murderer to pull trigger while he held barrel of gun against his own chest.

Artificial Lake To Blot Out A Mine

DEADWOOD, S. D.—Men have lested nature again and today Spring creek, a gushing Black Hills mountain stream, runs over a bed cut through the heart of a granite mountain.

CAUGHT COLD? Get direct relief from discomforts... rub throat, chest, back with clinic-tested VICKS VAPORUB

Society Notes

W.M.U. Concludes Study of Leviticus
The Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist church met Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the church for a Bible study.

Happy Hour Sewing Club to Meet Wednesday
The Happy Hour Sewing Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Roy McCleskey.

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Bible Study Club Meets With Mrs. Jones
The Bible Study club of the Christian church met Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Dick Jones.

Refreshments were served at the close of the program to the following members: Mrs. C. C. Carothers, Warner, Glenn Simmons, E. T. Matthews and H. B. Johnson.

Auxiliary to Meet This Evening
The members of the American Legion Auxiliary will meet this evening at 7:30 in the home of the president, Mrs. H. T. Schooley.

Ladies Bible Class Meets Monday
A full attendance was present Monday afternoon when the Ladies Bible Class of the Church of Christ met at the church for the weekly meeting.

The lesson, under the direction of the minister, W. W. Layton, was a continuation of the scheduled study and was followed by a round-table discussion by those attending.

It was announced at the meeting that a quilting will be held Thursday at the church and all ladies of the church are invited to attend. The quilts made will be distributed among the needy.

The regular Monday afternoon fruit shower was contributed by the members and the fruit carried to persons confined by illness.

Y. W. A. Has Personal Service Program
Members of the Y. W. A. of the First Baptist Church and their sponsor, Mrs. Finis King, met Monday evening at 7:30 at the church from where they went in a group to the home of Mrs. Della Hall and daughter Lois, for a personal service program.

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Those present were: Misses Eunice Preslar, Thelma Compton, Dorothy Neville, Mary Jane Todd, Anabelle Wright, Inez Harrell, Jimmie Beth Todd, Beatrice Reagan, Velma Brown, Imogene Bailey, Mona Robinson, Frances Usery Mrs. Finis King and Sherry Ann King.

Mrs. Quinn Compliments Mother And Husband on Birthday
Mrs. Guy Quinn, Jr., entertained at her home Sunday noon with a dinner complimenting her mother, Mrs. E. C. White and Mr. Quinn, whose birthdays, occurred on that day.

A delicious three course dinner was served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. E. C. White, Misses Ruby and Bernice Bagwell, Mr. and Mrs. Quinn and daughter, Nancy Beth.

Wedding Anniversary Observed
Mrs. Velma Sawyer and Mrs. Julia McCleskey entertained Monday night with a surprise wedding anniversary supper for Mr. and Mrs. Don Butler.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Don Butler, Mr. Dale McCleskey, Miss Jessie Roberts, Mrs. Julia McCleskey and Mrs. Velma Sawyer.

Mrs. Pitcock Celebrates Birthday And Wedding Anniversary
In celebration of her 78th birthday and 60th wedding anniversary Mrs. W. T. Pitcock held open house at her home Sunday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock.

A profusion of spring flowers was used to decorate the home and the table from which coffee and cake were served was covered with a lace cloth and had as a centerpiece a crystal bowl filled with candelabra. Green tapers in crystal holders lighted the coffee table.

Tea Compliments College Mates of Miss Fonden
Miss Hazel Fonden entertained with a tea from 4 until 6 on Saturday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Fonden, for her six week-end guests from Texas Wesleyan College in Fort Worth. Guests complimented were: Miss Margaret Ledrawski, Milwaukee, Wis.; Miss Alice Henson, Haskell, Texas; Miss Margaret Slade, Hagerman, New Mexico; Miss Anita Wallace, Thornton, Texas; Miss Ruth Shafer, Roswell, New Mexico and Miss Dorothy Ann Jones, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Miss Fonden poured tea at the table laid in rose and white. Those calling were: Muri Dean Murrell, Janna Matthews, Vera Ann Vaughn, Betty Gorman, Mauldie Fae Turner, Mary Thompson, Josephine Robertson, Zelma Robertson, Darilyn McGregor, Sue Turner, Bessie Lee Roberson, Dorothy Mathena, Nona Fae Watson, June Ann Gregoliet, Avis McKelvin, Marie Conway, Mary Claude Blacklock, Yvonne Kribba, Jane Lauderdale, Katherine Murray, Lyn Pearson, Mercedes Pearson, Maxine Fonden and Dorothy Byas.

Miss Fonden and her guests returned to Fort Worth Sunday afternoon.

W.S.C.S. Has Study of "Songs of Zion"
The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the church for a continuation of the Bible study, "Songs of Zion," under the direction of Mrs. C. E. May.

After the opening hymn, "Jesus Calls Us," Mrs. May led in prayer. Mrs. L. H. Flewellen was leader of the program, the subject being "The Psalmists' Idea of God." Following the hymn, "O Worship the King," Mrs. A. R. Niver gave an interesting discussion of "The Early Belief of the Psalmists." Through appointed ones reading various passages from Psalms, Mrs. Flewellen proved the Psalmists' idea of religion was one of praise, trust, and ethical influence, and discussed effectively "The Religion of the Psalmists."

The benediction prayer was given by Mrs. I. N. Griffin. At the next meeting Mrs. O. L. Phillips will be leader of the third study of the book and members are again requested to bring their Bibles.

Fort Worth Lions Sponsoring a Trip
L. L. Bruce, president of the Ranger Lions Club, has received a letter from the Fort Worth Lions Club, stating that a booster trip, sponsored by the Fort Worth Club, would arrive in Ranger Thursday, Feb. 22, at 10:40, and urged as many of the Lions of Ranger as possible to meet them upon their arrival.

From Ranger the trippers will go to Eastland, where they are due at 11:20.

In 1922 the average cost of drilling an oil well in Texas was \$15,000. In 1938 it was \$26,000 due to wage increases, deeper drilling and more expensive equipment.

Ranger Jewelry Co. Has Trade-in Sale On Bulova Watches

Every time is a gift time and there is always someone for whom "something important, something enduring-no mere trifle" is indicated.

In this category, a watch always comes to the fore-it's always appropriate, always useful and will always be remembered!

The "American Eagle" model for men is Bulova's boon to comfort, accurate time-keeping and modern dress. It has 21-jewels and comes in several styles and is sold at a moderate price, a great value for the consumer.

Another novel variation in wrist watches is Bulova's 17-jewel "Rite-Angle" watch, for both men and women-in two different sizes. This modern streamlined watch is elevated at one end, so the time is clearly seen without turning the wrist.

Then there is the unique Bulova "E-Z-Vue" model watch, which is curved and balanced to fit the side of the wrist, so the busy person may read the numerals in a flashing glance.

All these models and many more are carried in the stock of the Ranger Jewelry Company, who are conducting a unique "Trade-In Sale" this week.

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For man, woman or child-all the time is the right time to give them the time of their lives with a smart gift watch!

Flight Bracelets To Be Presented To Ranger Pupils

Flying students from Ranger Junior College, who have been taking flight instruction under government sponsorship, will be presented solo flight bracelets at the Arcadia Theatre Wednesday evening at 9:30 by Mayor Hall Walker. To secure one of the bracelets one must have completed his dual instruction period and begun solo flights.

B. E. Garner, manager of the Arcadia Theatre, which is showing "20,000 Men a Year," a student flight instructor feature on the night of the presentation, announced today that one of the airplanes used by Ranger students would be parked in front of the theatre Wednesday evening.

Flights will be made over Strawn Minges, Gordon, Desdemona De Leon, Gorman, Olden and Ranger, Garner stated today, and 300 tickets to the theatre will be dropped out and 25 tickets good for free airplane rides will be distributed in that manner. The plane should be flying over Ranger at the noon hour, he stated.

Old Age Mines Are Taking To Dimond For Tenth Year

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.-This town boasts a baseball team with a 75-year-old bat boy and a star pitcher in his 80s.

The team actually is divided into two units-the Kids and the Kubs. All the players are past 75, but they're spry when game time comes around.

The teams play two games a week, seven innings each. The games are played in the morning and usually attract several thousand fans who cheer the aged athletes as they tag the bases somewhat gingerly and chase fly balls with more deliberation than speed.

This is the 10th consecutive winter season the Kids and Kubs have played a regular schedule. Public response to the games has inspired a desire to travel among the players. The team went to Havana, Cuba, last year and has been asking to read trips since.

A Dutch Seaman Learns In Hospital

SEATTLE, Wash.-It looked like misfortune to Antone Steenberg, Dutch seaman aboard the

Society

Mrs. H. T. Schooley spent Monday in Fort Worth.

Mrs. E. L. Etier and children, Edward Jr., and Jane, have returned to their home in Fort Worth after spending the week-end with relatives in Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Roberson and family spent the week-end with relatives and friends in Thurber.

George McKinnon of Fort Worth visited in Ranger during the week-end.

Mrs. Louis Pitcock and sons, Louis Jr., and J. D., of Graham, spent the week-end in Ranger.

Miss Betty Sue Blanton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Blanton, and a student at Texas Wesleyan College, was among those who appeared in the annual Sweetheart Review held this Wednesday.

Ranger Post Will Have Its Annual Banquet Feb. 22

M. M. Dutton, post commander of the Carl Barnes Post of the American Legion announced today that ticket sales for the annual George Washington banquet to be staged at the Ranger Legion hall Thursday evening, were going over nicely, and a large crowd was indicated.

Tickets have been placed at the Ranger Dry Cleaners, Texas Drug Company and with Max Star, where they may be obtained by those the ticket sales committee failed to contact.

A good program has been worked out for the banquet, which is expected to be one of the best the post has ever attempted.

Hon. John Lee Smith of Throckmorton, who has spoken before in Ranger, was chosen at the principal speaker of the evening.

A number of visiting Legionnaires, including post commanders of nearby posts and other officials have indicated that they will be present.

The meal will be served by the ladies of the First Methodist Church of Ranger, who have planned an excellent meal, which everyone will enjoy.

Holland-American liner Orcehdy, when he fell 55 feet from a painting scaffold into the ship's engine room.

But after 15 weeks in a hospital here, he was ready to admit he actually fell into a knowledge of the English language.

"It didn't take me long to learn," Steenberg said. "I had to speak English or not at all."

evening in the Fort Worth Woman's Club.

and Mrs. Spencer Hallberg of Fort Worth spent Sunday with relatives in Ranger.

Mrs. B. B. Bryant and daughter, Mrs. Bernard have returned to their home in Fort Worth after spending Sunday with relatives in Ranger.

J. A. Brown, who has been ill at the home of his son, C. Y. Brown, is reported to be improved and in condition to receive visitors.

E. L. Martin and Mrs. Jack Urban are in Dallas today, marketing for the E. L. Martin company.

Pleasant Wake-Up For Lagging Insides

Ever troubled by constipation and its bad breath, headaches, hollowness? Then you ought to know Syrup of Black-Draught, tasty, effective liquid laxative. Its action is usually prompt, gentle, thorough by simple directions. Its principal ingredient helps tone bowel muscles. Next time, take Syrup of Black-Draught. 2 sizes, 50c, 25c.

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