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High School Graduates Get Diplomas Tonight

RUSSIA STILL REMAINS ALOOF IN THE WAR

United Press Cable Editor
By Louis F. Keemie

Russia, which has remained aloof from the war after its invasion of Eastern Poland and Finland, apparently is not yet out of the picture.

The allies are hard pressed. If Italy enters the war on Germany's side, they will have even more to handle.

The British consider the possibility that Josef Stalin had not counted on Hitler's quick initial success in the west and would not relish his domination of Europe, with an attempted world conquest a future possibility.

Hence they are exploring the possibility of re-establishing friendly relations with the Soviet Union. It is a case of any port in a storm. At one time, before Hitler struck, there was considerable talk in Britain of war against Russia. It was especially strong during the Finnish invasion. Now it is not even thought of.

A Russian diversion on Hitler's eastern flank might do much to ease the pressure against the allies in the west. Stalin, because of his interest in the Balkans, also might act as a deterrent on Mussolini in that direction.

Britain already has named Sir Stafford Cripps to a good will mission to Moscow. Now the word from London is that Britain has decided to name a full ambassador to the post which has been vacant since William Seeds returned home nearly five months ago.

From Bucharest, come reports that Russia has informed Italy she will defend the Balkans against an Italian invasion. In Bucharest, this report was taken as a hopeful sign that Italy may be kept out of the war.

Russian relations with the Balkan states have shown some sign of improvement. Jugoslavia has sent an economic mission to Moscow. Rumania has expressed her determination to defend her territory and has been apprehensive over Soviet claims on the lost province of Bessarabia.

Now it is reported in Bucharest that Rumania may consider a peaceful understanding with Russia over the Bessarabian question. King Carol has declared he will not yield an inch of territory, but it is possible that he might be willing to part with some of Bessarabia rather than risk losing everything.

The position of Italy is unpredictable. Mussolini has said nothing which would give a clue. The impression abroad is that he is waiting to see which way the tide of battle is turning, and will climb in on Germany's side if Hitler appears to be winning.

The clamor for war which is going on unchecked in Italy could hardly be possible without Mussolini's tacit assent. It does not necessarily mean that Italy has decided to get into the war this month, as many think.

Britain's concern over Italy's position is shown in the negotiations just concluded in which she has agreed to modify her control in a way to insure interference with Italy's shipping. It is also shown by the appointment of Sir Samuel Hoare on a "special mission" to Spain.

The latter fits into the picture because of the affinity of the Franco regime with Fascism, and because of Spain's important strategic position regarding Gibraltar, the western Mediterranean and northern Africa.

Jail Sentence Is Given In A Case Of Automobile Theft

District Attorney Earl Conner, Jr., announced today that David Hunt, charged with theft of an automobile, value under \$50, had been given a jail sentence in 88th district court.

The district attorney and Sheriff Loss Woods have been notified by Lubbock County officers that a bench warrant had been obtained for Hunt on a felony indictment in that county, and that officers would arrive in Eastland Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning to return him to Lubbock County.

Helping Hands--- Finnish Hands



In sterile gown, Madam Hjalmar Procope, bride of Finnish minister to the United States, helped the Red Cross in Washington, where she is pictured above, make surgical dressings for shipment to Europe.

Another Band Has Been Secured For Commander's Visit

A fourth band was added to the list of three that has already been announced would greet Raymond Kelly, national commander of the American Legion, when he pays his official visit to Eastland on the evening of June 6, it was announced today by Henry Pullman, commander of the Eastland Post.

Monday afternoon Pullman, accompanied by H. J. Turner and A. E. Herring, visited in Cisco and secured the Cisco Lobo Band for the occasion.

"We met with a wonderful reception and promises of cooperation in celebrating the event," the committeemen reported today.

From Cisco the three went to Rising Star, where it was promised that delegates from there would attend the banquet.

At Brownwood the manager of the Brownwood band could not be located and no definite word was received as to whether it would be able to participate could be obtained.

Chamber of Commerce and American Legion officials there, however, received the delegation from Eastland and promised them that an effort would be made to have the band present, if it did not have a previous engagement.

91st Grand Jury Called for June 3

The 91st district court grand jury has been selected by the jury commission, and notices to appear on June 3 have been sent out by Sheriff Loss Woods, it was stated today by John White, district clerk.

Jurors called for service are L. R. Burns, Doss Alexander and J. H. Mitchell, Eastland; Nick Guiley, Strawn; R. V. Burns and G. C. (Lum) Love, Ranger; Earl Earp, Okra; Robert Tucker, Carleton; J. L. Agnew and Bixon Boggs, Rising Star; J. T. Anderson and H. A. Bible, Cisco; E. D. Davis and Amos Aker, Gorman; Doss Alexander, Pioneer and Odie Brightwell, Deadmona.

Pie Supper Planned By Alameda Club At Salem Schoolhouse

The Alameda Home Demonstration Club will conduct a pie supper at the Salem School on Friday evening, May 31, at 8 o'clock.

All candidates have been invited to be present for the pie supper and will be allowed time on the program to speak, the announcement said.

The public is also given a cordial invitation to be present.

R.A.F. BOMBS NAZI CORRIDOR AND SUPPLIES

By United Press
AT ROYAL AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, May 28.—Royal Air Force pilots asserted today that huge fires are burning all along the German communications route and that greater numbers of German dead have been observed on the battlefields.

The pilots said that their bombs had started fires all along the German corridor into France and farther back where the German troops and supplies are being brought down from Germany.

They asserted that in flying over the fields of battle, mounds of German dead could be observed from the air. The fliers asserted that if they could obtain a few hundred more fighting planes they were certain that control of the air could be wrested from the Germans.

The RAF today was hailed a new hero—the chief ace of the corps. He is a New Zealander and he now has 40 planes to his credit. Three RAF pilots including the New Zealander have shot down a total of about 100 German machines, it is said.

One victim of the New Zealand ace was a German Heinkel. (Here four words were censored.) The plane was about to drop a 500-kilo bomb when the New Zealander ripped the German ship in two with all eight guns of his hurricane fighter plane.

One RAF squadron leader told me about one battle which ensued when some British planes were on a bombing expedition behind the German lines. An RAF pilot, about 25 years old, had his hand almost shot away by machine gun fire but continued to unload bombs on railroad crossings. Finally loss of blood forced him to land in no man's land. His observer and gunner pulled the pilot from the plane and carried him through a clump of woods and across some fields where they encountered a group of Germans.

The airmen took refuge in a barn and hid there through the night, giving the pilot morphine which was carried in the bomber's medical stores.

Finally, the airmen spotted some French soldiers across a river but the French mistook them for Germans and paid no attention to their shouts. (Here three words were censored.)

The airmen made their way along the river to a demolished bridge and managed to get across while they were picked up by an American ambulance unit.

Ranger Tourney Is Attracting Wide Attention

Qualifying rounds for the annual Ranger Country Club invitation golf tournament, which will be staged Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 31, June 1 and 2, will be completed this week, with the largest crowd ever to participate in a Ranger tournament expected to be on hand.

Pre-tournament interest is higher this year than ever before, club officials stated today, partly because the Ranger course is one of the best in the country and partly because of the large number and value of prizes being offered in each flight.

Bobby Sikes, who won the Ranger tournament in 1938 and again in 1939, is the club champion, though it has not been definitely determined that he will be able to be present to protect his laurels.

The large assembly of prizes has been purchased by club and tournament officials, and are now on display in Ranger.

Prizes are being offered for winner and runner up in each flight, with prizes also being offered consolation winners, winner of a driving contest and medalist.

That more interest was being shown in the tournament was shown by the fact that more out-of-town players, some of them coming from long distances, have been playing over the Ranger course in the past few days, with all of them saying that they would be back in time to qualify.

More than 700 invitations have been sent out by Jack Mooney, president of the club, to golfers over this part of the country, and a large number of replies have been received, indicating a record crowd.

How Nazi Tanks Disgorge Streams of Flaming Death



A thin white stream of liquid, flaming death, throwing up a dense pall of black smoke, pours from an Italian tank flame-thrower on recent maneuvers. French say Nazis have rushed hundreds of similar flame-throwing tanks, their drivers swathed in asbestos, into Flanders, firing every third building. Recently a Nazi officer hinted that flame-thrower with 2000 deg. C. heat was Hitler's "secret weapon," capable of melting Maginot.

WAR REFUGEES DRIVE STARTS ON WEDNESDAY

A drive will be started in Ranger tomorrow morning in an attempt to raise Ranger's quota for the Red Cross fund to aid civilian war sufferers throughout Europe.

The drive here will start immediately following a meeting of a number of workers who have been called in for this work by W. Wallace Layton, chairman of the Ranger Chapter of the Red Cross.

The workers will assemble in the office of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock at which time they will be assigned territories in which they can work and will be paired off into committees.

It was expected that, with the grave situation as it now exists in Europe, and the knowledge that there are millions of homeless, disabled men, women and children flocking out of Belgium, Holland and the war devastated areas of Western Europe into Paris, that it will not be difficult to raise Ranger's quota.

Committeemen are confident that the \$275 can be raised in a one-morning drive, in which an attempt will be made to see everyone. Those who are overlooked, and who want to participate in the great humanitarian movement, it was said, could leave their contributions, however large or small, at the office of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce.

The letters, sent out by the chairman to those who are expected to aid in the work, read as follows:

"We are calling upon a very limited number of Ranger citizens to help solicit the business section of Ranger next Wednesday, May 29, for Red Cross donations.

"You are one of those invited to meet us at the Ranger Chamber of Commerce next Wednesday, May 29, at 9:00 A. M., to begin the call. The business section will be divided into small divisions, so that each worker will only work about one hour or less.

"Trusting that you will meet us at the appointed place and time, and thanking you for your past interest in Red Cross, we are,

"Sincerely,
"The American Red Cross.
"W. Wallace Layton, local chairman.
"Fleas E. Moore, secretary."

Suit Is Filed In District Court

Plaintiff's original petition in the suit styled Ralph Pitt vs. Barnett Petroleum Corporation, an application for receivership, has been filed in the office of John White, district clerk.

The case has been filed in the 91st district court, of which Judge George L. Davenport is presiding judge.

This Was Church



Cracked, broken, this religious status is all that remains of a Belgian church after German bombing.

HALF MILLION TROOPS ARE IN BELGIAN AREA

Only Means of Escape Is Through Channel Ports or Smashing Nazi's Lines To South

Great Britain and France declared today that their trapped armies in Belgium would fight on, despite the capitulation of King Leopold. The Germans, however, described the plight of the trapped Allied forces as "hopeless."

Belgian forces protecting the left flank of the Allied offensive collapsed with the king's surrender, which was repudiated by the Belgian ministers in Paris as "unconstitutional" and the Belgian people were asked to follow Premier Pierlot.

The Nazis said that their forces had quickly entrapped the remaining Allies, even to taking the fortified city of Lille.

Almost half a million of the Allies' best troops were imperiled and the only hope of rescue was through channel ports that may fall into German hands, or by a French counter attack from the South. Both methods of escape were described as particularly hazardous, and it was thought by many observers that only a miracle could save them. The English looked to Gen. Maxime Weygand to supply this "miracle."

It was indicated that the trapped forces may continue the battle to give the southern troops more time to prepare their lines.

"There is no need to emphasize the critical situation," said British spokesmen, "but the British forces are not beaten."

Prime Minister Winston Churchill told the house of commons not to judge King Leopold too quickly, until they knew the real situation. King Leopold was reported to have stated that many of his troops were without food for days, except a few biscuits, and that many had fired their last round of ammunition.

Berlin quarters were uncertain what King Leopold's status will be, but denied he was a prisoner at the time of his capitulation.

London announced that British planes had raided military objectives today in six big German industrial centers.

Former Pioneer Of County Is Killed In Highway Mishap

Word has been received here of the death of Pete M. Fritchard, 70, of Walnut Springs, formerly of Ranger, who was killed Sunday when struck down by an automobile as he crossed the highway south of San Diego, Calif.

Fritchard was in business in Ranger many years ago and was a long-time resident of this part of the country. He at one time owned land where the Carter pool was brought in, and owned much property, including farm land, between Eastland County and Walnut Springs, where he had lived for some time.

He is survived by a number of children who lived in Eastland county and California.

No word has been received here as to where funeral services will be conducted.

Clock Tinkering Is Educator's Hobby

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Twenty years ago Charles R. Brewer, now a professor of English and Bible at David Lipscomb College, Nashville, tried his hand at doing what every man probably has wanted to do at one time or another—take a clock apart and put it back together.

Today Professor Brewer's hobby is to buy broken clocks of ancient vintage—some dating back to the early 1800's—and to repair them. Fifteen of these clocks now tick away in his study alone, and every room in his home has a number of the timepieces.

Ranger Golf Course Record Is Broken By Jimmie Phillips

Jimmie Phillips, Ranger golfer, broke the Ranger Country Club course record Monday afternoon, on the eve of qualifying rounds for the annual Ranger Country Club golf tournament, when he played the nine-hole course in 30.

Phillips was playing with Doug Reeves of McCamey and R. V. Cole of Ranger, winner of the Mineral Wells Country Club golf tournament championship, when he set the new record.

Former Principal And Dean To Get A Doctors Degree

H. S. Von Roeder, principal of Ranger High School and Dean of the Junior College from 1927 to 1936, inclusive, has completed all requirements and will receive the Doctor of Education degree from the University of Texas at the regular commencement June 5.

For his dissertation Von Roeder made a study of Texas Public Junior Colleges with Special Reference to the Curriculum. There are twenty such institutions in the state including Ranger Junior College. Von Roeder's study is a rather exhaustive treatment of the subject based on:

(1) The annual report of these institutions to the state department of education;

(2) An analysis of the catalogs;

(3) The results of a questionnaire submitted to the deans and faculties of the junior colleges.

His conclusion indicates that the public junior colleges serve a real place in the program of higher education in the State, and that for the most part they provide educational facilities equal to those of the senior colleges on the lower two-year college level.

After leaving Ranger, Von Roeder served two years as half-time instructor in Education at the University of Texas and completed his course of requirements for the Doctor's Degree. He was elected in 1937 as registrar and associate professor in education and psychology at the University of San Antonio, formerly Westmoreland College, and is at present serving in that capacity.

All Not Harmony With Democrats; Republicans Meet

WACO, May 28.—Boos for Elliott Roosevelt, the president's son, and a near fist fight between Mayor Tom Miller of Austin and Maury Maverick of San Antonio, featured the State Democratic Convention here today.

Roosevelt was jeered when he rose to introduce Miller, the keynote speaker, who urged the nomination of John Nance Garner as a "favorite son" candidate for president.

DALLAS, May 28.—Orville Bullington of Wichita Falls, told the State Republican Convention today that President Roosevelt ought to say "what frontier the United States is prepared to defend."

Cases Are Tried In The County Court

Two cases were disposed of in County Court, with County Judge W. S. Adamson presiding and District Attorney Earl Conner, Jr., handling the prosecution, when criminal cases were called Monday.

Doe Smith, charged with violation of the local option law, was fined \$100 and costs and J. G. Webb, charged with aggravated assault was fined \$50 and costs, District Attorney Conner announced today.

Exercises Held For Junior College

Commencement exercises for Ranger Junior College were conducted at the Recreation Building Monday evening, with Dr. Colby Hall, dean of Texas Christian University of Fort Worth as principal speaker of the evening.

A large crowd was present at the closing exercises for the junior college, at which a good program was presented.

Miss Geraldine Smith and T. M. Brown were given scholarships.

Rain Covers Much Of Western Texas

Rain covered much of Texas last night and today. Reports of rainfall included Fort Worth 2.30 inches, Laredo 2.58, Brenham 2.04, Amarillo .38, Dallas .61, Albany 90, Graham .98, Haskell .54, and Weatherford 1.54.

THE WEATHER
WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy with thundershowers tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature.

JUDGE LESLIE WILL DELIVER MAIN ADDRESS

Program Will Be Final One
In Year's Activities Of All
Local Schools

Hon. W. F. Leslie, chief justice of the Eleventh Court of Civil Appeals of Eastland, will be the principal speaker at graduation exercises for the senior class of Ranger High School tonight at the Recreation building.

These exercises will bring to a close activities of the school year as graduation exercises for Ranger Junior College were held Monday evening, and for the three Ranger ward schools last Friday. The baccalaureate sermon was preached Sunday by Rev. J. A. Fred Brown.

The following is the program to be presented tonight at the exercises:

Prayer—Mr. Elwood I. Priesing.

Invocation—Rev. David M. Phillips.

"The Challenge to the American Boy"—Bill Smith.

Oetel—Marie Conway, Alice Henry, Gloria Jean Jones, Francine Hatley, Mary Croom, Joyce Winnegar, Zelma Robinson, Darlene McGregor, accompanist, Marjorie Moore.

"Lamps for the Future"—Betty Gorman.

Address—Honorable W. F. Leslie, Chief Justice Court of Civil Appeals.

Presentation of the Senior Class—Mr. P. O. Hatley.

Class Charge—Mr. W. T. Walton.

Awarding of Diplomas—Mr. C. P. Pruet, Chairman Ranger School Board.

Announcements.
Recessional.

Following is the list of graduates from Ranger High School for the year:

Bernice Adams, D. C. Arterburn, Ernest Arterburn, Carroll Boon, John Bourdoux, Mildred Bradford, Bobbie Branton, Dorothy Christian, Bobbie Lee Coffman, Marie Conway, George Cox, Wesley Dempsey, Jerry DeVors Doris Dudley, J. W. Elder, Heshel Eyley, George Falls, Jami Falls, James Ferris, Harvey Files.

Maxine Fondren, Betty Gorman, Junior Rex, Elois Hall, Ray Hal Charlie Hargrave, Chloee Jean Harris, Francine Hatley, Alice Henry, Billy Ross Hodges, En Hopper, J. B. Houghton, Lil Howell, Bob Hunt, Beba Hutcherson, Gloria Jean Jones, Jane Kerdale, Patricia Lyman, Beatrice Jones, Mary Croom, Olive Eave Georgia Anna Miller, Mary Be Moore, Pleas Moore, Jr., Darlyne McGregor, Lou Ella McGowan.

Francis McHenry, Eugene N. G. W. J. Powell, James Ratliff Glenn Rex, Zelma Robinson, Betty Lou Russell, Billy Smith, Henny Smoot, Marie Spiess, Le Standle, Myri Squyres, Floy Stevens, Maryonette Steven Fannie Dell Swamy, Mary Thomas, Norma Jean Tucker, Maule Fae Turner, Vera Ann Vaughn LaVerne Watson, Margaret Wat Betty Weekes, Nell Weekes, Dor Lynn Wilson, Joyce Winnegar Nova Young.

Congress Is Asked For Defense Tax And Larger Deb

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Administration leaders today asked congress for a new set of taxes, totaling \$700,000,000 a year and to raise the national debt limit by \$2,000,000,000.

President Roosevelt approved the program and indications that it will forestall any early adjournment of congress.

The debt limit now is \$45,000,000,000 and the debt is about 9,000,000,000 less than this figure.

Two Are Killed In Automobile Mishap

McKINNEY, May 28.—Fannie Burgess and Colie Bridgeman of McKinney and Miss Gertie Hatchett of Van Alstyne, were killed late last night in an automobile collision near Van Alstyne.

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The Weary Old Story of Death

So now they are dying again in Belgium. The battle rages where it raged 1800 years ago, and perhaps long before that, in the "cockpit of Europe."

Caesar, whose Commentaries have plagued generations of school children, wrote: "Of all these the Belgians are the bravest, because . . . they are nearest to the Germans who dwell beyond the Rhine and with whom they are continually waging war."

In Caesar's day there was plenty of "lebensraum," or living space, for all the scattered and barbarian tribes. And today there is living-space in Europe and in the world for all, if the peoples of the world could only bring themselves to see it.

There lies the tragedy of the present war. The Germans had a case. Their need for "lebensraum" was real, in the sense of a broad region which could function together in close economic affiliation. In this sense, Canada and the United States are part of the same "lebensraum." They are an economic unity in a broad sense. But each remains entirely independent politically. There is no political pressure on either side of the border. The economic unity is natural, unforced, and unpolitical.

Germany might have taken this path. The opposition aroused by "anschluss" or customs and economic union with Austria was due not to the thing itself, but to the fact that everyone knew it meant political and military union as well.

At Munich Germany was given a free hand. She could then have settled down quietly to develop her economic "lebensraum" in southeastern Europe peaceably and in a non-military manner, gradually reducing the army which was giving all Europe the jitters, and creating by free cooperation and mutual advantage the economic living-space she needed.

But Tacitus, writing of the Germans 1800 years ago, noted this thing: "Without being armed they transact nothing, whether of public or private concernment."

And the German quest for "lebensraum" took the familiar pattern. Instead of going to neighbors with mutual advantages to be freely accepted, she went with the threat of planes and tanks. And what has happened is the only thing that could have happened.

Science produces an abnormal warming in the mouth by using infra red rays. Can these be responsible for the excess of heat under the collar now so prevalent throughout the world?

The Duce seems anxious at times to do his share of the shouting, but every time he starts clearing his throat, it comes Adolf with a blitzkrieg.

Hitler, it seems, works in sequence, occupying first one, then two, and now three nations at once. Those huddled figures in the corner would be the Balkan quadruplets, Hungary, Rumania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria.

A SINGING STAR

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Famous singer pictured here.
- 14 Small creek.
- 15 100 square meters.
- 16 He broadcasts or sings over the —.
- 17 To allot.
- 18 Coffee pot.
- 19 Maintains.
- 21 Custom.
- 22 Fiasco.
- 25 Epoch.
- 29 Snake.
- 30 To dislocate.
- 32 Whether.
- 34 Conceives.
- 36 Instructor.
- 38 Native metal.
- 39 Hops kick.
- 40 Warning of danger.
- 44 Drunkard.
- 48 Squandered.
- 50 Egyptian river.
- 1 Rhythm.

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 11 Verbal termination.
- 12 Palm lily.
- 13 Toward.
- 19 He is an — by birth.
- 20 German coin.
- 22 Succession.
- 24 Stir.
- 26 Carmine.
- 27 Hail!
- 28 Ocean.
- 31 Participle.
- 33 Adipose tissue.
- 35 Apiaeous plants.
- 36 Clan symbol.
- 37 Polynesian chestnut.
- 41 Flaccid.
- 42 Bitter herb.
- 43 Posterior.
- 45 Auricular.
- 47 Half quart.
- 48 Toilet box.
- 49 God of wisdom.
- 51 Door rug.
- 52 Battering machine.



Story of the Last Seven Years



Smile Queen



Miss Jane Nichols of Bentonville, Ark., has been selected 1940 Ozark Smile Girl in the annual competition held at Joplin, Mo. She represents an area comprising Oklahoma, Missouri and Arkansas Ozark region.

Red Cross Better Prepared Today To Aid Refugees

In organization and experience, the Red Cross is better prepared than at any time in its 76 years' existence to cope with its greatest task to date, providing care and relief for the millions of Europe's war-suffering refugees.

William M. Baxter, Jr., manager of the Red Cross Midwest area, St. Louis, said today.

"With the hopeless plight of more than 5,000,000 homeless refugees from invasions of the past two weeks, Europe's present problem assume proportions of one of the world's greatest catastrophes," Baxter said. As in all great disasters, the Red Cross is now calling upon the support of the American people to provide a minimum of \$10,000,000 for war relief, just as was done during the Ohio-Mississippi flood of 1937, when approximately \$25,000,000 was subscribed by the American people for care of a million refugees, scarcely one-fifth the European population now desperately requiring Red Cross assistance.

"As in all its operations, the American Red Cross is following the will of the American people in asking them to determine the extent of its aid in Europe. Organized now with 3700 local chapters with a record peace time membership of more than 7,000,000 persons, the Red Cross has made the need for the \$10,000,000 war relief fund known locally in virtually every county in the United States.

"Response throughout the nation has been most heartening. At the close of the second week of the war fund appeal, contributions totaled more than \$2,100,000. Chapter returns are now climbing steadily, indicating a determined effort on the part of the American people to relieve the distress of Europe's suffering millions who

Building Code Is Of Importance To All Fire Fighters

AUSTIN, Tex.—Knowledge of safe construction should be one of the essentials of a fireman's training if an educational campaign is to be carried out, Marvin Hall, state fire insurance commissioner, declared today.

Hall urged firemen in every city to make a thorough study of the building code in use in their locality, and warned that if the code is deficient in its restrictions or requirements, immediate steps should be taken for the suitable amendment of the code.

A general study of buildings by the National Board of Fire Underwriters shows several outstanding factors which not only in themselves increase the probability of losses because of the inherent conditions, but also prevent effective fire fighting, the Commissioner said.

These features of building construction are excessive areas, open stairways, thin walls, improper ventilation systems, interior courts, unprotected windows, inaccessible basements and sub-basements, lack of fire doors, steelwork without insulation, weak floors and structural members which will not withstand sustained fire without failure, and the presence of various inaccessible places in which fire can extend vertically and horizontally without discovery.

GOAT EATS REGULATIONS

By United Press
GREENVILLE, S. C.—Nanny, a goat owned by some new residents, doesn't want to be regulated. While Inspector J. F. Goodwin was explaining the city rules governing the keeping of goats, Nanny walked up and ate the regulation sheet which was protruding from his pocket.

CAFE BOASTS IT'S 2d CLASS

By United Press
COLUMBIA, S. C.—Some Columbia merchants believe in adverse advertising. A downtown restaurant has a sign on the wall which reads, "the only second-class cafe in the world," while a peanut vendor advertises his commodity as "guaranteed worst in town."

Cross relief during the Ohio-Mississippi flood of 1937, in addition to other disasters in the Midwest in recent years.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



WAR UNKNOWN IN HILLS

By United Press
SIDNEY, Mont.—A census enumerator reported to his supervisor that in the course of his duties he had to act as historian as well as "nose-counter." Far out in the hills he found a family unaware of the war in Europe and spent the better part of an afternoon explaining the situation to them.

POET'S STATUE CARVED

By United Press
PHILADELPHIA — Beatrice Fenton, Philadelphia sculptress, has completed a life-size figure of the poet Lizette Woodworth Rees. The statue symbolizes the poet scattering her inspired gifts. When the figure is finished in bronze it will be sent to the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore.

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YOU'RE PACKIN' HIM TO CAMP, WHERE I RECKON THAT SO-CALLED 'MARSHAL' WILL BE PLENTY SURPRISED TO SEE ME ALIVE!

ALLEY OOP

By Hamlin



LOOK! 'IM GO-TH' DADGUMMED! OL CROOK! HE'S MADE A CLEAN GETAWAY... AN' THERE AINT AN'Y WAY I CAN STOP 'IM!



C'MON, MERCURY, WE MIGHT AS WELL AMBLE BACK TO AMAZONIA... WE CAN'T DO AN'Y GOOD HERE... C'MON, UP ON YOUR FEET!



MV GOSH, HE'S ALL IN! HE CAN'T EVEN HOLD HIMSELF UP!



POOR OL MERKV! IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S GIVEN HIS ALL!

• BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

BY BRUCE CATTON NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—People here who try to weigh the chances of the United States getting involved in the war are beginning to look west and south rather than east.

Few see any danger that the U. S. army or navy will be sent to Europe. There is a good deal of concern, however, about the shape things might take in Mexico and Japan.

Mexico has a presidential election this year, and there is a good deal of danger of the election may be followed by a revolution. Washington advices are to the effect that if that happens it won't be just another Latin-American squabble between the ins and the outs, but a deadly serious affair in which one of the parties will have important Nazi-Communist backing.

The Communists are strong in Mexico. They are reputed to have an understanding with Nazi agents there. More important, according to current reports, is the fact that some thousands of leftist veterans of the Spanish civil war have found asylum in Mexico. These men brought their guns with them. Since Mexico is a good deal closer to the Panama Canal than the United States is, it goes without saying that this government would be unlikely to sit on its hands if a rebel group with a definite Nazi-Communist tie-up seemed likely to get control.

In that connection, note that there is now a heavy concentra-



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tion of U. S. troops in Texas for army maneuvers.

FLEET STAYS NEAR DUTCH EAST INDIES

THE Japanese angle, of course, has to do with the Dutch East Indies. It may or may not mean anything that the U. S. fleet is not coming back from its maneuvers in Hawaiian waters, as originally scheduled; instead, it has been ordered to maneuver some more, 800-odd miles west of Hawaii, in a spot which just happens to be on the flank of the Japanese route to Java.

Note, too, a queer shift in congressional sentiment about the fortification of Guam. Quite a few of the men who voted against the plan last year have quietly given notice they'd vote for it if it should come up now; but some of their colleagues who worked hard for the idea a year ago are reluctant to push it this spring.

Right or wrong, these men feel the situation in the Pacific is just too ticklish—that if Congress did vote now to fortify the island, Japan might simply move in and take it before anything could be done.

U. S. MIGHT MAKE DEAL FOR TIN DESPITE the noise you're hearing about it, don't look for much of a push to modify the Johnson act so that direct loans can be made to the allies. What you might see, however, is the advancing of a somewhat similar proposition—that loans be made to Great Britain, secured by big quantities of tin and rubber.

Those commodities rate as strategic materials, the U. S. needs them badly, and Britain has lots of 'em. Talking point for this plan is that if the loan should go in default, Uncle Sam would get something out of it.

MODERN MENUS

BY MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX NEA Service Staff Writer

SURPRISE your friends with a "good news luncheon." Ask them to bridge and when the menu is well along, tell them you are going to be married.

Keep the luncheon charming, lovely to look at and delicious. Serve it at the card tables. Have tiny envelopes passed, containing the announcement, or else have a batch of telegrams delivered during the party.

For the main course, serve cubes of chicken and canned button mushrooms, or chicken a la King. Here's an appropriate menu.

ANNOUNCEMENT LUNCHEON

Strawberry and honeydew cocktail, chicken a la King in heart-shaped patty shells, or chicken and mushrooms in scallops, platter of fresh asparagus and baked whole tomato, pickled peaches, hot rolls, jellied avocado and lime salad, toasted Parmesan crackers, mold of vanilla ice cream with raspberry ice center, twin heart cakes, coffee.

JELLIED AVOCADO AND LIME SALAD

One package lime-flavored gelatin, 1 pint hot water, 1 tablespoon vinegar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 medium avocado, 1/2 teaspoon serraped onion.

Dissolve gelatin in hot water; add vinegar and salt. Pour thin layer of gelatin into individual molds and chill until firm. Chill remaining gelatin until cold and syrupy.

Place in bowl of cracked ice or

TOMORROW'S MENU

BREAKFAST: Strawberries and powdered sugar, half-bran muffins, crisp bacon, coffee, milk.

LUNCHEON: Cream of potato soup, jellied avocado and lime salad, hot biscuits, tea, milk.

DINNER: Baked ham (to be used also for Memorial Day lunch), sweet potato pudding, asparagus, fruit cup, frosted cup cakes (also for Memorial Day lunch), coffee, milk.

ice water and whip with rotary egg beater until fluffy and thick, like whipped cream. Peel avocado, remove seed, and force pulp through coarse sieve or potato ricer. Measure 3/4 cup. Add with onion to whipped gelatin and beat until blended. Turn out on firm gelatin in molds. Chill until firm. Unmold on crisp lettuce and garnish with water cress. Serve with mayonnaise or French dressing. Serves 4 to 6.

STRAWBERRY AND HONEYDEW COCKTAIL

One box (1 pound) fresh or quick-frozen sliced strawberries, thawed, 4 teaspoons lemon juice, 2 1/2 cups honeydew melon, cut in 1-inch balls, 6 sprigs of mint. Combine strawberries and lemon juice. Place 3 melon balls in each sherbet glass; fill with strawberries. Arrange 5 melon balls around edge of each glass. Garnish with mint. Serves 6.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



IN SUMATRA COFFEE IS MADE FROM THE LEAVES OF THE COFFEE PLANT... AND THE BEANS ARE EXPORTED.



ANSWER: Los Angeles, Calif. The southern California coast-line cuts in sharply, and Los Angeles is located approximately one hundred miles farther east than Reno.

DANGER

• SERIAL STORY — ROMANCE AHEAD

BY TOM HORNER

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YESTERDAY: Monnie trails Larry, demands an explanation of his night vigils. He tries to send her home, then confesses he loves her. She loves him, too. He tells her all he knows of the narcotic ring, of his suspicion that Bentley is the head of the gang. The plane comes again. Larry rushes off, forgetting his carbine.

CHAPTER XI

LARRY noticed the cartine was missing when he stopped at the canyon gate. It was too late to turn back for it now. The plane was almost overhead. In a few seconds the lights of Bentley's landing field would blaze against the sky. Larry knew he'd have to take his chances.

The black was racing up the canyon at a dead run. Larry saw the sky light up as the landing field lights went on. The plane had come in high, was circling the field now. Larry turned up a trail leading up to the plains.

When he reached the top he was less than a mile from the field. The ship was on the ground, the motor car beside it, both standing out sharply against the lights from Bentley's hangar.

Larry had the binoculars out in a flash, studied the man and the men beside it. That was Bentley—the one with riding boots—talking to the pilot. They talked for several minutes. Bentley's arm swung in an arc and the lights went off.

The plane's motor roared again, then throttled down. With the headlights of the automobile lighting the way, the pilot taxied up to the hangar. The huge door swung up. The plane disappeared inside.

Not taking off right away, Bentley gave me a chance to take a look at that ship," Larry told the black as he dismounted. He uncoiled his lariat, tied the reins to the loop and fastened the other end to a mesquite bush. Better to have the horse tied in one spot than to let him go grazing around.

He ran on toward the hangar. Each time the airline beacon swung around he dropped flat. No use letting some sharp-eyed lookout catch sight of him, if Bentley had a lookout.

It took him 15 minutes to get within 100 yards of the building. Bentley, the pilot and the others were still inside. The automobile was parked beside the hangar doors.

Larry crawled along until he could reach out and touch one of the lights, marking the boundaries of the field. Bentley and the pilot came from a door—on the side of the hangar nearest Larry—got into the car. Two other men followed, jumped on the running boards. Larry waited, holding his

breath, while the car sped up the drive toward Bentley's house.

If he could get inside, Larry figured he might find some place to hide, might overhear Bentley and the flyer. He might even discover the crew that would convict Bentley. He decided to risk it.

HE crossed the intervening space to the side of the hangar at a run, paused panting at the door. Then he edged it open.

There was a light near the motor of the plane. Larry could see the mechanic's shoulders hunched over the motor. His feet on the step-ladder beside the plane. The rest of the hangar was in semidarkness.

Bentley's own ship was nearer. If he could cross to the plane, he could slip inside Bentley's own ship, overhear everything that was said. It would be the last place they'd think of looking for him.

The mechanic climbed down from the ladder. Larry froze against the wall. But the man turned, walked to a bench at the far side of the hangar.

In that moment Larry slipped through the door, closed it softly, and crossed to the cabin plane. Before the mechanic turned around he was crouched in the luggage space behind the pilot's seat. The window at the left was open. He could hear the mechanic whistling softly as he climbed the ladder again.

IT must have been half an hour before the door opened again to admit Bentley and the pilot.

"Ship's okay now, Mike," the mechanic called. "Oil line was clogged."

"Good," came Bentley's voice. Then to the pilot: "You tell the 'Little Man' to send the next stuff as scheduled. We're all right here and the east will take all we can handle."

"That trouble we had a while back has all cleared up and no one suspects us around here," He laughed. "Imagine any of these dumb coppers ever getting wise to the fact that Mike Bentley's running dope. And even if they did, no one could prove it."

"You keep the stuff coming. You'll get your money, on the line, when you bring it in."

"That's all right by me," Larry heard the pilot answer. "I'll be back next week. You'll get the usual tip. . . . Ship's okay now. I'm getting out of here. I'll stop at the usual place for gas."

The hangar doors rattled open, the ship creaked as it was wheeled outside. Larry heard the motor start, settle into a roar, then fade away. The hangar was bright as

the field lights went on for the takeoff. Then all was quiet.

He had played in luck. He'd get word to Harris to watch Bentley's mail, check his phone calls. The next time the plane flew north, they'd be waiting for it. Bentley would be caught with the goods.

Now all he had to do was wait until they all left, slip back to his horse and hurry back to the hayhook—and Monnie.

A voice snapped the stillness. Bentley's.

"Where'd you find that horse?"

"Just a ways from the field," another voice answered. "Thought I saw something moving down there when the beacon swung around. I went down to look and found this black, staked out on a lariat. It's a Hayhook horse, Mike."

"Get the rest of the men and circle the field," Bentley snapped his orders. "Here, Bill, come along with me. Bring those guns from the car. We'll search the hangar."

LARRY pulled back into the darkness of the cabin as the hangar doors closed and the room filled with light. Bentley was searching the lockers, slamming doors, cursing.

"Turn on the field lights, all the lights!" Bentley yelled. "Get outside, Bill, see if you can find anything. I'll wait here. We've got to get that fellow. He knows too much."

Bill muttered something, slammed the door as he went out. Larry held his breath, praying that Bentley wouldn't think of his plane. There were few hiding places in the bare hangar, and that meant fewer places for Bentley to search. Larry heard Bentley running up the iron steps to the tower atop the building. He thought of risking a dash out of the hangar, decided against it.

His chance was gone in that second. Bill returned shouting, "Mike—Mike—look what I found!" Bentley came crashing down the steps. "Field glasses! Where did you get those, Bill?"

"Just outside the lights. Almost stepped on them."

"It's either in here, or he's got clear away," Bentley said. There was a pause. Larry could almost feel Bentley's eyes on the cabin plane. Then—

"Bill, get that tommy-gun from the locker. Put a row of holes along the side of the cabin there—just behind the seat."

He raised his voice. "Her, you, inside the plane. Do you want to come out now, or shall we drag you out?"

"I'll come out!" Larry answered. (To Be Continued)



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Foods And Fancies Still Preval Where Diseases Are Found

Austin, Texas.—"The responsiveness of the American public to unsound health suggestions from friends, acquaintances, and other less impersonal sources is very general. Fads and fancies, lacking basic worth as well as common sense, thus literally are rampant throughout the land. While many of the so-called friendly suggestions that are ardently applied by the too-trusting or gullible are not responsible for more than tempor-

ary harm or inconvenience, others are likely to result in serious complications and may even terminate in death," states Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. At a time in point, some time ago, while at an evening gathering, suddenly experienced abdominal pain, and was advised by no less than three of the party to take a dose of oil. This suggestion he immediately adopted. He actually was suffering from appendicitis, and taking the oil aggravated an extensive peritonitis which caused the loss of his life. His fate, however, may influence others who experience pain of this type, or in fact an illness of any kind, to seek professional counsel rather than to rely upon the usually spontaneous suggestions of well-meaning though ill-informed persons. "While health and illness are high up in the conversational scale, the fact remains that only those skilled in the practice of medicine should be relied upon for advice of any kind relating both to bodily health and to the curing of an ailment. "Doctors, through long training and wide personal experience, are qualified to recognize the cause of symptoms and thus define the illness. Proper diagnosis is essential to proper treatment. And those outside the profession, bright as they may be in their particular fields, cannot safely assume the role of the family physician, either for themselves or for others.

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Society Notes

Y. W. A. Has Outing
The Y. W. A. of the First Baptist Church was entertained Monday evening at 8:45 with a picnic at Seaside Point. They were accompanied by their sponsor, Mrs. Fink's King.

Training Union Meets
The Young People's Training Union of the First Baptist Church met Sunday evening at 7 o'clock at the church.

Page Secretarial reports were given followed by a special vocal solo, "I Love You Truly," was offered by Mrs. Frances Harris, accompanied by Mrs. Frank Hicklin.

At the end of the number the training union presented Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Jackson with a 12th anniversary gift.

The union divided into separate groups for evening programs.

W. M. U. Has Royal Service Program
The Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock for a Royal Service program. The Blanche Rose Walker circle was hostess with Mrs. Jack Terry as chairman.

Mrs. David M. Phillips offered the opening prayer and Mrs. Fink King gave a devotional on "God's Challenge to Youth."

The Royal Service programs for the month will have the subject, "Youth Steadfast For Christ" and a number of phases of this topic were discussed at Monday's meeting. Mrs. Terry spoke on "Youth In a Changing World" and Mrs. Nath Finkle discussed "Christian Schools Bid for Youth," and "God's Bid for Youth." "Missionary Camps Bid for Youth and Youth Steadfast for Missions" was the subject of a talk by Mrs. T. J. Anderson. Mrs. R. J. Taylor talked on "Missionary Education and Work and the Challenge of the Heroic."

With "A Child Shall Lead" as the subject Mrs. R. C. Carwile, Mrs. Barney Sides and Mrs. Bob Hodges spoke on the different angles of the subject.

The meeting was closed with a

prayer offered by Mrs. R. A. Steele after which refreshments were served by the hostess circle.

Sub-Deb Seniors Complimented at Tea

Misses Muri Dean Murrell and Cleonora Moore entertained Monday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock with a tea at the home of Miss Murrell, complimenting the senior members of the Sub-Deb Club. Those complimented were: Misses Alice Louise Henry, Jane Lauderdale, Vera Ann Vaughn, Bettie Gorman, Margaret Watt, Fannie Dell Swamy, Mary Claude Blacklock, Manuella Fae Turner, Marie Conway, Mary Thompson and Doris Dudley.

Receiving the guests were Betty Moore and the hostesses. Bases and larkspur were used in decorating the rooms and the lace covered tea table was centered with a crystal bowl filled with red roses. Mrs. Mamie Ruth Hamrick presided over the silver tea service, and Mrs. Arthur Murrell and Mrs. Pleas E. Moore, mothers of the hostesses, assisted in serving. "Plate favors" were tiny scrolls autographed by the honored guests.

Music was furnished throughout the afternoon by Misses Marie Conway and Gwendolyn Tunnell.

Seniors to Be Entertained Following Exercises

Members of the Senior class of Ranger High School will be complimented this evening when mothers of the seniors entertain with a dance at the Country Club immediately after the graduation exercises.

W. S. C. S. Closes Mission Study Program

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church had its final study of "Homeland Harvest" by Arthur H. Limousin when it met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the church. After the hymn, "In Christ There is No East or West," Mrs. O. L. Phillips led in prayer.

Mrs. C. E. May, director of the home mission study, gave a resume of the study and a forecast of home mission work in all of its

branches. Mrs. S. P. Boon gave a very thorough and interesting review of the extensive work of the Home Mission Council over the nation. Outstanding points of the chapter, "Distant Triumph Song," were stressed by Mrs. George Nicholson.

Mrs. O. L. Phillips discussed current events that will influence the home mission field in the future.

In her devotional Mrs. A. N. Larson chose the scripture readings from the gospel of St. John and Psalms.

Mrs. Lillian Wolfe led the benediction prayer.

Helen McAnelly to Be Presented in Recital

Helen McAnelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McAnelly, will be among the music students to be presented in recital by Miss Ruth Hightower of Breckenridge. The recital will take place Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the Breckenridge high school auditorium.

Miss Weaver Complimented at Shower

Miss Clara Mae Weaver, bride-elect of Mr. Vernon Click of Greenville, was complimented Sunday evening with a surprise shower given at the First Methodist church immediately preceding the Junior league meeting. Miss Weaver is a teacher in the Junior department and guests for the occasion were the members of the league and their mothers. Hostesses for the affair were Mrs. Mmes. Stanley McAnelly, J. E. Matthews, Leslie Hagaman, C. E. May and Miss Ruth Ritchie.

As the children assembled in the league room all joined in a sing-song and then games were played and in the playing of the "Follow the Leader" game Miss Weaver was led to an adjoining room where the gifts were placed. Mothers of the children had assembled in this room and greeted Miss Weaver as she entered.

Following the presentation of the gifts refreshments were served from a lace covered table decorated in an all white theme with crystal appointments. Mrs. D. E. Pulley presided at the tea table.

Society Personals

T. P. Hanson of Carlsbad, New Mexico, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Julia Hanson.

Miss Emma Leta McCleskey, who has been attending Draughn's Business College in Abilene, is here for two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McCleskey, before enrolling in the University of Southern California for the summer session.

Manion Canafax, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Canafax, has returned after spending a week in Big Spring, where he was employed by T. P. Railway.

Mrs. Harlan Rose and daughter of San Angelo have returned to their home after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Julia Hanson. They were accompanied home by Harry Hanson, who will remain for a visit.

Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Jackson have as their guest, their niece, Violet Campbell of Idabel, Okla.

Miss Marie Kohn of Monahans is the guest of her sister, Mrs. B. E. Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Reeves and daughter, Sally Ruth, are the guests of Mr. Reeves' mother, Mrs. Ruth Reeves and of his sister, Mrs. Grace Taylor.

Miss Lillian B. Strain, a teacher in Hodges Oak Park school, left today for Fort Worth where she will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Westbrook of Karnes City spent the week-end visiting friends and relatives in Ranger.

Douglas Cox of Graham is visiting his mother, Mrs. Flossie Cox and his grandmother, Mrs. J. C. Walker.

Miss Lois Bragg of Baird visited in Ranger during the week-end.

33 Girls Scouts On Way To Carlsbad Ranger Visitors

Mrs. O. H. Belding, accompanied by 33 Girl Scouts from Linden, Texas, stopped over in Ranger Monday evening, enroute to Carlsbad Cavern. The group spent the night in the Boy Scout cabin. The girls and their sponsor stated that they enjoyed their stay in Ranger so much that they would try to make another overnight stop here on their return from the caverns.

Arrangements were made for the stay here several weeks ago when Mrs. Belding wrote the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, inquiring about places the girls could stay, and the facilities of the Boy Scout cabin were secured for them.

Fire Losses And Premiums Show A Big Difference

AUSTIN, Tex.—A report of the Fire Insurance Division of the State Insurance Commission has been issued that the insured fire losses in Texas in 1939 totaled \$10,018,029 and that the premiums paid on fire insurance for the same period amounted to \$21,892,710. The premiums and losses on 66 classifications of insured property are listed. Losses outside these classifications are listed as "all other."

Insurance rates are based by the Texas Commission on a five year period. Figures for a single year are not sufficiently indicative for rate purposes, the department holds.

A report for the five year period shows a still wider difference. In the period of 1935-39 losses were \$40,065,010 and premiums \$109,752,822. Recent rate reductions effective this year will make the difference less if fire losses continue at the same rate.

The difference between premiums and losses is not, of course, all profit for the insurance companies. The report puts the expense at 47.08 of the premium income. Recognized in this cost of operation are:

Adjustment expense, field supervision, general agents commissions, local agents commissions, taxes and fees, inspection bureaus and forms expense, and losses on unpaid agents balances.

Other expenses (prorated to Texas) include home office salaries and fees, rents, depreciation, maps, inspections surveys and reports, postage, telephone, telegraph, express, exchange, legal services, advertising and printing, federal income and profits taxes, and miscellaneous expenses.

After taking out all these expenses the companies say there is not much spread between premiums and losses. Recently efforts have been made to get the insurance commission to consider as a part of rate-making the income to insurance companies from investment of the money received in premiums or held as a reserve.

CHILD, 2, LIKES GEOGRAPHY

MONTESANO, Wash.—Wars may come and go but Louisa Capriotti, 2, has no difficulty whatsoever in reciting the names of 150 places on the globe. It all started when her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Capriotti, began to discuss the Russian-Finnish hostilities.

Honor Roll of Young School For Last 6 Weeks

The honor roll for Young ward school the last 6 weeks has been announced as follows:

First Grade—Robert Crafton, Billy Gene Dunn, Jackie Gray, Glen McCleskey, Jackie Souther, Betty Jo Freeman.

Second Grade—Meredith Sides, K. C. Smith, Ronald Williams, Alvin Langley, Jacky Deaton, Billy Pace, Udell Hale, Billy Crews, Bernice Bagwell, Betty Moore, Beth Pearson, Pansy Seymour, Le Rita Wyan.

Third Grade—Barbara Carroll, Jerry Gray, Elsie Jordan, Oille Rogers, Loretta Stephens, Mary Sue White, Mickey Wallace, Joann Crews.

Fourth Grade—Wanda Jay Hankston, Juanita Cox, Rita Fae Crawford, Marie Harper, Billie Jean Martin, Anne Matthews, Helen McAnelly, Betty Jean Neville, Beulah Edna Smith, Zenoba Stovall.

Fifth Grade—Hollis Boone, Howard Frasier, Paul Mathis, Jackie Parrish, Lilian Ashcraft, Frances Bankston, Maxine Bravner, Elizabeth Caldwell, Bobby Gayle Dotson, Johnnie Ruth Eaves, Patsy Ruth Hinman, Frances Little, Billie Beth Rhodes, Elizabeth Rogers, Christine Wallace.

Sixth Grade—Bobby Gray, Peggy Rundick, Marilyn Murray, Mary Frances Orr, Patsy Ruth Peck, Letty Jo Ward, Fleur Walton.

Seventh Grade—Billy Anderson, Vivian Hise, Frederick Larson, Bill Moore, Calla Mae Deaton, Mentrella Langley, Kathryn Moore, Billie Faye Pounds, Frances Harris.

Bride, 64, Is Sorry Groom, 73, Too Shy

CLEVELAND, O.—Fred Kral, 73, is "too shy and gets embarrassed," according to his 64-year-old bride.

So, Mrs. Kral freely admits, she not only did the proposing, but also reversed the usual process by bestowing a kiss on the blushing bridegroom at the end of the ceremony.

Dr. Pepper Loses To The Elks Team

The Elks Softball team defeated the Dr. Pepper team from Strawn Monday night at the Ranger Softball Field by a score of 7 to 4. Charley Whitefield pitched for the Elks, in the first game he has played with the club this season, and allowed but seven hits, while the Elks made their seven runs on six hits.

The box score:

Elks—	AB	H	R	E
D. C. Arterburn, 3b.	4	0	0	0
R. Jones, cf.	4	0	0	0
Seymour, lf.	3	1	1	0
Ferris, cf.	2	0	1	0
E. Arterburn, ss.	2	1	2	0
Whitefield, p.	3	0	1	0
Reese, 2b.	2	1	1	1
Cook, c.	4	2	0	0
E. F. Arterburn, 1b.	3	1	1	2
Cunningham, rf.	2	0	0	0
Warden, rf.	2	0	0	0
Totals	31	6	7	3

Dr. Pepper—

Pace, cf.	3	1	1	0
Kostick, 2b.	4	1	0	0
Kinney, c.	4	1	0	0
Loveria, ss.	4	1	0	0
Dumithy, cf.	4	1	0	0
J. Daskovich, 1b.	4	0	0	0
Wojcik, 2b.	4	0	0	0
Rudy, lf.	4	1	1	1
Brothers, rf.	3	0	0	0
T. Daskovich, p.	3	1	2	0
Totals	37	7	4	2

Bank To Be Closed Thursday, Monday

Announcement was made here today by W. F. Creager, cashier of the Commercial State Bank, that the bank would be closed all day Thursday, May 30 and on Monday, June 3.

Those who have business to transact with the bank, and who will need change with which to operate their business, have been advised to remember the closing dates and transact all their business with the bank on Wednesday and Saturday.

Square Dance At Corral Postponed

The square dance scheduled for Tuesday night has been postponed until Wednesday, May 29th. This change was necessary because of High School graduation exercises Tuesday evening.

Softball Team For Girls Is Planned

All girls or women interested in playing softball can sign up at the Corral. There are several softball teams in Eastland and surrounding communities and if enough players are interested a league will be started this summer.

Well, say the morning edition generals, ogling the latest from the front, at last those guys are getting smart over there and are putting in the first teams.

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For Representative 107th District: OMAR BURKETT

For Assessor-Collector: CLYDE S. KARKALITS

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For County Judge: W. S. ADAMSON R. L. RUST C. S. ELDRIDGE

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