

Help Build Ranger  
By Buying Here!

# Ranger Times

Buy It In Ranger  
And Help Business!

VOLUME XXII

RANGER, TEXAS, MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 30, 1940

PRICE 3c DAILY (5c ON SUNDAY)

NO. 1

## MASS OUTPUT OF BIG PLANES SEEN FAR OFF

By BERNARD CRANDELL  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
DETROIT.—At least two years will be needed before army bombing planes, assembled from parts made by the automotive industry, can take the air, a representative of the aircraft industry believes.

The official said auto manufacturers, tool and die shop engineers were just beginning to get a line-up on the multitude of problems to be faced in building sub-assemblies for 12,000 bombers.

A major question in performing the job is whether to do it on the mass production basis known in the auto industry, or whether to adopt methods of aircraft manufacturers, he said. The first course would involve more time and expense, but production would be faster once it was started.

The auto-makers use permanent tools and dies, objects that will withstand the wear and tear of hundreds of thousands of manufactured articles, while plane builders use temporary forms principally because of the rapid design changes.

Speed depends on "freezing" the product. "If the product is frozen" so the automotive industry won't constantly have to be changing its tools it should be able to make plane parts as fast as it does cars," this official said. "But the permanent tools and dies for such a job take a long time to make, and some of the larger ones would be too costly."

Army air corps procurement officials have promised that the two types of planes the auto industry will build will not involve design changes after production begins. They are to be 8,000 Martin B-26 two-engine bombers and 4,000 B-24 four-engine bombers built by Consolidated Aircraft Corporation. The two firms are to award subcontracts for manufacture of their parts, and are to assemble them at four proposed plants in the Middle West.

To aid motorol in the task it has tackled, the army air corps has sent to Detroit complete layout of parts from the bombers, with blue prints and three technicians to explain them. The planes, cut into sections, were hauled here by truck and boxcar and disassembled at a headquarters established by the Automobile Manufacturers Association at the Graham-Paige factory.

Detailed Study Made  
The stream of production experts into the plane parts headquarters has continued for two months, some engineers returning three or more times to inspect a certain part. The parts are unfamiliar to them, the aircraft industry representative said, but with a few exceptions they believe they can place them into mass production.

Perhaps the strangest pieces to the auto technicians are aluminum alloy castings, but it is believed that the nation's two major aluminum manufacturing companies will be able to produce all that are needed without outside assistance.

The size of the job has brought promises from auto companies to subordinate their interests—work on 1942 models—to that of national defense. William S. Knudsen, production chief of the national defense advisory commission, already has told the industry it cannot do any extensive retooling for next year's models because machine shops will be crowded with defense orders.

New Machinery Needed  
Knudsen also told the industry that it must make the bomber parts with extra machinery already on hand, but this, according to some officials, is impossible in many cases. They point out that virtually all machinery is in use during the current boom in auto production, and that the specialized machinery of the auto plants cannot be turned to plane parts manufacture.

Standardized machines such as drill and punch presses, lathes, production mills, screw machines, hydraulic presser, drop hammers, air riveting hammers may be used for the projected work but hundreds of new tools and dies will be needed to complete the setup.

The automobile manufacturers association reports definite progress in its education campaign. Recently a Detroit vacuum cleaner company, whose representative said his concern could machine certain castings and forgings for the bombers, was awarded a \$200,000 sub-contract by Martin. The deal was accomplished through the parts headquarters.

## Lone Railroad Carries Germans to Rumania



Balkan map illustrates transport difficulties for large German forces reported moving into Rumania. Only one railroad runs through Hungary and into Rumania without cutting into a third country. Arad and Timisoara are new headquarters for Germans.

## Pioneer Resident Buried Monday At Necessity Cemetery

Funeral services were conducted from the Necessity Church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock for Mrs. Millie Josephine Langford, Route 3, Ranger, who died early Monday morning. Rev. H. B. Johnson conducted the services, with burial following in the Necessity Cemetery, with Killingsworth's in charge of arrangements. Brief services were held at the home of Mrs. J. T. McCleskey prior to the services at the church.

The decedent was born in Sumnerfield, La., Nov. 17, 1852, and had lived near Ranger for the past 44 years. She had long been a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include five sons, W. J. Langford, Ranger; A. F. Langford, Weslaco; T. F. Langford, Weslaco; E. A. Langford, Olton; and H. M. Langford, Olton; two daughters, Mrs. Burk Flournoy, Olton, and Mrs. J. T. McCleskey, Ranger; two brothers, J. S. Brown, Sumnerfield, La., and Will Brown, Sumnerfield; two sisters, Mrs. Sula Algood, Sumnerfield, and Mrs. John Whitby, Ranger.

Also surviving are 35 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Active pall bearers were Curtis Langford, Iraan; Paul Wilburn, Ranger; Arnold Langford, Munday; Jim Post, Breckenridge; Horace Bird, Breckenridge, and Comer Clay, Jr., Abilene.

Mrs. Langford had made her home with her daughter, Mrs. McCleskey, for the past 14 years, with the exception of two years when she lived with Mrs. S. S. Vaughn, Hamilton, also a daughter. Mrs. Vaughn preceded her mother in death in November of 1939.

## Dave Stamford, 88, Dies Monday Morning

Dave Stamford, 88, a long time resident of Ranger, died this morning at 10 o'clock.

No funeral arrangements were made today, though it was expected that services would be conducted Tuesday or Wednesday.

## Staff H. D. Club To Meet Next Thursday

The Staff Home Demonstration Club will meet Thursday, January 2, at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Tom Utley, it has been announced.

All members have been urged to be present.

## Former Eastland Publisher Dies Abilene Home

Greenleaf Fisk, 66, publisher of the Abilene Times, died at his home in Abilene, Sunday at a heart complication following a week's illness of influenza.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p. m. Monday from St. Paul Methodist church in Abilene, Dr. C. A. Long, the pastor, officiating. Fisk was president of the Board of Stewards of the church.

Fisk was born at Liberty Hill, Texas, October 12, 1874. He entered the newspaper business 45 years ago when he bought a weekly paper at Liberty Hill. He came to Eastland in 1907 when he purchased the Eastland Chronicle which he published until June 1911 when he sold it to Frank A. Jones and Joseph C. Allison. From Eastland he went to Cisco and purchased the Cisco Round-Up which he published until going to Abilene.

He was married to Frances Batts of Georgetown in 1902. She and a brother and sister survive him.

Throughout his newspaper career Fisk was active in church, political and fraternal circles. He was a Mason and a Shriner, a former mayor of Eastland and served ten years as Eastland county democratic chairman.

## New Year Expected To Bring Tragedy Upon Texas Roads

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 30.—Texas will start the New Year to the echo of screaming tires, the crash of crumbling steel and shattering glass, cries of anguish from the injured, and mourning for the dead.

More than double the daily average number of traffic fatalities will occur Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, Department of Public Safety statistics estimated today.

"Eighteen persons were killed on those two days last year," said Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director. "With fatalities increasing about 10 percent, it is reasonable to expect some 20 deaths this year."

The Highway Patrol will observe the occasion with another of those gruelling, day and night holiday grinds. Their work will start early Tuesday and will end with the wee small hours of Thursday.

Heaviest traffic concentration will lead to and from the New Year's Day football game in Dallas, said Capt. Hill Foreman, Highway Patrol chief, and patrolmen will concentrate especially upon major highways leading into Dallas from hundreds of miles away in every direction.

Patrolmen elsewhere in the state will be assigned to strategic areas where accidents most frequently occur.

## Minnesota U. Turns Thumbs Down In Hitch-Hike Union

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—An attempt to organize a hitch-hikers union has created a stir on the University of Minnesota campus.

When the university's committee on student affairs turned thumbs down on a proposed union of student ride thumbers, organizers of the 'hitch-hikers' union countered with a flood of letters to newspapers, city officials, and prominent citizens.

The object of the union is to get transportation to and from the university for students who are unable to obtain rides and cannot afford street car and bus fare, said George Roman, leader of the movement.

The committee on student affairs, however, refused to recognize the group as an official student organization because "its ends might violate the law."

A state statute forbids hitch-hiking on "curbs and sidewalks." Moreover, Roman said, since city ordinances differ in their definitions of the width of streets, there are a number of instances in which the law could be controverted on technical grounds. Part of the function of the proposed union, he declared, would be a clarification of the "anti-hitching" law.

Members of the union, he said, would receive badges for identification, and regular "hitching-posts"—ride-thumbing areas similar to street car stops—would be established.

Organization of an official union, Roman declared, would enable hitch-hikers to build up a regular ride clientele.

## Car Driven By Man Who Broke Jail Is Claimed By Dealer

A Lincoln Zephyr coupe, that was being held by Ranger police after the arrest, and escape from the Ranger city jail of "Red" Manning and E. R. Freeland, the latter an ex-convict, was claimed Sunday morning by an automobile dealer from Corpus Christi, who returned the automobile to his show rooms.

According to Chief of Police Guy Pledger of Ranger the automobile dealer stated that the car had been purchased from him some time ago by a man giving his name as "L. C. Smith," trading in an older car. Several payments on the automobile are now delinquent, the dealer told Pledger.

Officers arriving from McGregor to return Freeland there, where he was wanted, found an empty jail in Ranger, since Freeland and Manning had pushed out the jail door and escaped.

SUITS FILED  
In Re: Shirley Jo Reed, adoption.  
Ruth Holmes Kirk vs. T. A. Kirk, divorce.  
H. E. Helms vs. Jessie Helms, divorce.

## ROOSEVELT IS PLEASED WITH HIS RESPONSE

President Roosevelt expressed himself as "tremendously" pleased today with the reaction to his pledge of all-out aid to Great Britain as a safeguard to the American defense.

Mr. Roosevelt was particularly gratified that some republican leaders approved his stand. Congressmen expressed varied opinions but seemed agreed that "a peace-time peace" with the axis nations cannot last.

Berlin sources said that Adolf Hitler himself probably will reply to Mr. Roosevelt's remarks, which were ignored by the German newspapers.

Fascist spokesmen in Rome said the statement was one of "undeclared war and the bitterest indictment ever uttered" against Nazism and said that devastating air raids over London at the exact hour of the speech was made showed the futility of trying to negotiate with such forces.

The Western Hemisphere nations praised Mr. Roosevelt's statement. Financiers showed some concern over his remark that we must "disregard the idea of business as usual" during the rearmament program in the United States.

## Fund For Feeding Needy Horses Grows

KANSAS CIT, Mo.—The Union National Bank, trustee of the \$10,000 fund for needy horses established by the late Mrs. Emma W. Robinson of Olathe, Kas., reports that despite changing conditions and financial upheavals there is every certainty that the legacy would remain intact.

The will specifically directed that all needy horses of this area were to have at least a bushel of oats each Christmas and such other care as was necessary.

Since Mrs. Robinson's death in 1932, the interest from the fund has been sufficient to buy all the oats necessary for the indigent animals brought to the Humane Society shelter.

Dale Thompson, treasurer of the society, said that the organization at first experienced considerable difficulty in finding poor horses to eat up the trust fund's surplus but in recent years had solicited the aid of other organizations. Last Christmas the horses ate all 200 bushels purchased.

When the surplus became sufficiently large, blankets, medical treatment, water, shoeing and pasturing could be furnished and a permanent shelter erected.

## Negroes Eager To Be In Army So They Can Roll The Bones

SHREVEPORT, La.—"Boxcars" on a pair of dice isn't lucky—except to Richard Lang, who with six other Negroes volunteered for army service under the Conscription act.

The quota for Caddo Parish was four men, and the first volunteer had already been given a place, so the Parish draft board staged a dice game—the three winners to be enrolled for service.

Emanuel Burns, first man to handle the dice, banked a "natural" seven off the baseboard of the draft headquarters room.

It was then that the board officials decided to pass the same dice around and that high dice won.

Joe Perry shot a three—and was out of the army.

Willie Tishy rolled a 10, his brother George followed with an 8 and Leon Collins tied him with another "Ada from Deatur." "in" when Lang, last man up, breathed on the dice and let fly.

He rolled two sixes—boxcars, hane of crapsshots, but a boon to him. He wanted that "free morals and thuddy dollahs a month."

Collins and George Tishy rolled off the tie, with Tishy earning a place in the quota by throwing 9.

## NEW MOVES TO FOLLOW SOON IN AXIS DRIVE

Historic churches and other buildings burned in London today after one of Germany's hardest air raids of the war.

Casualties were few and most of the damage was reported to have been done to civilian property.

Mysterious explosions, meanwhile, wrecked one wing of a great Berlin railroad station and several soldiers died in a train wreck east of that city.

Jugoslav sources said that one division of German troops already had joined the Italians fighting in Albania, in an effort to stem the tide of axis reverses that have been suffered by Italy, both in Albania and in Libya. British planes, meantime, bombed Valona twice more today, as the Greeks continue an advance against the Italian-held Albanian port.

Shanghai informants expressed the belief that an axis drive in the Pacific is developing and probably will take the form of a German aided push by Japan against French Indo-China and Siam.

British fliers dropped bombs and pamphlets at Naples, Italy, killing seven persons, and in Libya continued to hold out against the British, who report that artillery resistance has almost ceased. It is believed that the remainder of the 20,000 Italians holding the town are running short of water.

## Beads Planted, 185 Million To Mile

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—The latest scientific approach to the problem of night driving safety made by the Indiana Highway Department involves glass beads—millions of them.

The beads are tiny and round, and when they are sown on freshly-painted center stripes that indicate no-passing zones on the Hoosier highways they become a galaxy of twinkling, flashing gems under the headlights of a car.

Their sparkling brilliance helps the motorist to stay on the right side of the narrow stripe.

The highway department reports the idea works like a charm and construction workers are busy putting it into effect on all the state's highways.

The department coats center stripes with a special binding paint, then applies the beads before it dries.

Ordinarily, a gallon of paint and six pounds of beads account for 300 feet of stripe. Since the beads come about 1,500,000 to the pound, roughly 185,000,000 of them are required to lay a carpet of blinkers a distance of a mile.

## Bomber Plant for Fort Worth Urged

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas said today that he seeks to establish, at Fort Worth, one of the four factories for assembling army bomber parts made in the automobile industry.

Three other locations of similar plants have already been made, Sen. Sheppard stated.

## Divorce Action Is Dropped As Hubby Takes Care Of Baby

PHILADELPHIA.—When Peter Vellucci's divorce action was called before Judge Harry S. McDavitt, Mrs. Vellucci answered that the plaintiff was absent.

"Where's your husband," asked the court.

"He's out in the car, minding the baby," Mrs. Vellucci replied.

After consultation with the court, Vellucci, satisfied with domesticity, withdrew his action.

## Held for Evading Paris Food Curb



Lucienne Boyer above, popular cabaret singer, is reported under arrest in Paris on charges of evading food supply restrictions by smuggling food to theatrical folk in boxes labeled "Shampoos."

## History In Making 1940-Day By Day

APRIL  
1—John L. Lewis threatens a third party move.  
2—U. S. census workers begin counting noses. The final figure: 131,669,275.  
3—Chamberlain shuffles cabinet again. Wood out as air secretary; Churchill given general supervision of army, navy, air force.  
4—Earl of Athlone named governor general of Canada.  
5—Mother, three children die in Los Angeles hammer deaths.  
6—Hall asks Mexico to submit oil expropriation to arbitration.  
7—Norway sees war if belligerents force her to drop neutrality.  
8—Tornado devastates town, kills four in Louisiana. Science watches rare ring eclipse of sun.  
9—Norman Thomas nominated again for President by Socialists.  
10—British mine Norwegian coastline of halt over traffic to Germany; torpedo Nazi troop ship off Norway.  
11—Nazis move in on Denmark and Norway, occupying major cities in surprise attack; say allies had planned to invade Scandinavia. Chamberlain declares allies are rushing aid.  
12—Allied, Nazi fleets battle in Skagerrak; Roosevelt "freezes" finances of Norway, Denmark; extends combat zone.  
13—Britain occupies Faeroes (Den.); Iceland and Greenland a problem for allies and U. S.  
14—British sink all Nazi ships at Narvik, lay mine field in Kattegat. Sweden warns belligerents she will defend borders.  
15—German fly reinforcements to Oslo, Bergen, Trondheim, Stavanger; drive north from Oslo.  
16—N. Y. Rangers beat Toronto Maple Leafs to win Stanley Cup hockey championship.  
17—Norwegians resist Nazi advance, charge German flyers tried to bomb King Haakon.  
18—Allied troops land at Namsos, Andalsnes. "Trojan Horse" activity blamed for fall of Norway.  
19—Republicans name Stassen convention keynote.  
20—Bob Feller hurls no-hit baseball opener for Indians.  
21—Hull asks nations maintain status quo of Dutch East Indies.  
22—British raid German base at Stavanger.  
23—British clash with Nazis near Trondheim. Reynaud wins unanimous confidence vote.  
24—Cromwell, resigning Canadian envoy post, announces candidacy for U. S. Senate from New Jersey.  
25—Floods in Ohio Valley.  
26—Lake Shore Limited crashes on curve near Little Falls, N. Y.; 30 die.  
27—Nazis blast Norwegian towns from air; drive on Hamar, Elverum, Roeros. U. S. military attaché killed in Dombaa raid.  
28—British bomb Nazi air bases in Denmark, Norway. German mechanized divisions pound north.  
29—Joe Jacobs, fight manager, dies.  
30—Allies land more troops, planes; set up bases in Norway.  
31—Allies check Nazi mechanized drive; fighting fierce near Dombaa.

## Orang's Third Baby Believed New Record

PHILADELPHIA.—The Philadelphia Zoological Gardens—more familiarly known as the zoo—has established a new record with the birth of a baby orangutan.

The newcomer is the third baby born to Guanna, Guanna's other children are Cinderella, born Jan. 21, 1935, and Ivy, born June 13, 1937.

The previous record for the species was two, held by a St. Louis orangutan.

## Jailbreakers Are Sought by Officers

BROWNWOOD, Dec. 30.—West Texas officers today were asked to watch for two men, aged 20 and 30, who escaped at dawn from the Comanche County jail.

One of the escaped prisoners was charged with murder, the report of their escape said.

## CHUTE TROOP ARE TRAINING AT FT. BENNING

By JOHN A. REICHMANN  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
WASHINGTON.—The army will be prepared to use the "ov head tactics employed by Germany against Norway, Denmark, Holland and other countries and if parachute and air troops can perform a given a mission better than any other combat group.

Little has been written about the training of parachute troops at Fort Benning, Ga., because much of the practice, equipment and tactics are regarded as a secret. But every clear-weather day the volunteers who go into parachute service are training jumping, tumbling and the use of arms.

At Fort Sam Houston, Tex. experiments are being conducted in the creation of airplane companies whose personnel can follow behind enemy lines to take and hold positions. It is difficult to determine which branch is likely to be the more hazardous a exciting.

## Soldier Folds Own 'Chute

Training of the parachute troops with his most important adjunct—the parachute itself. He taught to fold his chute carefully how to pack it. Unlike the aviator he does this work himself to give him confidence in his chute.

To handle himself in his chute, he is placed in a rigging exactly like that his parachute carries. He has only 40 seconds in the air when dropping, since a plane delivering him to his objective at low altitudes. He must alert and ready to go into action immediately on landing.

For this reason he must know how to bring his chute down either by pulling it sideways in the wind or running around behind it. This prevents his being pulled along the ground, helps him to know how to handle it. He must know how to handle it. He must know how to handle it. He must know how to handle it.

The troops are dropped in groups of 12. They can clear planes in 10 seconds and be ready for action 80 seconds later. The chutes are opened automatically as each leaves the plane but even man carries a spare in case anything goes wrong.

## Can Drop Smoke Bomb

Training officers do not believe that a parachutist is a good target for men on the ground. The descent is fairly rapid as the chute can easily drop smoke bomb or hand grenade without discouraging to good marksmanship—or even handle a revolver fairly well.

The airplane troops have not been fully developed. They presumably would descend by parachute from points previously protected by other troops.

Each plane of a contemplate 13-plane unit would descend full equipped for action with a formidable array of armament. The trouble with this type of troop movement is that the plane must land at a designated spot, whether it is a potato patch or a dandelion field. Officers believe that every plan so used by Germany was a casualty.

## F. O. Buchanan Dies In Clovis, Dec. 28

Word was received in Ranger today of the death of F. O. Buchanan, 76, brother of Dr. L. C. G. Buchanan, which occurred in a Clovis, N. M., hospital Christmas Day. Burial was in Clovis Thursday, Dec. 26.

For a time the deceased made his home with his brother, Dr. Buchanan. He was a member of the Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge.

He is also survived by another brother, J. A. Buchanan of Colorado City.

## COCKRILL IN GORMAN

J. W. Cockrill of the Gorman Progress, and who served four years as secretary to Hon. Clyde L. Garrett, congressman from the 17th Texas district, is taking over the paper with the first issue in the New Year, having recently returned from Washington.

THE WEATHER  
WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature.

RANGER TIMES

TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY, Publishers

212-214 Elm Street, Ranger, Texas

Telephone 224

Published every afternoon (except Thursday, Saturday and Sunday) and every Sunday morning.

Entered as second class matter at the postoffice at Ranger, Texas, under Act of March 3, 1879.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Ranger Times (One Year by Mail in Texas) \$3.00

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflections upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publisher.

Old Glory on the Seas Again

Four years ago, when the Merchant Marine Act was passed, some people said, "There goes a lot more money down the rat hole."

But now the shops are coming off the ways at a one-a-week rate, and they look good. They are putting Old Glory back on the seas on something of the scale of Clipper days, and they give the Navy the kind of auxiliary ship backing that it must have.

Suppose the United States had confronted its preparedness emergency six months ago with no more foresight in regard to ships than it showed before the World War! Then 90 per cent of American commerce was carried in foreign ships; we literally had no merchant marine worthy of the name.

Even when the new construction program got under way two years ago the United States merchant fleet was 90 per cent obsolete. But because we passed the act in 1936 and began active construction in 1938, what a different picture greets us today.

Of 179 ships whose construction began in 1938-39 have been launched and 54 have been completed and are now in service. The fine new American ships are appearing in ports and on shipping lanes that almost never saw the American flag before.

When these ships are all completed, the United States will have a new fleet of 1,500,000 tons, all built to naval specifications, including the only tanker fleet capable of steaming at naval fleet speed and big enough to keep a naval force at sea indefinitely.

More than 100,000 men are now at work in 23 American shipyards operating some 84 shipways.

Most of these ships are unspectacular, but beautiful, seaworthy, fast, and efficient. The America, finest passenger liner ever built in the western hemisphere, is not equal in size to leviathans like the Queen Mary or the Normandie, but the usefulness of such ships is open to question, and for its size the America has no superior in the world. Two more such ships are planned for the Pacific passenger trade, but built so as to be quickly convertible into airplane carriers.

While the shipping of the world goes down in the whirlpool of war, America is building ships to do the world's hauling. They are a vital auxiliary of defense, and a hope for future trade and travel. They are a living demonstration that foresight pays.

The Duchess of Windsor and eleven million other people had a tooth pulled recently.

A lot of things are simply remarkable until you understand them. Then they're remarkably simple.

DESTRUCTIVE PEST

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Flying bug similar to a butterfly. 5 It is an of the order Lepidoptera. 10 Stream. 12 Emanation. 13 Without. 14 Mulberry tree. 16 Giant. 18 And. 19 Burdened. 21 Behold. 23 Neither. 24 Bushel (abbr.). 25 Rang. 30 Prowls. 32 Married. 33 To enliven. 35 Dined. 36 Rite for Bacchus. 38 Rode. 39 Platter. 40 Lug. 42 Sooner than. 43 Inferior dog. 44 Month (abbr.). 46 Stomach.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with letters filled in.

VERTICAL

- 15 Woolly. 17 It is a pest. 20 Cupola. 22 Heavy blow. 24 Wagers. 26 Border. 27 Musical note. 28 Finale. 29 Dismal. 30 To storm. 31 Home of beasts. 34 Temon hole. 37 Sweet potato. 39 To name. 41 Rodent. 43 Heart. 45 Opposed to. 47 Bird. 48 To touch. 49 Yucca fiber. 51 Work of genius. 53 Data. 54 Chaos. 55 Bulgarian coin (abbr.). 57 New England (abbr.). 59 Mister (abbr.).

Large crossword puzzle grid.

The 'New Order' in Rumania



RED RYDER By Harman

Comic strip panel showing a character in a red coat and hat.

Comic strip panel showing characters in a rocky landscape.

ALLEY OOP By Hamlin

Comic strip panel showing a man in a suit talking to others.

Comic strip panel showing a man with a large headpiece.

Peril Is Decried In Pneumonia

By United Press PHILADELPHIA—The outlook for further reduction in the pneumonia fatality rate is "pretty bad," according to Dr. Perrin H. Long, professor of preventive medicine at Johns Hopkins University.

SERIAL STORY

CHRISTMAS RUSH

BY TOM HORNER

YESTERDAY: The family discover Valerie really has an attractive personality, welcome the "most party" the doctor announces he has found a job for Jerry at \$25 a week, and a little house for Valerie in a vacationly district. That salary won't even buy her clothes.

VAL SEES THE 'DREAM HOUSE'

CHAPTER VII "VAL will understand after I talk to her tomorrow," Jerry told his father as they sat before the dying fire.

"It's adorable," Mary enthused as they entered the cottage. "Val, you'll love it. It's a dream house."

"But this breakfast nook—it's big enough. Besides you won't be doing much entertaining."

"You should have seen our quarters in the flood zone in China," Mary put in. "Shanghai was all right, but when Daddy was ordered up the river—and Bill and I refused to stay in the city alone. All the discomforts of a home."

"The owner led them downstairs. "Nice furnace... plenty of laundry space."

"You'll have plenty of chances to get acquainted with this furnace," Dr. Connelly said.

"There is, son—a lot more to think about."

THE house on Front street was everything the doctor had predicted and more. Front street was not the best residential district in town, but it was entirely acceptable.

Attorney's Name Is Appropriate One for a Case

AUSTIN, Tex.—It was considered quite fitting in capital circles that assistant attorney general James Noel should be in charge of a lawsuit that apparently has brought the state school fund a \$25,000,000 Christmas gift.

The suit was one in which the state claimed that vacant land existed between surveys in Brazoria County and that more than 200 acres of the Hastings oil field was still state land.

The immense value is placed on the land because it is a part of the only known oil field that has more oil-bearing sand than the famous Kettleman oil field in California.

Many wells draw oil from only a few feet of sand thickness. Geologists report that the Hastings field has 900 feet of oil-bearing sand with 24 hours, through some drug or serum, the fatality rate would be cut to less than 5 per cent.

The nationally-known pulmonary expert praised the use of sulphydryde and sulfathiazole as "really about the least dangerous drugs you can use as far as toxic effects are concerned."

He said that in the five years prior to the introduction of sulphydryde at Johns Hopkins hospital, the pneumonia death rate was lowered 21 per cent. In the year following during October, 1938, when the drug was introduced, the mortality rate fell to 7.2 per cent.

ing sand and that it probably will not be exhausted for 150 years.

The suit still has to run the gauntlet of appeal but if the state wins it finally, the award will be more important than any of the state's previous vacancy suits.

In previous cases the litigation has been primarily between rivals to each of whom the state has granted title or oil rights. In this case the land will go to the state itself for its permanent school fund.

The owner was waiting for them when they arrived, the doctor and his wife in Dr. Connelly's car, the twins in their Christmas present, Mary, Valerie and Jerry in Valerie's coupe. Mary had not wanted to come but Valerie would not let her stay away. In fact, Valerie seemed to cling to Mary as her sole ally against the family.

"It's wonderful!" Jerry exclaimed as they entered the cottage. "Val, you'll love it. It's a dream house."

"But we won't have much furniture, at first," Jerry reminded her.

"And no dining room!" "But this breakfast nook—it's big enough. Besides you won't be doing much entertaining."

"You should have seen our quarters in the flood zone in China," Mary put in. "Shanghai was all right, but when Daddy was ordered up the river—and Bill and I refused to stay in the city alone. All the discomforts of a home."

"The owner led them downstairs. "Nice furnace... plenty of laundry space."

"You'll have plenty of chances to get acquainted with this furnace," Dr. Connelly said.

"There is, son—a lot more to think about."

THE house on Front street was everything the doctor had predicted and more. Front street was not the best residential district in town, but it was entirely acceptable.

Attorney's Name Is Appropriate One for a Case

AUSTIN, Tex.—It was considered quite fitting in capital circles that assistant attorney general James Noel should be in charge of a lawsuit that apparently has brought the state school fund a \$25,000,000 Christmas gift.

The suit was one in which the state claimed that vacant land existed between surveys in Brazoria County and that more than 200 acres of the Hastings oil field was still state land.

The immense value is placed on the land because it is a part of the only known oil field that has more oil-bearing sand than the famous Kettleman oil field in California.

Many wells draw oil from only a few feet of sand thickness. Geologists report that the Hastings field has 900 feet of oil-bearing sand with 24 hours, through some drug or serum, the fatality rate would be cut to less than 5 per cent.

The nationally-known pulmonary expert praised the use of sulphydryde and sulfathiazole as "really about the least dangerous drugs you can use as far as toxic effects are concerned."

He said that in the five years prior to the introduction of sulphydryde at Johns Hopkins hospital, the pneumonia death rate was lowered 21 per cent. In the year following during October, 1938, when the drug was introduced, the mortality rate fell to 7.2 per cent.

ing sand and that it probably will not be exhausted for 150 years.

The suit still has to run the gauntlet of appeal but if the state wins it finally, the award will be more important than any of the state's previous vacancy suits.

In previous cases the litigation has been primarily between rivals to each of whom the state has granted title or oil rights. In this case the land will go to the state itself for its permanent school fund.

Children... trains... This horror, tiny, cramped house. "THEN she was talking to them—almost screaming at them."

"I hate it! I hate it! I wouldn't live here—"

"Val—Val!" That was Jerry, but he couldn't stop her.

"I think you planned it all. A big surprise... You knew I wouldn't stand for it. You don't want me to marry your son. All right—I won't! If I have to live in a crackerbox—if I have to fix a furnace, wash clothes—I won't marry him—"

"Val, you don't know what you're saying. Mary tried to calm her. "Dr. and Mrs. Connelly were only trying to help."

"I won't! I won't!" Valerie was screaming now. She turned on Jerry. "You can have your doll house and your \$25-a-week job. But I don't go with it!"

She turned, ran up the stairs. They heard her heels pounding over the bare floors, the slam of the front door.

DR. CONNELLY was the first to break the silence that followed.

"Valerie is mistaken, son," he said. "Your mother and I had no intention of hurting her feelings. This is a good house, as good as you can afford. You could be very happy here—as happy as Mother and I were in our three rooms."

"If Valerie marries you, she will have to learn to live on your salary—unless you are willing to live on your wife's income. That means cooking, doing housework, even taking care of a furnace and doing her own washing. It won't be easy, at first—"

But Jerry wasn't listening. "You did plan all of this," he interrupted savagely. "You and Mother. You brought Val here to show her up. You don't like her, and you don't want me to marry her. You want me to go on studying medicine—you want to go on running my life for me."

"I won't let you! Val and I will pick out our own house—and I'll find my own job. Without any help from you. We'll get away from this town—away from you—all of you!"

He was gone then, racing after Val.

They heard him start a car on Christmas present. Dr. Connelly slipped his arm around his wife.

"They won't be taking house," he said to the owner. Mary fingered the fur, the and metallic, tenderly. "I love she whispered. "But no one he her."

(To Be Continued)

Freckles and His Friends—By Blosser

Comic strip panel showing a woman talking to a man.

Comic strip panel showing a man with a large headpiece.

Comic strip panel showing a man with a large headpiece.

FOUR BROTHERS IN AVIATION

SWEETWATER, Texas—The Fitzgerald brothers think there really is something to aviation. The eldest, Robert, is with the government as a training inspector;

the next two are commercial airplane pilots, the fourth is a flying instructor at a Colorado flying school, and the youngest, Jack, 18, is an engineering honor student studying aeronautical design.

Try Our Want Ads!

SERIAL STORY

CHRISTMAS RUSH

BY TOM HORNER

YESTERDAY Jerry is, contented. He will be delighted when he sees the house. It is a small place, not in the best residential district, near railroad tracks. The owner proudly shows through the place, calls attention to the furnace and bathroom. Val stores out, declares the doctor. Val stores out, declares the doctor. Val stores out, declares the doctor.

led the question. "We're going to the hotel, then to a few of the clubs, and everyone is gathering at Paul's for breakfast. There's a tea dance this afternoon, too—" "Count Mary out on the tea dance," Dr. Connelly told the twins. "She's already dated up for a ride in the country with Martha and myself. Unless you'd rather go to the dance, Mary—" Mary's eyes spoke silent thanks. He did understand. "I wouldn't miss that ride in the country for all the dances on earth—" she said. "But I will go with you tonight, Kathleen. Pick me up about 10, if it's not too much trouble."

"Hate to risk it, cold as it is." He kissed his wife, hurriedly. "Don't worry, I'll be all right." "I'm sorry, I'm not going home," the nurse may not get here in time, Hugh, she was saying. "You'll need some help—with the children at least. Tell the nurse to come in her own car. We're staying—" "Thanks, darling," the doctor was smiling. "I wanted you to say that—hated to ask you. We've been through this before, haven't we? You can help, too, if you want to, Mary. Keep the children entertained."

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams Freckles and His Friends—By Blosser



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY



RED RYDER

By Harman



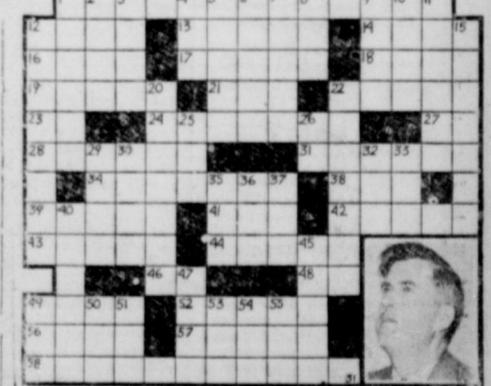
ALLEY OOP

By Hamlin



U. S. A. OFFICIAL

HORIZONTAL 1 View president select of the U. S. A. 12 Shoe bottom. 13 Axiom. 14 To lounge about. 15 Bear constellation. 16 Changed position. 17 Fish, burbot. 18 Crayfish. 19 Moringa seed. 20 Pastry cook. 21 Company (abbr.). 22 Staggishness. 23 Beam (abbr.). 24 White fur. 25 To strip blubber. 26 Whole number. 27 Lion. 28 Waltz. 29 Expert flyer. 30 Florentine iris.



LEON PLANT NEWS Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Gray spent the past holidays in Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Adrian and daughter, Caroline, of Austin, spent the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Peyton.

Be Quick To Treat Bronchitis Chronic bronchitis may develop if your cough, chest cold, or acute bronchitis is not treated and you cannot afford to take a chance with any medicine less potent than Creomulsion which goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ-laden phlegm and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes.

Mattress Bees Are New Arkansas Fad

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—The quilting bee, log-rollings, and corn-huskings of a half-century ago have given way to "mattress making" in rural Arkansas. Several years ago the matrons of rural neighborhoods gathered around quilting frames to do their "visiting" and exchange the latest bit of chit-chat. Today the basic idea is the same, but instead of making quilts, the women are turning out mattresses, and, incidentally, helping to use up some of the South's cotton surplus.

Poser For Medal Is Mystery 18 Years

PHILADELPHIA.—Hundreds of school children throughout America have been awarded American Legion scholarship-citizenship medals—but the man who posed for the figure of the sailor on the award never knew until recently that he had posed for the emblem. He is William J. Hopkins of Philadelphia, who posed for the

Women Sewing For Red Cross Now At Total Of 600,000

WASHINGTON.—More than 600,000 American women are rolling bandages and sewing clothing for Europe's war victims, the Red Cross disclosed in a report. Working in 3,000 centers throughout the nation, these women will produce 2,309,502 garments and 21,446,155 bandages by January, according to present quota allotments. More than two-thirds of this total will go to Britain.

OUT OUR WAY

BY WILLIAMS



HEROES ARE MADE - NOT BORN

chairman of the National Committee on Volunteer Service, declared. A giant Jersey City warehouse on the edge of the Hudson river is the embarkation point for the millions of dollars worth of goods flowing from the United States to Europe through the Red Cross. Its 50,000 square feet of space are continually filled, and a force of 50 men and women is required to handle the 300 tons of supplies that pass through it each week.

Recruit Is Sorry To Leave His Elephant

ATLANTA, Ga.—When Matthew Ferguson enlisted in the army, he was confronted with a big task—what to do with Alice. Alice is the 18-year-old elephant that Ferguson bought last spring and converted into a work animal on his farm near Camden, S. C. Alice has a gentle disposition, but the army frowns on pets.

# Society Notes

## Former Residents To Visit Here

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hodges will have as their guests for New Year's Day Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Schmuck of McAllen, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Schmuck, Jr., of Weatherford and Mr. and Mrs. Roger LaPrelle of Fort Worth. Mrs. LaPrelle is the former Miss Laura Schmuck. All formerly made their home in Ranger and Mr. and Mrs. Hodges have issued an invitation to all friends to call during Wednesday afternoon.

## Royal Neighbors To Meet Tonight

The Royal Neighbors of America, Carnation Camp No. 9059 will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the I. O. O. F. hall.

**LOTS OF EGGS**  
from  
**PURINA LAYENA**  
THE COMPLETE FEED

**Blacklock Feed Store**  
PHONE 112

**IT'S TRUE YOU CAN BUILD**

The Home of your Dreams Can Now Be Yours!  
• No Down Payment  
• Low Rate Interest

**Burton-Lingo Co**

**BRING THE NEW YEAR RIGHT!**

Do the remodeling, painting and papering you've been contemplating. Borrow our Sherwin-Williams Paint and Color Style Guide to aid you in your painting problems.

"Your Color Headquarters!"

**Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.**  
Phone 140  
Ranger, Texas

**Paramount Taxi**  
PHONE 1

Ride a Taxi and Save Parking Worries!  
We meet all busses and Trains!

**INVESTIGATE INSURANCE**

Your local bank will finance your car and PERMIT YOU TO PLACE YOUR INSURANCE WITH AGENT OF YOUR OWN SELECTION. Insurance is an important item to you—the service of Your Agent, Your Friend, can prove invaluable in case of loss.

**CONSULT**

**C. E. MAY**  
Your Insurance Man

**VIT-A-WAY MINERALS**  
FOR YOUR MILK COW

We have them in 10 and 100 pound sacks.

Dairymen have found them profitable!

**A. J. RATLIFF FEED**  
PHONE 109

# Society Personals

Arthur Deffebach left this morning on a business trip to Galveston.

H. T. Schooley is a pneumonia patient in the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Woods, Miss Daisy Woods and Bobby spent Sunday visiting in Abilene.

W. A. Canafax is confined to the West Texas Hospital with the influenza.

All members are especially urged to attend as very important matters will be discussed.

## O.E.S. Study Club To Have All Day Meeting

The Study Club of the Ranger Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star will have an all-day meeting beginning at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The meeting will be held at the Masonic hall and a study of the ritual will be conducted.

A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon.

## MATTRESSES

Rebuilt, new Ticking  
Two for \$5.00

Innerspring Mattresses rebuilt or made to order. Also furniture upholstering, repairing.

PHONE 318  
**Ranger**  
**Mattress Factory**  
W. E. Herwick, Prop.

SEE  
**BROWN'S**  
Transfer and Storage  
— For —  
MOVING  
CONTRACT OPERATOR  
T. & P. TRANSPORT  
Phone 635

**H. H. VAUGHN**  
SERVICE STATION  
100% T-P Products  
Distilled Water for Sale  
Washing—Greasing—Storage

**Listen, Mister!**

There is a difference in hair cuts. A good one is a cut that suits the shape of your head and helps the hair lie neatly in place. Get your next one here and note the difference.

**GHOLSON BARBER SHOP**

**HAVE YOU TRIED OUR—**

Bar-B-Q—it's as typically American as the western range! Delicious pork or beef with that inimitable Porkey Pig Bar-B-Q sauce. Try it with a cup of coffee.

**PORKEY PIG**  
Norman & Dwaine

**BEFORE AND AFTER!**

Shoes that look shabby and shapeless, can be restored to shining good looks, after we repair and clean them. We also do size stretching, and ease binding.

**BELL'S MODERN SHOE SHOP**  
706 Main St.

**FOR RENT**  
2, 3 and 4-Room  
Furnished or Unfurnished  
Apartments With Bath  
**GHOLSON HOTEL**  
and  
**APARTMENTS**

Roy Johnson of Frankell is a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital.

W. A. James is an influenza patient in the West Texas Hospital.

Richard Little of Stephenville is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. L. E. Davenport.

Mrs. P. J. O'Donnell, Mrs. R. W. Gordon and Miss Winnifred Dunkle spent the week-end in Dallas.

Mrs. C. L. Dittman has returned to her home in Fort Stockton after spending the holidays in the home of Mrs. Homer Hodges.

Misses Peggy and Paty O'Donnell, who are home from the University for the holidays, have been confined to their home with the influenza.

John McKinney of Brownwood, formerly of Ranger, is reported to be critically ill in Brownwood.

Miss Beulah Bowles of Denton is the guest of her mother, Mrs. F. R. Bowles.

Miss Inez Harrell of Mineral Wells spent today and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Roberts and children spent the past week-end visiting relatives near McKinney.

Howard Savage underwent major surgery at the City-County Hospital today.

W. G. Howell who has been a patient in the City-County Hospital was dismissed today.

Mrs. J. L. Thames of Cisco is a medical patient in the City-County Hospital.

Harold Ainsworth has been dismissed from the City-County Hospital.

J. L. Shaw who recently underwent surgery at the City-County Hospital was dismissed today.

Johnny Boyd is confined with the influenza.

Miss Marie Flahie has been called to Corpus Christi because of the death of her nephew, John

Backus. His mother was formerly Miss Flahie of Ranger.

## From U. S. Hearts to British Heads



Sitting amid some of the 1500 steel helmets being sent from New York to protect British civilians from shrapnel and shell fragments, Pat Mullen chalks messages of encouragement to future wearers. Tin toppers were bought with funds of American Committee for Defense of British Homes.

## Ranger Stores Will Close on New Years

All Ranger stores will be closed all day Wednesday, Jan. 1, in celebration of New Year's Day. This action was decided upon at a recent meeting of the Ranger Retail Merchants Association members.

The Ranger Times will close, too, an early morning edition, which will be distributed to all local subscribers and mailed to all out-of-town subscribers on that day.

Texas of all the states has the largest number of rural people without libraries, according to the People's Library Movement of Texas.

## Farmers Wives Save On Bread

AMES, Ia.—Home made bread—the kind with the crisp brown crust—is still holding its own in many farm kitchens.

A survey by Miss Margaret Tiffany of Iowa State College, showed that many Iowa farm women joined their sisters in Kansas and Nebraska in making their own bread regularly.

Home baker, however, was more prevalent among lower income families, she pointed out.

"Baking at home saves money and releases it for other purposes," Miss Tiffany said. "Home-made bread costs between 4 and 5 cents a pound, and baker's bread from 7 to 10 cents."

"Forty home bakers kept track of their time, and found they averaged five and a half hours a month in bread baking, and saved an average of \$1.50 a month. In other words, they were making about 33 cents an hour. A Nebraska study put these earnings at 39 cents an hour, and a Kansas study at 49 cents."

The agricultural experts dealt a blow, however, to childhood illusions about the superiority of home-made bread. The baker's variety scored higher in a series of tests. The two breads were almost identical in composition, except that the baker's variety contained more minerals and less fat.

**HONOR STUDENT IS BLIND**  
By United Press

IOWA CITY, Ia.—Shirley A. Porter is one of the best students at the University of Iowa; he is working his way through school; he is a talented musician. He has been totally blind since childhood.

**BUS SCHEDULE**  
Chisholm Trail Coaches, Inc.  
The Direct Short Route  
Save Hours - Save Miles  
Leave Ranger . . . . . 9:20 A.M.  
Ar. Breckenridge . . . . . 10:10 A.M.  
Ar. Vernon . . . . . 1:15 P.M.  
Ar. Amarillo . . . . . 8:45 P.M.  
Ar. Lubbock . . . . . 5:15 P.M.  
Ar. Altus . . . . . 8:00 P.M.  
Ar. Lawton . . . . . 9:00 P.M.  
Ar. Wichita Falls . . . . . 12:45 P.M.  
Ride Chisholm Trail Coaches, Inc.  
Dependable - Reliable  
Courteous Service  
**RAY GRIMES,**  
Owner and Operator  
For Information Phone 1  
**PARAMOUNT HOTEL**

## CLASSIFIED

- 1—LOST, STRAYED, STOLEN  
LOST Small black bulldog with white markings. Call W. C. PONTAINE, for reward.
- LOST—License plate No. 357-046 and hub cap. Phone 532.
- 19—FOR SALE  
TURKEYS for sale. McMillan farm, Highway 80 West. Phone 622-J.
- FOR SALE: Fresh milk cow.—CARL B. CLEMMER.
- 7—SPECIAL NOTICES  
✓ LOANS ON AUTOS.—C. E. Maddocks and Co.
- 11—APARTMENTS FOR RENT  
FOR RENT — One unfurnished and one furnished apartment. Phone 308-J.—309 Elm St.
- FOR RENT: Unfurnished apartments.—FRAZIER, 301 South Commerce St.

# ENCHANTED LOOKING-GLASS

Do you ever wish for a magic mirror, a genii's gift, in which the world of yesterday, today and tomorrow will be reflected?

Standing on the brink of recorded time, your daily newspaper is such a gift. You have only to turn the pages. . . .

Yesterday Lindbergh landed at Le Bourget . . . today a Yankee Clipper lands at Lisbon . . Tomorrow, perhaps, you will be landing in London.

Yesterday, Versailles . . . Today, Munich . . . Tomorrow? . . . Your newspaper will have the answer.

Yesterday (in 1919) a four-inch advertisement quietly announced "Radio Apparatus." Today, in the pages of radio news, small notices are advertising television. Tomorrow you will be buying a set. . . .

Advertising, no less than the news and the editorials, marks the progress of the world. . . and advertised products are dependable, worth-while aids in the art of civilized living.

Annual meeting of the Texas Agricultural Workers' Association will be held in San Antonio on January 10 to 13.

**Chiropractic**

At this time of year the body like the automobile needs a special up-keep. This you may do through the Science of Chiropractic. By the use of Colon Therapy, you may keep the body clean from within. Also special attention is given through X-Ray service. Yours for service through chiropractic.

**E. R. Green, D.C.**  
209 Main St. - Ranger

**ARCADIA**  
GABLE & LAMARR  
"Comrade X"  
TUESDAY ONE DAY ONLY!  
They've got HEART TROUBLE!  
Dick POWELL & DREW  
Christmas in July

**SPECIAL New Year Show**

Tuesday Midnite 11:30 P. M.  
The story of a tempestuous era!  
The drama of a tumultuous Love!

**ARIZONA**  
Starring  
**JEAN ARTHUR**  
with William Holden  
Warren William

**EXTRA!**  
SERPENTINE HORNS CONFETTI  
HATS WHISTLES FAVORS FOR ALL!

PLAN NOW TO BE AT THE PARTY!

**ARCADIA**

**Yes! WE DELIVER**

**JUST PHONE 103**  
Our meats are guaranteed to be of the highest quality . . . and see if you can match our prices!

**A. H. POWELL GROCERY & MARKET**  
PHONE 103 — WE DELIVER

**Davis SUPER TRACTION**  
For MUD - SAND - SNOW

**Guaranteed**  
18 MONTHS  
For Passenger Car Service

**Guaranteed**  
12 MONTHS  
For Commercial Service

Davis Super - Traction Tires get you through . . . throw away your chains!

**Dependable Transportation In Any Weather**

The scientific, lug-tread of the Davis Super Traction gives powerful traction. Even in the toughest weather the deep, tapered, wide-apart blocks on the treads literally bind themselves to the road. Equip your car or truck now!

**THE WESTERN AUTO STORE**  
S. O. MONTGOMERY  
Phone 300 - Ranger