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Air Raid Course to be in Eastland Feb. 18

JAPANESE AND RUSSIANS GET KEY SECTORS

CHUNGKING, China, Feb. 11 Japanese forces, driving northward toward the Burma Road, have occupied the coastal town of Maraban, and are using rubber boats in crossing the Salween River, the Rangoon radio said tonight.

The broadcast said that Chinese forces had contacted the Japanese and Thai invaders at an undisclosed sector of the Burma front, on the west side of the Salween River estuary, opposite Moulmein.

At Martaban the Japanese would be at the terminus of a railroad, which skirts the Gulf of Martaban, extending 160 truck miles to Rangoon, the capital of Burma.

MOSCOW, Russia — White Russian ski troops, attacking in a heavy snow storm today captured Maklachi, an important communications center nine miles behind the German lines in the Bryansk sector, southwest of Bryansk.

Malachi is 5 miles north of Bryansk, and about 200 miles from Moscow. Smolensk is about 140 miles north and west. This is the area where the Soviets have been trying to bring up the southern arm of their pincers movement against Bryansk.

Letters To Get Stamps Are A Postal Fraud

United States postal authorities have issued statements to the effect that the mails in all parts of the country are being flooded with letters relating so-called endless chain schemes soliciting defense savings stamps, some of the letters going so far as to state that the scheme has the approval of the federal government.

Patrons are warned that the sending of such matter through the mails is a violation of the postal fraud and lottery statutes, and notice is served upon persons participating in such schemes whose names come to the attention of the postoffice department, requiring them to show cause why fraud orders should not be issued against them. Such orders forbid the delivery of any mail to the persons named therein.

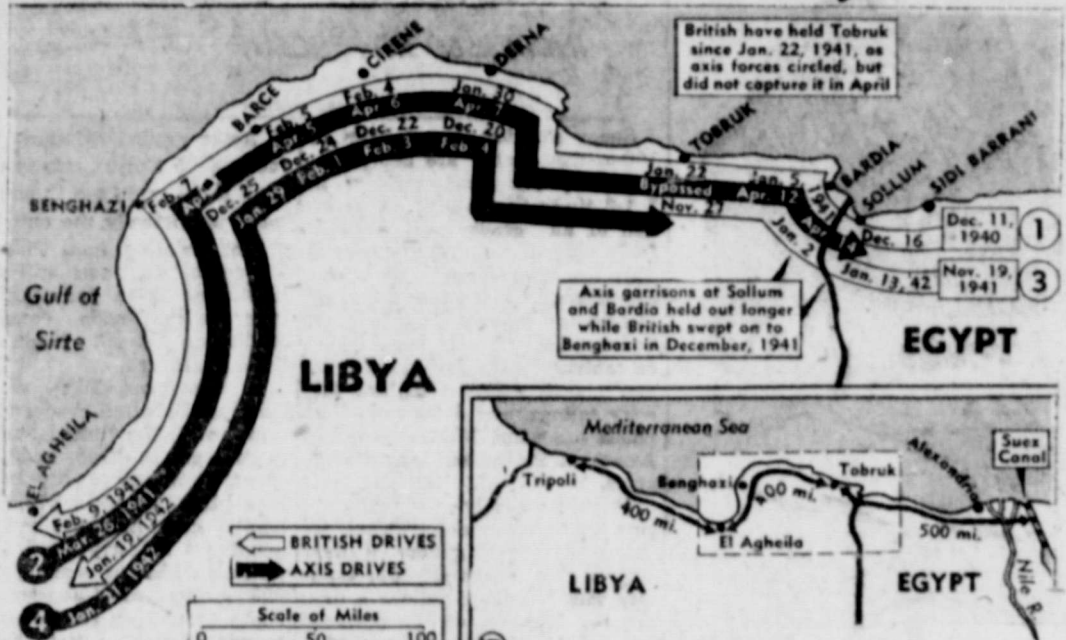
Women Can Aid In National Defense

LUBBOCK.—So you're a woman and you'd like to find your place in the defense scheme? Well, according to George H. Treadwell, Federal Bureau of Investigation agent from Washington, here are some of the things you can do:

- Prevent panic in times of emergency. Organize fire fighting brigades without purchasing expensive fire fighting equipment. Learn how to meet possible gas attacks. Engage in first aid training. Build small air raid shelters. Treadwell spoke here during a recent school on national defense for police officers and plant executives.

WE WANT BOOKS! VICTORY

Time table of Shuttle Warfare in Libya



Back and forth across 500 miles of Libya's desert have gone the troops and tanks of Britain and the axis in the four drives shown on map. Current German drive east renews threat to Suez Canal.

EASTLAND NETS LARGE SUM IN RECENT DRIVE

The City of Eastland's Committee on its Infantile Paralysis Drive, which closed with the President's Birthday Ball on January 31, has made the following report:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Wishing Wells (7.29), Ladies Activities (20.00), Birthday Ball (270.55), Total (297.84).

There is to be \$10.00 deducted from this amount for the rent of the Hall and for the music, which was furnished by Ray Alderson and his twelve-piece band. Eastland will show in excess of \$200 profit on this year's activities.

The committee wishes to thank everyone for their hearty cooperation in helping make this drive a complete success.

The dance was attended by a very large crowd, and 51 couples from Cisco were among those present, who purchased their tickets in Cisco, and for which Cisco will receive credit. Also a large group of people attended from Ranger, who purchased their tickets in Ranger, and for which Ranger will receive credit. This is in addition to the \$287.84, which is the net proceeds for the City of Eastland.

The above proceeds were turned over to Charlie Kleiner, county chairman of the Infantile Paralysis Fund, in accordance with instructions from the national headquarters.

Enlist Women As Oil Field Firemen

GLADEWATER, Tex.—A women's fire-fighting brigade is being organized to prevent flames from destroying the East Texas oil field in case of incendiary bombing.

Fire Chief O. B. Davis of Gladewater said the protection of the world's largest oil producing area would be left largely to the housewives.

This system, said Davis, was used successfully in London during the fire raids and will be used in this rich oil production center. Davis recently attended a defense meeting, where he learned of methods to combat fire bombs. "You'd think they'd have a high-powered formula for putting out fire bombs," he commented. "But they don't. The formula is sand." If bombing raids become imminent, Davis said, each housewife will be asked to keep on hand a supply of dry sand.

Now A Lieutenant



Gates Barker, a graduate of Furman University, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barker of Ranger, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps, according to information received here.

Gates Barker Now Second Lieutenant In Marine Corps

Second Lieut. Gates R. Barker, United States Marine Corps Reserve, enlisted in the Marine Corps as a candidate for reserve commission on June 24, 1941. He was sent to Quantico, Virginia, to attend a special four months course designed to qualify candidates for commission and, after passing this course successfully, was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps Reserve on Nov. 1, 1941.

He was then assigned to the Reserve Officers' Class, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Va., to attend an additional three months course of training in the duties of a platoon commander, before being assigned to active duty with troops. He completed this intensive course of study successfully and was graduated on the 31st of January, 1942 and will now be assigned to active duty with regular Marine Corps units.

Second Lieut. Barker attended Furman University, majored in Chemistry and was graduated on June, 1941, with a B. S. degree. He is a member of the Alpha Epsilon Delta fraternity. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barker, Ranger, Texas.

Blazing Plane Is Cause of Alarm In Oklahoma Town

WOODWARD, Okla., Feb. 11.—Reports that an air transport plane was a fire as it passed over Woodward, Okla., early today, created much excitement among the residents here. Inquiries at the airlines offices and a search by three planes failed to produce any evidence of an air mishap.

Buck Perine Has Enlisted In Naval Training Corps

Buck Perine, speedy pass receiver for East Texas State Teachers College football squad and son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Perine of Eastland, has enlisted in the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps of the U. S. Navy.

Perine and two of his fellow squadmen passed their physical examinations Feb. 7. The boys are all juniors and will complete their college education before entering an officers training school in October of 1943. After four months intensive training they will be graduated as Ensigns of the U. S. Navy.

Of 20 boys who enlisted from East Texas State, only 5 passed the rigid physical examination to which they were submitted.

Obliging Cop Aids In Blackout Test

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—During a recent blackout test, Radio Patrolman Harold Campbell messaged police headquarters over his shortwave radio: "There's a lady out here on Allen street who won't put out her lights."

"Why?" cried the dispatcher. "She says she's scared," Campbell answered.

Police Chief R. D. Thorp listened in on the call. "Tell him," he ordered, "to turn out those lights and stay with her until it's over."

Congressional Medal of Honor Is Rare Award In Annals of Army

WASHINGTON (UP)—The U. S. Army awards seven different decorations for gallantry or distinguished services, topped by the prized Congressional medal of honor.

The medal of honor is awarded with such rarity that of the 4,000,000 Americans in the World War only 95 were so honored. Up to April 6, 1917 only 1,723 medals of honor had been awarded.

First American to win the honor in the present war was 2nd Lieut. Alexander B. Nininger, Jr., a 24-year-old officer of the 57th Infantry, Philippine scouts, who was killed in action near Abatay, Bataan peninsula, Jan. 12. In the present war the U. S. Army Forces in the Far East and of the Hawaiian Department have been authorized by the War Department to award all decorations except the Medal of Honor and the Distinguished Service Medal. In award of the Medal of Honor, the recipient of that decoration is, whenever practicable, ordered to Washington and the presentation is made by the President. When it is impracticable for the President personally to bestow the Medal of Honor, the Secretary of War or

LAW AGAINST LOOSE TALK NOW IN EFFECT

DALLAS.—From now on, friend, watch your talk. Not only a "slip of the lip may sink a ship" but wartime regulation of speech is in effect—a thing most of us have overlooked.

Involved are laws applicable to the security of the United States. For instance: Anything now spoken, written or printed that is disloyal or abusive to our nation and calculated to breach the peace calls for a punishment of not less than two or more than 25 years in prison.

The same punishment is provided for one who merely possesses a flag standard, ensign or coat of arms of any nation or its subdivision with which the United States is at war.

You can't use the Texas flag for any commercial purpose without being liable to a \$50 to \$100 fine for each day concerned.

You can't mutilate or defile the flag of Texas or of the United States under penalty of 30 days in jail or \$100 fine.

Any willful threat on the President's life incurs a \$1,000 fine and five years imprisonment.

Treason, or latter-day fifth-column work, is punishable by not less than \$10,000 fine and from five years in prison to a death sentence.

Willful refusal to report a treasonable act is punishable by \$1,000 fine and a maximum imprisonment of seven years.

Inciting a rebellion takes a 10-year imprisonment and \$10,000 fine.

Any two persons who are found guilty of conspiring to overthrow or destroy the United States government.

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Old Weapon Is Still Serviceable

BEEVILLE, Tex. (UP)—Hughes Buerger has found himself a weapon from other wars and it's yet in serviceable condition, even though it's 100 years or so old.

It is an Indian bow, five feet long. Buerger noticed the tip of the bow protruding from a caliche pit on his farm in the Central community. He tugged it out, found it covered with a moss-like growth and cleaned it up.

Scouting for Japs?



Keen-eyed Sioux Indian Army scout has his rifle ready to deal with any enemy threatening our western coastline. Indians, who know northwest woods country well, were used as scouts in World War I.

BRITISH STILL HOLD OUT AT FAR EASTERN VERSION OF DUNKIRK

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The Paris radio tonight quoted Japanese reports that the Singapore railroad station, the harbor and several districts in the western part of the city were in flames.

The British were still fighting at Singapore today.

All day the battered defense forces battled against an overwhelming Japanese offensive on the little island that once symbolized the might of the British Empire in the Far East.

Hour after hour in the tropical heat and under relentless bombardment they held out while the women and children were being rescued by British and Dutch naval and merchant ships from the Singapore Harbor.

As night shrouded the island the fight was still in progress and there appeared to be some hope in London that a considerable number of defenders could be evacuated in the far eastern version of Dunkirk.

Japanese broadcasts reported that the city area of Singapore had been penetrated, but acknowledged that the defenders were offering the most stubborn resistance and the Singapore radio, heard at intervals, made it clear that the battle was still in progress.

The eventual fate of the island bastion already had been decided by the thousands of Japanese troops pouring in from the north and by virtually unquestioned air superiority.

But stiff blows still were being struck by the British forces, determined to take the greatest possible toll of the enemy strength.

Carrier Pigeon Has Made Its Home At The Fire Station

A carrier pigeon, wearing an identification tag on one leg, stepped off in Ranger this week, and an effort was being made to find out where it belonged.

TEXAS RANGER WILL TEACH AIR WARDENS



Chiefs of Police, Sheriffs of Surrounding Counties Will Be At Meeting.

Air raid warden instruction will be given in Eastland by Texas Ranger on the night of Wednesday, Feb. 18, it was announced today by Deputy Sheriff J. H. Mitchell of Eastland. Arrangements for the class of instruction were made by Sheriff Loss Woods and his deputy.

Mitchell recently attended a week of instruction at a school conducted at Wichita Falls, along with Lee Ames, Chief of Police of Ranger. The two have now received their diplomas, issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and signed by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the G-Men.

Arrangements for the school in Eastland were completed in correspondence and telegrams between Sheriff Loss Woods and Sol Homer Garrison, Jr., head of the Department of Public Safety.

Sheriff Woods received a telegram from Col. Garrison, offering the services of a Texas Ranger to instruct the air raid wardens, and the date was acknowledged and approved by Sheriff Woods.

Deputy Sheriff Mitchell is getting out letters to Chiefs of Police, air raid wardens, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and others who might be interested in the instruction, and it is expected that a large percentage of the peace officers from surrounding counties will be present.

The telegram received by Sheriff Woods from Col. Garrison reads: "Can have Ranger W. E. Naylor in Eastland February 18 to instruct air raid wardens in a five hour course on duties and organization. Suggest begin 6:30 or 7:30 p. m. Would appreciate your inviting chiefs of police and sheriff neighboring cities and counties and their wardens, too, so we can reach as many as possible if arrangement is satisfactory. Please advise by wire."

Sheriff Loss Woods immediately had Deputy Sheriff Mitchell send the following wire to Col. Garrison, confirming the date: "Your arrangement satisfactory. Will expect Mr. Naylor Feb. 18."

In addition to attending the one-week course at Wichita Falls, Deputy Mitchell also attended a meeting at Abilene Sunday and one at Austin Monday, which he received additional instruction and information about civilian defense projects.

It was largely because of the work done by Mitchell and Ames in the school at Wichita Falls that it was possible to secure the services of Ranger Naylor for the course to be taught in Eastland.

Being Shot Down Twice Not Enough To Stop Aviator

ABILENE, Tex. (UP)—Downed twice in less than a month, Aviator George L. Paxton, Jr., cabined his sister he soon would be back battling the Japanese in the skies above Burma.

Civilian Defense To Be Reorganized

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Director James M. Landis today said he was studying plans for complete reorganization of the Office of Civilian Defense.

He indicated one of the major questions under consideration was whether or not the division of physical fitness—in which dance, Mayris Chaney, a friend of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, is employed, may be transferred to some other agency.

River, Harbor Bill Urged by President

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—President Roosevelt today urged early passage of the \$965,000,000 Nileas rivers and harbors bill which includes the St. Lawrence waterway.

He said that the measure would be a help in stabilizing employment and would promote national security.

Overlooked Medal Is 24 Years Late

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—Twenty-four years ago during a German artillery attack in France Capt. William G. Rosamond was zipping through the shells on a motorcycle when he encountered Gen. Omar Bundy, commander of the Second Division. The general was in difficulty. He was stalled because of a broken timing chain on his staff car.

Rosamond rode to a neighboring village, secured a new chain, and returned to fix the general's car.

General Pershing ordered a citation for bravery under fire. But the medal which was to accompany the citation never came.

Recently, the War Department, busied again with issuing decorations, discovered its oversight and sent the award to Rosamond. It was the Order of the Purple Heart, and at service at North Texas Agricultural College, the medal was pinned on Rosamond by his son, Lieut. Paul H. Rosamond of the school's Reserve Officers Training Corps.

"These, obviously, are days devoted to the award of medals," observed the former captain.

"BEST FRIEND" KISSING IS RISKY

SAN JOSE, Cal. Superior Judge Williams has catalogued as a "cruelly" that is sufficient to justify a divorce the kissing by a wife of her husband's best friend.

Mrs. Archie Lobrovich, 22, insisted it was all in fun and a common practice, but the judge awarded the aggrieved husband the divorce.

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## Jumping Up and Down Doesn't Help

No situation is more trying to the soul of man than to be helpless to prevent the destruction of something one loves; to watch a catastrophe as one sometimes does in dreams when one cannot lift a finger to avert it.

This sort of situation requires courage and steadfastness. We have to show it now.

General MacArthur's men in the Philippines are showing a courage and skill seldom equaled in military annals. Against heavy odds they have injected so much hope into a hopeless situation that it seems that help might even bring them victory.

Every instinct cries "Get them that help, somehow!" For those not charged with military responsibility, it is easy to cry out. "Why isn't something done?"

That is jumping up and down. That is hand-wringing. It does precisely no good, and it may do a great deal of harm.

One U. S. senator cries out that if the expedition sent to Ireland had only been sent "across the Pacific" it would have been much better. Does he imply that the sending of a few thousand troops to Ireland actually prevented the War Department from sending as many troops to the Pacific as shipping facilities, convoys, and the Japanese blockade permit?

The question answers itself. There are plenty of troops in the country. The number that can be sent to the Pacific is limited, not by the number sent to Ireland, but by factors of transport, convoy, and the naval situation in the Pacific.

Another senator cries, "I am sincerely hopeful that someone is thinking of getting assistance to the forces fighting in the Far East."

That is really below the belt. Would the senator say outright what he implies, namely, that nobody is thinking about it? He knows better. He knows very well that the War Department is thinking furiously about it. One wonders if this senator would like to assume personal responsibility for sending transports into Manila Bay through the Japanese naval screen that hangs like a chain from Wake, Guam and the Japanese mandated islands past New Guinea, Borneo, Sarawak and Indo-China to Hong-Kong. Probably he would not. Yet in implying that Army and Navy authorities have not even considered the prospects, he suggests that they should. This is sheer jumping up and down, nothing else.

The country has a right to expect that the War and Navy Departments will take every possible step to relieve MacArthur and the whole situation in the Far East that offers better than a 50-50 chance of gaining more than it loses. Should it ever develop that less than this was done, somebody will sweat for it. But merely to jump up and down shouting "Why doesn't something DO something!" is of no help.

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

**HORIZONTAL**

2 The two.

3 Pictured instrument.

10 Mohammedan prince.

14 Send forth.

15 Combination.

16 Manufactured.

17 Expire.

18 Helmet.

19 Body of water.

20 Its — make the music.

23 The — is a similar instrument.

26 Plaything.

27 Water plant.

29 Frozen moisture.

32 Wild hog.

33 Greatest amount.

37 Assist.

38 Person with inflated ego.

41 Curved weapon.

42 Performer.

43 Paradise.

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

11 Ship pole.

12 Thought.

13 Last in order.

21 It is (contr.).

22 Short letter.

24 We.

25 Theory.

27 Sheep huts.

28 Falling water.

29 Fashion.

30 River (Sp.).

31 Lyric poem.

32 Portend.

34 Charm.

35 Male child.

36 Pair.

39 Book of the Bible.

40 Neat.

45 Dress edge.

46 Exclamation.

47 Vapors.

49 Impolite.

50 Acidity.

51 Yawn.

52 Formerly.

54 Three (prefix).

55 Raced.

58 Mountain (abbr.).

60 Type measure.

**VERTICAL**

1 Couches.

2 Leave out.

3 Row.

4 Height (abbr.).

5 Carriage.

6 Duck.

7 Nothing.

8 Nickname for Joseph.

9 Wild donkeys.

10 Type measure.

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## Epitaph for the Axis



New Plan of Mutual Ownership May Solve Big Problem of Housing War Workers

BY PETER EDSON  
NEA Service Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—In spite of all the confusion and bickering among government housing agency chiefs in Washington, a lot of defense housing has been built. By Feb. 1, an estimated seventy thousand family dwelling units, three thousand trailers or portable houses, and single room dormitories for eight thousand war industry workers will have been completed. Under construction are 150,000 more dwelling units financed by the government and 220,000 financed privately, but guaranteed by government mortgages. On order are a total of 246,000 government financed homes and Congress has just appropriated another \$300 million for still more war housing.

Some of this housing may be of the wrong type, and, viewed by what the post-war standards and requirements are to be, a lot of this housing may be badly situated. In that connection, some housing authorities point to an interesting parallel. We are building, they say, a lot of tanks. No one has yet suggested that those tanks be built so that they can be used as tractors to pull plows after the war is over. To do so would make them absolutely no good as tanks.

Apply that principle to housing, and what do you get? Should houses for war workers at shipyards and munitions plants be built so they can be used as permanent homes after the war is over? Or should they be built as mere adequate shelter for the duration of the emergency?

Should they be government owned or privately owned? Argument and indecision among federal administrators in Washington over what the government's policy would be on these and other fundamental questions have sabotaged the housing program for war workers more than strikes, priorities, lack of money or slow motion in Congress. But out of this confusion has come one idea which may meet some of the demands for a housing project which shall be adequate for wartime and can still be taken over by private capital after the war. This is what's known as the "Mutual Ownership Plan."

TWO federal housing projects have been completed under this mutual ownership plan as a practical test. Largest is the 500 dwelling unit Audubon Village at Audubon, N. J., built for the Camden shipyard workers. The other is Avion Village of 300 units at Grand Prairie, Tex., built for workers in the new North American aviation plant near Dallas. Nine other Mutual Ownership projects are under construction or have been assigned for construction.

Mutual Ownership is not co-operative ownership in the sense that under the old co-op apartment organizations the occupants built and managed their own project. Instead, the government builds and manages the property, though private capital might do it just as well.

The occupants buy "stock." No down payments are required, a big advantage to the \$1200 to \$2500-a-year war worker. The occupants make monthly payments equivalent to rent but which really cover interest on the investment, insurance, maintenance and repairs, vacancy reserve, taxes, administration, contingency reserve and amortization. For an average four-room unit costing \$3000, the monthly payments have been computed at \$29, a little under the realtor's rule of thumb "1 per cent a month."

From the government's point of view, the beauty of the plan is that Uncle Sam stands to get back about 90 per cent of his investment—with interest. The remaining 10 per cent could be secured with slightly higher payments, or if charges were made for streets, walks and other external and utilities improvements. This 10 per cent is expected to be turning out a largely "de-rubberized" garment by late summer. But for women whose figures are too far beyond the range of the seven basic types, no garment that won't stretch more than a little can be expected to satisfy.

## MAKING AMERICA STRONG

### INDUSTRIAL DISCOVERY "PEPS UP" PLANE SUPER FUEL 25%

INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH IN CHEMICAL FIELD LEADS TO MAJOR IMPROVEMENT IN HIGH-TEST AVIATION GASOLINE

BY USING 4 CUBIC CENTIMETERS OF LEAD TO A GALLON OF GASOLINE INSTEAD OF 3, THE EFFICIENCY OF THIS SUPER GAS HAS BEEN INCREASED 25 PERCENT

Super aviation motor fuels of 100-octane quality are being produced by American refiners at 7 1-2 times the rate of consumption of all grades of aviation fuels only three years ago, and plans to triple even this huge capacity within the next 12 to 18 months are moving rapidly ahead. Construction already has started or contracts have been let for 25 new plants, with the highest priority ratings, and dozens of other plants are being blue-printed, the American Petroleum Institute reports.

Present capacity to manufacture 100-octane motor fuel is about 2,100,000 gallons a day. Only a few weeks ago the capacity was 1,800,000 gallons a day, but the decision of government purchasers to allow the use of 4 cc rather than 3 cc of tetraethyl lead in 100-octane fuel not only increased efficiency but also jumped the capacity more than 15 per cent.

These capacities are in addition to the continuing manufacture of large quantities of slightly lower grade aviation motor fuels of 85 and 91 octane rating. Until three years ago these grades made up virtually the entire supply of aviation fuel. The super 100-octane fuel was still in the laboratory seven years ago, and even moderate-scale commercial production did not begin until three years ago.

In that year, 1938, the total consumption of all grades of aviation fuel in the United States, by government, airlines, and private fliers, amounted to only 100,000,000 gallons, or about 275,000 gallons a day. In three years the petroleum industry has built new plants capable of making 2,100,000 gallons of 100-octane fuel alone every day, and is straining to add enough more in the next 12 months so that by January 1, 1943, capacity will be close to 5,000,000 gallons a day.

Government plans changed so rapidly and unforeseen new demands appeared so suddenly during 1941 that the 100-octane capacity which looked ample, with the Army during the First World War.

**3.—DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL.**  
The Distinguished Service Medal, also instituted in 1918, is awarded to persons who, while serving in any capacity with the Army of the United States, distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious service to the government in a duty of great responsibility. There were approximately 1,917 Distinguished Service Medals awarded during the First World War.

**4.—SILVER STAR.**  
The Silver Star, instituted in 1935, is awarded to each person who, while an officer or enlisted man of the Army, is cited for gallantry in action in orders issued from the headquarters of a U. S. Force commanded by or which is the appropriate command of a general officer, which citation does not warrant the award of a Medal of Honor or the Distinguished Service Cross. While many persons were cited in orders for which they would be entitled to the Silver Star, approximately only 11,517 members and former members of the Army have made application for and received this decoration.

**5.—PURPLE HEART.**  
The Purple Heart was instituted in 1932 and is presented to officers or enlisted men who are honorably wounded in action. The Purple Heart was originally established in 1782 but had not been issued for many years until it was reestablished in 1932.

It was estimated that approximately 186,538 persons would be entitled to this decoration, but so far approximately only 77,958 have been issued.

**6.—SOLDIER MEDAL.**  
The Soldier's Medal, instituted in 1926, is awarded to all members of the Army of the United States who have distinguished themselves by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy.

**7.—DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.**  
The Distinguished Flying Cross, instituted in 1926, is awarded to any person who, by serving in any capacity with the Air Corps of the Army of the United States subsequent to April 6, 1917, distinguished himself by heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in an "act of flight."

Since only one decoration of same rank may be issued, a second Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded officer or enlisted man who forms an act for which he receives a second decoration. Oak-Leaf Cluster is worn on suspension ribbon.

## Japs Didn't Injure Her Appetite



Barbara Joan Williams, 8, dive bombs a meal after arriving in Francisco with her mother from Hawaii. Father's an aviation mechanic at Pearl Harbor.

## Law Against

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ernment are subject to a six-year term and \$5,000 fine.

It will not pay to counsel falsely our armed forces. For instance, anyone who does encourage mutiny or disaffection in the services may pay for his mistake with 10 years in prison and \$10,000 fine. That goes for the written or printed word, too, and for assassinations of military officers and formation of organizations seeking to undermine the government.

If you aid a man who has deserted from the services, you are liable to \$2,000 fine and three years in the pen.

The thing the enemy wants us most to do—spread rumors—is highly undesirable to this country and comes under criminal statutes.

Spreading idle talk or false information with intent to interfere with our armed forces carries a 20-year penalty and a \$10,000 fine.

It's best not to sketch or photograph anything that might be within a military establishment. The thing to do is get permission from the commandant. Better yet, skip it entirely, or you might face a \$1,000 fine and a year-long sentence.

For actual destruction of defense materials there is a 10-year sentence. It's sabotage and a long list of objects and facilities is involved.

We're at war and carelessness isn't tolerated.

## Congressional

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the time of the distinguished service, nor unless it shall appear from the official records of the War Department that such person has so distinguished himself as to entitle him thereto.

### 2.—DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS.

The Distinguished Service Cross, a decoration instituted by Congress in 1918, is awarded to persons who, while serving in any capacity with the Army of the United States, distinguished themselves by extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. There were approximately 6,379 Distinguished Service Crosses won by officers and enlisted men of

## Mrs. Stout Is To Have Trouble In Getting Girdles

By JOSEPH L. MAYER  
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—It looks like painful times ahead for Mrs. "Short Fullest," and she may as well start training the old man now to lace her up behind.

Corset manufacturers and the war production board both have left her out of their calculations, and a throw-back to the 19th century seems indicated.

At the WPA today it was indicated that the "limited amounts" of rubber thread being allocated to manufacturers of foundation garments might run out in the autumn, and corset makers already have announced they will limit production henceforth to seven basic models.

These models include average, junior, missus, average short, average full, average tall, and short full. They do not, however, embrace short fullest or other exaggerated types.

Manufacturers are experimenting with substitute materials and

## Singapore Girds for Siege



Machine gun pillbox in entry in Raffles Square.



Tough Australians leading Singapore's defenders.

## ALLEY OOP

SERIAL STORY

TAMBAY GOLD

BY SAMUEL HOPKINS ADAMS

TWO DEFENDERS

CHAPTER XXVIII

IT was then that Juddy laughed out loud. It was a queer spot for a laugh. Or was it? There was something sort of triumphant about that laugh.

"Maurie Sears went crazy. 'Good God! Juddy!' he yelled. His voice dropped to a snarl. 'You dirty coward! You've got her there to save you hide.' 'That's a lie, Laurie Sears,' I said.

"Mom, too!" He sort of gasped. But his thought was all for my pal. "You can't stay there," he said, like a man praying. "You can't... my sweet... Oliver, if you're a man you'll give her to me."

Juddy said, "He can't. I won't go." Laurie whirled around to face the mob. It was inching forward. "Men, there are two ladies in here."

"Let 'em get out. Nobody wants to harm the girls." Doc's voice snapped. "Keep back, there. No further!" "You can't hold them," Laurie warned him.

I said in Doc's ear, "Ask 'em for 10 minutes to confer on it." He passed it to Laurie, and Laurie put it to the crowd and reported back that they'd stand for five minutes; no more. Back in the darkness a voice was shouting.

"Where's those fatwood torches?" I touched Old Swoby on the shoulder. "Take your coat and pants off," I told him.

I shucked my clothes and got him into them. There was some bay in the corner to fill out the proper curves. Lucky I had on the old, floppy bonnet I usually wore around the camp.

I touched Old Swoby on the shoulder. "Take your coat and pants off," I told him. I shucked my clothes and got him into them.

The crowd gave me a hand. "It's Mom Baumer! In person." "Howdy, Mom." "Make mine a pork barbecue with coffee."

"Say it, Mom." "I suppose you birds are thinking it's you that are getting me out of here. You couldn't get me out with a cable; I'd see you in hell first. But—well—you all know my little skunk. I gave a yank on the leash and Dolf stuck his nose out. 'I reckon I'd better take him 'as he's in a hurry. O. K. by you?'"

"Sure, Mom!" By the laugh I got I knew it was going all right. "You get your big dogs out of the way." Those bloodhounds didn't fit into my plan at all.

That struck them as good sense. They shut the hounds in the woodshed. I ducked back, handed the leash to Old Swoby, jammed the bonnet down over his ears, and gave him a shove. I figured that nobody in that bunch was going to interfere with a skunk who was in a hurry.

Old Swoby was good. He waded his hand and scuttled for the nearest thickets. As he left the crowd heard the voice under the bonnet say.

"Thanks, gents. Back in five minutes." That's what they thought they heard. Juddy and Doc nearly threw a fit. I never told 'em that I'd done a vaudeville turn as a ventriloquist when I was on the stage.

It looked like everything was going to be O. K. Old Swoby would have time to reach the woods. The bloodhounds wouldn't be after him this time. But I wasn't too easy in the old mind when I tried to figure what would happen when they found the game had slipped them.

The moon backed into a cloud. I got the impression of a lot of movement going on outside. The firing started up again. I let off the old pump-gun out the back window, by the way of warning, from what I could make out, Maurice Sears was doing his best to hold them. He called:

"Mom! Juddy! Are you coming out?" Juddy didn't answer. Laurie was hurrying up and down, now, trying to be everywhere at once. There were scattering shots again. I couldn't see him now. Somebody yelled:

"I knew then it was life-and-death now for Doc anyway, if they thought he fired the shot. A bunch of them came out of cover and carried something toward the house. Doc opened the door enough for a look-see. Nobody was coming our way. Doc said.

"Juddy!" She went over to him. "This may seem a queer time to say it. But I don't want you to think that I cheated you."

She put out her hands to him. "Oh, Loren!" she said. He held out his arms. She came into them as if she belonged there. But it wasn't what she expected.

He swung her out through the door and barred it behind her. She turned and bent at the heavy logs like a crazy thing until some young chaps ran up and dragged her away. They looked to me like Welliver boys. O. K. We'd have some friends in the crowd when it came to a showdown.

"I'd do the same to you if I were big enough," he said. Everything was so quiet outside we could hear them calling from bush to bush.

"Is he dead?" "As good as. They got him through the lungs." "I'd hate to be the guy that did it."

"That rat Oliver done it. I seen him draw a bead through the window." That was Bixie Groff. "Get the fatwood. We'll burn him out and string him up."

"Come on, fellas." That was Bixie again. "What the hell we doodlin' around for? Let's get him."

"Shoot that guy, Doc," I said. "I'm holding my shots," he said. He kind of laughed. "Come over here and give me a kiss, Mom, and then get out of here. You're no use to me now."

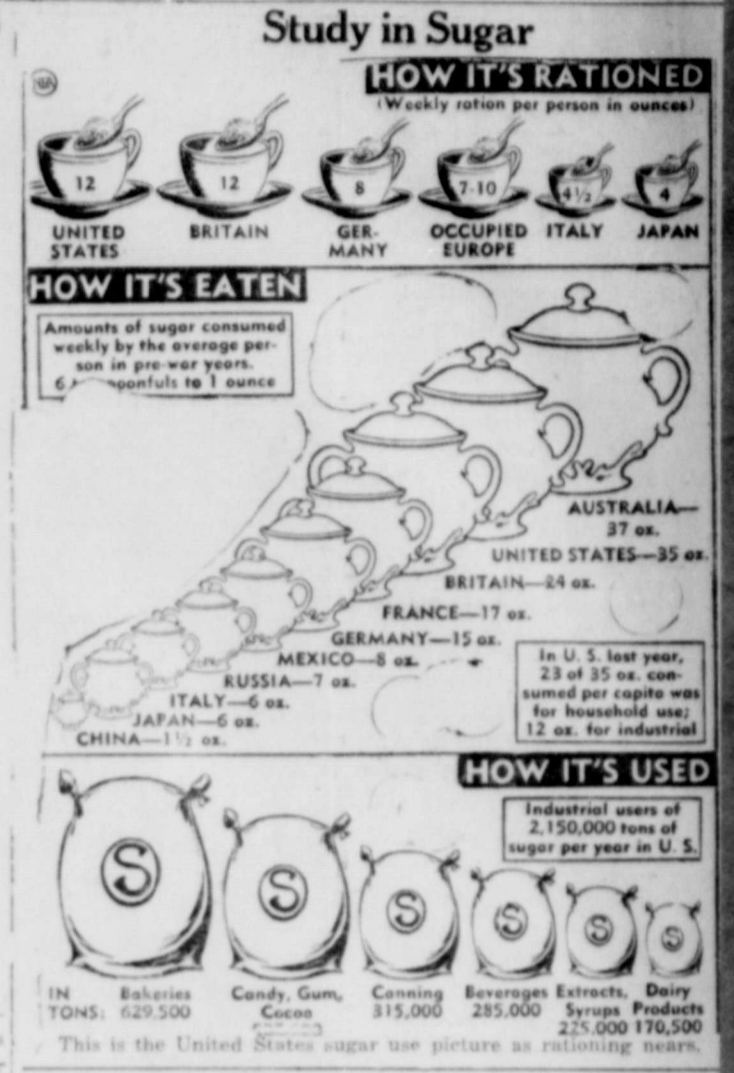


Four Famous Austin Libraries Are Seeking Means of Safekeeping A World of Valuable Books, Records

State Library are papers of Col. William B. Travis, including his letter of Feb. 4, 1836, asking for reinforcements at the Alamo; treaties the Republic made with the Indians; the Texas Declaration of Independence, exhibited in the rotunda of the capitol, and the battle flag of San Jacinto which now hangs behind the speaker's desk in the House of Representatives.

The University library already has photographed micro-filmed some of its more valuable books and manuscripts. This method is also being considered by the Texas state library, housed in the capitol building.

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THE PAY-OFF

NEW YORK—Jefferson Davis Dickson reports that Primo Carnera is in Rome doing the best he can in bits in pictures. The giant makes his home in the gorgeous California bungalow he had built in the village of Sequia, Italy, at the height of the Great American Sucker Tour.

Freckles and His Friends



Three Towns Get Ready For a Camp

TAYLOR, Tex. (UP)—This Williamson county town is getting ready to handle its share of the crowd expected to move into the area with construction of an Army camp between Elgin and

Three Towns Get Ready For a Camp

lastop, approximately 20 miles to the south. Taylor's citizens are getting their "spare rooms" ready for renting to construction workmen; business men anticipate improvement in their line; religious and entertainment leaders are preparing to expand their programs to accommodate new citizens and soldiers on leave.

Three Towns Get Ready For a Camp

Both Elgin and Bastrop are smaller towns than Taylor, and Austin, the nearest city to the new camp, is twice as far away. With tire rationing in progress, Taylor civic leaders anticipate that this city may attract many persons who ordinarily would commute longer distances to larger places.

# Society Notes

Mrs. Schooley Complimented

As a compliment to Mrs. H. T. Schooley who is leaving to make her home in Brownwood, Mrs. Con Hazard and Mrs. Grace Taylor entertained Tuesday evening with a party and handkerchief shower in the home of Mrs. Con Hazard. Mrs. Schooley is a past president of the American Legion Auxiliary and members of that organization were guests.

# Society Personal

Among the piano and violin pupils to be presented by Miss Wilda Drago in recitals Thursday and Friday nights at the First Methodist church in Eastland, are Misses Muri Dean Murrell, Rosemary Bruce and Virginia Gay Lamance.

# Ranger H. D. Club Meets On Thursday

The Ranger Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. J. C. Carothers at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, with Mrs. O. A. Hinman, president of the club, in charge of the business meeting.

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# Abe Lincoln the Soldier



Like many an American youth today Abraham Lincoln served his country as a soldier. This statue, discovered by chance in Dixon, Ill., memorializes the wartime president's service in the Black Hawk war of 1832, when he was 23.

# Bulldogs Lose Two Games To Jackets By Close Margins

The Stephenville Yellow Jackets had one of their closest calls of the season Tuesday night, when they defeated the Ranger Bulldogs 28 to 24. The Yellow Jackets are undefeated this season.

At the end of the first quarter the Jackets led 6 to 2, at the half the score was 15 to 7 and at the end of the third quarter the score was 26 to 15. Then the Bulldogs got hot and, with three minutes left to play, the Jackets had to freeze the ball to prevent a defeat.

Lee was high point man for Ranger with a total of 12 points to his credit, while Hicks of Stephenville was high for his team with 10 points.

In the second game the Yellow Jacket second team defeated the Bulldog second team by a score of 25 to 18.

Hardin and Gray tied for high point honors for the Bulldogs with five points each, while Potot of Stephenville was high for his team with eight points.

The Bulldogs play at Brownwood Thursday night of this week, instead of Friday, because of a conflict with one of the college schedules.

# Names Omitted On Young Honor Roll

The following is the eighth grade honor roll for Young School, which was not included in the list of honor students furnished the Times for publication on Tuesday:

8th Grade:  
Highest Honor: Lillian Ashcraft, Billie Beth Rhoads, Frances Bankston.  
Honor: Kaleen Butcher, Frances Vinson, Joe Gray, Bobbie Walton.

# School Budgets In East Texas Larger A Survey Shows

LONGVIEW. — Of approximately 100 East Texas school budgets examined recently by the Tax Department of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce, every one without exception called for larger expenditures this fiscal year than last.

Moreover, the examination showed that the public expenditures for the same independent districts in most cases were higher last fiscal year than for the year 1939-40, on a per pupil basis in average daily attendance.

There is a marked decrease over the state in the number of students enrolled in public schools, the State Department of Education figures reveal. There is likewise a decline in average daily attendance.

Analyses of public school expenditures for most of the East Texas school districts have been made each year for several years by the regional chamber.

A copy of the analysis of expenditures for a particular school district is furnished the local school board by the regional chamber. Copies of similar studies for neighboring comparable districts are also furnished at the same time.

While most school districts have a \$1.00 tax rate, there are a number of districts that have cut below that figure in recent years. Among these are: Port Arthur, 75c; Highland Park, 94c; Greenville, 81c; Waco, 86 1/2c; Dallas, 91 1/2c; Kilgore, 75c and Gladewater, 68c.

From 1941 to 1942 among East Texas school districts reducing their tax rates were: Dallas, 3 1/2c; Kilgore, 12c; and Waco, 1 1/2c.

School budget making comes again in July. Already a number of school districts have indicated that because of the war emergency, they will reduce expenditures for the next year.

# Christian Laymen To Meet Thursday

A layman's meeting and oyster stew will be held at the First Christian Church of Ranger Thursday evening, beginning at 7:15 o'clock, it was announced here today.

Earl Conner Jr., district attorney of Eastland county, will be the principal speaker at the meeting, it was announced by J. C. Carothers, chairman of the Layman's League of the church.

All men of the church have been urged to be present.

# Dr. Boswell Given Two-Year Contract

Dr. G. C. Boswell for the past year president of Ranger Junior College and superintendent of the Ranger public schools, was re-elected to those two positions at a meeting of the Ranger school board, held Tuesday night.

Dr. Boswell came to Ranger to head the two schools at the beginning of the school year, after serving as president of Weatherford Junior College for several years.

At the school board meeting Tuesday night Dr. Boswell was given a two-year contract.

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**JUNGLE JOURNALIST** — Veteran United Press Far Eastern correspondent Harold Guard chats with a British Imperial soldier in the tropical wilderness north of Singapore. For many years Guard has reported news of the Orient. He joined the staff of the United Press at the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese war, covering Asiatic news from Tokyo to Hong Kong. He was U. P. bureau manager at Singapore when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor and declared war on Britain. Since then he has spent much time at the Malayan fighting front—has more than once narrowly escaped death from Japanese machine gun fire and bombings. In the first World War, Guard served aboard a submarine until he was wounded by an explosion. He still limps from the injury.

# Fires In Texas Show An Increase During January

AUSTIN. — Reports of fires during January to Texas Fire Insurance Department, described as revealing a serious increase in the number of fires, prompted Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner to issue an appeal for greater individual effort in fire prevention.

"Fires constitute one of our most serious threats to national defense and our nation's all-out war production," he asserted. "As an individual contribution to our own welfare, as well as the welfare of our country, it behooves each of us to assume more personal responsibility in fire prevention now."

"At a time when all material resources are so vital to our nation's industrial production, we can ill afford to allow any of it to be destroyed by fire because of carelessness. Any destruction of our resources, whether it be food, clothing, raw or manufactured materials, homes or other property, places an additional handicap on wartime effort. We must curb the economic toll exacted by fire."

Hall, who is also Fire Defense Coordinator of the National Defense Committee of Texas, added, "there is no better fire defense at home than the constant practice of fire prevention."

Citing indiscriminate storage of waste paper as creating an extreme fire menace to almost every home and place of business in Texas, the Commissioner recommended immediate removal of accumulated paper to places where the hazard will be lessened.

It is suggested that individuals or local groups sponsoring the collection of waste paper remove it to buildings isolated from the business section and residential areas of the city to avoid fire spreading to adjacent property should it break out in the stored paper.

"Above all," Hall cautioned, "avoid accumulation of waste paper in the house. The application of a few simple rules of fire prevention will add to our safety and safety of our property at a time when it is most needed."

# Listen, Mister!

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# Political Announcements

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For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: HENRY V. DAVENPORT  
Criminal District Attorney: EARL CONNER, JR.  
For County Treasurer: MRS. RUTH (GARLAND) BRANTON.  
For Sheriff: LOSS WOODS JOHN HART  
For County Judge: W. S. ADAMSON  
For County School Superintendent: T. C. WILLIAMS  
For Constable: L. J. (LUKE) HARDIN  
For Collector-Assessor: CLYDE KARKALITS  
For County Clerk: R. V. (RIP) GALLOWAY

# Hygiene Day to be Observed On Feb. 4

AUSTIN. — The Sixth National Social Hygiene Day will be observed in Texas on Wednesday, Feb. 4, 1942, Doctor Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer and Chairman on Health and Emergency Medical Service, announced today.

"The menace of social disease will be made greater by the crowding of large groups of workers into war industrial areas," Dr. Cox said today. "A recent survey of 216,000 industrial workers in one large city showed 2.98 per cent to be infected with syphilis and 9 per cent with gonorrhea. We must fight vice and venereal diseases and protect our workers."

"Physical fitness not only of our soldiers, marines and sailors but also of our civilian population, will determine the effectiveness of our war effort," Doctor Cox stated. "We must realize that the nation's defense depends on a healthy civilian population, able to produce needed materials."

Social Hygiene Day, nationally sponsored by the American Social Hygiene Association will be observed throughout the country on February 4, 1942. Army and navy officers, industry, management, labor unions, health and welfare agencies participate in this nationwide campaign and collaborate on legal, medical, educational and protective measures to fight venereal disease among industrial workers.

"Physical fitness is the foundation of sound national defense—the prerequisite for victory," asserted Dr. Cox. "More and more Americans are coming to realize that among the first enemies to be conquered in its present mighty effort are the venereal diseases. There can be no strong nation where bodies are unfit; most assuredly there can be no military victory where disease acts as an insidious 'fifth column' within the ranks."

# Names No Help At Technical School

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. (UP) — Instructors at Sheppard Field, the world's largest air corps technical training school will have to be good at remembering faces. In one instance names are going to be confusing.

Two students are named Donald L. Garner. The "L" in both cases stands for Leo. Both are from St. Louis, Mo. Both are 21 years old. Both listed mechanics school as their first choice when they took the mental examinations. Both passed. They are not related.

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# Says Synthetic Rubber Is Better

URBANA, Ill. (UP)—Prof. G. L. Clark, noted University of Illinois chemist, whose research efforts contributed to commercial development of synthetic rubber, predicts that substitutes in American soon will be better than natural rubber.

Starting his research in 1925, Clark set up a laboratory to X-ray rubber and study the molecules of which it is composed.

He found that when rubber is stretched, some of the long, twisted molecules line up into crystals, and that this partial crystallization, which ends when the stretch is released, is a property that every substitute or synthetic rubber must have.

He also found that the manner in which ordinary rubber stretches is different from that in which it returns to its previous shape. Plotting the elongation against the extent of crystallization, he showed the stretching process as a smooth upswinging curve, while the "unstretching" curve has a series of bumps like a rocky hillside.

In 1935, he learned that a molecule of rubber weighs 500,000 times as much as a molecule of hydrogen, although all previous estimates placed the weight at only 68,000 times. No molecules this large had ever been made by chemists.

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