

Ranger is oversubscribing her Bond Quota. Ranger women will complete 20,000 surgical dressings for the Red Cross before the first of March.

Ranger Times

Ranger's NYA Resident Training Center, one of the largest in Texas is training young men and women for War Jobs.

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GERMANY'S TROUBLES MOUNT

1942 BANNER YEAR IN FARM DEBT PAYMENT

HOUSTON, Tex. Jan. 25.—The year 1942 was a banner year for Texas farmers and ranchmen in paying off debts, declared President Sterling C. Evans, of the Federal Land Bank of Houston in connection with the bank's statement.

A total of 9,855 land bank commissioner loans were paid off in full during 1942. "During the year he said, "land bank and commissioner loans outstanding in Texas decreased from \$225,634,583 to \$206,437,392. This net decrease was despite the fact that approximately \$12,000,000 in new loans were closed."

"Future Payment Funds", created to provide a way member-borrowers can pay in advance on their loans, now total \$2,125,000 the year-end report reveals. Future payment fund draws interest at the same rate charged on the loans. In addition to this cushion, member-borrowers are accumulating reserves in War Bonds to make their future secure, Mr. Evans said.

The Land Bank was started 25 years ago in the midst of the first World War. Its primary objective was to help farm and ranch families pay their own homes and business free of debt. Since then, Texas agriculture has been through some rough and changing times but the records show that more than one third of the 146,000 land bank and commissioner loans—made to run up to 341-2 years—have been retired."

Marital Relations Revealed To Free Legal Aid Clinic

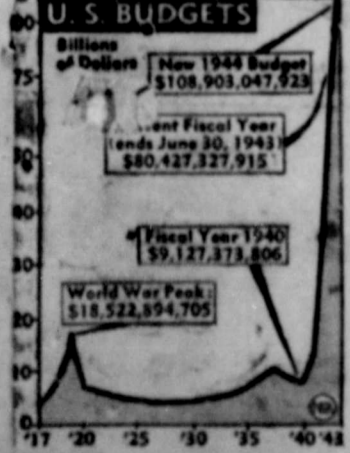
AUSTIN, Tex. Jan. 25.—Senior law students at the University of Texas who are working in the institution's free legal aid clinic are learning a lot about marital relations and the law thereof.

Every Saturday afternoon the clinic remains open overtime to assist men in the services in ironing out their legal problems.

V. A. Sebring Buried Here This Afternoon

Funeral services for Vivian Amos Sebring, who died January 23 at Amarillo, were conducted this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Killingsworth Funeral Home with Rev. David M. Phillips in charge of the services.

Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery. The deceased was born June 4, 1899 at Ophir, Colorado and had made his home in Texas for a number of years. He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Ruth Sebring, his mother, Mrs. Bessie M. Sebring of Long Beach, Calif. and a brother, L. C. M. Sebring of the Army Finance School at Duke University Durham, N. C.



U. S. Budget for the fiscal year 1944 (July 1, 1943-June 30, 1944) is greater than any previous expenditures here and in any other nation.

FORD GOES ALL OUT FOR THE WAR EFFORT

DEARBORN, Mich. Jan. 25.—The Ford Motor Company is dedicating all of its civil industrial effort to mass production of more than a dozen instruments for victory.

Now vast arsenals of democracy, the completely converted plants of the motor company are producing tanks, bombers, jeeps, gun mounts, armor plate, transport gliders, trucks and jeep motors, tires and tubes for Army cars and trucks, and laminated glass for vehicles destined for battle service.

Although the Ford war effort is concentrated in great plants in and about Detroit, 131 of the other Ford plants throughout the country are also in war production.

In northern Michigan, broad-winged gliders take shape on assembly lines once used for the fabrication of the Ford station wagon bodies. In Minnesota, Ford workmen—men who once assembled Ford cars—now construct vehicles for war. In Missouri, Illinois and Pennsylvania, other Ford plants are building for the winning of a democratic peace.

Most dramatic of the Ford war contributions is, of course, the Willow Run bomber plant. Sprawled over what were soy bean fields less than two years ago, the mammoth plant today is moving toward spectacular bomber production.

War was yet an academic concept in the minds of much America when Willow Run began to rise over the stubbled farm land. On April 18, 1941 ground was broken. On October 2 of the same year, newly trained war workers began the manufacture of plane parts. On December 7, 1941, the plant was at work.

Although the magnitude of Willow Run is what catches and holds the imagination, its architectural scope is not its most important feature. The outstanding accomplishment in the creation of the bomber plant was the molding of dies and machines into the Ford system of assembly, applied to aircraft.

The building of Willow Run was not accomplished with the pouring of concrete, the riveting of steel and the laying of roadways. It included the installation of thousands of new fixtures, which had to be designed and manufactured; it included thousands of untrained workers who were carefully schooled in methods of mass assembly; it included engineers, tool designers and production men.

Although lacking the drama of Willow Run, one of the most successful of Ford war contributions is housed in the Aircraft Engine building at the River Rouge plant.

Built at the cost of \$21,000,000, in less than two months time, the aircraft engine plant has been turning out powerful Pratt and Whitney plane motors since early last year.

Today, staffed in the main by recently trained workers, it is turning out aircraft engines in a never-ending stream. Night and day it functions with the same speed and precision that characterized peacetime automotive production.

Near the aircraft engine plant is the new armor plate building. Here steel for tanks and planes is being rolled out in a continuous flow.

Not far from the armor plate plant are the new aluminum foundry, the steel foundry, and the magnesium plant. In all of them new methods will step up the production of vital war materials.

RED CROSS WAR FUND DRIVE PLANS STARTED

At a meeting of Red Cross chairman held this morning at the Chamber of Commerce ground work was laid for the drive for War Funds for the American Red Cross which will open March 1.

Elmo Lowe of St. Louis, national field representative for the drive, spoke at the meeting giving suggestions for the organization of the drive and explaining some questions with reference to the drive. Also present at the meeting and taking part in the plans were Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins of Eastland, Eastland County chairman for the War Health campaign, and E. E. Freytag, county chairman for the Red Cross.

At the meeting L. R. Pearson was unanimously elected to head the drive in Ranger.

Public Warned To Guard Against Exposure To Flu

AUSTIN, Tex. Jan. 25.—With the incident of influenza in Texas reaching new highs as winter advances, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, today issued a warning to the public to guard against exposure to this disease.

"Influenza patients should be isolated as nearly as possible to avoid spreading the disease," Dr. Cox said. "The germ is believed to be spread from person to person through discharges from the nose and throat."

To protect yourself and others from this disease, here are some things to be remembered: Influenza is highly infectious. Practically everybody is susceptible to it. No matter how many times you have had the disease you may contract it again. Therefore, keep away from people who are actively ill with colds, influenza, or pneumonia. Keep away from crowded places. Have your own towel and always wash your hands before eating, and sneeze or cough into your handkerchief.

Keep fit by drinking plenty of water, by eating simple nourishing food, by some exercise out of doors every day, by dressing according to the weather, by having plenty of sleep in a well ventilated room, and by keeping the bowels regulated.

Don't neglect your "cold." If you have the slightest suspicion of fever, go home, go to bed immediately and call your physician. Stay in bed until he tells you that you can get up, and follow his advice implicitly.

Tank Gun Mounts Being Built By Ford Company

DEARBORN, Mich. Jan. 25.—Mounts for 75mm guns for Ford-built M-4 tanks are being assembled for the Army Ordnance Tank Automotive Center by Ford mass-production methods, it was announced today.

Constructed from Ford-made parts, including the intricate elevating mechanism, the fighting end of the heavy M-4's are coming off the line on schedule.

Started several months ago as a four-man department, the gun mount division now is equipped to meet demand made by the steadily increasing output of Ford-built M-4's.

Previously hampered by having to look to outside plants for the many parts that go into the making of the heavy gun mounts, the Ford assemblers now receive every one of the more than 50 parts from Ford plants.

Peaceful Palms on Guadalcanal



There's no hint of war in this beach scene on Guadalcanal, peaceful as a movie travelogue's film, but behind the silvery palms is a Marine observation post, where sharp watch is kept for enemy movements.

COL. SCHRODER DISORDERLY TO SPEAK HERE ON THURSDAY

Colonel C. C. Schroder, assistant to the commanding officer at Camp Wolters is scheduled to speak here Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Recreation building.

Colonel Schroder is being brought to Ranger by members of the 1920 club who have arranged the special program in observance of Citizenship Day, in keeping the program of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. The speaker who will be introduced by Mrs. M. H. Hagaman, will speak on Democracy.

This is an open meeting and the public is cordially invited to attend and hear this able speaker.

U. of T. Freshmen Will Get Off To A "Fast Start"

AUSTIN, Jan. 25.—High school graduates enrolling at the University of Texas for the second semester, beginning Feb. 2, will get off to a "fast start" in their college careers, for they can be full-fledged sophomores by next September, assistant registrar Max Pichtenbaum has announced.

To further speed training of war-required specialists and to give men students a chance to complete as much college work as possible before being called into military service, the University has made special provisions for mid-term freshmen. Basic courses for engineers and pre-medical students, chemistry and physics, have been "skipped" to allow completion of a full year's work in one semester, while the summer session has been expanded to permit completion of 18 semester hours' work rather than 14.

Alameda HD Club To Meet Thursday

The Alameda Home Demonstration club will meet Thursday January 28th with Mrs. W. E. Calvert. All members are expected and visitors are always welcome.

DEADLINE ON POLL TAXES ALMOST HERE

Citizens of Ranger are reminded that this is the last week in which poll taxes can be paid and are also reminded that there will be elections of interest this year.

It was pointed out that tax sales usually fall off in years when there are no national or state elections, but now as never before we should consider it a patriotic duty to pay this tax.

For the convenience of Ranger people the C. E. Maddocks Company office force is handling the sale of poll taxes.

Bullock Is Given Appointments On Senate Committees

AUSTIN, Tex. Jan. 25.—Senator Pat Bullock of Snyder, a school man of many years' experience, successor to Lieut. Gov. John Lee Smith in the senate, has won exceptional recognition in his senate committee assignments.

Lieut. Gov. Smith appointed Senator Bullock chairman of the Senatorial districts committee, which will consider important re-districting bills. Also, Smith appointed him vice-chairman of three committees—those on federal relations, stock and stock-raising, and enrolled bills. And beyond this, his interest in rural education, and the diversified interests of his 12-county district, were recognized in Senator Bullock's appointment as a member of the following standing committees in the senate: State affairs, finance, educational affairs, rules, labor, insurance; oil, gas, and conservation; public lands and land office, commerce and manufacture, public printing, judicial districts, privileges and elections, and game and fish.

Sen. Bullock served the past two years in the house of representatives, and was a member of the committee on education there, and co-author of the rural aid appropriation law. He has served the past two years as a member of the joint legislative committee advising on rural aid administration, and has been chairman of the sub-committee on transportation of pupils.

Texas Hero Is Fictionized In Drama Of Alamo

AUSTIN, Tex. Jan. 25.—A Texas hero whose real adventures seen exciting enough was fictionized in a little-known drama of the capture of the Alamo by Texas forces, a writer in the January issue of the Southwestern Historical Quarterly, published at the University of Texas, has revealed.

Only four copies of the play "Michael Bonham, or The Fall of Bexar," are still in existence, the writer—William Stanley Hoole, of North Texas Teachers College—found but the play was presented in Charleston, South Carolina, where it was well received.

Hero is Michael Bonham, a fictitious character nevertheless resembling James Bonham, an authentic Texas who gave his life in the Alamo. Plot of the drama concerns Bonham's romantic adventures as a disguised Mexican caballero and his part in the first capture of San Antonio by Texas forces.

Says De Gaulle Giraud Reach An Agreement

CHICAGO.—The Chicago Sun said today in a copyrighted dispatch from London that Gen. Charles De Gaulle, head of the fighting French and Gen. Henri H. Giraud, high commissioner of French Africa, had reached an agreement. United States and British mediation aided in the agreement, the Sun said.

FRENCH PATRIOTS STRIKE NAZIS AS REDS CONTINUE TO KNOCK OUT GERMAN DEFENSES

Sierran Communique Says That Russians Have Started A New Offensive South of Voronezh After its Capture

Troubles piled up for Germany today in Russia, in North Africa, and even on the "Home" front of France where patriots were fighting Nazi Army units in the old harbor area of Marseilles.

The critical Axis position in Russia was emphasized by Soviet estimates that 40 per cent of Adolf Hitler's effectives had been knocked out or badly smashed in the spectacular two-month offensive by the Red Army.

SPECIALISTS ARE WANTED BY THE NAVY

DALLAS, Jan. 25.—Specialists to administer the scrap metal program and men for duty in connection with the maintenance of motor torpedo boats hulls are being sought by the Navy.

The Office of Naval Officer Procurement, Eighth Naval District, said scrap metal specialists will be commissioned officers and serve under the Navy's Bureau of Supplies and Accounts.

The requirements are as follows: age, 35 to 45; not less than five years executive experience in the salvage of scrap metals. The volume of business handled should be in excess of one million dollars annually. Furthermore, the above experience should cover all aspects of salvaging ferrous and non-ferrous metal, including sorting, collection, storage and handling and preparation for use in industry.

A college education is desirable but not essential. Men who qualify for duty in the maintenance of motor torpedo boats hulls will be appointed warrant officers. They must have considerable construction experience as carpenters in wooden-hull boat construction and have general and thorough experience in the building of wooden boats.

Applicants who can meet the requirements of either classification should apply at once to the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, 1530 Allen Building, Dallas.

328 Persons Lost Lives In Fires In Texas in 1942

AUSTIN, Tex. Jan. 25.—Fires in Texas last year claimed the lives of at least 328 persons, reports Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner. In addition, Hall stated, there were 345 non-fatal injuries from fire reported by fire marshals of Texas cities and towns.

Among the types of fires causing a number of deaths, Hall listed the following: Ninety-seven persons were trapped in burning buildings; gasoline fires resulted in death to 48; clothing ignited by open fires and open flame heaters killed 38; gas explosion fires caused the death of 27; twenty persons burned to death when trapped in cars and trucks involved in highway accidents; kerosene fires caused the death of 15, and two of the fire deaths are listed as suicides.

Eighty-nine deaths were recorded as resulting from 30 fires which claimed the lives of two or more persons.

The Fire Insurance Department records show the heaviest loss of life from fire was during January with 60 deaths. Deaths by months for the rest of the year were: February, 37; March, 31; April, 31; May, 28; June, 17; July, 15; August, 17; September, 20; October, 15; November, 30 and December, 27.

Indictments Returned

WASHINGTON.—The Justice Department announced today that a federal grand jury at Fort Smith, Ark., has indicted a cannery association, three cannery manufacturers, five cannery supplies, 10 cannerymen, and 175 individuals on charges of fixing prices on canned tomatoes in the "Ozark Area."

Attenshun!



Husky, police dog mascot at Ft. Ruston, Va., presents urina with military perfection marked only by overseas helmet. At night, dog sniffs guard with soldiers.

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COMMONWEALTHS OF NATIONS

Out of the general wonderment as to what will be post-war framework of international government, one probability is emerging, in addition to the certainty that some type of angle-Saxon coalition will become the permanent protector of democracy.

It seems almost inevitable that the old system of colonial empires dominated by European mother countries will give way to Commonwealths of Nations modeled more or less on the British.

Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands already has promised a post-war reorganization of her kingdom into such a commonwealth in which the homeland, Indonesia (Netherlands East Indies), Curacao and Surinam will participate as members.

There is no doubt that the British "Empire" will be loosened yet more, with India eventually joining Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Great Britain as a full partner.

Probably the commonwealth term will not be adopted, but the United States, the Philippines and perhaps Puerto Rico will become, in fact, a commonwealth of nations.

This leaves what used to be the French Empire. In view of what happened when Hitler conquered France, it does not seem far fetched to imagine that the one-time colonies will prove reluctant about returning to their old status.

In pure theory, the simplest thing would be for the major nations to turn their colonies completely loose and let them have both the privileges and the responsibilities of freedom.

However, the people of the Philippines, the Dutch East Indies, French Indo-China, now know at first hand how small is their chance at survival without might behind them. The starving people of Puerto Rico can guess how much worse off they would be if America's economic support were withdrawn.

The British long have known and the Dutch have discovered that it is possible to extend complete local autonomy to the provinces, permit them to share in the determination of commonwealth problems, without leaving them to the mercy of the economic and military wolves.

An certainly the homeland, expected to spring to the defense of its commonwealth brethren in time of need, is entitled to have a voice in emergency matters. The commonwealth type of organization seems to have demonstrated its strength and its flexibility.

TRIAL BY EPITHET

There are those who are worried because only the unquestionably pro-axis officialdom has been cleared out in North Africa—direct representatives of Hitler and the relatively few who by specific action have proved themselves enemies.

The great mass of French officialdom remains in the jobs where it was placed by Vichy or left by the Petain regime as a hold-over from pre-defeat days. This, some believe, constitutes unjustifiable and hazardous appeasement.

From this distance, one would be foolhardy to form any fixed conclusions about such matters. However, there are considerations which, tentatively, may be suggested in offset.

The State Department's attitude toward Vichy was bitterly condemned by a vociferous group of critics who felt that no self-respecting nation could continue to deal with the Petain-Darlan-Laval collaborators.

When the test came, that policy paid huge dividends in lives of Americans who otherwise would have died trying to land in North Africa. It shortened the initial operation so much that our expeditionary force was at the gates of Tunis and Bizerte before it was supposed to have consolidated the original beachheads.

The policy toward Vichy which accomplished this probably really was one of "appeasement." Should it, therefore, be tried and condemned by epithet?

We occupied North Africa—but ourselves in a position to open the Mediterranean and to establish a jumping-off place against the continent—for a song. In doing so, we made certain commitments to the French who either helped us openly or "resisted" with cordial formality. Those commitments are known to only a few. It is a safe guess that they included a promise not to interfere with the civil administration.

Some day soon we shall want to land in France. We hope to find a welcome there because we shall be coming as liberators.

If, now, we assume civil control over North Africa, breaking express or implied agreements with the French there, how can we expect their breathers at home to put faith in our promises?

Appeasement is a big word, a broad conception. There can be the futile appeas-

ment of dishonor, like that of Munich, or the sound appeasement of honorable if un-pleasant expediency.

Let's not be too intolerant about that of which we know little.

AS MARCH 15 DRAWS NEAR

Those rumblings of renewed interest in the Ruml income tax plan signify that March 15 next is beginning to disturb the sleep of our taxpaying citizenry.

In between tax dates most of us can't be worried about the details of the system. But now, with the Victory tax taking bites out of every pay envelope and a huge installment due soon on last year's tax, we're beginning to realize how much rarer it is to pay for a dead horse than a live one.

The Ruml plan proposes that we pay most our income tax as we earn it. In that way we never would come up to an annual March 15 with a burdensome debt to Uncle Sam and nothing with which to pay it.

The current system assumes that we taxpayers are supermen enough to save up the money woe which to pay a tax whose very size we cannot know until the saving period has virtually ended.

Suppose Joe Deakes, keeping his New Year's resolution, lays aside \$1 a week for the \$50 income tax he expects to have to pay. Seemingly to finance the war, next October or November Congress decides to up Deakes' tax to \$75. Of what avail were his good resolutions? Of what benefit that he kept them? He still hasn't saved enough to pay the tax.

The Ruml plan recognizes this difficulty and recognizes also that human nature is weak and the most of us, however good our intentions, do not even save the \$50 we thought we would have to pay, let alone the \$75.

In so far as we have dared figure out, most of us realize that the tax next March is going to hit us hard. Whether or not we realize it, the tax a year from next March will be much greater.

We can't plan for 1944 payment. We wouldn't be able to even guess how much it will be. All we can do is try, out of what is left after a 10 per cent bond deduction, a 5 per cent Victory tax bite, a 1 per cent social security tax, skyrocketing prices for food and mounting costs of most other things, to squeeze out enough for the 1943 income tax.

While we do that, we can be forgiven if we think now and then how much more pleasant it would be if we had paid the 1942 tax week by week as we earned, and thus were out of debt to Uncle Sam.

The closer March 15 approaches, the more we can expect to hear about the Ruml plan.

If you lose interest in buying bonds you lose interest

It's quite okay with the United States Marines that the British Eighth Army is on the shores of Tripoli.

An advance thought for Father's Day—why not let dad return the ties he got for Christmas?

"Purse lost containing \$20 bill valued as keepsake"—newspaper ad. What nationality would you guess the loser was?

A lot of war workers have gotten down to brass tacks and found they were gold.

With horse meat plentiful you should have no trouble getting your filly.

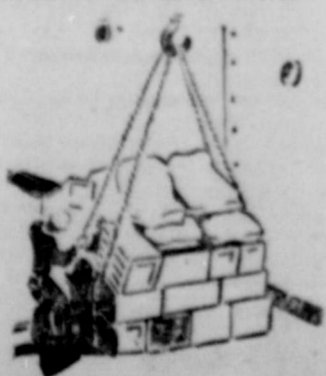
Nothing makes the modern girl blush, says a beauty expert. How about the drug store?

This is the year when a man shouldn't make his garden small enough for friend wife to do all the work later on.

The way we go idea with the income tax probably means pay as you go broke.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

The holds of hundreds of transport ships, traveling the seven seas in convoys, are loaded with provisions for our fighting men. It costs Uncle Sam approximately \$472.32 to keep the average soldier in fighting trim for a year in continental United States. It costs more overseas.



Your purchase of War Bonds, a just ten percent of your income every payday, will help provide the millions of dollars necessary to provide the essentials—food and clothing and barracks—for our soldiers, sailors and marines. At the same time you save money for yourself and your family.

Big Butsch



OUR MEN IN SERVICE

Carl F. Eakin, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Eakin of Ranger has been promoted to first lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps. Lt. Eakin is serving somewhere in the foreign service and has received several citations for his conduct in action.

Faul Higginbotham, son of Mrs. Alice Higginbotham, who has been with the navy in Alaska for some time, writes letters full of the experiences he is having, and of the beauty of the country in which he is serving. He is especially interested in the athletic program sponsored for the men and tells of intense rivalry between sports teams.

Mrs. H. I. Quinn of Ranger has received a letter from her son, Roma, who is stationed in New Guinea. The letter which was dated December 28 told of receiving Christmas cards from Ranger people and of having a

Everyone Is Urged To Have A Victory Garden This Year

Whether you live in town or whether you live in the country, you should have a Victory Garden this year, if you have any available space. In getting ready for the garden, J. F. Rosborough, Extension Service Horticulturist, recommends the following:

Select a sunny location away from trees and shrubs where ing vegetables of soil moisture and plant food. Remove sod or grass and all weeds, Spade up or plow, leaving it well pulverized. Make sure of good drainage. Vegetables will not grow where water stands. Fertilize for increased yields. For the small garden, apply 10 pounds of 4-12-4 good Christmas digger. Church services were held Christmas Eve, the letter stated.

PT. MONMOUTH, N. J.—Second Lieutenant, Glenn H. West was a graduate of the Officer Department of the Eastern Signal Corps School, Ft. Monmouth, N. J. He successfully completed the course of instruction for Officer Candidates and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States, on January 19. He is now assigned for duty with the Signal Corps, Lieutenant West was a former resident of Ranger, Texas.

commercial fertilizer or 200 lbs. rotted stable manure 5 to 10 days before planting. This will by 20 feet.

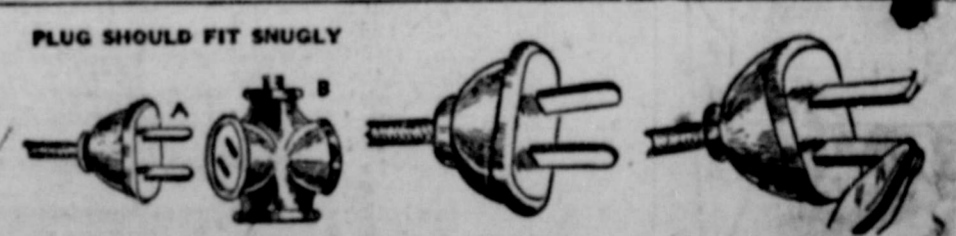
A story on the varieties of seed recommended for Eastland County will appear at a later date. Gladys Martin

County Home Demonstration Agent.

More than 50 distinct types of soil are found in Brown County, Texas.

What you can do when you "BLOW OUT A FUSE"

- 1. TRACE THE CAUSE. When a fuse "blows out" a faulty appliance or a frayed or defective cord may be the reason. Trace the cause and disconnect the lamp or appliance. 2. REPLACE THE FUSE. Replacing a "blown out" fuse is as simple as replacing a lamp bulb. Simply follow the directions below. Better get a supply of extra fuses and keep them handy. Be sure the faulty cord or appliance is repaired before it is put back into service.



TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY A. N. LARSON, Manager

TODAY'S SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Service Sports Editor

NOW that the baseball clubs have to train in the north, officials appear to be wondering why they ever went south in the first place. Ed Barrow recalls only one spring when the Yankees couldn't have worked at home. He once prepared the Maple Leafs in Toronto.

Reminding them of some of the bad weather the Yankees have run into at St. Petersburg, the boss man of the American League champions chides baseball writers for leading the magnates into carrying the conditioning period a little too far. Oh, sure, that's all they were ever doing—entertaining the scribes.

The Yankees are the only outfit which has made money on spring trips over the years, by the way. Attractions in the answer to that—

SOMEONE suggested Madison Square Garden as a site for the Giants, but rent there is \$3000 a day. Andy Coakley, the famous old pitcher who has coached Columbia for eight onto 30 years, has that one beat to death. His idea is a vacant loft in the wholesale district of New York.

"There are dozens of such lofts available," points out the man who developed Lou Gehrig and turned him over to the Yankees. "Places of 10,000 square feet floor area,

with 25-foot ceilings. Put a dirt floor in such a loft and get a temperature of 80 degrees, and the only hitch would be finding showers to accommodate 30-odd players.

"The rugged weather outdoors is all the better for the running required to condition the legs." Well, nobody is going to suffer from sunburn, anyway.

SPEAKING OF THE Office of Price Administration order restricting the use of automobiles, Herbert Bayard Swope recalls that racing lived for many years with horse-drawn vehicles, asks why the sport can't do it again.

Just hitch old Whirlaway to the shay. "After all," says Herb Swope "those who want to see the race can always walk."

The chairman of the New York commission might add that a lot of people have been walking the races for years—to and from. If you want to pick out a hot player, look at his heels.

SERIAL STORY

'I AM A MURDERER'

BY MORRIS MARKEY

HANK EASES UP

CHAPTER XV
THAT was the way it went for the next two periods. Captain Pugh did his best. He blew three fouls against Henry Prentiss, and the Whirlwinds made good their three free tries for goal. But that was virtually all their solace. For Henry Prentiss matched those three, and made three more for good measure.

In the brief pause after the second period which was given for the change of horses, he found Cynthia standing at the end of the field frowning at him.

"Take it easy, Hank," she said. "Hello, Pretty." And, to the groom, "Give me Gaylark this time."

"I said take it easy, Hank. Somebody is going to get hurt. That's not our kind of game, you know."

His grin was exasperating. "O. K., Pretty."

And he was in the saddle and off down the field, swinging his stick in wide circles and yelling, "Come on, guys. Let's play polo."

At the end of the third period—which was, too, the beginning of the 10-minute rest period—Henry Prentiss received a splendid ovation from the stands, most particularly from those delighted spectators who had bet on the Clover side to win.

He hunched out of the saddle, and threw his reins to the groom, and tumbled down to sit on the grass, his legs outstretched, his arms making a rigid prop for his body behind him. Mike brought him a Scotch and soda, and he finished it in a draught.

Captain Pugh moved toward him, frowning heavily, but he was not ahead of Cynthia. She looked down at him for a long instant, her hands on her hips and no smile upon her face. Then she said, "Get up and come with me."

He laughed at her. But he got up and walked with her toward the station wagon, and both of them got into the wagon. She looked at him.

"I'm absolutely ashamed of you," she said, very quiet and cold. "And you can get that idiot's grin off of your face for good."

"What's the matter, Pretty?" "You are supposed to be playing with decent people. I like most of them. I never did like cowboys or showoffs."

"I'm in there to win, if I can." "Even by deliberate fouls?" "Hold it," he said. "You know I haven't done that. They got in the way."

"Yes. They got in the way—of somebody that has given up caring a damn either for his ponies or the men he is playing with. It isn't like you, Henry Prentiss. When did you decide to quit being a decent sport?"

"So you want me to pull my punches. That it?" "You know what I mean."

"You want me to say, 'Beg pardon, Fred. I didn't mean to try that hard.' That it?" "What's the matter with you?"

"The matter is I'm on the top of my game and feel like playing, and don't believe in babying anybody, even your little pals."

"Oh, Hank."

"If they don't feel able to protect themselves, then this just isn't their game."

"All right. I haven't got anything more to say."

She looked down at her hands, folded in her lap. Across the level green came the murmuring of the people in the stands, and, closer by, the grooms cried to each other and to the horses, and the horses stamped their feet and made their bits ring as they champed.

Henry Prentiss' hand fell on her arm and she looked up at him. The most bewildering change had come over his face. He seemed at once astonished and chagrined, and for the first time since she had known him, he was at a loss for words.

"I—" he began. Then, "Say—" And he got down out of the car, muttering, "I guess you're right. Sure. You're right."

Hardly looking back at her at all, he walked stiffly off to his string of ponies and took his part in the hustle as eight men got on horses, and eight grooms pulled up girths, checked stirrup leathers. Captain Pugh came toward him again.

"As a personal favor to me—" he began. But Henry Prentiss waved him away. "Okay," he said. "Thereafter, for all the remaining three periods, those mortals in the stands who had so lately been loud in their approval of Henry Prentiss were silent. Not altogether silent, of course. For

after a time, in which the Whirlwinds drew the score even and took all the pace away from a Henry Prentiss suddenly grown listless, there was whispering.

"What's the matter? Has the guy lost his guts?" And, "I never would have thought Hank Prentiss had a yellow streak in him."

He kept himself clear of the scrimmages, and, as if by deliberate plan, always managed to be a length or two late reaching the ball, when he really seemed to try for it at all.

THUS it was that when the final whistle blew, Fred West and his Whirlwinds were the people who moved, weary but exultant, toward the small table in front of the stands where the gleaming trophies stood, and tried their best to look bored while the photographers went at their work.

Cynthia Merrivether took Henry Prentiss home in her station wagon. It was not wholly a pleasant journey.

"I did all right, didn't I?" he asked. The old, careless grin was back again now, and he wanted her response to it.

"Yes. Thanks," she said. But not as she really meant it. "Not satisfied, Pretty?"

"To tell the truth, you make me feel sort of foolish."

"As how?" "I didn't mean for you to quit cold. Did you do that just for spite—just to make me feel guilty? Were you calling me a coward?"

"Last thing I ever would think of. You know that."

"What happened, then?" "I lost interest."

"I guess I should have stayed out of it."

"I'm glad you didn't."

"The people who lost money will be saying nasty things."

"Not to my face." He laughed again, with genuine gaiety. And she could not resist it. She slapped him on the knee.

"You're about 13 years old," she said. "But strong and well-developed for my age."

They drove up in front of his cottage. They laughed again, and he got out.

"Thank you, Miss Merrivether," he said.

"It must be like I always heard," she said, and shook her head sadly. "Yeah?"

"Tenors and southpaws—crazy people. She let in the clutch. "Come on over when you get your face scrubbed," she said.

"Will do." He waved, and she was gone.

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Fidèles Matron's to Have Luncheon

The Fidèles Matrons of the First Baptist Church will have a covered dish luncheon at the church Thursday at 12:30 o'clock.

All members are urged to be present for the business meeting and the luncheon.

Ladies Bible Class Meets

The Ladies Bible Class of the Church of Christ meets Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church.

Wills Mickey, minister of the Church of Christ, taught the lesson which was on the eighth chapter of Romans.

After the meeting was adjourned the members of the class made visits to the sick and shut-ins.

W. M. U. Meets

The Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon for a social service program.

Mrs. Chester Rogers opened the

meeting with a prayer. This was followed by the hymn, "All Hail the Power."

In charge of the program was Mrs. R. F. Duncan, who gave the introduction. Mrs. F. E. Langston brought the devotional.

Others who assisted with the program were Mrs. Doc Reuser and Mrs. Chester Rogers. Mrs. David Phillips gave a meditation and then dismissed the service with a prayer.

A brief business meeting followed the program.

Personals

Mrs. Ralph Rider of Houston is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Robinson. She will also visit Mr. Rider's parents in German before returning home.

Mrs. Buford Wagner, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Nicholson, returned to her home in Dallas Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stafford, of Irving spent Monday in Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bowen, who have been residing in Ft. Worth, have returned to Ranger to make their home.

Pvt. Allen A. Usery, who is stationed at the Pryor Air Base, Pryor, Texas, spent the week-end at the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Usery.

Miss Emma McCleskey of Dallas spent the week-end in Ranger.

Linden A. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Addie Williams, is en route to Portland, Oregon, where he will be employed in the ship yards.

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Margie Hart gyrates nicely as a Hula dancer in Monograms South Sea adventure yarn, "Lure of the Islands". Starting today at the Arcadia.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnie Pinto have received word of the death of Mr. F. M. Champion's father Saturday night in the German hospital. Funeral services were held on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Champion were former residents of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown of Grand Saline, Texas returned to their home Sunday. During the week-end they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ashcraft.

Robert Johnson, who is employed in Dallas, visited in Ranger over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Addie Williams have returned home from Abilene, where they visited Mrs. Sario, their daughter, and Cpl. Feltie who has been in the army hospital for five weeks.

C. H. Wynn of Gladewater is here to spend the week-end with his wife and relatives.

4-H Club Girls Have Care of Shoes For January Goal

Eastland County Girls 4-H clubs worked on Care of Shoes in clubs during January. 4-H club girls feel that taking care of their shoes is one way to keep their Victory Demonstrators' Pledge. "I will take good care of everything I use." It is one

inch apart, plant the seed, 3 or 4 to the inch and cover one half inch deep. Scatter a thin layer of pea size gravel over the surface after planting, then sprinkle freely with water. The gravel is used to help prevent damping of the small plants.

Letts and cabbage plants can be moved direct from the plant box to the garden when they have attained a height of 2 or 3 inches. Tomatoes, pepper and egg plants should be transplanted when 4 to 5 inches high into a larger plant bed where they will have 3 or 4 inches of space between plants, which will help them to grow off quickly when set out and make sturdy plants. Some prefer transplanting into small paper cups or old tin cans, so that the plant can be put out easily in the garden "with the soil around it." Plants that have been transplanted into a second container should grow 3 or 4 weeks until they have become vigorous and stocky. If this is done, they will grow off quickly when moved into the garden.

In starting the plant bed, Mr. J. F. Rosborough, Horticulturist, Extension Service, suggests a mixture of one fourth rotted manure, one fourth sand, and one half soil. Make a layer 2 to 3 inches thick of any of these mixtures and put a layer of coarse sand 1 inch thick over it. Mark off the rows in the sand two

Time Is Right For Planting Of Garden Hot Bed

Now is the time to start a plant bed or hot bed so that garden plants such as tomatoes, cabbage, pepper and egg plant can be transplanted into the garden later. For starting such plants as lettuce, cabbage, tomatoes, pepper and egg plants, a small bed will prove helpful. A wooden box 4 to 5 inches deep, 18 inches wide and 24 to 30 inches long is a convenient size. An old fashion tub or abandoned dishpan may be used.

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