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News From Washington

BY PETER EDSON

NEA Service Washington Correspondent

The efficacy of how the rationing of canned goods came to be neces-
sary in these us-to-be-free United States makes an interesting
background, now that this rationing is about to be put into effect.
The first move in this direction was taken as long ago as February,
1942, when a temporary ceiling order was slapped
on wholesale prices of canned fruits and vegetables.
This order went into effect March 1, 1942.



Edson

There was some hoarding of canned goods going
on even then, and there was some need for alloca-
tion. The Army and Navy were asking that large
supplies of canned goods be set aside for them, and
the war production areas with their big new popu-
lations were upsetting all the normal demands and
channels of distribution.

At that time, no one had any accurate idea of
what the canned goods situation of the country
really was, and the curbstone opinion of most peo-
ple in the food industry was that little or nothing
could be done about allocating output.

That created one of those well-known govern-
ment needs for statistics, and as a result there was
compounded one of those now famous government
questionnaires. It was tough. It was everything any businessman
had ever heard or seen in the line of a government questionnaire,
and more. It went out to the 2,200 food canners and processors and
the 7,200 wholesalers.

First returns came in May and by May 31 the division of supply
and requirements in the Office of Price Administration had an idea
of where the inventories of canned goods were at the beginning and
end of the month, how much goods had been canned during the
month and at what rate they were disappearing. These reports have
been made out monthly since that time by 99 to 97 per cent of the
9,500 firms.

By summer need for rationing really began to be felt, so in August
the War Production Board slapped down its conservation order M-237
restricting canners to the delivery of not more than 35 per cent of
the civilian allotment of 1942 canned goods to retailers by Dec. 1,
1942, and not more than 70 per cent by April 1, 1943. This was apply-
ing rationing at the top.

In September the M-237 order was amended and rationing was
applied to the wholesalers by restricting purchases to 70 per cent of
the fruits and 80 per cent of the vegetables they had sold to retail-
ers during the first eight months of the year, January through August.

There were still no restrictions on sales, however, until November
when the stocks began disappearing too fast. Then the whole-
saler's sales to retailers were restricted to 9 per cent of their base
period sales per month.

The first plan for rationing canned goods at the retail level was
drawn up last July. It has been revised, sweated over, amended and
generally overhauled many times since then, and it still isn't perfect
it probably never will be.

All these plans are being worked out with the food industry, and
rationing of all foods is being tied to existing trade distribution
methods. In England customers may trade with only one store. There
is none of that in the U. S. rationing scheme. Customers may trade
anywhere they like so as to keep as much freedom of competition as
there always has been between retail stores.

Treasury Listens To Woman And Is \$11,000 Ahead

HARTLEY, Tex., Jan. 26 — (UP) — The Treasury's war bond sales program is \$11,000 ahead because the post office department in Washington listened to Mrs. H. H. Wilhite, postmaster of the fourth class Hartley post office.

When Mrs. Wilhite took the job five months ago she found that fourth class offices weren't allowed to sell war bonds. She insisted on postal authorities that she could sell them, even in most fourth class offices didn't. So they granted her special permission. In three months she sold \$11,500 worth. However, her husband has now gone off to a war job and she has resigned to join him.

LAWYERS ASKED TO WORK PART TIME IN WAR PLANTS WARREN, O. (UP) — Trumbull county's attorneys who have any spare time, are going to devote it

Freak Ad Gets Quick Response

FAIRVIEW, Okla., Jan. 26 — (UP) — Stormy weather cut his church attendance so Rev. C. L. Moser advertised in the local and found a column.

His sheep had strayed, the notice read, and only 23 came for their feed in the morning. Shortly thereafter his telephone began to ring. Each time he said "hello" he got the same reply: "Ba-a-a-a."

to extra work for Uncle Sam and his war plants.

President of Trumbull's Bar Association, Edward L. Hyde, said the lawyers will work in the Warren postoffice on three- and four-hour shifts during the rush hours. "Those with skills have been asked to do part-time work in war plants and unskilled attorneys have been asked to do clerical work in the spare time, are going to devote it

TODAY'S SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Service Sports Editor

PAY DUMONT, who is full of them, bobs up with another first-rate baseball idea.

President Dumont's National Semi-Pro Congress is organizing groups of old-timers into a national association.

Veterans always have been neglected by organized baseball. Famous names are permitted to a forgotten, insofar as baseball is concerned.

Babe Ruth is a striking example. Surely there should be a place in it for a man who did so much for the sport. The Bam is now selling War Bonds and stamps in personal appearances at a chain of New York movie theaters, by the way.

For years there have been old-time associations in every part of the country. All they lacked was something to do. Dumont plans to give them this, and baseball will benefit as the result.

PALK creates interest in baseball, and who can speak of it more entertainingly than someone who played it superlatively? The National Semi-Pro Congress urges the veterans to help organize amateur leagues, establish district tournaments.

Fans as well as former players are eligible. Dumont, who pioneered national associations of semi-professional leagues, umpires and scorers, contends his keen brain child is by far the best, wonders why someone didn't think of it sooner.

Each group will be issued a charter at no charge. Each will

adopt its own minimum age limit, but it cannot be lower than 40. The national association will furnish membership cards to individuals.

TIMELY bulletins, containing instructions as to what they can do to hop up the game in their sections, will be sent them by the national office.

Each group will have its Hall of Fame. Three men who have made names for themselves in baseball in that particular territory will be selected annually by each association.

The national association expects to issue 500 charters in 1943, each state, county or city-wide in scope.

The National Association of Old-Timers will help those who haven't been active in sports for a couple of decades to play parts in the continuance and building of baseball. The fact that the association will rekindle the flame of veterans is as fine a recommendation for it as anything else.

There will be more to do around the hot stove than spin worn-out baseball yarns.

January is Opportunity Month

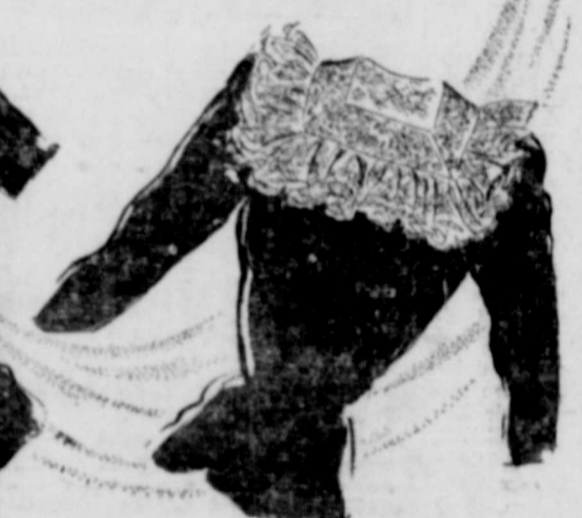
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One of them is 26-year old Walter Hecht, the battleship type who stands six feet, five inches in his stocking feet and weighs 227. The other is 34-year old Alfonso Uribe, the mosquito boat type, an even 5 feet in height and weighing 151 with most of his equipment on his back.

Hecht hails from New York, and Uribe from Oakland, Calif.

CITY PONDS FATE OF SACRED GINKGO TREE
TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (UP) — One of China's sacred Ginkgo trees under which Buddha supposedly sat while formulating his religious philosophy, may soon pay the price of progress in Tallahassee.

The tree shipped to Florida in 1875 by an American missionary, is located on a site recently acquired by the city for a prospective post-war building project. City fathers now are faced with the problem of whether the handsome tree with its fan-shaped leaves and yellow fruit will become a victim of the city's future development.

LIEUTENANT CALLS 'SMITH,' 5 STUDENTS STEP FORWARD
MINTER FIELD, Cal. (UP) — Lt. L. Brady, flight instructor at Minter Field, was greeted by five students when he started to call the roll.

Lieutenant Brady rechecked his list. He discovered: Joseph W. Smith, Hansen, Idaho; Allen R. Smith, Springfield, Ill.; Robert J. Smith, High Point, N. C.; Don G. Smith, Billings, Mont.; Marvin B. Smith, Beebe, Ark.

Woman Guards Crossing
COLUMBUS, O. (UP) — A mother of two young children, Mrs. Hazel McDaniel has taken over the job of crossing watchman for the Pennsylvania railroad.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



BY MERRILL BLOSSER

RED RYDER



BY FRED HARMON

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Society

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New Era Club Meets Wednesday For Book Review and Music

The regular meeting of the New Era Club was held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Blue Room of the Ghollson Hotel.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Arthur Deffebach, the president. Since there was no business to be transacted, Mrs. Deffebach turned the meeting over to the program committee.

The afternoon's program was in the form of a social. Mrs. Vernon Deffebach, chairman of the committee, presented Miss Mildred Balch, who gave a vocal number, Home on the Range, and she was accompanied by Miss Genevieve Boswell at the piano.

Mrs. L. L. Bruce reviewed the book, Golden Fleece, by Hughie Call.

Refreshments were served to the following members and their guests, Mmes. E. R. Green, Paul McDonald, V. V. Cooper, Jr., W. F. Cragger, A. W. Brauda, W. L. Jackson, Arthur Deffebach, B. S. Dudley, A. C. Ten, R. V. Robin son and Vernon Deffebach.

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B. English, and Misses Mildred Balch, Earline Martin, Genevieve Boswell, Billie Jean Crawley, Peggy Bandick, Mary Frances Orr, Lilian Ashcraft, Bernice Ashcraft, Lynn Pearson, Majorie Pearsall, Edna Jean Martin, Amelia Walker, Dorothy Penn, Mary Catherine McHenry, Marylyn Murray, Myra Sue Lee, Norma Heisl, Vivian Cooper, and Mara. Robert Bundick, Bobby Leonard Woods, Max Ervin, Billie Bob Boone, Mace Oyle, Freddie Larson, Frank Johnson, David Lee Johnson, James Horton, Buster Kribba, and hostesses Misses Kerbow and Coalson.

The representative to the Grand Lodge is Mrs. Lena McDougall, and the alternative representative is Mrs. Kate Marrs.

The following committees were appointed: Finance, Mmes. Frances Butcher, Laura Melton; Entertainment, Mmes. Marjorie Stevenson, Ellen Jones, and Mabel Southern; Refreshment, Mmes. Anna Mae Robinson, Viola Brink, and Oda Stiles; Sick, Mmes. Madge Zeigler, Bessie Harris, and Dora Fox; and lodge reporter, Mrs. Ruby Greer.

Absent officers will be installed at a later date. Interesting topics were discussed by the fourteen members seated by the fourteen members present.

Mrs. Eula Blackwell furnished the penny prize, which was won by Mrs. Birtie Shipman.

All members are urged to be present at the next meeting.

Lt. Mrs. Davenport Are Complimented

Mrs. and Mrs. Gaston Dixon honored Lt. and Mrs. Norman Davenport with a bingo party at their home Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Murphy, Miss Winnifred Dunkle, Mrs. Pat O'Donnell, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Houghton, Mrs. Goerry, Mrs. Mary Young, Mrs. Lottie Davenport, Theo Ferguson, guests of honor, Lt. and Mrs. Davenport, and the hostesses, Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Dixon.

Misses Kerbow and Coalson Hostesses To Young People

Misses Dana Sue Kerbow and Helen Coalson were hostesses to the young people of the Methodist Church at 7:30 Wednesday evening at the church.

The program was opened by Miss Mildred Balch, who gave two readings. This was followed by a group sing-song, and later contest games were played.

Refreshments were served to the following: Rev. and Mrs. A.

Hodges Oak Park School News

WANTED—COOPERATION IN A VITAL MATTER

Everywhere we hear the word "cooperation". From national politics to family life in the home cooperation is the thing that spells the difference between success and failure.

In school we must have full cooperation among parents, teachers, and pupils if the pupils are to reap the full benefits of their school work.

Just at this time we are appealing to all parents for cooperation in a vital matter. Look at the report of your child. Study it to see if your child is making the progress he should. If you are not satisfied with the report, make some investigation that will enable you to guide your child toward making better progress.

Each child must have a C average at the end of the year to pass on to the next grade. Thus C's and D's will not pass a child unless there are enough A's and B's to make the C average. Consider this as you study your child's report.

Effort now that we can prepare ourselves to take our places in the world ahead of us.

Paul MacDonald

THE THRESHOLD OF A NEW SEMESTER

We are crossing the threshold of a new semester of school work. As we consider what we have not accomplished the past semester, let us set our aims high and strive to keep them with an upward push.

There are many things for us to keep in mind. We are preparing for the life that will follow our school days. We owe our liberty and our way of life to our fighting boys who are helping the whole world to share the privilege that we enjoy here at home. It is only by the most determined

Rev. and Mrs. S. B. McKeithen announce the birth of a baby boy, Millard Bruce, born Wednesday at the West Texas Clinic.

Miss Anita Fay Huffman left Wednesday to attend a Montgomery Ward catalog order meeting in Ft. Worth.

Friends in Ranger received a telegram from Alvin Johnson stating that he was inducted into the Navy Wednesday at Dallas and that he will leave immediately for some training center.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Williams of San Angelo are guests of Mrs. Williams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Hinman.

B. F. Calloway, who underwent major surgery at the West Texas Clinic Wednesday, is reported to be resting well.

Cleora Harris went to Abilene Thursday to be inducted into the army.

Mrs. Ida Campbell of Louisville, Ky., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. B. A. Kirk.

Mrs. E. F. Calloway, who is a patient in the West Texas Clinic, is reported to be resting well.

WAR AND DEFENSE



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NEW COURSES IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The second term of school the pupils of the three higher-grades of Hodges Oak Park School are taking up some new courses in health and physical education.

The seventh grade class started out by signing the pledge of cooperation in the National Nutrition drive. By doing this we are cooperating in the defense of the nation.

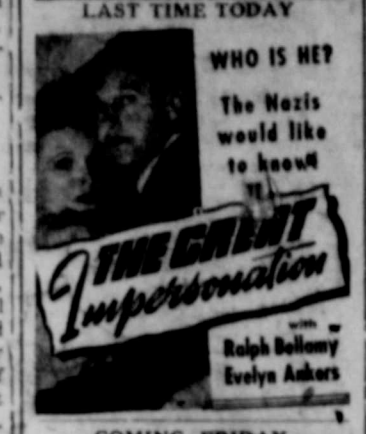
Part of the class periods of the week will be devoted to physical education on the playground. The other periods will be devoted to the study of nutrition in the school room.

ICE USHERS IN MID TERM EXAMS

This year mid-term exams were ushered in by some of the coldest weather we've had in Ranger this year. In between instructions, concerning the tests, teachers instructed late arrivals to wash their numb hands in cold water.

Jack Cole and his sister Joyce were our worst casualties of the cold snap. After walking to school through the bitter cold wind, both collapsed just as they were ready to take their exams and had to spend most of the morning in the

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