

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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EASTLAND COUNTY GOES OVER TOP IN SALE OF WAR BONDS AND STAMPS IN 1942

Chairman Reports that the Quota was Over Subscribed in Spite of the Fact that the Quota was too High Part of the Year

Eastland County oversubscribed its quota of War Bonds and stamps by \$13,793.95 in the year 1942. This information has been sent to Cyrus B. Frost of Eastland, Eastland County Chairman for the sale of War Bonds and Stamps, by the Treasury of the United States and is now on permanent record.

Following is the report of Frost as sent to this newspaper:

I am sure that the people of Eastland County will be glad to know that the county oversubscribed the War Bonds and Stamps quota allotted for the calendar year 1942 to our county. We did not have the same quota for each month and it was not until September 1, 1942, that a mutual agreement was reached between the State Administrator and your County Chairman as to what would be a fair monthly quota for Eastland County. At that time it was agreed that a fair quota was \$50,400.00. On this basis the total annual quota would have been \$604,800.00. However, quotas that had been assigned prior to September 1, 1942, could not be changed since they had already gone in to the German and Ford's of the State Administrator and the United States Treasury's books. These quotas are permanently recorded as follows:

January	\$110,216.00
February	110,216.00
March	110,216.00
April	110,216.00
May	62,800.00
June	61,900.00
July	99,200.00
August	88,400.00
September	50,400.00
October	50,400.00
November	50,400.00
December	50,400.00

making a total of \$1,085,640.00 and our total sales for these 12 months were \$1,019,357.95, this gives us an oversubscription of \$13,793.95.

So it can be seen from an analysis of the figures in this paragraph that Eastland county almost doubled the fair quota that she would have had for the calendar year 1942.

These results were obtained as a result of the combined efforts of the city and community committees, various service clubs, County Agent's Office, Home Demonstration Office, various AAA Club committees, Women's Clubs and organizations, the Eastland County newspapers and the Eastland County citizenship as a whole. Too much praise can not be extended to all these for a necessary and patriotic duty well performed. We all have a right to be justly proud of this accomplishment by our civilians for the calendar year 1942. However, we must not forget that while we as civilians are doing our duty on the home front, that our Eastland County boys also were doing their

part in every part of the world. Many of them have already made the supreme sacrifice. Time only can tell how many more will lay down their lives in defense of the cause of liberty. When we contemplate the great contributions they are making and will continue to make to bring about a restoration of freedom and liberty to all peoples everywhere, we civilians, after all, recognize that whatever efforts we may put forward here at home living our normal lives can represent but the least sacrifice on our part.

Our quota for January, 1943, is \$50,400.00 and we hope to maintain approximately such quota for the eleven remaining months of the calendar year 1943. We want to oversubscribe each of these quotas. Let us all become quota minded! Should one be asked, every man, woman and child in Eastland County should be able to promptly tell our monthly quota to the inquirer. Let each citizen realize that he is a committee of one to see that his community purchases its fair part for each calendar month.

As your County Chairman, I want to again thank all the citizens of this county for your noble efforts for the year 1942 and request of you your continued loyal and labors for united effort to oversubscribe our quota for the calendar year 1943.

Very kindly yours
Cyrus B. Frost,
Eastland County Chairman.

Last Rites For Mrs. Josephine Graham Today

Funeral services for Mrs. Josephine Graham, 84, who died at Eastland Tuesday, are to be conducted from the Eastland Baptist church at 3:00 p. m. today. Interment will be in the Eastland cemetery. Rev. Homer Starnes, pastor of the Baptist church, will officiate at the church and Hamner's will have charge of the body.

Survivors include five sons: Dudley Graham, Giles Graham, B. G. Graham, Whitlow Graham and R. Q. Graham and five daughters: Mrs. Maudie Gunter, Mrs. Alma Rodgers, Mrs. Lennie Reynolds, Mrs. Annie Nolen and Mrs. Bessie Hargus. Thirty-five grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren also survive.

Flewellen and Burkett On Many Committees

Representative Burkett, who is Representative L. H. Flewellen of Eastland county each drew a number of important committee assignments in the general assignments by the Texas Legislature now in session.

Representative Burkett, who represents District 107, composed of Eastland and Callahan counties, drew the following assignments: Education, Judiciary, Oil, Gas and Mining and Penitentiary.

Representative Flewellen, who represents District 106 composed only of Eastland county, drew the following assignments: Appropriations, Congressional and Representative districts, Enrolled bills, Game and Fish and Ethnology and Reformatory Institutions.

HAIL TO THE CHIEF: OUR PRESIDENT'S 61 YEARS



Athlete, editor, lawyer, politician, country squire, governor, President—that is the active 61-year career of Franklin Delano Roosevelt whom destiny has chosen to lead our nation through one of the most perilous periods in U. S. history. Here are some of the highlights in President Roosevelt's life: born Jan. 30, 1882, in upstate New York; attended fashionable Groton boy's school (football player) and Harvard University (94); married his sixth cousin, Anna Eleanor Roosevelt in 1905; studied law at Columbia; elected to New York state senate in 1910, named assistant secretary of the Navy in 1913 by President Wilson; unsuccessful vice-presidential candidate in 1920, stricken with infantile paralysis in 1921; returned to politics in 1928, backing Al Smith's nomination as presidential candidate; elected New York governor in 1930; President of the United States since 1933.

VERDICT IS RETURNED IN SQUYRES CASE

A verdict of guilty was returned by the jury in the trial of N. B. (Punk) Squires, accused of the murder of Tom Dodd at Ranger on the night of August 22. The verdict was returned at 9:30 o'clock this morning and penalty was assessed at two years in the penitentiary.

The shooting of Dodd with a .22 rifle grew out of an argument between Squires and Dodd and in Squires' testimony at the trial he claimed that he shot Dodd after he saw him approaching with a knife.

The case was tried this week in the 88th District Court at Eastland.

RED CROSS SEWING QUOTA IS COMPLETED

Chairmen of the sewing division of the local chapter of the American Red Cross announced today that the sewing room will be closed until a new shipment of material is received. The quota to date has been completed and it was stated that while there is no sewing to be done the headquarters for the sewing division will be moved to 401 Main Street, the building formerly occupied by the Grace Taylor Beauty Shop. Sewers will be notified through this paper when a new quota is received.

It was pointed out that while there is no sewing, there is plenty of yarn for knitters and they are urged to contact Mrs. J. J. Kelly and secure the yarn for knitting.

U. S. AIRMEN SCORE AGAIN IN SOLOMONS

WASHINGTON — U. S. Airmen on Guadalcanal have knocked another hole in recently reinforced enemy air strength in the Solomons, destroying 10 and possibly 16 Zeros, and have damaged five more Japanese ships concentrated in that area.

A navy communique today, describing a series of air actions on Wednesday and Thursday — Island time — appeared to bear out reports that the Japanese are concentrating air and sea strength in the South Pacific for an offensive thrust.

The enemy has been assembling ships at Rabaul, New Britain, northwest of the Solomons, and may, observers believed, be planning a major drive in the Australian area.

ENROLLMENT IN COLLEGE ABOVE EXPECTATIONS

Dr. G. C. Boswell, president of Ranger Junior College and superintendent of Ranger schools announced today that the enrollment in the college is above expectations and that students are still enrolling, many of them adults who are seeking teachers certificates. Two transfers from A&M College have enrolled for mathematics courses looking to their call to service.

Courses in the college which are receiving the greatest demand are, analytics, trigonometry, descriptive geometry, solid geometry, and college algebra. In addition to these courses the Morris code will be taught this semester and recordings of the code will be used in the classes. Comptometry, business mathematics and typing are also being given.

These courses are especially planned for those who expect calls to service and for women who plan to go into some kind of war work.

Under the new regulation, boys now 17 years of age who are continuing their high school education this year, may enroll in the college before March 15 and in this way enter the Naval V-1 reserve program.

In cooperation with the branches of the armed services a program of physical fitness has been incorporated in the high school and both boys and girls are eligible for the courses. This program of physical fitness has been and does not involve much change in the curricula.

BOMBARDIERS GRADUATED AT BIG SPRING

BIG SPRING, Texas, Jan. 28 — "The question of the effectiveness of aerial bombardment as a weapon of offense, which has lingered in the minds of the uninitiated, will be swept away this year," Brigadier General Isaiah Davies, commanding general of the Midland AAF Bombardier School, world's largest, declared today in an address to graduates of class 43-2 at the Big Spring AAF Bombardier School.

In a frank discussion of the evolution and increased importance of aerial bombardment, General Davies, formerly a squadron leader under the late General Billy Mitchell, stressed President Roosevelt's recent declaration that bombing raids of unprecedented scale will be launched in 1943.

Now commanding general of the world's largest bombardier college, General Davies, who participated in the historic bombing and sinking of the captured German battleship, Ostfriedland, off the Virginia Capes in 1921, forecast possible changes in military tactics apt to result from the activities of the bombardiers in 1943.

Pointing out that "one bombardier with one well-aimed bomb can undo the work of 10,000 enemies on the ground," General Davies emphasized that the effective huge air raids predicted by the president for 1943 can bring the war to an end.

"That would indeed be revolutionary in relation to accepted tactics, but it is a possibility that your efforts may convert into an actuality," he asserted.

General Davies told the newly commissioned bombardiers that their bombing planes manned by the Air Forces' aerial combat teams are "not only one of the most effective military weapons ever devised but also one of the greatest forces for lasting peace when the war is won."

Students Will Participate In Brotherhood Week

CHICAGO, Ill. — More than 200,000 Methodist students from coast to coast will participate in the national observance of Brotherhood Week, Feb. 19-25, Dr. Harry Wright McPherson of the Methodist Board of Education said in Nashville today.

Early in December, President Roosevelt commended the observance and asked co-operation of all Americans in every walk of life to feature the American idea of brotherhood, "regardless of creed or race."

"The 155 Methodist colleges and universities throughout the nation will mark the tenth anniversary of Brotherhood Week with special services and activities," Dr. McPherson said. "The principles behind the movement are in keeping with the spiritual background underlying our educational policy."

Methodist schools were among the first to adapt their curricula to the needs of their students in preparing them to be of maximum service not only in the war effort but in post-war rehabilitation," he added. "Incultation of proper respect for the other fellow's faith and rights as an American citizen has always featured the educational preparation of our students."

Special programs for the observance are suggested by the Board, including chapel services, forums, and discussions with members of other faiths of other schools and organizations. Each institution will adapt the program to its local situation.

Brotherhood Week was inaugurated nine years ago by the National Conference of Christians and Jews to reaffirm the religious principles of justice, friendliness and cooperation among the many races and creeds in this country.

House Committee OK's Farm Bill

WASHINGTON — The house agriculture committee today formally approved a bill to require inclusion of all farm labor costs in computing parity prices of agricultural commodities.

J. P. McDonald, director of extension, said requests have been received for work in certified public accounting review problems, basic chemistry, basic physics, physiology, oil and water color painting and public speaking. Courses taught this year include high school mathematics, freshman classes in English, mathematics, government, history, and education; and advanced work in bookkeeping, shorthand, psychology, sociology, and salesmanship.

Tech Professor Is Given Promotion

LUBBOCK, Jan. 28 — Dr. R. E. Garlin, acting head of the department of education at Texas Technological College, has been advanced to head beginning with the opening of the spring semester Feb. 1, according to announcement of President Clifford B. Jones.

Poll Taxes May Be Paid Sunday January 31st

January 31 is the last day for paying poll taxes this year and have privilege of voting and since that day falls on Sunday, Tax Collector Clyde Kurkalis states that his office at the County courthouse will be open Sunday for the purpose of receiving poll tax payments and issuing receipts for same.

GREATEST FORCE OF AMERICAN BOMBERS YET ASSEMBLED BATTERS STRATEGIC PORT

Axis Radios Reflect Alarm at the Nearness of the Zero Hour as Russians Continue to Gain Around Voronezh

The Allies gathered momentum today for a grand assault to drive the Axis out of Tunisia. The heaviest force of American bombers ever assembled in North Africa battered the strategic East Coast Axis Port of Sfax, apparently softening it up as a preliminary to the assault. The British Eighth Army was reported engaged in artillery exchanges with the rear guard of the Afrika Korps, which was being rapidly crowded into Tunisia.

BOMBARDIERS GRADUATED AT BIG SPRING

Axis radios reflected alarm that the zero hour was at hand. Radio Paris acknowledged that American forces had occupied Maknassy, Tunisia, 34 miles from the Tripolitanian border, and said the Americans were testing defenses between Chitt Djerid and Gabes.

The French African political situation still was far from settled. A fighting French aide of Gen. De Gaulle said in London that prospects appeared good for a rapprochement between De Gaulle and Gen. Giraud in the near future, but North African dispatches said De Gaulle and Giraud had agreed to forget politics "for the duration" in their Casablanca conference.

Russian forces continued their liquidation of the German armies liquidating one of the strongest pockets of enemy resistance on the Voronezh front.

The Soviets killed 2,000 Axis effectives and took 6,000 more raising to at least 81,000 the number they had captured in their smashing offensive south of Voronezh.

WASHINGTON — Lend-Lease administrator Edward Stettinius told the House Affairs Committee today that the Lend-Lease principle of total cooperation among nations in the waging war — is the only one on which a grand alliance can be waged successfully.

Eastland County Woman Dies At Grandview

Mrs. Annie Bell Westmoreland, 49, wife of W. G. Westmoreland, died at her home in the Grandview community, at 11:30 a. m. Wednesday, January 20. Funeral services and interment was at Hamlin, her former home for 16 years on Thursday, January 21.

Survivors include the husband, a son, Aubrey Eugene, 29, and an adopted son, Billy Guy, Westmoreland, 16 and two grand-children.

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

Defense Guard Members Guard Trucks, Jeeps

Members of Company B of the 15th Battalion of the State Defense Guard served as guards for equipment of a convoy of soldiers enroute to Ft. Bliss who spent the night in Ranger. The soldiers were in command of Captain Underwood.

The guard served from 7 o'clock Thursday night until 6 o'clock Friday morning and kept watch over 107 trucks and jeeps. First Sgt. Clyde Bond was in charge of the local guardmen and the following men served during the night: Jack Elwood, Floyd Huffman, Frank Johnson, Jess Haney, Earl Blackwell, Hise, Calvin Brown, Lester Crossley, Jimmie Dugan, George Rogers, Jimmie Houghton, Buster Kribbs, Freddie Larson and Jack Brown. Sergeant of the guard was Bobbie Woods and Corporal of guard was Frank Johnson.



With these goggles-like electrical glasses, Rose Mainiere of New York can see in the dark. Battery-powered bulbs in each eye frame supply enough light for a vision at close range.



There's still time for your dime to join the march aiding the battle against infantile paralysis. Pauline Magee, 8, drops here in giant letter box outside New York's general postoffice.

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"NO MAN IS INDISPENSABLE"

Wendell Willkie's theme that there is no such thing as an indispensable man is a democratic principle in which some of the wisest men who ever lived have placed dependence. They knew they could rely on it. The incurable egotist thinks he is indispensable.

Are there any persons of that type in the world today? Two names come to mind at once and perhaps there are other national leaders who cherish the delusion that they are indispensable. Hitler and Mussolini achieved power by apparently making themselves indispensable to their people—and sedulously cultivating a belief among their people that they were indispensable.

Hirohito, of course, is a 'god' in Japan, and the Japanese who worship him are probably sincere in thinking he is indispensable. But Japanese emperors die and may even go insane, as Hirohito's father did. As for Stalin, whatever the Russians think of him, he is himself probably to shrewd for self-deception.

The doctrine of indispensability is offensive to all those who believe in democracy, who think every man should be free to live his own life and think his own thoughts, with a reasonable adaptation to the needs of organized society. There is no place in a true democracy for the conception of an indispensable man, a leader without whom the people would be lost.

America was built up and became great because the people believe leaders can always be found to replace those who die, or pass from office, and that every national crisis raises up a leader who can deal with it. Not an autocrat self-created, as Hitler and Mussolini are, but a leader chosen of the people and responsible to them for all of his acts.

Had Mr. Willkie cared to do so he could have quoted at length from the views of great men who were also great democrats. No American leader has ever been more eulogized by his own people of other countries than George Washington, unless it is Abraham Lincoln. Yet both were humble in spirit. They were great and left a great shining heritage to their own people because neither was so vain, so beset with the idea of his own greatness and infallibility, that he believed himself irreplaceable." —(An editorial, The Beaumont Enterprise, Beaumont, Texas.

"FOURTH TERM TALK."

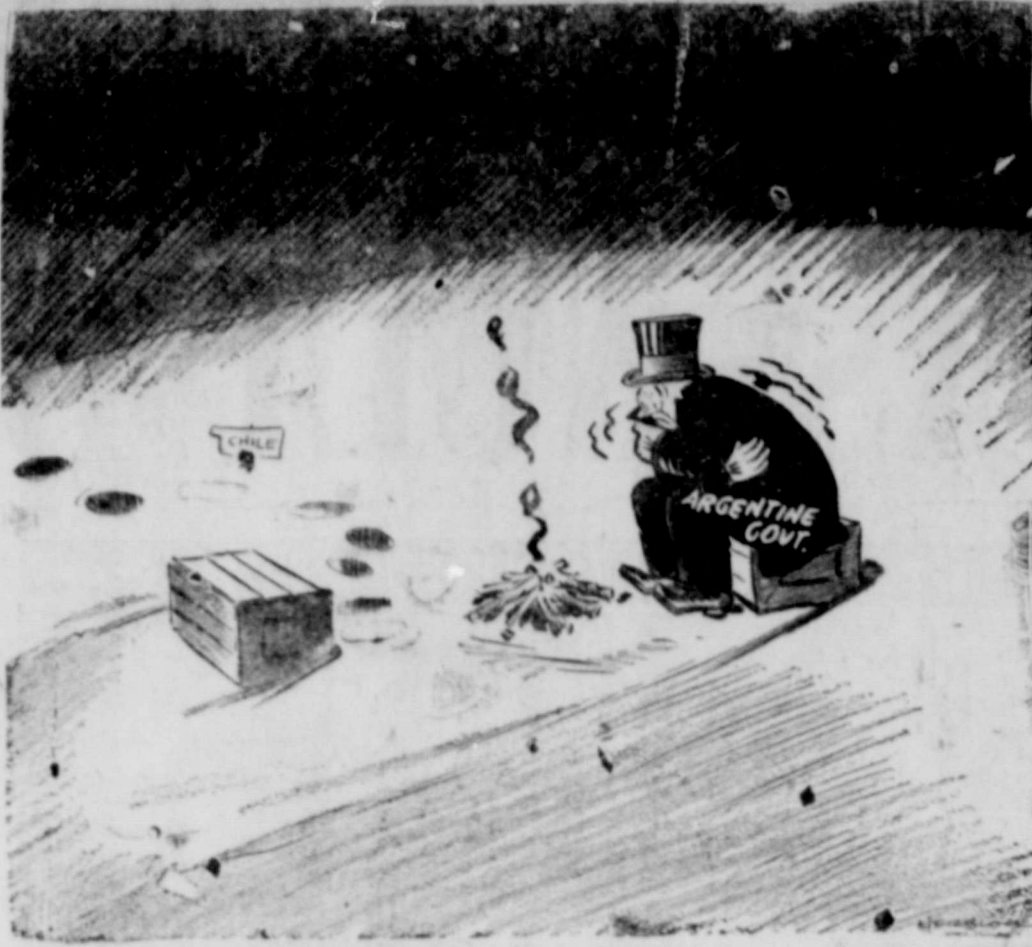
Previous talk of a fourth term for President Roosevelt has been mainly jocular; but now, with the nominating convention only eighteen months away, it is beginning to loom as a serious possibility. In Dallas, Harold H. Young, as assistant to the Vice-President, has come out for the renomination and re-election of both Roosevelt and Wallace. There is bound to be much more of this talk, especially from federal office-holders.

While the political and international situations may change much in the next year and a half, the conditions that led to Roosevelt's nomination for a third term do not seem likely to be repeated. Though we are at war and may still be at war in 1944, our international relations are not charged with as much dynamite as in the middle of 1940. Roosevelt has lost the support of many farmers who formerly voted for him and can no longer swing a big bloc of relief clients. In addition to those opposed to life terms in the White House, he would be voted against by thousands who justly or not—will be influenced by their high taxes and the rationing of necessities.

The argument that the Democratic party has only one man capable of national leadership is a needless confession of weakness. Even the greatest man is not indispensable. Whether 1944 is a winning year or a losing year for the Democrats, the party should have a new standard-bearer. There are plenty of men in the party capable of making good Presidents. It would be folly to close our eyes to their merits'. —(An editorial, The Dallas Morning News, Dallas, Texas.)

A doctor says the feminine ability to weep at will is a gift. IS one and often gets one.

It's a Cold, Cold, Hemisphere

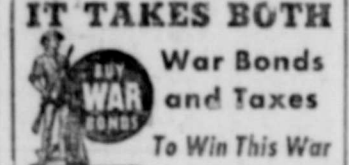


OLDEN NEWS

January 25, honoring Mr. William Lemhacker of Ranger and Carl Jr. Butler of Olden, who are leaving soon to serve in the armed forces. These present at the supper were Misses Rosena Copeland, Velma Copeland, Grace Vermillion, Mrs. William Lemhacker, Carl Patten, Jr., Bobbie Cox, Ranger; Mrs. Bill Holder and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Vermillion.

A Three Days' Cough is Your Danger Signal

Cremulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Cremulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly alleviates the cough or you are to have your money back.



AT FIRST SIGN OF A COLD USE 666 666 TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

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 handling out their legal problems.

Buy War Bonds

News From Washington

BY PETER EMBON
NEA Service Washington Correspondent

JAMES C. PETRILLO, president of the American Federation of Musicians, came off definitely the winner in the second round of the investigation of his conduct made before a Senate sub-committee on Interstate Commerce.

The first round, the preliminary investigation held last September, went against Petrillo because he wasn't testifying then—only the people who were against the Petrillo union strike against recordings. But when Petrillo did come out of his corner for round two, he showed that he could hold his own, could duck and dodge any of the question-bugs which the toughest senators could throw at him.

Highlight of the Petrillo testimony was his statement: "The recording companies are making all the money and the musicians are starving to death. The transcription companies get 1000 fees out of one record. Why shouldn't we get 1000 fees?" They couldn't answer that one, and the senators finally declared that the record-manufacturing companies, the broadcasting companies and the juke box companies would be investigated just as thoroughly as Mr. Petrillo.

The average home variety of Solomon might well give an opinion of the arm of his favorite living room chair that if the music companies are making more royalties than they are entitled to, the remedy for that would not be to pay the musicians an equal royalty, two wrongs never making a right.

APPLY that principle to some other lines of labor and see what it brings you: Should you have to pay 12 cents for your favorite newspaper instead of three cents, just because there are four members of your family who read it?

The author of a book gets a royalty on every copy sold, true. But he doesn't get and couldn't collect 1000 royalties on one copy of a book read by 1000 readers.

A carpenter or a brickmason gets paid once for the work done in building an apartment house. Yet in 1000 months, the apartment house owner hopes to collect 1000 rents. Should the carpenter and the bricklayer get paid 1000 times because of that?

By arguments just as tricky, Petrillo would have his laboring musicians collect on every commercial transcription of every recorded piece of music. In support of that claim he has prevented his musicians from making any recordings of new music or any new recordings of old music since Sept. 3, and the ban will stick until Petrillo gets what he's after, or until he is restrained by court action or a request from the President himself.

If ever there was one for the courts, this is it, and as a matter of fact permission has been granted the anti-trust division of the Department of Justice to take the case before the Supreme Court. Assistant Attorney General Thurman Arnold filed suit against the musicians' union and Petrillo last August, but a judge in Chicago ruled this was a labor case, not an anti-trust case, and threw it out.

It's a labor dispute all right, and one that needs settling quickly.

SERIAL STORY

'I AM A MURDERER'

BY MORRIS MARKEY

"AVE ATQUE VALE"

CHAPTER XVII

CYNTHIA had not become hysterical. She had not fainted. She seemed stunned, as from being struck, rather than frightened or terribly distressed.

Certain women had kept their wits, and led her to her own room. Mrs. Malcolm Fleming, who was Dr. Fleming's wife, had been among those women, and she was a capable creature. Dr. Fleming himself, having rushed to the side of Colonel Merriwether and discovering at once that he could be of no avail in that place, searched out Cynthia's room on the second floor, and sat on the edge of her bed.

She looked at him. He said, "He is gone, my dear." She closed her eyes, from which no tears came, and the last touch of color washed out of her face. She shivered, as with bitter cold, and convulsions were drawn over her. Dr. Fleming mixed something in a glass, and she drank it. He took one of her hands, and massaged it gently, and nodded to his wife, who did the same with her other hand.

Another West was there, sitting in a low chair and staring at Cynthia with eyes very wide and her lips parted a little.

Dr. Fleming lowered the lights, and when he went quietly to the door his wife followed him. "I don't believe she'll blow up," he said in a solemn whisper when they had reached the hall. "I'll have to go downstairs. If you need me, send Anne. I'll be back in a little while anyway."

There was almost breathless silence in Cynthia's room for a considerable while. Then she spoke to Anne, without looking at Anne. "Will you go find Hank?" she said.

Anne said eagerly, "Of course, darling." It lay within the nature of her loyalty that she felt no disappointment because Cynthia had not wanted Fred West instead.

She found Henry Prentiss in the bar, talking in low tones with the butler, and beckoned to him. He followed her toward the stairs. "Isn't it just perfectly awful!" she whispered to him.

HE did not answer. They moved down the corridor on tiptoe, and he was standing beside Cynthia's bed, looking down at her. It was curious to see sadness in the face of Henry Prentiss. He took her hand, and touched her cold forehead with his other hand. "Tell Anne anything you want me to do," he said.

Her pressure on his hand tightened for a moment, and then relaxed. "I'll be around," he said. She nodded.

He stood motionless beside her for a little while, and then touched her forehead again, and went silently out of the room.

Mitchell Grace came out of the library on an errand, and through the doorway as it opened Lieutenant Thatcher saw Henry Prentiss.

He beckoned, and shook hands when Prentiss went in, but did not speak. The photographers, done with their job, were packing their equipment. The fingerprint people were dealing with their last tail-end of duties. The body of Colonel Merriwether had not been moved. He was calm and precise, even in his final scene. His hair was still carefully brushed, and his eyes were closed. His white, delicate hands reposed on the table, and the left one was only an inch or two from the pistol which had killed him. That weapon had been worked upon by the fingerprint men, and then replaced exactly as it had been before. It was new, and shiny, and of an ordinary American manufacture.

"The guy left a perfect set on the gun," one of the fingerprint men said. "No gloves, not a blur, and no wiping."

Lieutenant Thatcher nodded. He leaned forward and picked up the sheet of paper which Vaughan Dunbar had placed so ostentatiously before his victim. It was a plain, white rectangle, and in its center there was at typing: AVE ATQUE VALE

Do not grieve for the destruction of this monster. Cynthia has least cause of all for grief, though by the nature of things I cannot tell her why—for that might do her an injury.

I have stalked him, year by year, waiting for this one moment.

Colonel Merriwether's body had been removed by men from the medical examiner's office. Fred West and Henry Prentiss went home. And Lieutenant Thatcher went to New York.

(To Be Continued)

ment. There is no need to say here, now, why I have done this. He cruelly killed two people who were of great importance to me. When he did that, his end was written.

Though I know it is useless, I beg you not to spend public money and the time of valuable men in the hunt for me. It will be completely futile.

VAUGHAN DUNBAR

HENRY PRENTISS said, "H-m-m-m. So that's it." Lieutenant Thatcher said, "At least we don't have to hunt around for motive. But we'll pick him up. He hasn't got a chance."

The telephone rang. It was a city detective at Vaughan Dunbar's hotel.

"He left in the forenoon," the detective said, "and he hasn't been back. A suitcase full of things is in his room, all packed, and some coats in a closet. Everything seems orderly."

"Take prints, if you please," Lieutenant Thatcher said. "And if it's all right with you people, I would like to come in later and go over the stuff. Of course, I'm out of my jurisdiction there—but if you people don't mind—"

Nobody would mind, naturally. "And you'll keep men there, in case he does show up? Good. And check on his garage, and all his telephone calls. Can you do that?" "We'll give it the whole routine."

"Thank you." By midnight, the fact was disconcertingly apparent that Vaughan Dunbar was eluding the chase. He had slipped through the network of hundreds of men in uniform and out of it, or he had hidden himself somewhere within the 1300 square miles of Long Island—somewhere between the 34th street cross-town tunnel and Montauk Point.

By midnight, likewise, the men who sat in the bar at Stone House were weary of talk of speculation and conjecture. They finished the sandwiches which had been brought to them.

Dr. Fleming said that his wife would stay the night, and that he would like for Anne West to remain, too. Himself, he had one or two hospital calls to make, and furthermore he needed sleep. Mitchell Grace could reach him if there were need. In any event, he would return to Stone House early next morning.

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(To Be Continued)

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

IN THE SOUTH SEAS THERE ARE ABOUT 300 ISLANDS, COMPRISING MORE THAN 20,000 SQUARE MILES, BUILT ENTIRELY OF CORAL.



BEESWAX

BEGINS AS A SECRETION IN GLANDS IN THE BEE'S BODY! THEN, WITH ITS HARD LEGS, THE INSECT REMOVES THE SUBSTANCE, BRINGS IT UP TO ITS MOUTH, WHERE IT IS MIXED WITH SALIVA AND CHEWED INTO A CONSISTENCY SUITABLE FOR BUILDING HONEYCOMBS.

QUESTIONS



"IN ARIZONA, LAST SUMMER, DEFENSE WORKERS WERE FROZEN ON THE JOB WHEN IT WAS 100° IN THE SHADE," says MRS. J. W. CONNOLLY, Tempe, Arizona. 1-20

NEXT: Plagued by rats.

SEED POTATOES

Red and White "OWL BRAND"

ALL KINDS OF FEED

(Some Cotton Seed Products)

A. J. Ratliff

PHONE 109

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.



Locate the main cut-off switch at your meter box, and standing on a dry surface, turn off the electricity.

Unscrew the "blown out" fuse, touching only its top. You can tell it by the burned patch in the window on top of fuse.

Replace with one of the same size as clearly marked on fuse. Turn on main switch.



3. FIX FAULTY PLUGS AND CORDS



Clean away the frayed or crumbled part.

Tape up each wire separately, using electrician's tape.

Then tape wires together. Adhesive tape cures and cracks very quickly.



Loosen screws and pull wire out.

Cut off frayed part of the wire.

Reinsert wire in plug, and screw in place.



PLUG SHOULD FIT SNUGLY

Where "A" doesn't fit snugly into "B," plug "B" springs may have lost their "action."

Band plug "A's" prongs apart with your fingers. Just enough to get a snug fit.

Or bend out the ends of the prongs with a pair of pliers.

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Certificate Of Title Necessary To Register Car

The attention of motor vehicle owners of Eastland county is being called again, to the law which requires them to present their Certificate of Title in order to register car or truck, by Clyde S. Karkalits, County Tax Assessor Collector.

TODAY'S SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Service Sports Editor

It strikes me that big league owners who yelled before Joe Eastman gave them as much as a dirty look could have taken a lesson from college athletic directors.

There are many more major football teams than there are professional baseball clubs of importance. By their number and much longer trips they outweigh the baseballers in travel, even though the football season is comparatively short.

Before the season recently closed, none of the athletic officials said anything to anybody about traveling anywhere. Schedules had been made and the pigskinners got around as before, not as comfortably in some instances, but they fulfilled contracts. Sometimes, as in the case of the Virginia flood, it was by pot luck.

CURBING unessential travel in wartime is imperative, but if they are going to play professional baseball, clubs have to get around.

And not a few are of the opinion that major league outfits could have been of service training in the southeastern military zone. That would have given countless young fighting men who have never set eyes on one another an opportunity to see big league clubs. There would be worth while competition in Army camps and at Naval bases.

With professional baseball holding its breath in regard to the approaching campaign, college



MEDICAL REPLACEMENT TRAINING CENTER Camp Barkeley, January 27, 1943 — John David Wheat, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Wheat, Route 2, Box 184, Easeland, Tex., and graduate of Texas A & M College in 1942 with a B. S. degree in agriculture today completed training here in

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Landscaping Is Suggested As A Fire Hazard Check

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 28 — Landscaping around rural homes is a valuable aid in checking fire hazards and reducing the appalling loss of life and property exacted yearly from farm homes. According to Sadio Hatfield, specialist in landscape gardening for the A&M College Extension Service, broadleaf evergreen shrubs planted to form screens and borders often are effective barriers against grass fires spreading from fields or pastures to farm buildings.

Plants suited for this purpose include Amur River privet, big leaf privet, eleagnus, evergreen bush honeysuckle, athel, euonymus, cape jasmine, hibiscus, holly, all-bush jasmine, cherry laurel, yaupon, pittisporum, pyracantha and guava. Broadleaf evergreens when planted about the foundation, also may serve to stop a fire on the lawn from spreading to the house.

Clearing away rubbish, removing dead plants, trollees covered with dead vines, cutting away dead portions of trees or shrubs, and stacking wood a reasonable distance from the house are fire prevention measures which also help to improve the landscaping.

General next on order, Miss Hatfield suggests, not only improve the landscape but remove fire hazards as well.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD. By William Ferguson

Cartoon strip titled 'THIS CURIOUS WORLD' by William Ferguson. It features a man with a long beard and a hat, and a man in a military uniform. The text includes: 'WHEN GALILEO FIRST DISCOVERED THE RINGS AROUND THE PLANET SATURN, HE SAW THEM EDGEWISE, AND THOUGHT THE PLANET HAD HANDLES.' 'TROUT WITH PINK FLESH CONTAIN MORE VITAMIN A THAN TROUT WITH WHITE FLESH.' 'RUFFLES AND FLOURISHES HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH PENMANSHIP MACHINE GUN FIRE BEATING A DRUM.' 'ANSWER: Beating a drum. NEXT: Geology teachers from other worlds.'

ALLEY OOP

Cartoon strip titled 'ALLEY OOP' by V. T. Hamlin. It features a man in a military uniform and a man in a suit. The text includes: 'I WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT IF I HADN'T SEEN IT!! SAY, SON, YOU'RE KINDA TOUGH FOR SUCH A LITTLE FELLA AIN'TCHA?' 'WHATCHA MEAN, "KINDA" TOUGH, YOU LOOZYGOP? I'M DOUBLE-TOUGH, JUST LIKE MY POP!' 'SO YA GOT A TOUGH POP, EH? WELL, WELL!' 'BEIN' TOUGH AIN'T ALL HE IS NEITHER, MAN. HE CAN HANDLE HIS DOGS, TOO, HE CAN!' 'TAUGHT ME TOO, I'M TELLIN' YOU!' 'SHUX... I BET YOU COULDN'T BREAK AN EGG WITH A TEN-POUND MAUL!' 'DEPENDS ON THE EGG, NOT TH' MAUL... HOW YA DOIN'... WILL THAT BE ALL?' 'BY GOLLY, FOR A LITTLE TYKE, YOU SURE PACK A WALLOP!' 'IF THAT L'L TAP MADE YOU SO SMALL, YOU SHOULD MIX IT WITH MY BROTHER PAUL!' 'BROTHER?? CADFREY!! IS THERE TWO OF YOU?' 'TWO? WHASSA MATTER, CANT YOU SEE?? OUR COUNT OF NOSES TOTALS THREE'

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Cartoon strip titled 'FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS' by Merrill Blosser. It features a man in a military uniform and a man in a suit. The text includes: 'YOU WERE SO FUSSED, YOU PUT MY HAT ON AND WALKED OFF!' 'M-M-ME FUSSED? --- SHUCKS, I WAS ONLY WEARING IT FOR A GAG, SORT OF!' 'MR. SMITH, DO YOU TAKE MODERN HISTORY AT SHADYSIDE HIGH?' 'WELL, I'M EXPOSED TO IT!' 'THEN WE'LL MEET AGAIN TOMORROW IN THE CLASSROOM, I IMAGINE!' 'GOSH--W-WILL WE?' 'LARD, MY HAT!'

RED RYDER

Cartoon strip titled 'RED RYDER' by Fred Harmon. It features a man in a military uniform and a man in a suit. The text includes: 'MISSY LOLITA SAY YOU WANT ME?' 'YEAH, LITTLE DRAVER, I THOUGHT YOU'D HELP ME GET READY FOR A TRIP TO TOWN.' 'YOU SEE WE'RE LOW ON GRUB AND WITH YOUR FRIEND BLIND FROM BEE STINGS, I THOUGHT--' 'I'LL BE ALL RIGHT, MISS, DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME.' 'BUT I'LL JUST TIDY UP YOUR BED, I'D BE MORE COMFORTABLE WHILE WE'RE GONE.' 'BUT LOLITA, DUFFY SAYS SOME BANK NOTES BENEATH THE MATTRESS'

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