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AXIS PUTTING UP STIFF RESISTANCE

NUMBER OF STRIKERS CLIMBS TO 90,000 AS LEWIS STILL HOLDS THREAT OVER NATION

Leader is steadfast in contentions in spite of a warning to the miners from President Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, April 30 (UP)—The number of soft coal strikers climbed past the 90,000 mark in five states today as John Lewis kept the threat of a crippling country-wide walkout still hanging over the nation despite an ultimatum from President Roosevelt.

The mine union is demanding a new contract providing for \$2-a-day wage increases, with an \$8 minimum. The present contract expires at midnight Friday and Lewis has said none of the miners will "trespass" on the employers' property thereafter unless a new contract is reached.

The War Labor Board, which Lewis had ignored, turned the case over to Mr. Roosevelt. Thursday the chief executive sent a telegram to Lewis and to Thomas Kennedy, UMW secretary-treasurer, appealing to the striking miners as a friend "to remain united and let the W.L.B. case run its course."

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The controversy provided immediate reverberations on Capitol Hill where Senator Tom Connally (Dem.) of Texas raised the cry of "dictator" against Lewis. The Senate agreed to consider Monday Connally's bill authorizing government seizure of strike-bound mines and industrial plants.

"It may be necessary," Connally said, "for the President to take over the mines and afford protection to those who want to return to work."

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, late Thursday informed Mr. Roosevelt the International Union of Progressive Mine Workers and A. F. of L. affiliate, would abide by labor's no-strike pledge and not join the United Mine Workers Union members in their work stoppages.

Green's message was made public at the White House simultaneously with a telegram the President sent to Green and Lloyd D. Thrush, president of the Progressive Miners of America, at Springfield, Ill., appealing to them and the Progressive miners "not to join in any strike at this time."

Love Blinder Than Ever, Says Doctor

FRANKLIN, Ind. (UP)—A serviceman on leave, and a girl whose boy friends have been caught by the draft, make a dangerous combination. Dr. William G. Mather, Franklin College sociologist and public welfare man, believes.

"The age-old problem of courtship and marriage in wartime are only the peacetime problems made more difficult," he said. "A boy on his first leave after six weeks away from his girl is apt to think that the first one he sees is God's gift to the lonely heart, and the embodiment of all his ideals of womanhood, when she may be nothing but a mean-spirited high-grade morgan with dangerous curves," he said.

Those eligible group of boy associates has been cleaned out by the draft is apt to think the first smooth-talking private she encounters is a combination of Rickenbacker, MacArthur and the Angel Gabriel, when he is nothing but a tonesome dead-end kid in uniform."

"The important thing is to fall in love with a person of essentially the same basic ideals, tastes and home background as yourself," said the sociologist.

WEST TEXAS—Cooler tonight except little change in temperature southeast and extreme south portions. Fresh winds over north portion this afternoon and tonight.

LIVESTOCK SALES BOOM AT SALES BARN

Business at the Sig Faircloth Sales Barn continues to boom as more buyers and sellers from over the country add their presence to the ever growing crowds that pack the sales barn on Thursday afternoons.

Thursday's crowd reached well over a hundred and sales were brisk with a total of \$13,386.66 changing hands during the afternoon. A total of 367 cattle were sold; 94 hogs; 11 horses; and two goats.

A week ago Thursday sales almost reached a record when a total of \$14,479.50 in sales was reported. At this sale 300 cattle changed owners; 84 hogs were sold; 17 horses and 15 goats were sold. Buyers numbered 62 and there were 81 sellers.

Vic King serves as auctioneer in charge of the sales and evidently gave radio's tobacco auctioneer his first lessons. Two checkers are kept busy making records of the sales, as one herd after another is driven into the pen by attendants.

Sig Faircloth, owner of the establishment where the sales are held stated this morning that sellers are pleased with the prices that they are getting here, and the increased attendance of sellers from all over the country is evidence of this fact.

Injured Flying For RAF, Texan On Production Line

DALLAS, Tex. (UP)—R. L. Templeton, a shy sandy-haired young man from Wellington, Tex., no longer sits at the controls of his Wellington medium bomber as it roars out over the English Channel carrying death and destruction to Axis Europe.

Some other keen-eyed young pilot has that job now. Templeton isn't flying any longer—he can't. But he's back in Texas, still fighting and he's putting all his savvy and know-how into his job as inspector at the Dallas plant of North American Aviation, Inc.

Fellow-workers know the 22-year-old blue-eyed youth to be particularly thorough in his inspection of Texas combat gainers. Few of them, though, know his record in the devastating air war over Germany.

Back from England with a medical discharge from the RAF, Templeton admits he has a great deal of satisfaction knowing he has contributed to the destruction of the Nazi war machine.

He started training as a bomber pilot and in March, 1942, left for England. A month later he made his first raid over Germany—the destructive bombing of Rostock, the vital Baltic port from which Hitler was sending supplies to his armies on the Russian front.

During the next five months his bomber roared over Germany, blasted the Ruhr Valley and participated in the 1,000-plane raid on Cologne.

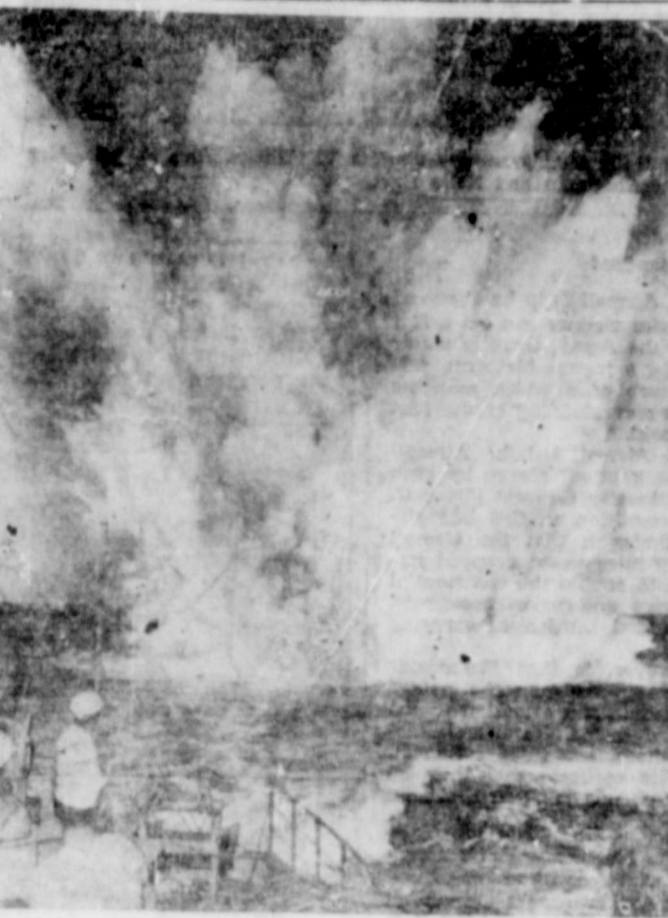
He says he wasn't scared on his first raid; he was too busy, "but when I got back to my base my hands started shaking and my knees seemed weak. But after that I was never bothered."

It was a routine flight in September, 1942, that ended his flying with RAF. He crashed, his leg was injured.

Before he came out of the hospital his brother, Pat Neff Templeton, was intercepted by Nazi fighters over the Channel, had one engine shot out and was killed in the crash.

Will Test Up to 700 M.P.H. PASADENA, Cal. (UP)—The new \$2,000,000 aircraft testing tube—the largest in the world—now being constructed at the California Institute of Technology, will generate wind velocities up to 700 miles per hour. Those to date do not exceed wind tests of more than 600 miles per hour.

Pleasure Craft Mean Business Now



This dose of trouble for lurking submarines is being released off the coast of Florida by a converted pleasure yacht. And just as pleasure craft join the Navy's anti-submarine patrol, so civilians, too, let's crush the U-boat menace by buying Second War Loan Bonds to finance the powerful depth charges.

Cowboy Reunion Is Called Off

STAMFORD, Tex. April 30—In cooperation with the nation's all-out war effort, directors voted not to hold the Texas Cowboy Reunion this year in a recent meeting, according to W. G. Swenson, president.

"There is no doubt," Mr. Swenson stated, "that a good show could have been held. Indications were that the usual number of contestants would have been present, but after a thorough survey of the gasoline, tire, and food rationing, and keeping in mind the urgent appeal being made for each person to devote his energy to the war effort, the decision was made not to hold this year's show. But we assure all rodeo lovers that, as soon as war-time conditions permit, we will return with the annual Texas Cowboy Reunion, with all the thrills and entertainment features that have become a part of the show."

Directors also voted to buy \$3,000 in United States War Bonds, this being taken from the operating funds which will not be used this year.

Our Planes Can Take It



Clipping a telephone pole with the wing of his P-38 while strafing an Axis truck column in North Africa didn't stop Lt. W. J. Hoelle of the 33rd Matero from piloting his plane safely home. Here he surveys the damage, striking evidence of the ruggedness of the equipment your Second War Loan Bonds help buy.

MISS PEARSON ACCEPTED FOR WAAC DUTY

Mrs. Helen Shaw, local recruiter for the Woman's Auxiliary Army Corps, announced today that Miss Electra Pearson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Pearson, has been accepted for entrance into the WAAC. She will remain in Ranger pending call to training and active duty.

Miss Pearson is a graduate of the Ranger schools and attended Lindenwood College at St. Charles, Missouri, and Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth. She expects to be called to training in about two weeks.

Miss Minton And Octette Appear At Lions Meeting

At the regular meeting of the Lions Club held at the weekly luncheon Thursday at the Paramount Hotel, A. E. Crawley was in charge of the program and introduced Miss Imogene Minton, head of the fine arts department of Ranger Junior College, who presented her Octette in five vocal numbers. The young artists were given an enthusiastic reception by the club members.

Members of the Octette are Frances Ann Eubank, Mary Catherine McHenry, Billie Jean Crawley, Marie Green, Jo Oyler, Mary Frances Oby, Rosemary Bruce, and Beatrice Toll.

A Bunk's A Bunk Even A Skeleton's

HEADQUARTERS ALASKA DEFENSE COMMAND (UP)—Cpl. Glynn A. Peterson of Sitka, Alaska, a member of "Casper's Cutthroats," the platoon of kamikaze scouts organized by Col. L. V. Casner for service in the Aleutians, has added his bit to the growing legend of his outfit.

Seeking shelter recently in the outer Aleutians where they were doing reconnaissance work for Army intelligence Corporal Peterson and an Eskimo private named Apodruk found a "barabara," or Aleut sod hut, still standing at the rim of an ancient village. Peterson says that since they were cold, tired and hungry and a bitter, snow-laden sea was howling in from Bering sea, they unhesitatingly crawled into the old dwelling and prepared to spend the night.

But the first thing they saw on making a light, Peterson says, was a time-yellowed skeleton lying on a bunk, wrapped in rotted tatters of sealskin and with a great whale harpoon clutched in its fleshless hands.

"Gosh, what'll we do?" asked Apodruk. "In a case like this, chum, there's only one thing to do," Peterson replied grimly. "We need the bunk more than he does. So out he goes."

Peterson states that inasmuch as the bunk was wide enough for two, he and Apodruk spent a fairly comfortable night after they had dispossessed its skeleton occupant.

Fish Hatcheries Employ Women

ST. PAUL, Minn. (UP)—The state fish hatcheries will employ women this year for the first time in Minnesota's history.

Norman Moe, superintendent of state fisheries for the department of conservation, plans to use a number of women on pike-stripping crews to replace men who are in the armed forces or employed in war plants.

During the pike run from 100 to 125 skilled fish culturists are employed to strip eggs for the hatcheries.

ALLIES MAKE SMALL GAINS BUT REPORTS SAY GOING TO BE TOUGH FOR THREE ALLIES

Warships, transports and landing barges are reported moving through the Atlantic from direction of Gibraltar

Allied armies bucked a general Axis counter-offensive in the mountains rimming northeast Tunisia today and the German radio reported a vast fleet of warships, transports and landing barges moving through the Eastern Mediterranean.

The Allied offensive had carried to the heart of the outlying Axis defenses hugging Tunis and Bizerte, and dispatches from Northern Africa Headquarters said the going would be tough before the American, British and French forces burst through to the plains.

United States troops plugging at stiff German lines southwest of Bizerte scored local gains yesterday. As they did the French in the Port du Fahs sector and the British Eighth Army was fighting hard to hold hard won ground in the center.

German radio reports of fleet movements in the Mediterranean said 150 landing barges passed eastward through the Straits of Gibraltar yesterday, that an escort convoy of 25 transports and tankers put out from Gibraltar, and that three British battle-

War Eliminating Narcotics Racket

DENVER (UP)—The war is helping to clean up the narcotic racket, Mrs. Elizabeth Bass, district narcotic bureau supervisor in Denver says.

Mrs. Bass reports that drug peddlers are unable to obtain opium derivatives due to the abrupt cessation of commercial shipping between the United States and Asia, and apparently have quit business for the duration.

She adds that many drug addicts, unable to obtain illicit drugs, are being forced to take involuntary "cures."

Mrs. Bass also says that rigid military inspection of all cargoes, and the outlawing of the growing of poppies in the United States by federal regulations, have helped in eliminating some of the narcotic bureau's work.

Stephan's Lawyers Ask Reversal

WASHINGTON (UP)—Attorneys for Max Stephan, Detroit restaurant operator, today asked the Supreme Court to reverse an earlier decision and review the proceedings which resulted in his conviction and death sentence on treason charges.

WASHINGTON (UP)—The United States today abrogated all existing agreements with Admiral Georges Robert, the uncooperative French High Commissioner at Martinique, and served notice that this country regards him as still loyal to the Vichy government of France.

Fliers Continue To Pound Solomons

WASHINGTON (UP)—American fliers have pounded four Japanese bases in the Solomons in their continuing aerial offensive to keep the enemy pinned down behind their Southwest Pacific defense line, the Navy reported today.

Experts Suspect Jap Action Pending

WASHINGTON (UP)—Abrupt diminution of Japanese aerial aggressiveness in the Australian and Solomons area and evidence that the Japanese are pulling back some of their shipping led experts to speculate today that the enemy might be preparing for a new operation.

ships, three aircraft carriers, four cruisers and eight destroyers had departed from the same base.

German resistance was reported stiffening sharply all along the Tunisian line and in further demonstration of their determination to fight to the end for a bridgehead in Africa the Nazis were running large numbers of small supply vessels over the straits from Sicily.

Allied fliers hit twelve of these ships Wednesday, official reports said, destroying at least six and leaving five others in flames so intense as to indicate that fuel for the Axis armies was their chief cargo.

The British meanwhile, occupied Sidi Ahmed, ten miles northwest of Medjez-el-Bah but elsewhere the Allied armies appeared to have come to a halt momentarily against the hard core of a defense line the Germans were committed to defend at whatever cost.

This was emphasized in the Djebel Bou Aouka sector between Majez-el-Bah and Tebourda, where by winning the hill the First Army could gain flat country permitting great mobility in the subsequent fighting toward Tunis.

British infantry had battled to within 400 yards of the crest of the hill when the Germans counterattacked vigorously Wednesday afternoon with infantry and some thirty tanks backed by heavy machine gun and mortar fire, front reports said. In a short but bitter fight the British beat back the counterthrust and surged forward once more, gaining the summit which is less than twenty-one air-line miles from Tunis.

But the Germans quickly counterattacked again and this time they sent back the British spearhead some distance down the Western slope of the hill, an Allied communiqué revealed.

In both engagements the British inflicted heavy losses on the Germans, including the destruction of some tanks, but it was feared their own losses ran high against the concentrated downhill fire of the Nazi guns.

German broadcasts asserted the British had been beaten back to their starting points after achieving a break-through northwest of Medjez-el-Bah and that a British armored car unit of sixty to seventy vehicles had been destroyed.

Allied fliers continued to deliver smashing blows against the enemy Wednesday, despite bad flying weather. They shot down eighteen enemy planes and lost two of their own.

The enemy was reported taking full advantage of the heavy cloud conditions of the last several days to run supplies over the straits from Sicily, mostly at night.

From the Middle East, United States Liberators ranged over the Mediterranean to attack the ferry terminal at Messina, Sicily, and Naples by daylight Wednesday. Cairo dispatches reported.

Numerous direct hits with heavy-caliber bombs were scored on ferry slips, terminal buildings and in railroad sidings at Messina, while the big Victor Emmanuel Mole at Naples was struck repeatedly, a United Nations communiqué said. Five enemy planes were shot down in the course of the two raids and one Allied bomber was lost.

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BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Sports Editor

CLYDE FRANKLIN KLUTZ is the reason old Bob Quinn and Casey Stengel of the Braves listened to the Giants' propositions for the contract of Ernie Lombardi, recalcitrant National League batting champion of 1942.

Early last season Manager Stengel predicted that Clyde Klutz would become one of the great catchers.

"He is smart as a whip," observed Old Casey "in a good way, but he throws well and moves quickly enough, but it's his hitting that forges me to climb out on the 'A'."

Klutz, the clutch hitter, has been considered the top option with men on base this spring and should keep right on mowing em down. He batted .367 in 72 engagements last season, is definitely on the upgrade.

HANDSOME, raven-haired, 24-year-old Klutz, a product of Catawba College of his native Salisbury, N. C., where he still makes his home, is built for the wearing part he plays—stands an even six feet, weighs 193 pounds. His eye is going to the over him at all plate.

Klutz is out of the Cardinal farm system, which ordinarily would be nothing in the way of a recommendation. He's back from the "A" club's camp generally.

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Sports Editor

REDAILED CITIZEN and Anter-Karl, a broad-shouldered right-hander from Louisville, had blanked the Giants with four hits and a home run in a long overcut while climbing back into street clothes in the visitors' clubhouse at the Polo Grounds. It was the Red Sox fourth hit, but in six games—two in Baltimore and another in Boston.

"I would have had five," beamed Manager Cragin. "There were two out when a ball threw game Newark to only two. These three at mine were up just one earned run in six. I went 22 strikes in six without being scored on."

"IT'S nice to have good pitching and it's going to come in especially handy this season, when they'll be a definite return to old-fashioned baseball—the kind you and I like."

"Both made the public home run conscious. People liked to see the ball hit out of the park, so the ball was lived up to in a powerful hitting to imitate both to some extent."

"I will be the club with the superior pitching and high defense which will finish high while the season is on. You'll see the spike hitter, the bunt sacrifice, the squeeze. Players will take more liberties on the bases."

Ah, Sweet Spring



These spring sweeties cavorting on the Hollywood grass are starlets Vi Athens, Ann Savage, Marguerite Chapman and Neila Hart.

BY PETER EDSON NEA Washington Correspondent

THE two- or fifth anniversary of the U. S. Airmail is to be observed May 15-16, but unless the U. S. commercial airlines can get a few more transport planes assigned to them by the Army, there is a fair chance that the celebration, instead of being a joyous birthday, will be somewhat in the nature of a wake, marking the complete bog-down by overloading of the best airmail system in the world.

Airmail today is an airmail pouches get kicked off or kept off planes by high priority passengers. Postmaster General Frank C. Walker himself gave recognition to this bad situation by his recent admission that the airmail was in a bad way, might have to be dropped entirely as a war measure, to enable the commercial airlines to haul passengers and priority express, relieving them of the added burden of carrying mere mail.

The inside story, however, is that Postmaster Walker's statement was something in the nature of a trial balloon, intended to call attention to the serious situation now confronting the airmail service, indirectly to prod along and force action on the commercial airlines' entirely reasonable requests that they be allocated a few more planes to do the tremendous job that has been dumped on their wings by the war effort.

THE fact is that U. S. commercial airlines have been doing a tremendous job under severe handicaps, with records of plane and personnel performance which the Army's Air Transport Command, for all its recent bragging, would have a hard time matching if it would release its figures, which it won't because it considers such matters military secrets. Every commercial plane in the United States today is averaging 1600 miles of flight per day, as against an average of only 1150 miles per plane per day before the war.

Flying planes longer hours, greater mileage and with heavier loads has been the principal means by which the commercial airlines have attempted to make up for their lack of adequate equipment. As of Pearl Harbor, the commercial airlines had 365 planes. In April the Army took over 25 per cent of them, in June got the airlines to convert about 70 planes from passenger to cargo use and in addition took over another 38 planes. That left the airlines with 166 planes, or less than half of what they had before, but with more passengers, more express and more mail to haul.

CONGRESSMAN JENNINGS RANDOLPH of Elkins, W. Va., who fathered the airmail pickup service and is now running a one-man crusade for 20,000 airports in the United States, has also been digging into this air transport crisis in the belief that a breakdown or a further curtailment of existing air services would be most disastrous to the war effort.

At Randolph's request, C. P. Graddick, of Chicago, director of the air cargo department for United Airlines, has prepared a lengthy and detailed statement on the situation, emphasizing the fact that the business of the United States is now geared to airmail and air express operation—not business as usual airmail, but war business airmail, including blueprints, government contracts, specifications, rush orders, war bills, business letters and papers, soldier, sailor and marine mail. "No one wants to impede the war effort," writes Graddick, "but I do believe we have reached the point where we must weigh carefully the value to the war effort of maintaining . . . essential commercial services."

Advertisement for Hamill's, Inc. featuring a woman in a dress and the text 'A Goody-Goody Summer Treat by Trudy Hall, Jr. \$4.98'. The ad describes the dress as a 'solid side . . . this super-smooth seersucker' with 'crossing bands ladder style in strips that dazzle . . . but neatly. A honey in Red, Blue, Green, or Brown. Sizes 9 to 15.'

Advertisement for Dr. W.D. McGraw, Optometrist, located at 203 Exchange Bldg. Eastland, Texas. Services include eye examinations and glasses.

Advertisement for Earl Bender & Company, Inc., Abstracters, located in Eastland, Texas. They provide abstracting services for various materials and equipment.

Advertisement for Killingsworth, featuring an image of a house and text about real estate services.

Advertisement for A. H. Powell Grocery Market, located at 103. It promotes buying defense bonds and stamps, and offers a ration book.

Advertisement for Garage Day & Nite, offering various automotive services like tire repairs and car washes.

Advertisement for Leveille Motor Co., offering car services such as overhauls, straightening bodies, and painting.

A crossword puzzle titled 'DOMESTIC BIRD'. It includes a grid and a list of clues for both horizontal and vertical words.

Advertisement for Johnson Radio Shop, located at 218 East Austin St. in Ranger, Texas. They offer radio repair and parts.

Advertisement for C. E. May Advertising Pays, offering services for rent and advertising.

Large advertisement for Ranger Junior College, offering various courses for the summer of 1943. It highlights the opportunity to shorten college courses.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

OLD MAN SCUTTLE HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO JUSTICE-- AND NOW SENTENCE IS ABOUT TO BE PASSED---

MR. SCUTTLE, THIS ARMY PILOT RAN OUT OF GASOLINE AND WRECKED HIS PLANE! TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THIS PICTURE!

AND THE JUDGE SENTENCED HIM TO BUY A \$1,000 WAR BOND EVERY MONTH!

AND THAT'S NOT ALL! MR. SCUTTLE HAS TO KEEP THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL SUPPLIED WITH FRESH VEGETABLES FOR A YEAR!

THAT WAS A MIGHTY SMART WAY TO PUNISH HIM----- JUDGE HAY MUST HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON!

BY MERRILL BLOSSER

IF HE'D HAD A FEW OF THE 500 GALLONS YOU WERE HOARDING, THIS WOULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED!

AND IF YOU EVER BURY GASOLINE IN THE GROUND AGAIN, THINK OF THE BOYS YOU MAY BE BURYING WITH IT!

THAT'S RIGHT, GALS... BUT YOU CAN CALL ME "SOL" FOR SHORT!

BY V. T. HAMLIN



Scenes from Abbot and Costello's newest comedy riot from Universal "It Ain't Hay". A host of comics together with a bevy of beauties assist the comics in their translation of Damon Runyan's best story. "It Ain't Hay" will be shown at the Arcadia theatre here beginning Friday.

ALLEY OOP

HOTZIG! LOOK AT HIM EAT! WITH THAT SHOT OF DOPE I HAD THE BOY PUT IN HIS FOOD, HE'LL GO OUT LIKE A LIGHT...

THEN IT'LL SIMPLY BE A MATTER OF DRAGGING HIM INTO THE TIME-MACHINE AND PRESTO... HE'LL BE ON HIS WAY BACK TO MOO...

DR. WONMUG, ENRAGED BY ALLEY OOP'S REAPPEARANCE IN THE 20TH CENTURY, HAS DONE HIS BEST TO RETURN HIM TO MOO... BUT HIS BEST HAS NOT BEEN GOOD ENOUGH!

WHAT? YOU SAY WONMUG GAVE YOU SOME STUFF TO PUT IN OOP'S FOOD?

YASSUH! MISTER DOC HE SAY IT WAS SPEEHL VITYMUMS FOR CAVEMEN... ONLY I FIGGERED MISTER DOC NEEDED VITYMUMS MORE THAN MISTER OOP!

SO THERES NOTHINS THE MATTER WITH WONMUG THAT SLEEP WONT CURE!

THAT'S RIGHT, BUT THERES LIABLE TO BE IF I DONT TAKE A HAND IN THIS AFFAIR, AND QUICK!

SO Y'GOT SOME EXCITEMENT UP YOUR SLEEVE FOR ME, EH? BOY LEAD ME TO IT... THIS POTATO PLANTIN IS GETTIN' ME DOWN!

THERES WORSE THINGS THAN PLANTING POTATOES, MY BOY!

MEBBE SO, BUT NOTHIN' EVER HAPPENS... HEY, WHAT'S CAUSIN' THIS SHADOW?

OH! IT'S PROBABLY A PLANE OR... MY STARS!

A PARACHUTE... AND A BIG ONE, TOO!

BY MERRILL BLOSSER

AND MY TROUBLES WILL BE OVER... OH HUP... WHOOP... I FEEL SORTA QUEER-- JUST LAY MY HEAD DOWN!

MY STARS, MISTER OOP, WHAT'S DONE COME OVER, MISTER DOC?

DANGED IF I KNOW, THE OL' BOY JUST GOT TIRED AND FOLDED UP I GUESS!

SO I PUT 'EM IN MISTER DOC'S VITYLES... AN HE DONE PASSED OUT!

WHY DOCTOR BRONSON, I CANT IMAGINE SUCH A THING-- THERE MUST BE SOME MISTAKE!

HMM! YES, OOLA, THERE HAS BEEN, BUT I GUARANTEE IT'LL BE THE LAST ONE!

BY FRED HARMON

Out Our Way By Williams

WE'LL SAY THIS IS MONTGOMERY AND OVER HERE IS ROMMEL-- NOW THIS GEAR IS OUR ARMY-- THEN TH' BRITISH FIRST ARMY IS-- LET'S SEE--

THE OLD BLUE PRINTS COVER UP A LOT O' LOAFIN' DON'T THEY? THEY HAD A QUARTET HERE THAT USED TO PRACTICE WHILE HOLDIN' UP A BLUE PRINT IN FRONT O' THEM

JUST LIKE THE OLD GEOGRAPHY IN SCHOOL-- I LEARNED EVERYTHING I DIDNT NEED IN SCHOOL BEHIND A GEOGRAPHY, AN EVERYTHING I DIDNT NEED IN A SHOP BEHIND A BLUE PRINT!

THE RED SPOON

BY WILLIAMS

RED RYDER

UNABLE TO FLAG DOWN THE SPEEDING TRAIN, RED RYDER LEAPS FROM A HIGH BANK--

STOP! STOP THIS TRAIN!

ANOTHER HOLDUP, EH? THIS TIME IT AINT INJUNS!

I REMEMBER HIM-- HE RODE THIS LINE TH' LAST TIME WE WERE ROBBED

BY FRED HARMON

STOP! STOP THIS TRAIN!

A HOLDUP!

AND LANDS IN THE COAL TENDER!

YOU FOOLS-- I'M NO OUTLAW-- I'M TRYIN' TO PREVENT ANOTHER ATTACK! STOP!

WE'D BETTER DO AS HE SAYS, I DONT LIKE TH' BUSINESS END OF THAT PISTOL!

GOOD! NOW THEN, WHEN YOU STOP-- BACK UP!

BY FRED HARMON

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A. J. Ratliff

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FOR SALE—Bantam Eggs for
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FOR RENT—Small furnished
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FOR SALE—Bantam Eggs for
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Fidelis Matrons Have Luncheon

The Fidelis Matrons Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met Thursday at 12:30 o'clock at the church for a covered dish luncheon.

At the brief business session Mrs. W. L. Jackson was elected to the presidency, and members voted to hold their meetings at 8 o'clock in the evenings during the summer months.

Those present for the meeting were: Mmes. L. L. Bruce, R. H. McKelvin, Alex. Roberson, C. W. Blacklock, George Robinson, Tucker, Ross Hodges, Izetta Smith, Eugene Baker, E. T. Eubanks, Dave Morgan, and C. B. Pruett.

Personals

Sid Wayne of Dallas visited relatives and friends in Ranger Thursday, and he was accompanied home by his mother, Mrs. W. D. Wayne, who has been visiting here this week.

Mrs. G. T. Parrock, who has been a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital, was removed to her home Thursday.

J. L. Whisenant, who underwent minor surgery at the West Texas Hospital, was removed to his home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Robinson announce the birth of a son, born Thursday at the City-County Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Shields of Dallas and formerly of Ranger, announce the birth of a daughter, born Friday at the City-County Hospital.

Mrs. Henry Sharpe and son, Henry, of Strawn visited friends in Ranger Thursday.

D. Joseph, who has been in Ft. Worth and Dallas attending market, returned home Thursday evening.

Mrs. Casteel of Strawn spent

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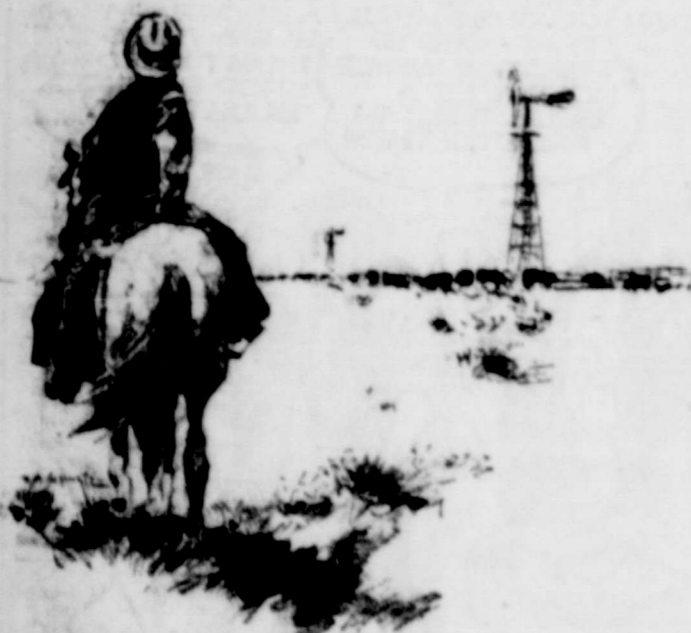
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Thursday in Ranger visiting Friends.
 George Salem of Munday transacted business in Ranger Thursday.

Mr. Amos of Lubbock and Mrs. Lake of Dallas were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Joseph Thursday night.

Senior Play To Be Presented
Wednes. May 14

Members of the senior class of Ranger high school are now at work on the senior play which will be presented Wednesday evening, May 14.

The following description of the play, listing the character parts, was written by one of the players:

Many good citizens in town are not even remotely informed as to the nature of this vehicle. Needless to say, it is a farce—Ready Made Family. The plot is concerned with a widow and a widower who are terribly attracted to one another, result matrimony. The children of both believe that money was the chief motive on both sides and as that conclusion is drawn, schemes are carried out to break up the happy couple.

The cast includes Betty White as the attractive widow, Mrs. Agnes Martyn; Frank Johnson as her son Bob; and Martha Jo Oyler and Edna Jean Morton as her two daughters—Marilee and Gracie respectively. The part of Aunt Lydia, the neurotic old maid sister-in-law of Agnes Martyn, is taken over by Beatrice Toti, David Lee Jameson takes

punishment, physical and spiritual, throughout the action as the widower, Mr. Henry Turner, who has two young offspring. These characters are capably handled by Bobby Woods as Sammie and Retha Jones as Doris. Not to be forgotten, by any means, are the colored characters—Nicodemus and Begonia. You'll hold your sides when "Nicky" tears across the stage at a mad gallop to get away from one of Bob's fits or when Begonia is praying to the good Lord above to save her while Sammie is running around with an extremely realistic looking ax.

After two weeks of work, the cast and director, Miss Dana Kerbow, see prospects for an entertaining evening on May 14.

Churches

Rev. A. Bryson English plans to use as a sermon subject next Sunday evening, May 2 at 8:15 p. m. this subject: "The Prodigal Son's One Big Day." He will first tell the story of the Prodigal Son in pictures from the screen from the time he left home until he returns to the father. He will also have the congregation sing religious hymns from the screen with pictures to give meaning to the words. His sermon subject at 11 a. m. will be "Finding God."

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