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Mighty Battle Rages Near Leningrad

STATIONED IN ENGLAND

Pfc. Albert J. Bradford, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bradford of Ft. Worth and Ranger, is now stationed with the Army Air Corps in England.

Pfc. Bradford entered the service on April 13, 1943 and had been attending Ranger Junior College just prior to entering the service. He was born and reared in Ranger and is a graduate of the Ranger High school. He was promoted to first class private just before being sent to the foreign station.

Comanche Trail To Have Annual Council Meeting

The Annual Council Meeting of the Comanche Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America will be held Friday, January 21, in the First Christian Church, Brownwood. The business session will start at 6:00 p. m. with the banquet hour at 7:00.

Judge A. J. Miller, President of the Council, will preside during the meeting. Captain C. H. Janeway, Public Relations Office, 18th Corps, Camp Bowie, a former Scout Executive, will speak. Sgt. Joseph Monia, violinist of Cleveland, Ohio, and Cpl. Robert Pavese, pianist of New York City will give a musical program during the banquet.

Scout leaders from Stephens, Eastland, Erath, Comanche, Brown, Mills, San Saba and Lampasas counties will gather for this business session which will include the election of officers for the year, reports on all phases of scouting activities during the past year, for the banquet hour when special awards of merit will be given, inspirational talks made, demonstrations put on by a group of scouts, and the musical program. The meal will be served by the ladies of the First Christian church.

Senate Retains Union Clause In Dispute Tax Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. (UP)—The Senate Tuesday voted 48 to 34 to retain the much disputed provision of the pending $2,275,600,000 tax bill that would require labor unions and other non-profit organizations to file financial statements with the Internal Revenue Bureau.

Opponents charged during the debate that the clause was the opening wedge for eventual taxation of unions, farm co-operatives and charitable organizations. Bennett C. Clark (Dem). of New York and George D. Aiken (Rep). of Vermont led in opposing the proposal.

Owen Brewster (Rep.) of Maine and Dennis Chavez (Dem.) of New Mexico charged that elimination of the provision would play into the hands of labor unions planning to participate actively in the 1944 presidential campaign. Texans Tom Connally and W. Lee O'Daniel voted to retain the provision.

"Does' the Senator (Clark) maintain," Brewster asked, "that organizations which have contributed $500,000 to one campaign and have already announced plans to contribute $700,000 to the coming campaign should not be required to give the government some information as to the sources of their income?"

RED CROSS IN NEED OF MORE WORKERS NOW

Mrs. Saunders Gregg, chairman for the Red Cross surgical dressings work in Ranger, today appealed to the women of Ranger to assist in the making of the current quota of 20,000 dressings.

Mrs. Gregg stated that attendance was so lax at the work room that the current quota cannot possibly be completed before another arrives unless increased attendance at the work room is made. It was stated that only 19 workers were on hand Tuesday afternoon and while these workers turned out 1,400 dressings the rate is much too slow to guarantee completion of the quota on time.

It is expected that with the increasing possibility of an invasion of western Europe in the near future, that demands will be greatly increased for the dressings and the local chapter of the Red Cross is eager to be in a position to do its part in any emergency calls.

Every woman in Ranger who can possibly give any time to this work is urged to do so, no matter how short the period may be that she can devote to it.

Ranger Group To Attend Meeting In Ft. Worth, Fri.

A conference of representatives of Methodist churches in this area will be held in Ft. Worth Friday, with the opening service being at 10 o'clock Friday morning at the First Methodist church.

The meeting will be one of the many held over the nation in connection with the world-wide movement known as the Bishop's Crusade and the theme of which will be the New World Order. The movement is being sponsored by the church in cooperation with the government in an effort to be able to meet the postwar conditions.

Men and women in Methodism in the nation will be speakers and their subjects will be devoted to planning for the post-war period.

Among those from Ranger who expect to attend the conference are Mrs. M. H. Hagaman, Mrs. A. J. Ratliff, and Rev. A. B. English, pastor of the Ranger Methodist church.

Miss Boswell Wins Highest Score In Piano Department

Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Boswell have received word that their daughter, Miss Genevieve Boswell, a piano major at Texas Wesleyan College in Ft. Worth, has made the highest score of the department in her piano work.

Miss Boswell, who will receive her degree in music in June, is currently appearing several times a week as accompanist for musical programs in Ft. Worth, and will appear in a recital of the department in Ft. Worth tonight.

She is a graduate of Weatherford High school and attended Ranger Junior College before entering the Ft. Worth college. While in Ranger she was a piano student at the local college.

Bees Given Sugar Ration By OPA

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP) —Bees have turned the tables on the human race and demanded their share of the sugar ration.

According to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, a new ruling by the Office of Price Administration enables Texas bee keepers to obtain up to 15 pounds of additional sugar yearly per colony.

The advance was authorized because high honey prices in 1942 caused many producers to extract to closely thus starving some colonies and leaving others in poor condition.

Dazed Survivors Sit In Open After Earthquake

SUFFERING FROM SHOCK, survivors of the earthquake that destroyed San Juan, Argentina, sit dazedly in the open air, above, because nearly every building in the city was leveled. Thousands of persons were reported killed as buildings crumbled to the ground. (International Radiophoto)

Site of Quake

SAN JUAN, Argentine city razed by a powerful earthquake, is indicated on the above map. Ninety per cent of the city of 36,000 population was destroyed and thousands were killed. (International)

Program For Navy Enlistment Takes In A New Group

The Navy, beginning immediately, will enlist qualified young men from 19 to 26, inclusive, in its aviation cadet program under an increased quota for Class SV-5. Heretofore, only 17 and 18 year olds with high school education were eligible for flight training.

Lieut. Comdr. G. W. Cook, Jr., officer-in-charge, of the Dallas Office of Naval Procurement, Allen Building, said the expanded quota probably resulted from tightening of deferments for civilians under 22 years by Selective Service.

Comdr. Cook believes a large number of these young men will be interested in applying for training as an aviation cadet and being given the opportunity to earn a commission as an Ensign, U. S. Naval Reserve, or as a U. S. Marine Corps Reserve Second Lieutenant. He asked that they write his office for full details.

Thieves Take Out For Merriment

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (UP)—Leisurely burglars with time to eat, drink and be merry robbed Dickie's Cafe the other night.

According to police report, they stole all the coins from the juke box and marble machines, ate sandwiches and drank copious quantities of milk and then walked off with numerous cigarets and cigars.

THREE FORMER EASTLAND MEN MEET IN PACIFIC

(The following story was written by Staff Sergeant Milburn McCarty, Jr., of Eastland, Texas, a Marine Corps Combat Correspondent.)

BOUGAINVILLE (delayed) — Halfway around the world from Texas and headed for the invasion of Bougainville, three former Eastland, Texas, men met aboard a transport.

The men are all Marines. First Lieutenant Karl Tanner, Sergeant William C. Barnett, and this correspondent.

Lieutenant Tanner, 35, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Tanner, of Eastland. Sergeant Barnett, 25, is the son of H. M. Barnett who formerly worked for the Consolidated Gasoline in Eastland, but who now lives at 6602 Avenue H. Houston. This correspondent's father, Milburn McCarty, Sr., who formerly practiced law in Eastland, is now in Dallas as a special assistant to the Attorney General of the United States.

None of the three men had seen the others for more than 12 years, before they met here. All are with the attacking force striking at Bougainville.

This correspondent's meeting with Lieutenant Tanner was a coincidence which only war can produce. Transferred from another Marine unit on this ship, I came abord to present my orders to the Marine adjutant—and that turned out to be Lieutenant Tanner.

The next day, on deck, I ran into Sergeant Barnett. He had been with this unit for several months, but it wasn't until this trip that he and Tanner realized that both had formerly lived in Eastland.

Old times in Eastland were thoroughly reviewed by the three of us, despite our many duties.

Lieutenant Tanner, who was yell leader at the University of Texas, and then was with the Employers Casualty Co., in Dallas, is now a veteran Marine who has wide experience in fighting the Japanese.

He joined Carlson's Raiders early in the war, and was among the first troops to come to the Pacific. He was with the small group at Midway when the Japanese invasion force was turned back in the battle of Midway.

Tanner was with Colonel Carlson and Major James Roosevelt in the raid on Makin. Later he served through a month of toughest phase of the Guadalcanal campaign, and for his distinguished leadership in this section with the enemy was given a commission in the field.

Lieutenant Tanner, at 35, should be considered an old man for a toughened, jungle-quick outfit, but he keeps up with the youngest of his men, and among his fellow officers is recognized as one of the best trained and most jungle-wise warriors in this area.

Sergeant Barnett, who used to attend South Ward when he lived in Eastland, is now section leader of a crack machine gun squad. He enlisted in the Corps in 1942, and has seen service in many parts of the Pacific. He was with the American troops who occupied the Russel Islands in the Solomons early this year, and has done duty at Guadalcanal.

Ranger Basket Ball Teams Win From Eastland

Ranger came out winner Tuesday afternoon when members of both the boys and girls basketball teams of Ranger High school defeated the Eastland boys and girls teams in games played at the Recreation building from 4:30 to 6:30 o'clock.

In the warm up games in preparation for the 19 team tournament to be held here Friday and Saturday of this week the Ranger girls won by a score of 43 to 9 and the Ranger boys took their opponents to a 32 to 12 clean-up.

All teams showed excellent spirit and played good games and indications are that with such teams in the running, the games Friday and Saturday should be well worth the time of fans.

A game which was originally scheduled for tonight between the Ranger boys team and the Alameda team has been canceled, according to an announcement by Coach Dan Martin.

Classes In Radio Are Opened Here Monday at 1 P. M.

Classes in radio communication which were opened in connection with Ranger High school and Ranger Junior College, Monday afternoon at 1 p. m. have gotten off to a good start according to an announcement today.

The classes are being held from 1:00 to 4:00 o'clock in the afternoons and from 6:00 to 9:00 o'clock each evening. At the present there are about thirty students enrolled in the classes which are being conducted by J. C. Walker.

Dr. G. C. Boswell, president of the college and superintendent of schools, stated today that the classes are a federal project and that full credit will be given for the work.

It was also stated that there is still room in the classes for a few more students and that anyone interested in the work should enroll as soon as possible in order not to miss any of the instruction.

NAVY SPEEDS AIR CARGOES BY REPACKING

By Courtenay Moore
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, (UP) —Repackaging of vital war materials for air transport has played an important part in the battle of the supply lines —helping to win the war by getting more urgently needed supplies to the front line in fast time by plane and effecting telling economies in per item shipping costs.

Rear Admiral William B. Young chief of the Navy's bureau of supplies and accounts, said that substitution of lighter packaging for the heavy containers in which materials came from the factories has proved adequate in shipment by Naval Transport Service planes and saves both space and money. The estimated monthly savings at the four air cargo stations, all of which operate under the jurisdiction of the bureau of supplies and accounts, are: New York and Miami, Fla., 25,000 pounds each; San Francisco, 50,000 lbs., and Seattle 15,000 lbs. At an average cost of $1.50 per pound, this represents a saving to the annual budget of $2,070,000 a year.

At the outset of war, the Navy realized the importance of getting supplies to strategic areas in the fastest possible way. So they began a search for ways in which weight and bulk might be reduced. Repackaging officers and men, trained at the Forests Products Laboratory, Madison, Wis., and assigned to the air terminals, learned packing, marking, corrosion prevention and materials handling. At the terminals, their job is to find and employ means of eliminating unnecessary poundage.

The Navy also is carrying out an extensive program of education to have air cargo properly packed for such transport at the originating point in all possible cases, to eliminate the need for repacking where possible.

Most manufacturers send their articles in heavy wooden crates much larger than the merchandise because they hesitate to take a chance on articles reaching the terminal in a damaged condition. However, the Navy repacks these articles to prevent loss of valuable cargo space because the danger of damage from handling is considerably less in the naval transport planes.

For example, one manufacturer sent eight pistons for a ship in boxes of two inch lumber. They were repacked in one inch plywood boxes, saving 44 pounds each. In another instance, two aviation tires arrived at the terminal in large crates. The tires were removed and tied together with steel bands, for a total saving in weight of several hundred pounds.

Bride Locked In Night Club Gets Free Lodging

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (UP)—This night's sleep at least didn't cost anything.

An attractive 18-year-old brunetta, the bride of a civilian engineer, fell asleep at a night club. She was overlooked by attendants when the night spot was closed and was locked in for the night.

She was not discovered until the police notified the owner a girl was locked in his club.

"When I woke up about 6 o'clock, I thought it was all a bad dream," the young bride explained. "At first, I couldn't imagine where I was."

The girl declared she had fallen asleep in the ladies lounge at the club. She explained that often when she stays out late she gets sleepy and returns to the hotel.

"I guess that is where my husband thought I went—but I did'nt" she said.

"I just wandered around for a while after I woke up this morning and I finally found a telephone and called my husband at the hotel."

Boyce House To Speak At High School Monday

According to an announcement made today, Boyce House, Texas author, columnist and radio commentator, will speak in Ranger Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the High School auditorium. The public is invited to hear this entertaining speaker.

House is no stranger to Ranger having been editor of the Ranger Times for several years during the 1920s. Some years later House wrote the book, "Were You In Ranger?" which dealt with the famous days of the oil boom in Ranger.

Widley known as a collector and teller of humorous stories, House spices his public talks with many of his collection and his coming to Ranger can be counted upon to provide real entertainment for the audience that hears him.

Preceding his appearance here, House will be the guest speaker at the Rotary club luncheon in Eastland at 12 o'clock Monday.

Former Member of Times Staff To Be Tail Gunner

A letter from Paul Bullock, who recently left the staff of the Ranger Times to enlist in the Army Air Corps, today informed the staff that he has qualified as a tail gunner and is now taking basic training for this work at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls.

It was also stated in the letter that the prospective tail gunner is getting a liberal introduction to cosmopolitism. Bullock said that to date he has had a "yankee" a full blooded Russian and a full-blood Indian as flight leaders. As the only Texan out of 47 boys in his group, it has been a "bit tough," he says, to take back talk about Texas.

Girls Prove It's Woman's World

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)— It's still a woman's world—the girls at Jefferson Davis High school contend.

After hearing boys complain about the wearing of sweaters by a few girls, some 200 girls came to school clad in sweaters.

Stating the side for the girls, one yellow-sweatered senior said:

"This a woman's world. If we can weld ships, we can wear sweaters without permission from the boys."

The boys—who say the girls look better in blouses than in either "sloppy joes" or tight sweaters —have taken the matter calmly on the whole. They say:

"If the girls want to wear 'em anyway, it's all right. We can always date Reagan High girls."

Meter Reader Bit By Sleeping Dog

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—A woman meter reader for the Texas Electric Service Co., will be wary of sleeping dogs hereafter.

One morning recently she entered the back door of a house in the residential section to read the meter.

A sleeping bulldog awakened, bit her on the arm and cornered her until her screams aroused neighbors.

Police held the dog for observation, and the woman continued her rounds with a sore arm.

LONG-AWAITED DRIVE SEEKS TO PUSH NAZIS BACK TO BALTIC

By United Press

The bloodiest battle of the war was reported raging through the German defenses west of Leningrad today, while in Italy British troops launched a new thrust at the mountain stronghold of Cassino, already beseiged from two sides by American and French forces.

LONDON, (UP)—Soviet Premier Stalin announced in an order of the day that Red Army forces attacking west of Leningrad have gained 7 1-2 to 12 1-2 miles in the last five days and widened their offensive front to 25 miles.

Opening of the long-awaited Russian offensive to push the Germans back from Leningrad to the Baltic was announced on the first anniversary of the end of the old czarist capitals 515-day siege.

Paced by a pulverizing artillery barrage, twin Russian drives—the seventh and eighth launched by Red armies this winter—were opened south of Oranienbaum, 15 miles west of Leningrad, and above Novgorod, import rail junction town 100 miles to the south.

The new offensives put the Russians on the offensive all the way along a winding 2,000-mile front from Leningrad to the Black Sea, and some observers predicted that by spring the Germans will have been pushed back into the Baltic states, Poland and Rumania.

The new British drive on Cassino key barrier to the invasion valley to Rome, was launched by veteran mountain units fording the lower Garigliano River and advancing in strength up the valley floor from the south.

On the Eighth Army front across the Apennies, Canadian troops were reported engaged in fierce fighting for strategic heights dominating the Adriatic coastal road to the north and west or Ortona.

Up the coast in the Ligurian Sea American light naval craft were revealed to have sailed boldly into waters off the port of Spezia, mid way between Genoa and Leghorn, Monday night and shelled enemy lighters with unannounced results.

U. S. Flying Fortresses and Liberators swept across the Adriatic to attack enemy shipping and port acilities along the Jugoslav coast and up to the northwest where they spread ruin through the network of German controlled railroads in Tuscany.

Stimson Asks For Service For All

WASHINGTON, (UP)— Secretary of War timson told Congress today that industrial unrest on the home front threatens to undermine the morale of fighting forces and called for national service legislation to "equalize" the war obligation of all citizens. He testified before the enate Military Affairs Committee.

Late Bulletin

WASHINGTON, (UP)— The Senate Banking Committee by a vote of 10 to 9 today approved the Bankhead Bill to ban the administrations price roll back subsidy program.

WASHINGTON, (UP)— Chairman Charles E. Wilson of the Air-Craft Production Board today estimated that this country will produce more than 100,000 planes in 1944 and said that schedules a call for a 50 per cent increase this year in the output of combat aircraft.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Slightly cooler in north portion this afternoon and in the north and central portions tonight.

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Twilight of the Kings Unless They Get Busy!

Royalties Must Brave Death to Save Thrones

By HELEN ESSARY
Central Press Columnist

● WASHINGTON—When I was very young and read the Brothers Grimm and Hans Christian Andersen I believed that kings and princes were brave and wise. They were god-like people who inspired the loyalty of their subjects by their own courage and leadership. They were rulers because they were men of fine quality.

When an enemy galloped across the border, the king or one of his strong, young, princely sons rode forth at the head of his warriors, and tried to drive back the invader. The safety of his people was the personal responsibility of the sovereign.

Most Kings Not Worth Their Salt

I have been brooding over this early conception of kingship and its duties and I have decided that it needs to be revived seriously in the post-war world we are so hopefully planning.

Most of the kings of this war-wracked era are not worth their salt. Much less their vitamin tablets and spotty ermine. Most of them instead of eagerly embracing their responsibility to the subjects who keep them in royal purple palaces have run away from that responsibility.

Nevertheless, royalty may yet redeem itself. At this very hour, almost, frightened princelings may show that royal blood has yet a few red corpuscles in its thinning stream. How? you ask.

This is the answer—a prince of every royal house should be in the front line of the army of invasion now gathering for combat. A prince or, better, a king should take actual physical part in the redemption of his own country. He should pray and plan that he may recover some of that old spirit that set plumed monarchs off on charging steeds to fight the foe.

Where are the kings and princelings of Europe? Mostly they are scattered about in upholstered spots bought with the money received from the subjects who are doing the fighting for them.

King George of England has remained in England. This is what he should have done. He deserves credit for remaining only by comparison with the kings who have fled. Prince Christian of Denmark has also remained in his own country. Now is the moment for him to step out ahead of his men, not wait until the way has been made safe. This should be the aim also of Leopold of the Belgians, still in Belgium.

Prince Bernhard, husband of Juliana, heiress to the throne of the Netherlands, has said he would soon be back in Holland. Excellent! He should already have prepared himself to fight with the invaders in some capacity. Prince Olaf of Norway, who will some day succeed his father, King Haakon, is a famous yachtsman. Even in this country he has won trophies as a sailor. How splendid if he should use his knowledge of seamanship in guiding the fleet that must drive the enemy out of his father's fiords.

King George of Greece, who fought against Italy, is now in Cairo. He should be arranging to go back to his own country with the first detachment of his own people. The place of Italy in the world is not too much admired after its change of heart and ammunition in the present war. Victor Emmanuel is too old to fight, but his son, Umberto, is not too old to fight. The king himself might make character for his country by at least being in the danger zone. He is now in southern Italy, being looked after.

It doesn't please me especially to realize that young American soldiers are giving their lives to rescue the countries whose rulers are living in comfort. Otto of Austria and his lively brothers should be doing something to restore the faith of the world in the right of the Hapsburgs to exist.

Safe and Secure—for Time Being!

Juan, pretender to the Spanish throne and son of the late King Alfonso, is now in Switzerland. There's another Spanish pretender, Xavier, scouting around somewhere. Here are two strong boys either of whom might advance his cause further by getting into the thick of the battle rather than by scheming for the big day.

Peter of Yugoslavia is in Cairo—out of danger. He was at the front with the air forces of his own country. Carol of Rumania instead of hiring a press agent to get him out of Mexico across the border and behind the safe walls of the United States might better advertise his own desirability by going home to Rumania with a gun on his shoulder.

The four sons of the Roosevelts have been in battle dress. So has Mr. Roosevelt himself in his flight across enemy lines. Mrs. Roosevelt has gone into danger. Obviously there is more good stuff in the elected leaders of a democracy than in the inheritors of kingdoms.

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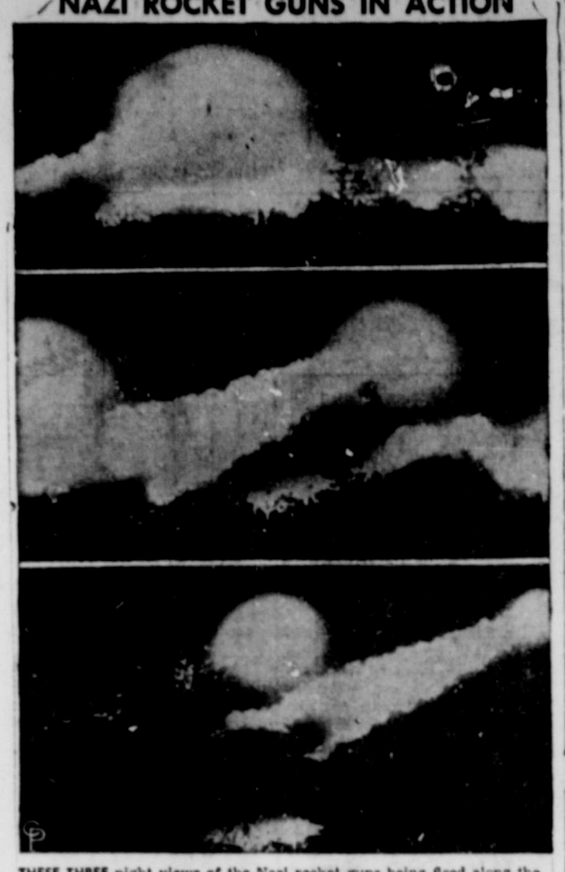

THESE THREE night views of the Nazi rocket guns being fired along the invasion coast were taken from a captured German film just released by the War Department. Each gun, say Nazi officials, has fire-power equal to six heavy howitzers. News of the Day Newsreel. (*International*)

Rubber Plants Expected To Hit Peak Capacity

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)—Synthetic rubber plants in Harris County, which turned out an estimated 10,000 tons of Buna-S after beginning operations in 1942, are expected to produce at capacity of 90,000 tons in 1944.

Attainment of the goal, however, qualified spokesmen said will depend on production of budatiene, three parts of which are combined with one part of styrene to make Buna-S.

Styrene comes from chemical plants already in operation at Freeport, and Texas City. Butadiene for the two synthetic rubber plants will be supplied eventually by Gulf Coast refineries of the Humble Oil and Refining company and the Sinclair Refining company.

Humble's budatiene unit has been completed, but Sinclair's is still under construction. Thus far, according to reports, all budatiene used by the Goodrich and Goodyear synthetic plants has been supplied through tank car shipments from out-of-state.

Another Harris county program, not so far advanced as the Buna-S development, is for production of butyl rubber. Scientists hope that this type of synthetic rubber can be used in manufacture of good inner tubes and other products for which Buna-S is unsuited.

Health Officer Warns of Danger From Influenza

AUSTIN, Tex.— Commenting on the fact that there were approximately 25,000 cases of flu reported in Texas last week, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, said today that there is no way to estimate the number of additional cases not attended by physician, therefore not reported.

Dr. Cox urged every Texan to do his utmost to protect himself and his family from the dangers of influenza and its possible complications and stressed the fact that it is not a disease to be regarded lightly.

"It is a serious mistake to try to fight flu, on your feet. Complete bed rest, lots of liquids, a light diet, and treatment prescribed by a competent physician are the steps most necessary to early recovery," Dr. Cox said.

"Pneumonia is a frequent complication of influenza, and with vitality low from the effects of flu, pneumonia can be an unusually serious menace," Dr. Cox said.

The State Health Officer said that avoiding undue exposure to cold, wet weather, maintaining good ventilation, obtaining sufficient sleep and eating a nourishing, well balanced diet will aid in building up physical resistance and may help to ward off influenza. If, in spite of these precautions, fever, bone ache, and other flu symptoms appear, the patient should go to bed immediately and consult his family physican.

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GEN. DOUGLAS M'ARTHUR, Allied commander in the Southwest Pacific, is pictured above with Lieut. Gen. Walter Krueger at advanced headquarters as the latter's Sixth Army drove ahead on New Britain to capture the Cape Gloucester airfield. This is a United States Army Signal Corps radiophoto. *(International Soundphoto)*

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By Mrs. Bill Tucker

Its always nice to see the blue sky after a series of snowy cold days, but when people get so they don't enjoy making a big fat snow man or playing snowball, its a sure sign of advanced age. And we could name ever so many that wouldn't even venture out last Thursday afternoon to the birthday reception and shower for the newlyweds: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blackwell. We only make mention of this as we were not given the details of the party. P. S. we didnot go either.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Calvert were in Gorman, Sunday afternoon visiting with her mother and sister, Mrs. Addie Moseley and Mrs. Virgie Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown and children of Baird, visited with his brother, Shirley Brown and family Sunday. Their father, J. L. Brown accompanied them back to Baird for a visit.

Olive Pilgrim, recently discharged from the armed forces is back home again to farm. His neice Miss Darvella Pilgrim of Dumas came back with him for a visit with other relatives here and with a sister, Mrs. Ulmer Hogg of Desdemona.

Aubrey Love, with the armed forces in California, spent the past few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Love.

R. A. Tucker was in Eastland Monday on jury duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Authur Love and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Love visited their sister, Mrs. Mattie Walton in Ranger Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Melton visited in Ft. Worth over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. (Chris) Tucker and family of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Miller and daughter of Dallas are here to see their father, Joe J. Tucker, who is critically ill at his home.

Alton Perrin, wh ohas been working at Odessa is home again.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Brown visited her mother Mrs. Ewing at Ft. Worth Sunday night. They returned via Lipan and visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sullivan Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Underwood and children returned to Ft. Worth Sunday, after spending a two-weeks vacation here.

Dorothy Joe Melton took Sunday morning breakfast with the Will Underwood family—page Winchell.

Let's all go to church Sunday. J. D. Johnson, of Ranger will fill his regular fourth Sunday appointment at the Cheaney Church of Christ and Dave Hearn of Abilene will be at the Alameda church.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Manchester and daughter of Clarendon and Mr. and Mrs. Pigg of Thalia visited this week with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Love, parents of Mrs. Manchester. Mrs. Pigg is Mrs. Love's mother.

Jap Nurses Turn Sniper In Stress

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)— A navy man home on furlough disclosed that Japanese nurses don regular soldier uniforms and turn sniper when the enemy is hard-pressed in the south Pacific.

T. J. Overstreet, 18, pharmacist's mate third class, said:

"I saw two Jap nurses shot to death, both of whom were wearing regular soldier uniforms and were snipers."

One of them, he added, "took about 25 .30 calibre slugs."

Political Announcements

This newspaper is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public office, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

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CHAPTER TWENTY-FIVE

IT WAS Sunday, the first in November, and the church bells were ringing and echoing all through the frosty air above the great city of Washington, which lies like a flat bowl between two rolling hills, split by a band of silver that is the Potomac.

"It's the first sign of winter this year," Marion Blake said, coming to the door of her bedroom where Andy and Beth were working or, more correctly, Beth was working and Andrea was dreaming. "It never gets really cold here, but still Bert says it can't compare with California."

"California, pooh!" Andrea ejaculated when Marion had gone back to the kitchen from whence came aromatic odors. "Hawaii has it aces and spades over her old California."

"It's not hers," Beth said, removing pins from the hem of a checked taffeta skirt that was six yards wide. "She's a Washington girl, but I suppose, now she's married to Bert, it's the old 'Whither thou goest' stuff. That's the way you've got to be with Jim."

"With Jim and me, home will be where we hang our hats. He hasn't any family, any more than I have. I don't know what we'd do for relatives if we didn't have you, Bethie. Jim hasn't even a fifth cousin living. We're just a couple of orphans."

"Trying to make me feel sorry for you? Come away from that window and let me try this skirt on you."

Andrea ducked her dark head as Beth slipped the skirt over it. Its folds fell to the floor in a wide sweep. "I can wear it with a red silk jersey blouse, or a tailored white crepe, or something very transparent in black," she said, looking at herself in the long door mirror. "I expect we shall dress for dinner a lot out there."

"This will make three dinner dresses," Beth said, kneeling to put pins in the hem again. "You're pretty well fixed."

"Speaking of fixing," Vernon had come to the bedroom door, "I got a lock for that trunk of yours, Andrea. I can fix it up so that it will last until you get off the boat, anyway."

Bert Blake joined the party, mixing martinis in a shaker, "When you going, beautiful?"

"Next month. I haven't passage yet. I'm waiting for money. I won't be going for five weeks yet."

"Five weeks of this will make me a nervous wreck," Beth put in. "This is the first and last time I ever try to make a trousseau."

"Are you sure?" Vernon asked quietly, drawing her eyes to his.

"Well, almost," Beth said.

"Good girl," Andrea murmured under her breath so that only Beth could hear. "Never close any doors on opportunity."

"This girl," Beth indicated Andrea with the point of her scissors," is doing all right. She's got one of the girls at the boarding house doing monograms for her, and old Mrs. Baumer is knitting a sweater. I'm making dresses on Marion's machine. Vernon is fixing her trunk. What's your contribution, Bert?"

Bert said he was supplying morale, and they'd better call their sewing off and come and have a cocktail.

"Gulp them, kids," Marion advised. "We're having a kind of pre-Thanksgiving dinner today and I don't want it to spoil."

Andrea whirled from the window. "But that's bad luck, Marion!"

The boys advised her not to be superstitious, but Andrea went into the dining room with her fingers crossed.

There were turnips and cranberry sauce and mashed potatoes and a noble bird, before which Bert stood with poised knife, and five people drew in rapturous breaths before the appetizing odors which rose from the table.

"Temptation is stronger than superstition," Andrea admitted. "I'll have only one more dinner like this before I go away. Do you suppose we'll be eating coconuts and poi on Christmas Day?"

"You won't know what you're eating, if memory of my honeymoon serves me," Marion said with a fond glance at her husband.

"This is wonderful," Beth observed, swallowing her first mouthful. "You Blakes don't know what a touch of home life you give us. I used to be a pretty good cook myself and I miss getting up meals."

Across the table, Vernon said, "You belong in your own home, Beth. An office is no place for a girl like you."

Under cover of conversation, Andrea whispered, "Prepare yourself, sister. I scent an invitation to preside over Junior's dream house."

Beth had a feeling that Andrea was not far wrong.

It was not much later that she was sure of it. Andrea had said there was only one catch in going to Honolulu, that it was so far away from Beth.

"California is not far away, Andrea," Vernon said, but he was looking at Beth while he said it. "It's just a nice holiday away. If Beth lived in California, you could visit each other."

Beth said hastily she couldn't abide turkey stuffed with chestnuts or oysters; just give her Marion's dressing any day.

Bert brought the conversation back, saying he wasn't sure there would be much going back and forth to the islands; things were getting pretty hot and he wouldn't be surprised if war popped in the Pacific any day.

Determined that nothing should spoil Andrea's happiness, since she was determined to go, Beth changed the subject again, and it wasn't mentioned the rest of that day.

She was in complete accord with Andrea's determination. If she were in Andrea's shoes—oh, happy girl to be marrying Jim—she'd go to Siberia, defying the whole German Army to get to him. She could understand Andrea's finding a little thing like a possible war no deterent.

The girls went back to their sewing while the daylight lasted. Then they listened to symphony music on the radio and later they had sandwiches and coffee, and it was time to go.

"I'll walk home with you," Vernon said, going to get his coat.

"A dime gets you a quarter that Vernon proposes tonight," Andrea whispered to Beth, thereby getting Beth into a state of panic.

"Why don't you and Bert come along, too," Beth invited urgently. "It's such a divine night! The air would do you good."

Marion thought that was a splendid idea. It was obvious that Vernon didn't, that he had something to tell her. He had to tell her when they were walking two by three, since Andrea had abandoned her to walk with the other Blake on the narrow sidewalk.

"I'm going back to California, Beth."

Beth stopped in her tracks. "No, Bert! I'll miss you. Why do you go back?"

"My efforts to get into something useful here have come to nothing. I've a good business back home. My kid brother's carrying on, but he wants to get into the Army."

"Washington won't be the same without you," she said honestly. "You don't know what it's meant to me to have you for my friend."

She saw his face wrinkle unhappily into a wry smile.

"I guess that's what I am, Beth. Your friend."

"I thought you'd known all along."

"Somebody else?"

"Yes, I guess that's it . . . only I can't have him, Vernon."

He held her arm a little closer in his. "I'm sorry," he said.

"I know you are. And I'm sorry, sorry it isn't you, Vernon."

"I don't give up easily, Beth. I'll come back. Don't . . . don't sit under the apple tree with anybody else, will you?"

"There isn't anyone else."

Then she thought of Dennis, but only, of course, because Dennis would take her out again. She wouldn't be quite dateless when Vernon was gone.

(To Be Continued)

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—A tribe of white rats has been running rampant in ont of Ft. Worths downtown blocks.

City rat trappers have no idea how they got there but claim they are as wild and ferocious as the more ordinary varities.

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And, furthermore, Mrs. Lucille Underwood didn't blame it on the proverbial door.

She attributes the "shiner" to a fall while skating on a local rink.

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Belgian Priest Likes His Bleak Alaska Island

TUNUNAK, Nelson Island (UP)—Father Paul C. Deschout, Jesuit priest for 10 years on this bleak little-known sea island, had as much difficulty learning the ways of the Eskimos here as they had becoming accustomed to his.

When the Belgian-born priest was called to an outlying village to officiate at a funeral, he found the village elders sitting on a bench in the kashim, or men's house. He began shaking hands with them, moving along the line of skin-clad hunters, trying to gain their confidence.

"I was half way along the line of men," Father Paul relates, "when I found myself shaking hands with the dead man. They had brought him into the kashim for a last visit before he was buried."

Father has been off Nelson Island only once in 10 years, and then he hurried back, homesick for his bleak island home, his tiny chapel, and the wild Eskimos he works, hunts and lives with. With his team of eight malemutes, the priest travels constantly among the native villages, pinch hitting in every capacity from midwife to reindeer herder.

Today Father Paul was preparing for a trip to a remote village on the other side of the island. All the men of this village were away on the reindeer round up—and four children were about to be born. The men wanted Father Paul to bring them news of their wives and offspring as soon as possible, and the women wanted him there with a medical kit.

"One thing about that," Father Paul laughed, "if the babies are all boys, I'll be the most popular messenger on Nelson Island when I return."

Society, Clubs

W.M.U. Has Bible Study On Monday

Members of the Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist church met at the church Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock for the Bible study lesson.

The meeting was opened with the president, Mrs. L. L. Bruce, presiding, and then placed in charge of Mrs. David M. Phillips, Bible study chairman, who led the group in the study of the books of Mark and Matthew. Following the lesson members attending joined in a discussion of the books studied.

The meeting was closed with a prayer offered by Mrs. Lee Mitchell.

W.S.C.S. Has World Outlook Program

The weekly meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist church was held at the church Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock with the president, Mrs. C. E. May, presiding.

Mrs. May presented Mrs. A. J. Ratliff who was leader for the program based on articles from the World Outlook. Discussions on the program were given by Mrs. Lee Thompson, Mrs. Arthur Deffebach, and Mrs. May. The subjects discussed were relative to the current crusade being conducted by Methodist churches of the nation.

The devotional for the afternoon was given by Mrs. C. C. Coalson.

Mrs. Deffebach Is Hostess To AAUW

The American Association of University Women met Tuesday night, January 18, 1944, at the home of Mrs. Vernon Deffebach. A lovely salad course was served from a daintily appointed table, in Valentine motif.

Mrs. Homer heatley brought the program, discussing seven outstanding poets of Texas, namely Lexie Dean Robertson, Margaret Bell Houston, Berta Hart Nance, Vaida Stewart Montgomery, Grace Noll Crowell, Fay McCormick Yauger, and Karle Wilson Baker. Mrs. Heatley was assisted by Natalie Watson.

The next meeting will be held on Feb. 15, at the home of Mrs. M. L. King.

Those enjoying the evening were: Mesdames, Homer Heatley, S. M. McAnelly, Olen Holloway, Lillian Eastland, Mamie Ruth Hamrick, Arthur Deffebach, M. L. King, and Misses Imogene Minton, Dana Kerbow, Izetta Woods, Dora Jane Baskin, Natalie Watson, and the hostess, Mrs. Vernon Deffebach.

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The Cross Family.

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Long ago in England a bride was often given gloves stuffed with coins.

PERSONALS

Mr. T. M. Flippen is a medical patient in the City-County Hospital.

Cpl. and Mrs. J. L. Hinemann will return to Marshall today after a visit with Mrs. Hinemann's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loys Groves of Olden.

Mrs. Harry Herring of Dallas is the guest of her sister, Mrs. George D. Jones and Mr. Jones.

Walter Penn of Dallas, a representative of Columiba Pictures was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Garner, today. Mr. Penn was here in the interest of the Fourth War Loan Drive.

Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall spent Tuesday in Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cross and sons, Charles and Bobbie returned to thir home in Kilgore after being here to attend funeral services for Mr. Cross' mother, Mrs. Mattie Cross.

Honor Roll For Third Six Weeks Issued At Cooper

Following is the Cooper school honor roll for the third six weeks:

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Honor—Wade Bledsoe, Helen Marie Britt, Barbara Lynn Nichols.

Second Grade

High Honor — Mildred Ann Woolley, Annie Sue Carroll, Joe Kirk Dorsey.

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