

Reds Battling Savagely For Objective

Well, i dunno
but-

Our efforts to fill this newspaper with items of local interest seem well repaid when from some of the foreign fields of battle and foreign stations come word from home town boys saying that they are getting the paper and enjoying it.

From Pvt. Harold E. Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Weaver, comes such word today. Everett, as he is better known in Ranger, is now stationed in England with a heavy artillery unit and he writes that he is getting the paper every day and enjoying it. He has been in England since January 28 and before going into service was one of the boys that helped B. E. Garner run his theatres.

So whether or not some item which you know may seem trivial to you, remember it might be of interest to some boy in foreign lands who is receiving this newspaper.

If there be one left in these United States who has any misgivings as to what the American Red Cross is doing for the boys in foreign service, the following letter from somewhere in England should be good medicine for them:

SOMEWHERE IN BRITAIN—As many a Texas cowboy of old would lope up to the chuck wagon at roundup, for strong coffee and some of cook's sordid dough biscuits, so today in Britain the native sons of the Lone Star State flock in to wherever the American Red Cross Clubmobile "Texas" happens to be.

"Some chuck wagon" this! Large as a transcontinental bus and manned by three pretty Red Cross girls from the States, it serves home-made coffee and doughnuts at distant camps. It follows the round-ups of the G. I.'s and cuts out from the herd those who are hungry—not only for good grub—but for a breath of home.

Captain "Bee" Bogart, who hails not from "deep in the heart of" but from Garden City, Long Island, N. Y., has already acquired a Texas drawl. Here starch assistants, Katherine Heusler, of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. June Dale, of Portland, Oregon (wife of a British officer) are now as familiar with the Texas Panhandle as they are with the doughnut machine.

In the little, cozy back cabin of the "Texas," where magazines may be read and records played, a tiny withdrawing room from wind and weather is the Texas State Register. This is eagerly scanned by every Texan and has been the means of many a reunion among men who might not ever have met in the E. T. C.

Among those who have visited the Clubmobile "Texas" recently to enjoy the hospitality and good cheer which are always on tap, are:

- Eastland—Pfc. James E. Colton.
- Houston—S-Sgt. F. B. Barnett, Sgt. Milton B. Copeland.
- Naples—Cpl. W. M. Bunting.
- San Antonio—S-Sgt. Woodrow W. Bruce, Cpl. Harold M. Jeanes.
- Sweetwater—Sgt. Wilson H. Gilbert.
- Lockhart—S-Sgt. Werner H. Wiede.
- Bryan—S-Sgt. C. E. Gray.
- Austin—Major E. A. Lewis, S-Sgt. Allan C. Ludwig.
- Magnolia—Cpl. Daniel A. Floyd.
- Tenaha—Cpl. Donald A. Davis.
- Corsicana—Cpl. Robert E. Thompson.
- Wagner—Pvt. Jose Hernandez.
- Cleburne—Sgt. Harold M. Tranham, Sgt. Morris A. Wall.
- Gilmer—Lt. Gay H. Richardson.
- Shelbyville—T-5 Terrel C. Brittain.
- Spur—Lt. Thomas B. Forbis.
- Victoria—T-5 Alfred Heindold.
- Dallas—Pfc. J. V. Chester.

PROMOTED
Robert E. Bond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Bond, Rt. 1, Eastland, has been promoted from private to corporal at the Army Air Force Navigation school, Honda, Texas. Cpl. Bond assigned to the 369th Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron.

JUNGLE TRAIL ENTICES AND TRAPS TEXAN

WITH THE SIXTH ARMY, NEW BRITAIN, (UP)—Private Rudolph M. Lee, 20, of Mesquite, Texas, found a very pretty trail in the jungle a mile beyond Sixth Army lines at Arawa and sat down to husk a coconut.

As he ate the white meat, he rested his elbow on his knee and leisurely waved his jungle knife. He suddenly stiffened and the knife stopped with its tip pointing toward the sky.

A Jap patrol of seven men had come quietly down the trail and now stood silently behind their lieutenant as he leveled his pistol at the lone American. They both stared at each other for a second.

"Hey, wait a minute," Lee yelled, brandishing his knife. The lieutenant hesitated, and in that moment the rifleman turned a flip-flop and landed behind the solid trunk of a coconut tree.

The Jap officer shouted something and the patrol jumped forward. Lee killed the first with his pistol and reached for a grenade as the patrol stopped. The grenade lifted one Jap from the ground and hit another, and as the others dropped Lee jumped to his feet and ran.

The bullets made the bushes jump as they flicked around him. He ran wildly across an open stretch and dove head first down a small cliff as four Japs broke into the clearing.

Below the cliff he had some cover, but three of the enemy stood on the edge shooting away at him as the fourth came in pursuit.

Out of range of the snipers on the cliff, Lee stopped a second and continued over the rough terrain with a grenade in his left hand and the pistol in his right.

He suddenly came upon a hut almost completely hidden in dense vegetation. He peeked into the door and into the startled eyes of a Jap sprawled on a mat, and Lee hurled his second grenade and hurried on.

He waded into the sea and pushed his way along the shore, getting into waist-deep water as he walked with arms raised past a cliff. Jap voices came out of a cave in the face of the wall and Lee thought of tossing a grenade but changed his mind.

The shore became less rugged and the weary soldier finally pulled himself from the water and laboriously worked his way up to the plateau again, running into an American digging a fox-hole.

He sputtered out the story of the Japs behind him. The soldier was a member of an artillery unit setting up a gun, and he took Lee back to the section. Talking it over, they finally decided to go after the patrol, and went into the jungle, returning when four more Japs had been killed.

"How did you ever get in there?" Lee was asked.

He explained that he was on the left flank of his troop and lost contact, falling in with the adjoining troop. Inquiring where his outfit was, they told him, "way ahead," and he went forward, finally deciding he had gone too far and would have time to husk coconut.

More Than Million Red Cross Members In State Of Texas

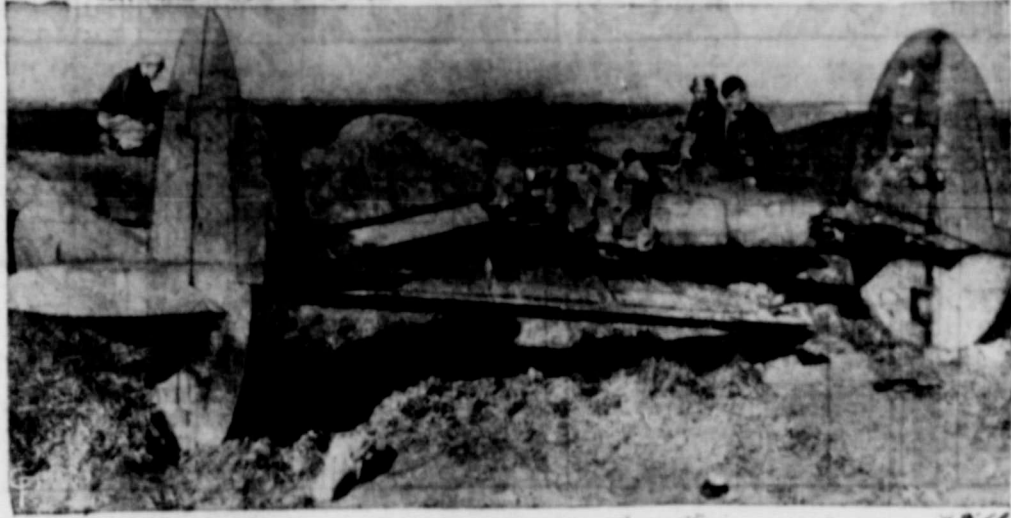
Homer Smith, Eastland County Red Cross War Fund chairman states that in Texas there are 249 chapters of the American Red Cross with a total membership of 1,090,257 that since Pearl Harbor have contributed 17,500,658 hours of service to the organization. He also stated that Texas, in 1943, subscribed 4,148,668 to the Red Cross which was 31 percent over the State's quota for that year, and that 80 percent of the amount subscribed went to the armed forces.

FIRST AID GIVEN BRITISH SOLDIERS AT ANZIO



BRITISH SOLDIERS of the Allied Fifth Army receive emergency first aid treatment at Anzio, Italy, before being evacuated to a hospital at Naples. Allied forces now have regained all beachhead ground lost to the enemy here after repulsing a powerful two-day Nazi offensive. (International)

FLIES PLANE HOME AFTER MID-AIR COLLISION



THIS BATTERED P-38 fighter, minus one wing and almost torn in two, comes to rest in a wheat field near an American air base in Italy after a miraculous escape by its pilot, Lieut. Thomas Smith of Madero, Cal. Missing a Messerschmitt with the plane's gun, Lieutenant Smith collided with the Nazi plane in mid-air. It crashed in flames, but he managed to fly home safely. (International)

Rayburn For Vice President Move Gets Underway

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—A hometown delegation from Bonham to work for the nomination of Speaker Sam Rayburn to vice president should be sent to the Democratic National Convention in the opinion of State Sen. Chas. R. Jones of Bonham.

Jones, while at Austin on a business trip, said he would be glad to take part in such a plan and be a member of the delegation.

The Rayburn-for-vice-president movement is being handled differently from the campaign that resulted in another Texas, John Nance Garner, becoming vice-president of the United States. Garner's boom was started as one for the presidential nomination and worked into a vice-presidential nomination.

Sullivan Evans, since risen to national prominence as editor of Marshall Field's Chicago Sun, was an active figure in the Garner movement, and there is some speculation of his retirement from the Sun may not preclude freeing him for new convention activities.

Evans, former Texas newspaperman, is a Nashville, Tenn., publisher and commuted between Nashville and Chicago in launching the Chicago Sun.

Two millionets, given to the Choctaws by Andrew Jackson before the removal of the tribe to the Indian territory, are in the museum of the Oklahoma Historical Society, in Oklahoma City.

E. N. Stafford Buried Tuesday In Eastland

Funeral services for Elias N. Stafford, 86, who died at his home just northwest of Eastland Sunday, March 5, were held Tuesday afternoon, March 7, at the Eastland Baptist church with the pastor, Rev. Homer Starnes, officiating. Interment with Hamner's of Eastland in charge, was in the Eastland cemetery.

Survivors include the widow and four children, Floyd and Luther Stafford of Eastland, Mrs. M. H. Hart of Eastland and Mrs. Sam Howell of Fort Worth. Nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive.

The deceased was born in Lincoln County, Tennessee, on May 4, 1858. He was married to Miss Mary Floyd, 65 years ago at Lockwall, Texas. He was a member of the Baptist church, a former school teacher and carpenter. He resided in Eastland 53 years.

KEEP OUT SIGN

WASHINGTON, (UP)—President Roosevelt today made public a joint Army and Navy agreement which prohibits members of the armed forces from participating in any political campaign.

The agreement, however, does not prohibit a member of the services from accepting a nomination for any public office "provided it is tendered without solicitation or direct or indirect activity on his part."

Court Ruling On Special Funds Much Discussed

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—Much satisfaction is being expressed in the present Attorney General's office over the court decision here that special funds in the State Treasury, except those created by the constitution, may be diverted to help wipe out the deficit in the state general revenue fund.

Though there was once a ruling in the department to the contrary, the present personnel was held to the view announced by the Third Court of Civil Appeals.

On March 18, 1943, Judge O. C. Speer of the department wrote an opinion on the topic for Judge S. J. Isaacs of El Paso, Chairman of a House of Representatives committee, holding flatly that the section of the state constitution limiting the power of the legislature with respect to special funds, contemplate special funds created by the constitution.

"The legislature is not thus limited with respect to special funds of its own creation," Judge Speer wrote.

It was noted that the opinion was approved by Grover Sellers, then first assistant to Former Attorney Gen. Gerald C. Mann and now the attorney general. It was adhered to when various state agencies contested the power of the legislature to take their special funds.

The department defended validity of the transferring act passed by the last session of the legislature.

Young Amateur Posts Weather Forecast Daily

MADISON, Wis. (UP)—Madison weathermen have a rival in an amateur forecaster, 17-year-old Wayland Norland, who is "75-percent correct" in his predictions.

Wayland believes he could give keener competition to Wisconsin's professional meteorologists, who average 87 per cent accuracy on their predictions, if he had their advantage of weather reports from other sections of the country.

"My chief weakness," he explained, "is not knowing what is happening in other places."

Every day for three years the high school senior has observed the clouds and wind direction, then posted his own 24-hour weather prediction on the door of his home. Often he has "scouted" federal meteorologists on a forecast.

Wayland bases his predictions on "wind, feel of the air, and thermometer readings." The amateur forecaster defines a weather forecast as "a reasonable guess based on information and knowledge."

His pet peeve, along with all forecasters, he says, is the fact that "my family and friends rub it in when I miss a prediction, but never say anything when I am right."

Wayland hopes to make meteorology his profession because he believes it will be immensely important in the future. "When all of us are using planes," he says, "the Army won't have a surplus of meteorologists trained by the time he joins."

Joe Caulder Wins Prize With Radio Quiz Question

Joe Caulder expects his sleep to be more peaceful in the future. The reason for this will be the Morning Glory mattress he won during that time he held four pastorates. The minister is a graduate of Baylor University and the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Rev. Doss who is pastor of the First Baptist church in Terrell comes here at the invitation of Dr. W. L. Jackson, a former college mate. He has been in the ministry for the past 30 years and during that time has held four pastorates. The minister is a graduate of Baylor University and the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Rev. Doss will be accompanied to Ranger by Mrs. Doss and their daughter and while they are here will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Jackson.

Jersey Bought By Local Breeder

NEW YORK, N. Y. March 10.—A registered Jersey cow has been purchased by Bobby Gene Harrison of Ranger from Delgene Reese Seed of Livestock Breeders Farms. The animal is Daffodil Xenia Design Sybil 1401478.

The whereabouts of all registered Jerseys is known and carefully watched over by the American Jersey Cattle Club, with offices in New York City. This important job is made possible through registrations and transfers made by Jersey Breeders everywhere.

Former Employer Has Letter From Pacific Veteran

A. J. Ratliff has received word from Cpl. Ray Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Williams, who is stationed with the Air Corps in New Guinea.

Indications are that the only thing the young man has to complain about is that there are no women on this South Pacific island. Otherwise he seems to be keeping himself rather busy, having completed 56 missions in the two years he has been in the Pacific. He has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Cpl. Williams entered the service on January 9, 1941 and before going into service was employed by the A. J. Ratliff Feed Store.

Track, Literary Events For Class B Schools Listed

According to S. A. Davis, superintendent of Alameda schools and chairman of the interscholastic meet for class B high schools in District 13, plans for the various events have been partially completed.

All Class B track and field events will be held on the Ranger high school track field on April 1 and entries in the events should be made through contact with Superintendent Sanford Lee of Odessa. Those who expect to take part in the contests are urged to make their entries at once.

The places for the literary events will be announced later but schools expecting to have entries in the literary events should contact the following for the various events: for declamation, C. S. Eldridge of Dendemonia; for debate, Superintendent Robinson of Carbon; for typewriting, L. R. Higginbottom, Eastland, superintendent of the Morton Valley schools.

The volleyball tournament will be played off at the Alameda gymnasium, March 26 beginning at 2 p. m. Entries in volleyball ball should be made through S. A. Davis, Route 1, Ranger.

Terrell Minister To Fill Baptist Pulpit Sunday

It was announced today that Rev. Thomas Doss will be guest minister at the First Baptist church in Ranger, Sunday and will fill the pulpit at both services.

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Sales Of Auto Licenses Going Slowly In Ranger

According to C. E. May, whose office is handling the 1944 automobile licenses, the sale of the licenses is going very slowly and this in spite of the fact that operators of farm and commercial vehicles have been urged to attend to the matter early since there is such an increase in paper work in connection with the sale of licenses for these vehicles.

C. S. Karkalits, tax assessor and collector, has warned that some may be delayed in getting licenses unless sales pick up before the deadline which is April 1.

Licenses and tags are handled each year in Ranger by the C. E. May insurance company, solely as a courtesy to the people of the town.

Program Of Music And Dances Given At Rotary, Thurs.

The regular meeting of the Lions Club was held Thursday at noon at the Gholson hotel with the vice-president, Joe Dennis, presiding.

A. J. Ratliff was in charge of the program and presented Hedi and Dorothy Thorne in a musical and dance program. The talented young ladies are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Thorne of Eastland and are in demand for programs because of their clever dance and piano numbers. For the dances they were accompanied at the piano by Mrs. J. J. Bowen.

AIR WAR GOES ON AGAINST NAZI AS REDS TAKE POSITION

The Red army pounded at the Germans in the Ukraine today at both ends of a long line arching southeastward from Poland to the lower reaches of the Dnieper.

In the west the German Luftwaffe staged against the ropes under the unremitting pounding of the American and British air forces. The RAF kept the offensive on an around the clock basis during the night by striking into France to bomb the Marguaise aircraft plant 12 miles northwest of Marseille on the Mediterranean.

Berlin still was burning and was being deserted by thousands of its inhabitants after the third massed daylight attack in four days.

The fighting in the Ukraine developed into the most important and largest operation of the year, designed to clear Soviet soil of an estimated 500,000 Germans and squeeze them across the Dnieper against the Carpathian mountains.

At the northwestern end of the line the Russians were fighting in the streets of Tarnopol, five-way junction within Poland on the Lvov-Odessa railway. As they closed in on Proskurov, further south on the line, they were on the verge of severing the last supply line of the Germans except the inadequate single track line into Rumania.

A late bulletin from London said the Second Army of the Ukraine has joined in the Russian offensive on the southern front and in five days of heavy fighting has advanced 25 to 45 miles and captured more than 300 localities including the rail town of Uman.

On the front in Italy, strong partial action was in progress as continued activity behind the German lines indicated they still were preparing for a fourth attempt to storm the Anzio beachhead.

In the Pacific war, the American forces on New Britain had closed to within two miles of Taisasa against stubborn Japanese resistance. The Americans also improved their position in the Admiralty Islands and maintained their air attacks over most of the central and southwest Pacific area against negligible Japanese opposition.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Rain this afternoon and tonight, warmer tomorrow except on lower coast. Saturday cloudy, rain in east and south portions, warmer except in extreme south portions. Fresh to strong winds in north portion.

IRELAND BALKS AT REQUEST BELFAST—Well informed sources said today that Prime Minister Eamon De Valera has notified the United States that closure of the Axis Diplomatic Missions in Eire, as requested by Washington, would necessitate the dismissal of all Allied diplomats in that country.

IRVIN S. COBB DIES

NEW HORIZON, Irvin S. Cobb, famous humorist, newspaperman and author, died in his New York apartment today, unable to keep his promise to "keep friendly news papers advised if, as and when I get ready to depart elsewhere." He was 67 and had been ill for some time.

THIEF HAILS POLICE CAR, BUT CHANGES HIS MIND

ARKON, O. (UP)—Arkron police are still pretty red-faced over this one.

A thief, having completed the looting of a downtown jewelry shop window, stepped to the curb and flagged what he thought to be a taxi. It turned out to be a cruising police car, so the robber decided to leave on foot.

Police, noticing the broken window on the jewelry shop gave chase, but the thief got away.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publishers.

Inside WASHINGTON

Special to Central Press WASHINGTON—Capital politics are currently engaged in one of the most intensive debates of the New Deal era—what, if any, lasting effect will the "Backley incident" have on the fourth term appropriations of the chief executive?

RECENT AND RAPID AMERICAN ENCOUNTERS In the Pacific theater the United States has been engaged in a series of encounters with the Japanese which first will fall to the progress of Allied arms.

CONGRESS AND THE NATION'S top farm organizations are stirred up these days about selective service warnings that farm labor demerits will get a tough going over.

DAILY CROSSWORD

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps!

Raney Baptist Hour Speaker On Sunday March 12

President Homer P. Rainey, of the University of Texas, is the featured speaker for Sunday Baptist Hour speaker for Sunday Commission 1931-32, and morning, March 12th, at 7:30, at the University of Texas.

A Little Lesson In Abstracting

The abstract is a written history of the title chain. It is prepared by the title company and is usually made up of the following items: (1) location, (2) history, (3) description, (4) the names of the parties, (5) the date of the instrument, (6) the date of the recording, (7) the date of the recording, (8) the date of the recording.

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RECORD ENROLLMENT SEEN IN ENGINEERING AFTER WAR

Livingston W. Houston, executive vice president of the American Institute of Engineers, says "Before the war," he added, "not more than 5 per cent of the public had any college connection. Through tuition-free war training courses conducted by colleges and universities, many thousands of them will be more ambitious for their sons and daughters to have college training."

Houston also predicts that preceding the postwar rush even engineering colleges, with large student bodies, will experience a period of lower enrollment. However, "the war," he predicted, will have its advantages. It will give our facilities and administrators a breathing spell in which to appraise wartime educational experience and develop the best pattern for postwar engineering and science education.

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THE HERETIC



Political Announcements

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

COUNTY CLERK R. V. (Rip) Galloway, re-election

W. V. (Virgil) Love

COUNTY JUDGE C. H. (Harl) O'Brien

COUNTY TREASURER Mrs. Ruth (Garland) Branton For Re-election

For Tax Assessor-Collector: Clyde S. Karikalits

DISTRICT CLERK John White (Re-Election.) Lois Everton.

Commissioner, Precinct No. 1. HENRY DAVENPORT.

R. L. Faircloth

STATE LEGISLATURE R. (Bob) N. Grisham

Justice of Peace Precinct 2 Charles Boho

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LAFF-A-DAY



Generally speaking, if it whistles at you, it isn't a deer!

man in the 13th regiment. He also received a letter of commendation from the regimental commander.

Illinois club women debated whether the dog or cow was man's best friend. Can't you just see a cow running out to meet you?

Singing At The Church Of God Sunday 2:00 P. M.

There will be singing at the Church of God in the afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. It will be the regular monthly singing class and visitors are expected.

Free Treatment Norwood Clinic

PILE, FISTULA, HERNIA, VARICOSE VEINS, TONSILS, etc., without hospital confinement. April 10th to April 22nd, 1944. If preferred, reservation may be secured in our Hospital.

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Tomorrow is a lovely word

WRITTEN FOR AND RELEASED BY CENTRAL PRESS ASSOCIATES Marie Blizard

CHAPTER FORTY-SEVEN BETH'S KNEES seemed to turn to water and she clutched the post of the bed to give herself support after Andrea spoke in that confident tone.

"I can tell you that I know, and always have known, that you were, and are now, in love with Jim Ronald," Andrea said quietly.

"That's not very nice, is it, Beth? I pretended that I thought you were just good friends, but I know. I knew I was breaking your heart when I made him love me, and still I did it."

"I don't care if you tell me that, Beth. I don't care if you tell me that I'm what I am. I know when it began, this thing that is like hatred. It's primitive, but my kind of woman knows what it is, and it's exciting, challenging."

"Must I hear this?" Beth turned to go, but Andrea's hand shot out and caught her.

"Yes, you must!" Andrea said with a gleam in her eye. "You want to know, I could have stopped it. Beth, you could have had Jim, because he loved you."

"Jim never loved me," Beth said in a low tone. "He did. He's told me so. He was going to ask you to marry him in September two years ago. That was when I spoiled it all."

"Please stop, Andrea," Beth pleaded. "I'm not going to stop until you've heard it all. I'm giving him back to you, Beth, Jim, who will love you again, and need you, will turn from me to you. You'll marry him, Beth, and be his wife."

"No," Andrea said. "I married him because I loved him. But I told you long ago that I didn't want to be separated from him because I knew I could get over it. Beth, Jim is candy. Jim is delight. Jim is my lover. Now I want bread—and other things. Things Jim never can give to Beth and me."

"Andrea Barnes, what manner of woman are you? Are you telling me that you married Jim to prove that you could?"

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"Jim has a right to Beth." "He can have some of her, Beth."

CHAPTER FORTY-EIGHT WHEN BETH woke up in Marion Blake's bedroom, it was 3 o'clock and already the afternoon sunlight was beginning to fade.

"Traffic is rather heavy today. Another young lady was in to see me at 9 o'clock this morning, asking me to get her a seat on the plane."

Beth reached for her high-buttoned collar. She loosened it, and then, as if needing air, got up and went to the window.

"Would I know her?" she asked after a moment. "They love each other, Beth. You would want that, wouldn't you?"

"Yes," she said. "I understand more than you can believe, my dear. We can't help loving, but sometimes we don't love..."

Beth turned from the window and came to stand before him. Across the desk he saw her radiant face for the first time as she slipped her veil over her hat. Her eyes shone.

"I knew she'd do it, Dennis. That was why I said I would come to you this afternoon. It was a gamble, wasn't it?"

"I don't know." His tone was bewildering. He looked like a man who wanted to hope and didn't dare.

"I had to send her, Dennis. It was for her and Jim and Bess. Andrea fought against it. She thought that she was right when she talked about the pattern we were all meant to fall into, but I knew she was wrong. Have I done something to you?"

"Something to me?" "Yes," she said very sadly. "You've done what was right to send those two back to each other."

"You said you understood. I hope you do—and that you'll forgive me, because I could have made it otherwise."

Dennis came around to her and held her hand tightly in his. "My sweet Beth, understanding helps us to get over any heartbreak. I know what it is to have an image. It's someone there, a part of your spiritual self, the one person with whom you want to share your life. But when you can't make that image most real, you can reconcile yourself to it. You'll be lonely for a while, but then there's tomorrow and all that can happen in it."

"I know—" "You know!" Beth flashed a glance at him. Some of the breath she had been holding escaped from her.

"Will you feel that way, Dennis. To give up Andrea twice..." "Andrea?" he said. "You were going to marry her." "You caught her elbows in a tight grasp. What are you saying?" "She loves you—in a way—Dennis. That was why she said she'd marry you. She knew you could make a wonderful life for her and Bess."

"There were white lines about his mouth, but I will go to Dennis when my work is done and ask him to manage to get me a seat on a west-bound plane tomorrow." "Without another glance at the girl in the bed, Beth walked out of the room." (To Be Continued.)

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COAST GUARD and Navy medical corpsmen are shown here as they prepare to evacuate the wounded island in the South Pacific. Note the intense activity on the beach as additional supplies and reserve troops pour in. (International)

Society, Clubs

Miss Sue Landers Of Strawn To Wed

Strawn, March 10.—Mr. and Mrs. B. Landers of Strawn announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Miss Sue Landers of Ft. Worth to Aviation Cadet Joseph Craig Porter of the United States Army Air Force, currently stationed at Moore Field near Mission, Texas. The couple plan to wed shortly after Cadet Porter completes his flight training and wins his lieutenancy and a commission as a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army Air Force sometime in April.

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Young P. T. A. To Have Rummage Sale

Members of the Young School Parents-Teachers Association announced today that they will again hold a rummage sale at the building on the corner of Main and Austin streets, Saturday. Proceeds from the sale will go for work of the organization in connection with the Young School and the patronage of the public will be appreciated.

Back The Attack

Her fiancé is the grandson of the late Judge and Mrs. C. H. Earnest of Colorado City.

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Officers Elected For Young P. T. A.

At a meeting of the Young School Parents-Teachers Association held Tuesday afternoon at the school, the following officers were elected to serve the organization for the next year: Mrs. O. C. Southern, vice-president, Mrs. M. L. Gray, secretary, Mrs. D. C. Singleton, and treasurer Mrs. C. P. Ashcraft.

In the business session a party for the eighth grade was planned and the Red Cross drive in the school was discussed.

The program for the afternoon was presented by the students of Miss Young's room and consisted of a choral reading.

The next meeting of the group will be held on March 21 at which time Mrs. Leslie Hagaman will be presented in a book review.

Announcement Of Marriage Is Made

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Junitta Pruett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Pruett, to Mr. Ray Hartsfield, private in the United States Army, and son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hartsfield.

The ceremony was performed Tuesday evening after which the couple left for a short trip. The bride will return here to make her home while her husband is in service, stationed in Minnesota.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Onis Mills, and daughter, formerly of Ranger but now of San Antonio, are here for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Mary Young who has been visiting in Big Spring has returned and was accompanied home by her small granddaughter, Mary Lou Young, who will be her guest indefinitely.

Harry Henry and Earnest Sneed have returned from a business trip to Oklahoma.

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When roasting meat, bake potatoes and a casserole dish of vegetables in oven at same time.

Avoid excessive oven peaking. This allows heat to escape and slows cooking operation.

Do not turn top burners higher than necessary. Flames should not lap up sides of vessels.

Use covered utensils to speed cooking, and always turn to low heat when food comes to steam.

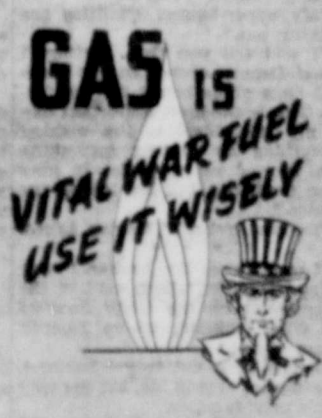
Turn gas on after, not before, putting on a utensil. Turn gas off before, not after, removing a utensil. And don't

leave a burner going just because you intend to use it again in a few minutes.

Do not toast bread in oven, unless large quantities are needed. A toaster is more economical for a few slices.

Do not boil more water than you actually need. Don't heat a quart when a pint would do. And turn heat down when boiling starts. No matter how much gas you burn you can't raise water above the boiling point.

Don't use your gas oven as a kitchen heater. Ovens are designed to keep heat in, not throw it out. A small portable heater is more efficient and uses much less gas.



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