

First Army Breaks Onto Cologne Plain

CISCO AIRMAN PROMOTED TO LT. COLONEL

An Eighth Air Force Liberator Station, England—Veteran combat pilot commanding a B-24 Liberator squadron, Van D. Dowla, son of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo T. Dowla, of 909 West 8th street, Cisco, Texas, was recently promoted from major to lieutenant colonel.

The 28 year old aviator with more than 1300 flying hours to his credit is a member of the 453rd Bomber Group, a unit of Maj. Gen. William E. Kepner's Second Bombardment Division.

In the capacity of squadron commander, Col. Dowla oversees the administrative and operational performance of personnel in his organization. Besides scheduling combat and practice missions for his squadron airmen, he is charged with the supervision of more than 20 heavy bombers.

Existing in the Army Air Forces, in 1941, he completed pilot training at Phoenix, Arizona, graduating with a second lieutenant's wings.

A few months later, flying the now obsolete B-18, he hauled freight in the Aleutians. His next assignment found him unloading bombs on Jap installations in Kiska and other enemy held islands.

After participating in 75 bombing missions, Dowla, by then a first lieutenant, was awarded the Air Medal and Distinguished Flying Cross.

Having enjoyed a much deserved rest leave in the United States, he reported to Roswell, New Mexico, and went through a four-month aerial gunnery transition school.

Joining this bombardment group at Pocatello, Idaho, he arrived in England in January, 1944, as squadron operations officer. Following his advancement in July, of this year, to squadron commander, he was promoted to major.

When asked to compare the two theaters in which he has served, the genial squadron leader remarked, "Although the Japs can throw up plenty mean flak, weather and mountains gave us most of our trouble in the Aleutians. Over here we have both Nazi flak and fighters with which to contend."

Serving as air commander on 23 high altitude precision attacks, the Cisco airman has successfully destroyed enemy installations in key German cities, some of which include Berlin, Munich, Brunswick and Saarbrücken.

Recently Colonel Milton W. Arnold, of Washington, D. C., commander of a combat bombardment wing, pinned an oak leaf cluster to his Distinguished Flying Cross.

His wife, the former Jessie Lee Butler, is now making her home at 909 West 8th Street, Cisco, Texas.

SHORTAGE OF LABOR HURTING WAR OUTPUT

Eighty-four vital Texas war plants are now behind schedule in production due to a serious shortage of manpower, C. E. Belk, State Director of the War Manpower Commission, announced today.

Declaring these production lags to be one of the most alarming setbacks to the war effort yet encountered, Belk stressed that necessary manpower must be obtained at once to keep all essential plants running at top peak of production until the final day of victory.

General Eisenhower has placed the answer to the speedy conclusion of the war directly on the shoulders of workers and industry, Belk said. We on the home front cannot and must not sacrifice the life of a single American soldier because of a lack of sufficient ammunition or supplies. There can be no thought of rationing when this is involved and it is an obligation which we cannot fail.

The rapid advance of our armies on all fronts both in Europe and the Pacific has necessitated the use of shells and supplies which were not thought would be needed until some time in February.

To meet this emergency 13,145 Texas workers, both skilled and unskilled, are needed immediately to maintain full production flow, Belk said, and this number will be increased to a net demand for 16,066 workers within the next 60 days.

Manufacture of all types of ordnance, especially in production of rockets and 105-mm shells, chemicals and synthetic rubber are the categories in most urgent need of workers to boost production back to its high standard.

Belk attributed a large part of the labor shortage in essential industry to the fact that workers are leaving vital jobs and returning to their home towns to take less essential jobs in the hope of post war security and that management of less essential industry is continuing to hire these workers. I feel that every employer in non-essential firms should take it as his patriotic duty to hire no workers who are employed or are needed for war production, Belk said. War industry also should look to improving both in-plant conditions and community facilities in an effort to hold their workers. In this way the migration of workers from vital production jobs could be checked.

DAILY BIBLE READING
Sunday, Psalm 1,
Monday, Matthew 5.

FIRST OIL LEASES AT LAREDO DONATED BY EAGER RANCHERS

(Editor's Note—Here is another Texas oil romance article issued by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, celebrating its 25th anniversary.)

For his test of the oil possibilities of the Laredo area, O. W. Killam lost no time in getting together 5,500 acres—the leases cost him nothing as the ranchers were eager for an April day to be drilled, the nearest oil being half a hundred miles away.

Selecting Miranda Valley in Zapata County for the test, Killam obtained an oil showing around 1,400 feet. This encouraged, he began another well but the hole caved in and had to be abandoned. Moving over a short distance, he began the third try.

For fuel, mesquite wood and coal, from the Laredo mines, were used. The No. 3 was down around 1,420 feet on an April day of 1921. It was Killam's intention to drill to the sand that had been found in the other wells and then to use cement so as to avoid the danger of casing, which had lost the second hole.

The driller looked at the small stack of coal on hand, thought of the delay in getting more of the fuel, and then suggested to Killam that they not wait for coal with which to drill deeper but that they

go ahead and set the casing at that depth (which was about 40 feet short of the level at which the sand previously had been found).

This was done and, after the cement had been allowed to set and the plug had been drilled out, the bailer was run and when it was emptied, they were thrilled at the sight of oil.

The oil sand was higher than had been expected. Killam modestly says, "If we had had a plentiful supply of coal on hand, we'd have kept on drilling to around 1,400 and so we would have gone on through the oil sand."

"The good Lord must have had His arms around me,"

And so was discovered the Miranda Valley field.

Killam laid out Miranda City and built a pipeline from the new field to the railroad, 20 miles away. Then in December of that same year, 1921, he discovered the Schott field. He had a block of 5,000 acres. Again, his first test was nonproductive but the second one came in wild, and a week was required to get it under control. Pictures of the spectacular well were widely published and Laredo was recognized as a new oil center.

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Bombs For Tokyo



Ground crew members ready bombs for the B-29 "Dauntless Doty" at the central Pacific base in Saipan from which superfortresses of the newly-created 21st Bomber Command raided Tokyo. (NEA Telephoto).

LIEUTENANT IN USNR



LT. MCKELVAIN STATIONED IN WASHINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mckelvain have received word that their daughter, Lt. (jg) Avis Mckelvain is now stationed with the United States Navy Reserve in Washington, D. C.

Lt. Mckelvain until recently was stationed with the procurement office of the WAVES at Houston and is now supervisor over 80 girls in the communications department. She was just recently promoted from ensign to lieutenant junior grade.

She entered the service in June 1943 and was sent to Mt. Holyoke College in Massachusetts for training. She is a graduate of Breckenridge High School, attended Hardin-Simmons University and Ranger Junior College and is a graduate of Baylor University at Waco.

Just prior to going into service she taught school at Bowie, Ranger, and Abilene.

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He strongly urged all boys from the ages of 16 to 18 who are certain to see military service, to join the Texas State Guards and get as much military training as possible before reporting to service.

Recommendations for officers in the Guard will likely be approved early this week and as soon as the new officers take charge a campaign for recruits will be conducted. The ranks are fairly full but it is felt that there are others who should be taking the military training.

HOT SESSION EXPECTED AT HEARING MON.

AUSTIN — Indications that the bill really will blow off when the McCallife senate committee resumes its hearings on the University of Texas Regents-Rainey dispute on Monday were given today as Gov. Coke R. Stevenson said—"I do not want to prolong the controversy. If necessary, I can make one more statement supported by written record."

Beyond that the Governor declined to discuss the situation in which he and former U. of T. Pres. Homer P. Rainey have been quoted contrastingly in regard to appointment of Karl Holtzclott to directorate of Texas Tech and of D. F. Strickland to a University regency.

Other indications of a coming "show-down" were calls on the senate committee—from Lt. Gov. John Lee Smith to conduct the hearing fairly; from Ralph Himsted, secretary of the American Association of University Professors, not to let charges of immorality at the University be a "red herring" to misdirect their inquiry; from the faculty of the medical branch of the University to be heard by the committee; from an American Legion representative to be heard on a recent lecture scheduled at the University.

Stevenson today made public a Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce request for representation of that city on the University board.

Capt. MacDonald Resigns Office In State Guards

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DEMONSTRATORS WOUNDED
LONDON — Reports from Brussels tonight said police guarding government buildings fired on demonstrators demanding the overthrow of the cabinet, and a number of them were wounded.

In GI Bond Show



SAXAPHONIST TO BE MASTER OF CEREMONIES

ARMY AIR FIELD, Abilene, Tex. — A veteran musician who took part in Liberty Loan musicals in Spokane, Wash., during the First World War when he was but five years old, is Cpl. George Davis 35, master of ceremonies for the Abilene Army Air Field 9th War Loan musical.

Corporal Davis, who has been playing the saxophone "since my folks got me one for my birthday 'away back,'" has played with a number of bands up and down the West Coast, and started his career in a high school jazz band with Ray Hendricks and Bob Crosby.

In the musical jamboree coming to Ranger on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3 at 3 P. M. Corporal Davis, doubles as emcee and singer. He will be featured in "A Good Man Is Hard to Find."

Before joining the AAF as a member of the 590th AAF Band Davis was a member of the Jackie Saunders orchestra in Seattle, Wash.

Premier-Woodley Encounter Oil In Thorpe Test

Oil was struck Friday in the George Thorpe No. 1 being drilled by the Premier Oil Refining company and the Woodley Petroleum Company in the old Leary area in the edge of Stephens county.

The show was encountered in the Mississippi line and was shot at 3,914 feet. The well made 25 barrels in three hours on the swab, and the oil tested 41 gravity.

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BOND MEETING CALLED FOR 3 P. M. SUNDAY

A very important meeting of business men and women of Ranger has been called for Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce and it is urgently requested that citizens make every effort possible to be on hand.

At the meeting plans will be completed for the big GI Band Jamboree which will be staged in Ranger in front of the Arcadia theater Sunday, December 3 at 5 P. M. Talent for the show is being furnished by the Army in cooperation with the Theater of Texas but some details must be arranged by the town in which the show is staged.

Members of Ranger's war finance committee are planning to make the show the climax of the Sixth War Loan drive in Ranger in order to dispose of the town's quota ahead of schedule. It was pointed out that at such a busy time of the year it would be wise for the citizenship to concentrate on raising the quota at once and thus be relieved of one of the many jobs at hand.

W. F. Creager in speaking of the meeting Sunday afternoon said, "Every man and woman that is interested in speeding the end of this war should be at the meeting Sunday afternoon. This is a job for all of us."

Business at the meeting will be transacted as rapidly as possible and in order to speed the work it is urged that every one be at the Chamber of Commerce promptly at 3 o'clock.

L. M. POUNDS HOME FROM WAR IN PACIFIC

Mrs. Leonard Pounds received word late Friday that her husband, Leonard M. Pounds, machinist mate first class, has arrived in the States from duty in the Pacific and is expected to be in Ranger by December 2.

Pounds has been in service with the Seabees in the Pacific theater of war for the past 30 months. He entered the service March 7 1942 and was sent to the Pacific in August 1942.

Mrs. Pounds, the former Miss Daisy Woods, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Woods and their two year old daughter, Alyce Eileen, whom the father has never seen, have been making their home in Ranger while Pounds was in service.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pounds of Ranger.

Rev. Taylor Dies Saturday; Funeral To Be In Eastland

Rev. J. H. Taylor, 83, died Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of his son, L. H. Taylor, at Lone Star Plant No. 3.

Funeral services will be held Monday morning at 10 o'clock at the First Baptist church in Eastland with Rev. Durwood Fleming, assisted by Rev. Cecil McBeth of the Harmony Baptist church at Marton Valley, in charge of the services. Arrangements will be by Killingsworth's Funeral Home and burial will be in Altus, Oklahoma.

Rev. Taylor retired Methodist minister and had been a member of the Methodist church for 72 years. He was born September 23 1861 near Chattanooga, Tennessee and had resided in Eastland county for the past 14 years. At the time of his death his home was in Eastland where he had lived for the past seven years.

Besides his wife, Mrs. J. H. Taylor of Eastland, he is survived by the following sons and one daughter; M. L. Taylor of Waco, L. H. Taylor of Ranger, J. B. Taylor of Elmer, Oklahoma, William A. Taylor of Houston, Roy Taylor of Vernon and Ray Taylor of Okemah, Oklahoma and the daughter, Mrs. Clinton Jones of Cisco. One brother, Harris Taylor of Chillicothe and a sister, Mrs. Lillie Heneea of Grandview, 14 grand children and 3 great grandchildren, also survive.

FURIOUS ATTACK FORCES NAZIS BACK; OIL AND RAIL TARGETS HIT BY AMERICAN AIR ARMADA

Resistance At Strasbourg Being Ground Down As Pincer Closes On 50,000 Germans Trapped In The Vosges Mountains

American First Army troops broke out onto the Cologne plain a few miles southwest of Duren today, ending the stalemate in the ten-day battle of the Hurtgen Forest and forcing the Germans to yield ground before a furious attack.

At the southern end of the front, American and French forces were steadily grinding down the last Nazi resistance in Strasbourg and pressing a great pincer movement against an estimated 50,000 Germans in the Vosges mountains.

In the air, more than 2,000 American planes, half of them heavy bombers, struck a powerful blow at Germany's dwindling oil supply with an attack on the synthetic works at Mersburg and storage facilities and rail yards at Bingen on the Rhine.

Berlin reported a massive offensive by 800,000 Soviet infantry and strong armored forces against the Germans pocketed along the Latvian coast in an effort to clear the Baltic flank for a renewed drive into East Prussia. In Hungary and Eastern Czechoslovakia, the Russian drives were slowed by mounting enemy opposition.

In Italy, British troops of the Eighth Army advanced 3 and 1-2 mile in intensive fighting and sent patrols into the outskirts of Faenza. On their left, Polish troops also made considerable gains, ending all German resistance east of the Sumoggia river.

Japanese propagandists continued to minimize the importance of the Superfortress raid on Tokyo while Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced that 4,500 or more Jap troops were killed off Masbate yesterday when American fighters bombed attacks and set fire to three transports rushing reinforcements to Leyte. An escorting enemy destroyer was also sunk with all hands.

Fourteen other Jap vessels were sunk or damaged in a series of air raids throughout the East Indies.

In the land fighting, MacArthur's troops pushed southward toward the Ormoc plain after crossing the Leyte river 800 yards below Limon.

Judge K. M. Landis Dies In Chicago

CHICAGO — Judge Keneaw Mountain Landis, 78 year old commissioner of baseball who had ruled American's No. 1 sport with an iron hand since 1920, died today at St. Luke's Hospital.

The stormy Landis, whose name had become a legend in professional baseball, died in his sleep, his secretary, Leslie O'Connor, reported.

Cemetery To Be Worked Monday And Tuesday

On Monday and Tuesday of week there will be all-day workings at the Pleasant Grove cemetery and interested persons are asked to join in this effort to improve the appearance of the spot.

Ladies of the group will provide noon luncheon which will be served at the cemetery thus eliminating wasted time in going to an from the grounds.

Coronation At Morton Valley To Be Tuesday P. M.

The Morton Valley School will hold its annual Coronation Tuesday night, November 28, at 8 o'clock, when the football king and queen of the year will be crowned. Following the coronation, a box supper will be held at which Chief George Murphy will act as auctioneer. The people of Ranger are cordially invited to attend.

PVT. GORDON AT ABERDEEN MARYLAND

Pvt. Byron W. Gordon, formerly of Ranger, Tex., who was recently taken into the service, has been sent to the Army Service Forces Training Center, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, where he will receive his basic training as an Ordnance Soldier.

He formerly lived at 1201 Oddie St. His present address is Company A, 1st Regiment, ASF Training Center, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland. Prior to his induction, he was employed by his aunt, Mrs. P. J. O'Donnell.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gordon of 1201 Oddie St.

Class Seeking Used Toys For Charity Work

Members of the Willing Worker's Class of the First Methodist church of which Mrs. M. H. Haggan is teacher have issued an appeal to the people of Ranger for used toys of any kind.

The toys may be left at the fire department where they will be remedied and repaired by members of the fire department and will then be sold for the charity fund of the class.

It is also urged that the toys be left at the department just as soon as possible in order that they may go on sale before Christmas.

Greyhound Bus Lines To Present Facts This Week

Hall Walker, Agent for the Greyhound Bus Lines in Ranger, stated Saturday that the Greyhound Line is being contested by the All-American Bus Line and he will give some facts to the citizens of Ranger concerning this contest this coming week.

He said that he will appreciate the citizens of Ranger giving this information every consideration.

Chinese Take 4 Strongpoints

CHUNGKING — Chinese troops closely supported by dive-bombing American warplanes, have captured four Japanese strongpoints on the outskirts of Bhamo, in North Central Burma, a communiqué reported today.

27 More Japanese Vessels Sunk

WASHINGTON — American submarines have sunk 27 more Japanese vessels including a destroyer and a gunboat in operations in the Pacific and Far Eastern waters, the Navy announced today.

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Staff Correspondent

SHORTEST chapter in the Dumbarton Oaks proposals for a United Nations charter is No. III on Membership, which says simply: "Membership of the organization should be open to all peace-loving states."



Edson

What constitutes a "peace-loving state" isn't defined, and by their own assertion, Germany and Japan are peace-loving states, so there's an argument to be settled.

Membership in the United Nations organization is not obligatory, but that doesn't make much difference. For it is generally assumed that the neutral nations like Sweden and Switzerland will be eligible, though they are not now members of the United Nations and furthermore, it is specified that non-members will be expected to conduct themselves so that they shall not endanger the peace and security of the members.

One interesting detail of the conditions of membership is that no provision is made for a nation's resigning. "Provision is made, however, for nations to be suspended or even expelled from membership in the United Nations organization, when they don't behave. Once suspended or expelled, a nation could be readmitted after it had met its obligations to the organization."

NO waiting periods of probation are defined in the Dumbarton Oaks proposals, but they could be specified in the final charter drawn up when all the United Nations meet for this purpose next year, or they could be written into the by-laws and rules of procedure which the organization could enact after it was created.

Non-members would have some of the rights and privileges of members, under the Dumbarton Oaks draft. Chapter IV of the Dumbarton Oaks proposals is another short section, merely listing the principal organs of the organization: first a General Assembly, second a Security Council, third an International Court of Justice, fourth a Secretariat, and finally, "such other subsidiary agencies as may be found necessary."

AMERICANS are used to the three principal Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches of their government with checks and balances, the executive being the President, the legislative being divided into a Senate and House of Representatives, the judicial centered in a Supreme Court and the lower federal courts. The proposed United Nations organization isn't like that at all.

In the first place, there is no real executive power, for the United Nations organization does not attempt to create a superstate. The Security Council will have certain executive powers in enforcing peace, and the Secretary General will have certain broad administrative powers in running the organization. But neither will be a full-fledged executive, performing the functions of a world ruler.

Similarly, the Security Council of 11 members and the General Assembly with one vote for every member of the United Nations organization should not be confused with the Senate and House of the U. S. Congress.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEXT Saturday on Franklin Field and in Baltimore will be the final opportunity for the public to see the greatest of all Army and Navy teams. They play their last games—against Pennsylvania and Purdue, respectively—before going into what is practical retirement.

Navy game patrons to those residing within a 10-mile radius of its out of the way and cramped site for the third straight year tops the list of idiotic wartime proceedings.

Looking up racetrack parking lots and driving potential War Fund contributors to adjacent vacant lots is only a minor mistake compared to confining the most magnetic attraction in history to Annapolis, Dec. 2. Especially with the government asking for billions.

Navy beat Notre Dame 22-13. Army returned the Irish to South Bend reeling under a record 59-0 count. This would indicate the triple-decked, point-a-minute Catholics were something like a half dozen touchdowns superior to the Midshipmen, but remember that the West Point line has yet to be tried.

FOOTBALL men are still rubbing their eyes and discussing the Notre Dame debacle. It was a routing—light days for Francis Wallace. The author who as an undergraduate published Notre Dame for Knute Rockne, came east from Hollywood to

ARMY even knocked out the head linesman, Dr. David Reese, who was extremely fortunate to get away with a dislocated elbow. Zigging when he should have zigged, the official found himself between the ramming Doc Blanchard, going lickity split, and a Notre Dame tackle.

THEY said Army couldn't pass, but Doug Kenna, coming into his own, threw two for touchdowns, one 40 yards to Ed Falko in the corner of the end zone. Capt. Tom Lombardo, Glenn Davis, Johnny Sauer and Arnold Tucker all tossed the ball accurately. The fleet Davis led the parade with three touchdowns, and no one is stealing the ball from him this trip.

All nine touchdowns were made standing up. It was suspected that Army was weak against passes. One interception was good for a touchdown. Four others set up touchdowns. Eight netted 153 yards.

Out Our Way By J. R. Williams
"Is it by the card, son? You might as well leave the deck out as that."



Churches

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Wallace N. Leach, Minister
(Across the street south of High School).
Mrs. Leslie Hagaman general superintendent.
Church school at 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship 10:50 a. m.
Choir led by Mrs. Homer Heatley.
Evening service 7:30 p. m.
Special music by the choir will feature this service. Sermon by the pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Marston and Walnut
W. H. Clark, Pastor
Sunday School for everyone is held at 9:45 a. m. with A. W. Warford Superintendent. All are to bring their gifts of food, clothing and money to Buckner Orphans Home at this time.
Morning Worship at 11:00 a. m. begins with Mrs. F. P. Drashler playing a piano prelude. Mrs. W. H. Clark will play an organ solo for the offertory—"Prayer Perfect" by Stenson. The choir under the direction of Mrs. M. R. Hamrick will sing the Anthem, "Praise Ye the Father." The pastor, Dr. Clark will preach on the subject "The Goodness of God Revealed Through His Promises."

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Oak and Main
Henry C. Thomas, Pastor
Sunday school—10:00 a. m.
J. L. Jones, Superintendent.
Morning worship—11:00 a. m.
N. Y. P. Service—6:45 p. m.
Evening service—7:30 p. m.
Wed. night prayer service—7:30 p. m.
W. F. M. Society—Tuesday 7:30 p. m.
We are having these services to be a blessing to the town, community and those who attend.
Plan to attend church, you will have a different look on life after having attended.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Minister, Joe W. Crumley
LORD'S DAY—
Bible study—9:45 a. m.
Worship—10:45 a. m.
Sermon—"The New Testament law of correction of fallen brethren."
Young people's Bible study—6:30 p. m.
Worship—7:30 p. m.
Sermon—"Misconceptions of the position of the disciples of Christ."

URGES PUBLIC TO HEED NATION WIDE BIBLE READING

By Henry C. Thomas
Every man, woman, boy and girl should read nation wide Bible reading.

Some of the reasons why we should read the Bible are given in the following:

- 1. God speaks to man through His word. The plan for our lives is revealed in His word.
2. The Bible is the book of all books, revealing the past, present and future. Speaking of the past, Paul says in 1 Cor. 10-11 all these things happened unto them for examples; and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.
3. A greater nation will be outcome of people reading and obeying the teaching of the Bible. Let everyone join nation wide Bible reading.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

H. B. Johnson, Pastor
Church school 10 a. m. with Lawrence Bryan, Supt.
Golden Rule Bible class, taught by the pastor.
Communion 11 a. m.
Preaching by the pastor 11:15 a. m.
Subject: Christianity as a work-

Red Ryder

WE GO TO GOVERNOR ROLLET'S LODGE TO HUNT WITH HIM.



WELL, BARNY, WHAT BRINGS YOU BACK TO RUMPOCK?



Alley Oop

IT CHILLS ME TO THE BONE TO SEE YOU GOING GREEN HYPOLYTA'S MAGIC BELT TO KING GLIZ FOR SOME LOPSIDED ROCKS HE CALLED THE ROYAL JEWELS.



ing Force. Preaching again at 7:30 p. m. Be on time for all the services of the church. Don't neglect the evening service.

Next Wednesday evening at 7:30, Dr. Clark will preach the Thanksgiving sermon at the Methodist church. Dr. Clark is a very attractive speaker and you will enjoy it. At this service an offering will be taken for the poor.

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The Training Union will meet at 7:00 p. m. with W. A. Lewis as Director. Next Sunday, December 3, the time will be changed to 6:00 p. m.

Evening Worship is held at 8:00 p. m. today, beginning next Sunday December 3, the time will be changed to 7:30 p. m. The Training Union will present in the closing assembly a Thanksgiving Pageant, "Father, I Thank Thee." The Choir will sing as a Hymn Special "Come Ye Thankful People."

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John speaking of the present Rev. 22-17 (The spirit and bride say, come, and let him that heareth say, come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.)

Again we find a promise in 2 Cor. 12-9 (—My grace is sufficient for thee—) John speaking of the future in Rev. 2-10 (—Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life.—)

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"The Gospel"

By Joe W. Crumley
Minister, Church of Christ

"But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." (2 Cor. 4:3-4). Thus Paul presents the gospel as glorious. There are reasons why it is glorious.

(1) Because of its origin. God is its author. (Jno. 17:7-8) "I have given them the words which thou gavest me." (Gal. 1:11-12) "But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ."

(2) Because of its spirit which is love. (Jno. 3:16, Rom. 5:6-8, I Jno. 4:10). Such compassion is not known outside this Holy Writ. Without merit and as worms of the dust, we have received the love of God whereby we can cry "Abba Father."

(3) Because of its object which is salvation. "The grace of God which bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men." (Tit. 2:11-12) Thus the Gospel of Christ is the Propitiation for our sins. (I Jno. 2:2). The gospel is God's power to save. (Rom. 1:16).

(4) Because of its extent, the gospel is glorious. It goes to all of every race, country and clime. "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." (Mk. 16:15-16). Christ tasted death for every man. (Heb. 2:9). In every nation, he that feareth him and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him." (Act. 10:24-25). One cannot be saved except he obey. Passive belief in Christ is not sufficient. We must render obedience to the simple plan of salvation to hear that "well done" in the judgement.

(5) Because its duration is eternal. "Though heaven and earth shall pass away, my word will never pass away." (Mat. 24:35). The word is incorruptible. (I Pet. 1:23). It is pictured by John in revelation 14:6 as being everlasting. Such a document is, therefore, of deepest concern to those who think. Upon our obedience thereto rests our eternal destiny. As to whether we write in burning hell for evermore or enjoy the bliss of high heaven is for us to decide by our rejection or acceptance of God's requirements to believe, (Heb. 11:16). Repent of our sins, (Acts 17:30) Confessing with our mouth that Jesus is the Son of God, (Rom. 10:10, Acts 8:37) and being buried with the Lord in baptism for the forgiveness of our sins. (Rom 6:3-4, Acts 2:38).

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WE got to the airport at about 5:30. I was tired and mad and had a splitting headache. Several times during the afternoon I'd asked Perez to stop and had tried to get advice on the phone. I tried again while they were loading the baggage and mail into the plane but she hadn't returned yet.

ing over to his big black car, the one that looked like a hearse, he slobbered over me. A chauffeur was at the wheel and Boggio made me get in the back with him. "Let's go to your apartment." He'd always preferred to have me come over to his place, so I felt vaguely uneasy about Ginger again. He sat down and handed me the speaking tube. It was I who had to give directions.

I don't give up easily, however. With Perez standing outside the booth I kept feeding dimes into the phone. At last, when nearly all the passengers were aboard the plane, I was told Mickey had just come in. Perez, who must have thought I had some trick up my sleeve, started banging on the door. I noticed to him to take it easy. "Mickey," I blurted out, "I haven't much time. My plane's leaving in a couple of minutes. You'll find a note. I can't explain now. I'll write. I've been trying to get you all afternoon."

As we drove along I became more and more uncomfortable. "Income tax?" I inquired. "He shook his head. 'Later, later!'" "When we got to the Towers he dismissed the chauffeur. We walked in and the doorman saluted me and beckoned to one of the boys who came running up to get my bags. "Let's go upstairs," said Boggio, impatiently. "Wait till I get my key."

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THAT afternoon I went to the jail to see Rugg. The moment he looked up at me I realized what a tough job lay ahead. He was sullen and rat-faced, and about two years older than I. If he made the same impression on the jury as he did on me, he was headed straight for the chair. It was a stunt to get him to talk. Maybe he felt I didn't like him. Or maybe he was suspicious of people in general. Finally I became irritated.

I was going to take, and at the same time I had to bolster up Boggio's confidence. To my surprise he was taking all this much better than I'd anticipated. Now that he really was in danger, he seemed, less of a coward than when he was worrying about his bellyaches. THE trial had been set for a Wednesday. I decided to go and see Rugg the day before. At last something had begun to percolate inside my skull. I found Rugg gone to pieces. He began bawling me out for not having come in earlier. "Shut up, Rugg," I snapped. "I've got to talk to you." He quieted down. "Now listen," I said, "we're both up against a tough proposition. They're out to get your hide and they've got a pretty good case."

"Look here, Rugg," I said. "Your neck doesn't mean a damn thing to me, but Boggio's does. And you'll do me! Tell you or else you'll burn, so help me!" That put him in a receptive frame of mind and I realized I'd hit on the right psychological approach. He began to loosen up and from then on I got everything I wanted. But she never told me, the gloomier the outlook became. From a strictly legal standpoint the guy hadn't a leg to stand on.

"There's a certain way of approaching your defense that may save us. But you've got to cooperate. When they question you about the shooting don't be peevish about admitting you did it. But don't give them any reason when they ask you why. Keep your trap shut." "What the hell then?" "Say you don't know and stick to it. I'll do the explaining."

"Besides, what concern is it of yours?" "Plenty!" He leaned forward and began speaking in a hoarse whisper. Not only was Boggio involved in this affair but he was in it up to his neck. It was he who'd had Simms bumped off and now it was backing on him.

He'd been casually acquainted with Rugg who was tired of working for Simms and had offered to switch allegiance. Apparently Rugg hated his boss with all the intensity of a guy who's a bit unbalanced. He didn't think Simms was paying him enough and was anxious to sell out.

But Boggio was too smart to take in a trailer. At least he thought he was, for he made a fatal mistake. He nurtured Rugg's hatred for Simms to a point where he was ready to do anything. Then Boggio casually mentioned that if ever an accident happened to Simms he'd give the person who caused it a little reward of say 10 grand, and then he'd see about a job. The temptation to do away with a troublesome rival without becoming directly involved was something Boggio couldn't resist. But he'd reckoned without Rugg's greed, firmly believing that the killing would only take place when the set-up was perfect.

I was afraid he was going to start blabbing about Boggio, so I motioned to him. He got my signal and slowly sank back in his chair again. Anderson was all through. I cleared up my throat and stood up. For about thirty seconds I didn't say anything. I merely stared at one of the four women in the jury. I'd picked her out at the beginning of the trial. Her name was Hannah Twichell and she was a motherly housewife with two chins. I'd chosen her because she had an air of authority about her and because it was plain she didn't like Anderson. She'd asked the judge a question and Anderson had barked at her. It was a foolish thing to do. Unless I was completely wrong, Hannah Twichell was going to be a powerful ally of mine. And as Hannah Twichell went, so would the three other women go.

My plan of defense was simple. I was going to counteract evidence with emotion. I was going to make Rugg appear the poor, bewildered victim of a harsh social order whose poverty-stricken childhood had forced him into a life of crime. I would show how he tried time and again to get out of the rackets and go straight but how he'd only gotten in deeper and deeper. And then I'd use his murder of Simms as a sort of grand finale, the supreme effort of a desperate man to regain his freedom and integrity. Wrong, of course, but really an act of self-defense.

THE jury reached a verdict at exactly 4:20 that evening. I looked at my watch as they filed back into the box. They'd been out for more than four hours and I'd already contemplated the grim prospect of a deadlock and a retrial. If that had happened Rugg would have been convicted for I could never have repeated my performance of that afternoon. I thought it was a terrific stroke of luck when they turned in a verdict of not guilty. It's a funny thing about life. Sometimes you don't know what was good and what was bad until the curtain rings down. And then it's too late. (To Be Continued)

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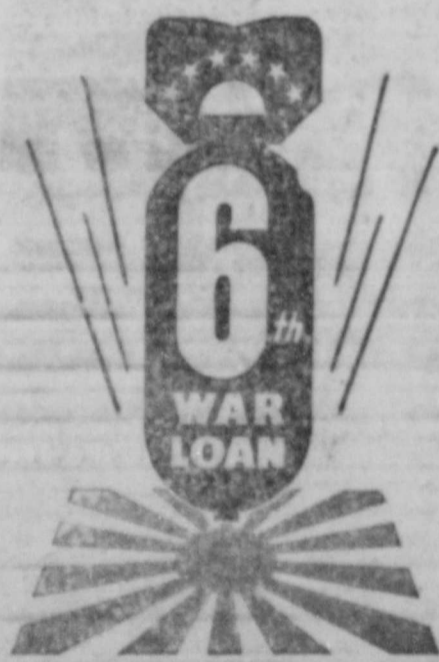
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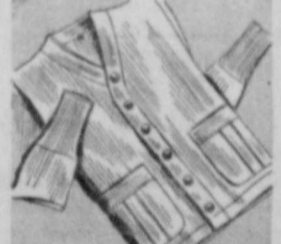
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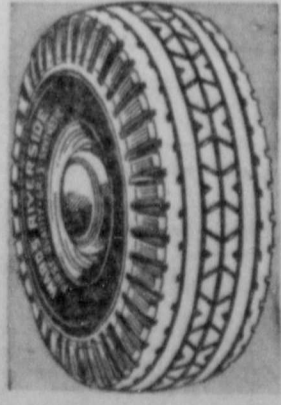
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As a birthday present to his grandson, Jim Littlefield, 84 year old grandfather of Jackie, attended the game which was his first football game and supported Ranger, though he lives in Weatherford.

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In the games high score for the women was won by Mrs. Coke Martin and high for the men was won by J. B. Houghton. Second high score award for women to Mrs. George Rogers and Mr. Anderson was winner of second high for the men.

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Grove No. 1954 of the Woodmen Circle on Tuesday at a covered dish luncheon and social.

Vases of chrysanthemums were used as decorations throughout the rooms. Luncheon was served from quartette tables laid with linen cloths.

The social hour was spent doing needlework, and during the afternoon a large box of cookies was packed and sent to the Woodmen Circle home in Sherman, as a Thanksgiving gift from members of the local grove.

The next luncheon will be held at the home of Mrs. Lena McDonough, 1107 Spring Road, on December 22nd, in the form of a Christmas social at which time gifts will be exchanged among members.

Those present were Meses, Edna Earle Williamson, Minnie Shirley, Beatie Harris, Mildred Brooks, and daughter Brenda, Lonnie Calder, Ruby Greer, Eula Blackwell, and guests, Lee Graham, Laura Melton, Lena McDonough, J. O. Calvert, Helen Wright and son Freddie and hostess Patterson.

A business session will be held at the IOOF Hall on Wednesday afternoon, December 6, at which time new officers will be elected, all members are urged to be present.

O. E. S. MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY

The Ranger Chapter of the O. E. S. will hold its regular meeting Monday, November 27, at 7:30 p. m. All members are especially urged to be present.

HODGES P. T. A. TO MEET ON TUESDAY

The regular meeting of the Hodges Oak Park Parent-Teachers Association will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock at the school and all members are urged to attend.

PERSONALS

Morris Jeffries who is teaching in the San Marcos Academy is here to spend the week end with

his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jeffries.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Murphy have returned to their home in Dallas after spending Thanksgiving with Mr. Murphy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Murphy.

Mrs. Lee Dockery returned Friday from Rochester, Minnesota, where she was a patient at the Mayo Clinic. She was accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Ada Gordon, and it was stated Saturday that Mrs. Dockery's condition is unchanged.

Miss Hazel Barker of Dallas is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Barker. Miss Barker is on the nursing staff at Baylor Hospital.

Cpl. and Mrs. R. J. Thomason of Cisco announce the birth of a baby boy at the West Texas Hospital Friday.

Mrs. Jack Maier and baby daughter, Saturday, were removed from the West Texas Hospital to their home.

Mrs. G. D. Nicholson left Friday night for Cheyenne, Oklahoma where she was called by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Charles Ingram.

GI IN CEYLON SHOWS BENT FOR FARMING

HQ. SOUTHWEST ASIA COMMAND, KANDY, Ceylon (UP)—Sr. Warrant Officer Jerry Corbett operated a grocery store in Hadin, Ill., in civilian life but in his present army assignment he's rapidly becoming a farmer.

Corbett started his back-to-the-farm movement with a vegetable garden which furnishes the mess with radishes, beans, cabbage, beets, celery, onions and tomatoes.

When the commander-in-chief of Ceylon recently issued an order restraining the army from purchasing eggs produced on the island, Corbett had an answer—a chicken farm.

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