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## Tokyo Preparing For All-Out Bombings

### PFC. LEFLORE AIDS FLOW OF FRONT SUPPLIES

WITH U. S. FORCES in France—Rapidly overcoming the difficulties imposed upon it by the destruction of one of the railway battalions of the Transportation Corps has succeeded in sending supply trains to the armies in the field. With the Corps is Pfc. Andy Leflore of Ranger, Texas.

Placed on a section of road running behind the First Army, the unit found itself operating a secondary circuitous route. Such a change had been made necessary by the thoroughness with which the Air Force had destroyed the main line route.

Calling on excellent railroad knowledge gathered in civilian life and during technical training in the army, the men succeeded in opening the tracks close to the fighting front and running supply, personnel and hospital trains into Belgium.

The task of opening those tracks required the teamwork and cooperation of all four companies of the battalion.

Company "A" of the battalion was responsible for making a thorough reconnaissance of the tracks and communications facilities. Where damage to the tracks was slight, it was repaired immediately; where the damage would require an extended period of time for repair, a different route was sought. Communications wires were strung where necessary, but maximum use was made of French and Belgian facilities.

Company B, charged with the maintenance of rolling equipment, has been reorganizing and servicing American Army stock brought to France, and captured French, Belgian, German and Italian wagons. The maintenance crews work on American Diesels and steam locomotives, while the French railroad men father their own locomotives.

### Legislative Aid To be Asked For Roadside Program

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—Texas' Roadside Development Program is gaining headway, and the next legislature likely will be asked to give it impetus by resolution.

After that a date for state-wide inauguration of the program will be set by the governor.

The program calls for communities planting trees, flowers and shrubs of a selected variety as a living memorial project to servicemen and women. Each community selects its own plants.

Thirteen counties around Abilene have chosen live oak with variations of redbud, purple plume and standing cypress. In this plan besides Taylor county are Callahan, Nolan, Mitchell, Howard, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Haskell, Stonewall and Kent.

Harris County has chosen crepe myrtle, Travis and Burleson Counties have adopted pyracantha, Bell, Brown, San Saba Counties also want crepe myrtle. Sutton County plans to continue on a larger scale the planting of pecan trees to supplement a project started some years ago.

Dallas County has not yet reported its selection to the Advisory Committee headed by Judge W. R. Ely of Abilene. However, it is expected to be redbud, which will supplement the present plan of planting a redbud for each Dallas man and woman in the armed services.

More details of the program will be worked out at a meeting in Dallas December 16 of the Advisory Committee.

In addition to Judge Ely, the committee is composed of Mrs. Forest Sorrell, San Antonio; Mrs. B. B. McFarland, Houston; Mrs. Judy Collier Mumford and Mrs. Jerry Stillwell, Dallas.

IAEM College President Gibb Gilchrist has resigned from the council because of heavy college duties.

### CPL. PLEDGER OF AIR FORCE KILLED IN WAR

On Friday, December 1, Mrs. Druanne Nicholson Pledger received a message from the war department bearing the information that her husband, Cpl. Guy Pledger, Jr., was reported missing in action over Austria and for nine brief days she held the hope that he would be found safe somewhere.

But that hope was blasted Sunday night when the follow up message came and reported that Cpl. Pledger was killed in action on November 17, 1944, the date on which he had been reported missing in action.

A tall gunner and photographer with the Air Force in the Mediterranean theater of war, he had been in foreign service only since September 15, 1944 when he reported for service in Italy. He entered the service in October 1942 and had received training at Santa Antonio, Altus, Oklahoma, State College, Mississippi, Laredo, Texas and Casper, Wyoming. At the time of his death he was serving on a B-24 bomber.

The young flyer was born in Olden August 9, 1922 to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pledger, formerly of Ranger but now of Corpus Christi. He was educated at Hodges Oak Park school and Eastland High school and just prior to going into service had been an instrument specialist at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station.

He and the former Miss Druanne Nicholson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Nicholson, were married August 27, 1941. Mrs. Pledger is making her home with her parents at 431 Walnut Street.

### Says Criminals Betray Guilt By Inner Urge

NEW YORK (UP)—Criminals betray their guilt because of an unconscious wish for punishment, an expert criminologist asserts in a treatise published by Columbia University Press.

"This arises from 'unresolved strong unconscious feelings of guilt,' the article, written by Dr. David Abrahamson, Columbia University, said. 'Such wishes for punishment are expressed in all the faulty acts which the culprit performs after the actual crime.'"

The wish for punishment, Abrahamson said, was also responsible for the criminal returning to the scene of the crime and for the lack of the so-called "perfect crimes."

Abrahamson, formerly a scientist in Norway, described crime as "a product of a person's tendencies and the situation of the moment interacting with his mental resistance," and urged that the personality of the criminal be taken into consideration with his offense when punishment for crime is being set.

He advocated progressive penology, rehabilitation centers, especially for youthful criminals, and clinics for the maladjusted "persons in conflict with society" to prevent and punish crime.

He said that persons were "futile" if no consideration for the motive of the criminal was made, and said that "the theory of retaliation as a basis of punishment has shown its shortcomings, just as the fear of punishment has proved inadequate in preventing criminal acts."

As an alternate to such theories he suggested more research into the psychology of criminals and a psychiatric approach to the question of how many criminals were abnormal, even if not insane.

Dr. Abrahamson, who is in the department of psychology at Columbia also has been associated with St. Elizabeth's hospital, Washington, D. C.; Illinois State Penitentiary, the Menninger Clinic, Bellevue Hospital, New York, and the Court of General Sessions, New York.

CHINESE TAKE NANTAN CHUNGKING, (UP)—Chinese troops, driving rapidly through southeastern China, today captured the rail town of Nantan, 25 miles inside Kwangsi province.

### Tokyo Palace Grounds Photographed



Moated Palace grounds in the heart of Tokyo as photographed for the first time by Saipan-based Superforts. Just below palace, left center, is a large railroad station. The Sumida River runs past a large stadium. At upper right can be seen wartime firebreaks cleared through congested areas, Tokyo's hope against a city sweeping conflagration. (AAF Photo from NEA Telephoto).

### "Waddy's Wagon" Crew Pose After Tokyo Raid



The crew of "Waddy's Wagon," fifth B-29 to take off on the initial Tokyo mission from Saipan, and the first to land after bombing the target, pose here to duplicate their "excitations, left to right are: Capt. Walter E. "Waddy" Young, Ponca City, Okla., former All-American end; Lt. Jack Vetter, Corpus Christi, Tex.; Lt. John F. Ellis, Mosely, Mo.; Lt. Paul R. Garrison, Lancaster, Pa.; Sgt. George Amon Syracuse, N. Y.; Lt. Bernard Black, Woodham, L. I.; Sgt. Kenneth Mahsi, Randolph, Me.; Sgt. Lawrence Lee, Max, N. D.; Sgt. Wilbur Chapman, Panhandle, Tex.; Sgt. Collett Carnegie, Grindstone Island, N. Y.; and Joseph Gatta, Falconer, N. Y. (Air Force photo from NFA Telephoto).

### Pvt. Gummelt Slightly Wounded In German War

For the second time since her husband went into service Mrs. Christine A. Gummelt has received a War Department message beginning, "regret to inform you."

The second message came Monday and informed Mrs. Gummelt that her husband, Pvt. Ward J. Gummelt, was slightly wounded in action on November 25 in Germany.

The first message had informed Mrs. Gummelt that her husband was reported missing in action in France on July 25, 1944. He later was reported wounded but had recovered and returned to duty. First word of his being missing in action was received by Mrs. Gummelt on August 15.

### Change In City Office Hours Made

It was announced today that effective immediately the City offices will be opened at 8:30 a. m. and closed at 5:30 p. m.

It is urged that the public make note of this change and in planning transactions at the office to bear the new hours in mind.

### Deadline Set For Reporting Soil Building Projects

The Eastland county office of the Agricultural Adjustment Agency has issued the following statement with reference to reports soil building practices.

January 15, 1945 is the final date that we can accept reports of 1944 soil building practices carried out under the 1944 AAA Farm Program. If any producer has carried out practices that have not been reported he must report these practices to the County AAA Office by January 15, 1945, in order to receive payment for the work.

All practices must be completed before January 1, 1945, and reported to the county office by January 15, 1945.

### URGES SENATE OK WASHINGTON (UP)—Secretary of State Edward R. Stettin, Jr., today asked for prompt senate confirmation of six top state department nominees to speed departmental reorganization and the formation of postwar peace machinery.

LONDON (UP)—The British Labor party in annual conference today adopted overwhelmingly a resolution demanding "full reparations and restitution for the victims of German and Japanese aggression."

### Mrs. Neal To Be FSA Office Mgr. In Ft. Worth

Mrs. Scott Neal who has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cronin, left Saturday for Ft. Worth where she has accepted a position as office manager of the Farm Security Association branch in that city.

Until receiving this promotion Mrs. Neal had been employed by the association's office in Marlin. Last week she attended a school of instructions in Dallas at which time special instructions were given to the office of managers.

### Capt. Morris To Take Advanced Training At Fort Sill School

FORT SILL, Okla., Dec. 5.—(FAS)—Capt. Jack Morris, Carmi, Illinois, has been enrolled as a student in Officers Advanced Course at the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill. Captain Morris, a veteran of the campaigns in the South Pacific, is a graduate of Texas A and M. College with the class of 1941. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Morris of Carmi, formerly of Ranger, Capt. Morris attended school in Ranger.

### LT. WHITEFIELD GETS 3RD OAK LEAF CLUSTER

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE Fighter Station, England—First Lieutenant Charles D. Whitefield, 23, of Ranger, Texas, was awarded the third Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal at a recent ceremony held at this Eighth Air Force fighter station. Each cluster is equal to another Air Medal. Presentation was made by Colonel Frederic C. Gray, of Abilene, Texas, commanding the 78th Fighter Group.

Lt. Whitefield has flown a number of missions with the 78th Group, a P-47 Thunderbolt unit escorting Eighth Air Force heavy bombers, on their attacks on targets deep in Germany and bombing and strafing Nazi communication and supply lines. The group has destroyed over 385 German planes in the air and on the ground.

Citation accompanying the award read:

"For meritorious achievement while serving as a fighter pilot during an extended period of aerial combat over Germany and German occupied continental Europe. The courageous devotion to duty and outstanding flying ability displayed by Lt. Whitefield reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States."

The Thunderbolt pilot was educated at Abilene Christian College. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Whitefield, live in Ranger.

### Lieutenant Son Has Cpl. Mother

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)—In true Marine fashion, Lt. Thomas Hancock has the situation well in hand—and this time the victim is his mother.

But she doesn't mind. The mother is a corporal in the WAC and she and her 24 year old pilot son are going to spend a 15-day leave together in Houston after a long separation.

"If anyone asks me why I'm humming around with a corporal," said the Marine lieutenant, "I'll make her stand at attention and salute me."

But he laughed when he said it.

### Montgomery Ward Threatened With A General Strike

DETROIT (UP)—Union leaders sought today to extend a Detroit strike to Montgomery Ward and Company stores in other cities at the height of the Christmas buying rush in an attempt to force settlement of a two year old contract controversy that has included temporary government seizure of some of the company's facilities.

United, retail, wholesale and department store employees—CIO—announced that a majority of 2,300 regular employees were out of four Detroit stores and claimed strengthening prospects of closing all outlets of the firm.

Chicago unionists planned further action toward sympathy walkouts in Montgomery Ward stores there.

Detroit leaders predicted strike action today or tomorrow in Kansas City.

### Annual Christmas Program To Be Given Sunday P.M.

It was announced today that the annual Christmas program for the First Baptist church will be presented Sunday evening at 7:30 at the church.

The program this year will be in the form of a Christmas play and character parts will be taken by members of the Young People's department. Title of the play will be The Empty Room and music for the program will be furnished by the Youth Choir.

The public has been invited to attend and see this inspiring program.

### ALL BUT ESSENTIAL DEFENSE PERSONNEL TO BE EVACUATED; THOUSANDS KILLED ON LEYTE

Third Army in Europe Breaks Through to Roer; Farther South Take Bliessbruch Only One Mile From German Border

The Japanese reported that they were stripping Tokyo population down to essential defense personnel today in a mass evacuation preparatory to a full dress American aerial siege, foreshadowed by a Superfort bombing which set fires in the city.

A Tokyo radio and Axis-relayed dispatches from the capital reported three new American Superfort flights over Tokyo. Some were reconnaissance and nuisance flights with bombings interspersed.

On the Philippines fighting front, the American 77th Division joined forces with the 7th Division south of Ormoc wiping out thousands of Japanese caught in a vise between them.

The surviving Japs on Leyte, now considerably fewer than the 40,000 to 50,000 men they mustered a week ago, were penned into a narrowing corner of the island between the 77th and the U. S. 32nd Division north of Ormoc.

In Europe, the U. S. Third Army broke through German defenses to the banks of the Roer river south of Duren and the Third Army at the lower end of its Saar front drove across the Bliess river to capture Bliessbruch, one mile away from the German frontier.

Russian shock troops stormed in the outskirts of flaming Budapest to open the final assault.

PARIS (UP)—American First Army assault forces drove within half a mile of Duren, key fortress city astride the Roer river west of Cologne, and toppled seven of its outpost towns today in an eastward surge through crumbling German resistance.

It was on the Hungarian Capital, The Moscow radio said the German defense in Hungary has collapsed and that Soviet troops, having broken open the west Hungarian gate into Germany, are pouring through a 155-mile breach on the road to Vienna and the Reich.

Disrupting from Athens indicated a critical situation had developed there. Gen. Scobie today announced "extensive rebel infiltration" into the parts of Athens cleared in the last few days, and said snipers were picketing all routes out of the city.

Jap. forces, 25,000 strong,

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### Movie Strikers Return To Jobs

ST. LOUIS, (UP)—A strike of motion picture projectionists and exchange employees, which forced closing of 90 per cent of the theaters in St. Louis and St. Louis county last week, was broken today when the operators began returning to work.

The strike was called in an attempt to force three non-union theaters in the county to hire two union projectionists each.

### SAN ANTONIO FIRE RACES

SAN ANTONIO, (UP)—A spectacular fire of undetermined origin in downtown San Antonio today gutted the Navarro club East Houston street, and heavily damaged Mangels and Lords store adjoining.

Florida business, as reflected in check transactions, to date is 18 per cent ahead of last year, according to a report by the State Chamber of Commerce. Miami gained 40 per cent; St. Petersburg 10, and Orlando, 18 per cent.

How much oil is extracted from a single well? The Encyclopedia Britannica says it is an average of 17,500 gallons. A 50-foot well also will supply 2 1/2 tons of meat.

THE WEATHER  
WEST TEXAS—Fair in north. Lowest tonight 24-43 degrees in northwest.

Here's a thought for tomorrow. Be able to say "My shopping's all done—Wound it up yesterday!"

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DAILY BIBLE READING

Wednesday, Revelation 21.



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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON NEA Staff Correspondent

ONE of the most striking differences between the old League of Nations and the new proposed United Nations organization would come in the manner of dealing with economic and social questions. The old League gave authority to deal with such matters to both its Council and its Assembly. That provided a conflict in authority, but on top of that the League confined itself to dealing with a few specific subjects...



Edson

DECISIONS of the Economic and Social Council would not become laws regulating international commerce, immigration and emigration, or sanitary, labor and living conditions in any country. All the Economic and Social Council would be empowered to do is to recommend courses of action to the General Assembly...

The many new and existing independent international economic and social agencies dealing with particular problems would participate in the deliberations of their appropriate commissions. The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration and the International Labor Organization, for instance, would come under the social and humanitarian commission...

UNDER this broad plan all the loose ends of international trade and economic relations would for the first time be brought together for study and co-ordination. Any recommendations of the Economic and Social Council would go either directly or through the General Assembly to the sovereign nations for their approval before they could be put into effect.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Sports Editor

WILL HARRIDGE and Ford Frick, the big league presidents, and Leslie O'Connor, the Chicago lawyer who was Judge Landis' investigator for 34 years, will form a National Commission to govern baseball until the present major-minor league agreement expires in January 1946.

Actually there probably will be another commissioner. Although a good share of the major league owners may not wish to endow him with the unlimited power that was given to Jessup Mainland...

The old National Commission regulated itself by what took place smack dab under its nose. Landis was catapulted to the throne by the Black Sox scandal which broke just before the 1920 season ended. He restored public confidence, pulled Byron Bancroft Johnson, then head of the American League, and Charles A. Comiskey, owner of the White Sox, from one another's throats.

FOLLOWING 24 years of Landis, baseball is played in precisely the same way. Nothing was done for the convenience or comfort of the paying guests. Prices are higher. Things were far out of hand for some time before Landis cleaned house. Magnates and managers were acting on their own, but not nearly so fast enough, before Landis was called upon to straighten the business out. Hal Chase, for example, was quietly dropped after spending the 1919 season with the Giants.

Out Our Way By J. R. Williams



No. 1 Petroleum War Plant To Be Exhibited Dec. 14

HOUSTON, Tex.—Many Humble employees and members of their families, as well as the general public, will have an opportunity to view at first hand and visit for the first time the nation's No. 1 petroleum war plant when they convene on December 14 to commemorate the manufacture of a billion gallons of finished 100 Octane Aviation Gasoline at Humble Oil & Refining Company's Baytown refinery.

In a letter to all employees, H. C. Wiess, Humble President said: "We wish that every member of the Humble family could be present at the ceremony but recognize that this is as impracticable for as the production front as it is for our men on the fighting front. Accordingly, arrangements are being made to select by chance a group of employees from the various operations of the Company. These employees will symbolize the entire organization and will be invited to attend the ceremony."

Seventy-five or more employees have been chosen from Humble's wide-spread operations and will attend as special guests of the Company. Several thousand employees from points in the vicinity of Baytown, including the Houston office, will also be in attendance during the four days from December 14 to 17 inclusive.

Many striking exhibits of Humble operations and of Army and Navy equipment will be on display. Motion pictures will supplement these displays and serve to orient visitors to the giant war plants before they are taken on specially conducted tours through the huge petroleum assembly lines.

Each Humble employee, including more than three thousand in the service, will be presented an attractive bronze medal, struck especially for the occasion. The medal was designed by Rene Paul Chaboussan, prominent American sculptor, whose works adorn many of the country's finest buildings and plazas.

The design for the medal depicts various refining operations, with a worker in the foreground. The reverse side of the medal shows a squadron of flying fortresses, dropping bombs, while below is printed the congratulatory statement to Humble employees from General H. H. Arnold, signed in his facsimile signature.

Distributed also as mementos of the occasion for every Humble employee will be a 20 page, illustrated magazine, entitled "Oil for Victory." This publication tells in graphic form the story of Humble employees' war production achievements, including their accomplishments in discovery, production, transportation of petroleum and the manufacture of toluene and synthetic rubber, as well as the unparalleled feat of producing a billion gallons of finished 100 Octane Aviation Gasoline at one refinery.

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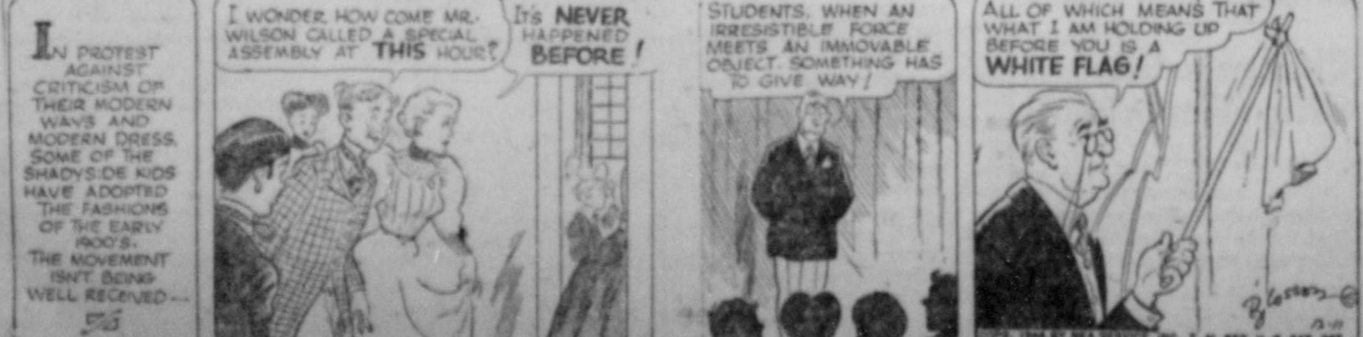
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FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—There's a 60 year old man in Ft. Worth who claims he's an "old



Above is shown the equipment worn by U. S. airmen. At the right is an operating model of a gun turret used on the B-25 bomber. Both of these items, along with other U. S. fighting equipment and captured enemy war materials, will be shown in the giant Aircraft exhibit at Baytown, in connection with Humble Oil & Refining Company's celebration commemorating the production of one billion gallons of 100-octane aviation gasoline on December 14.

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**GIPTS** and antiques, homemade pies and candies. Mrs. Cole Martin and Mrs. Glenn Simmons, 395 Main Street.

**FOR SALE**—Pre-war studio couch, 162 coils, baby bassinets, with folding legs, mattress if desired. Child's hand car all in good condition. 209 Mesquite Street.

**FOR SALE**—All kinds of Christmas dolls. Other Christmas novelties. Boardland Music Co. 106 So. Rusk.

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here for a visit with friends.

Bill Turner, Yeoman 3-c with the United States Navy who was created from Corporal Christi to Camp Perry, Williamsburg, Va., was the week end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Floke Turner had as their guests for the week end their daughters, Miss Sue Turner of Mineral Wells and Mrs. Frank Johnson who has just returned from California. Frank Johnson, seaman first class, who is stationed with the Navy at A&M College was also the guest of the Turners for the week end.

Jack Townsend, Raymond West, and Billy Doss left Monday for Abilene where they will enlist in the Navy.



THIS STRAFING UNIT is the type that is slung below German pursuit planes and can fire six guns at various angles. The pilot operates it by remote control. This unit, along with much other captured material, will be displayed at the Aircraft exhibit at Baytown in connection with Humble Oil & Refining Company's ceremony commemorating the production of one billion gallons of 100-octane aviation gasoline on December 14.

Major and Mrs. D. T. Wier and son Donald, and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Henderson of Ft. Worth were the week end guests of Dr. A. K. Wier. They left Monday morning for Albuquerque, New Mexico and from there Major Wier will go to Santa Monica, California for reassignment to duty with the United States Air Force.

L. N. Thompson has returned from an extended visit in Pharr.

Mrs. Fred Smith left today for Ft. Worth where she is employed after spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Croon.

Pvt. Elmer Patkowski left Monday for Camp Crowder, Mo., after spending a leave here with his family at the Gholson hotel where they are making their home.

Mrs. Mary Frances Ward has returned to Fort Worth after spending a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ward.

Donald Ward reported for service with the U. S. Navy at Dallas, Saturday, December 9, and word has been received by his parents that he has gone to San Diego for training.

Mrs. J. F. Wissen and daughter, Laura, have returned from Big Spring where they were called by the serious illness of Mrs. Wissen.

**SOCIETY**  
**MARtha DORCAS CLASS PARTY TO BE THURS.**

The annual Christmas party for members of the Martha Dorcas Class of the First Methodist church will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. J. I. Turner. All members are invited to attend.

December 19 at 2 p. m. Any livestock man having one cow or many should attend this demonstration. If the group desires, a community tour will be planned at this meeting to visit each one of your herds and charge them, said county agent, Floyd Lynch. The cost of the Rotenone-Sulphur is nominal.

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Fireman 2-c Lonnie E. Usery arrived Sunday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Usery. He has just finished a 4 weeks course of training at fireman's school. He will return to San Diego after his leave for further assignment.

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**Gorman 4-H Club To Have Field Day Saturday**

Gorman 4-H Club boys are holding an achievement field day at Dallas Jobs's orchard on Saturday December 10 at 10 a. m. The boys will be given training in pruning, fruit trees, cover-crops, spraying, orchard care and management will be discussed.

At 12 o'clock they will have a picnic spread.

Merit certificates will be presented to the 4-H by a completing their 1944 demonstration. Following the achievement awards the boys are offering their services as Mr. Jobs for pecan harvest.

All Gorman 4-H Club members and prospective members and date are expected to attend this meeting. Each one will bring a picnic lunch.

**Iowa's Famous Fish Car Goes To Scrap Heap**

DES MOINES, Ia. (UP)—Iowa's famous pioneer fish car, Hawkeye No. Two, is to be scrapped and the steel sent to war via the scrap route, the Iowa Conservation Commission reported.

The Hawkeye, a special railroad car, was built for the state in 1913 at a cost of \$12,500 to haul live game from Sabula and Lansing on the Mississippi River to the inland lakes and streams for stocking.

The fish car contained 20 large steel tanks in which the fish were held and was also fitted with eight berths, an office and a galley.

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stock tanks. The fish were transferred to the wagons and then carried over Iowa's dirt road system to the stream or lake to be stocked.

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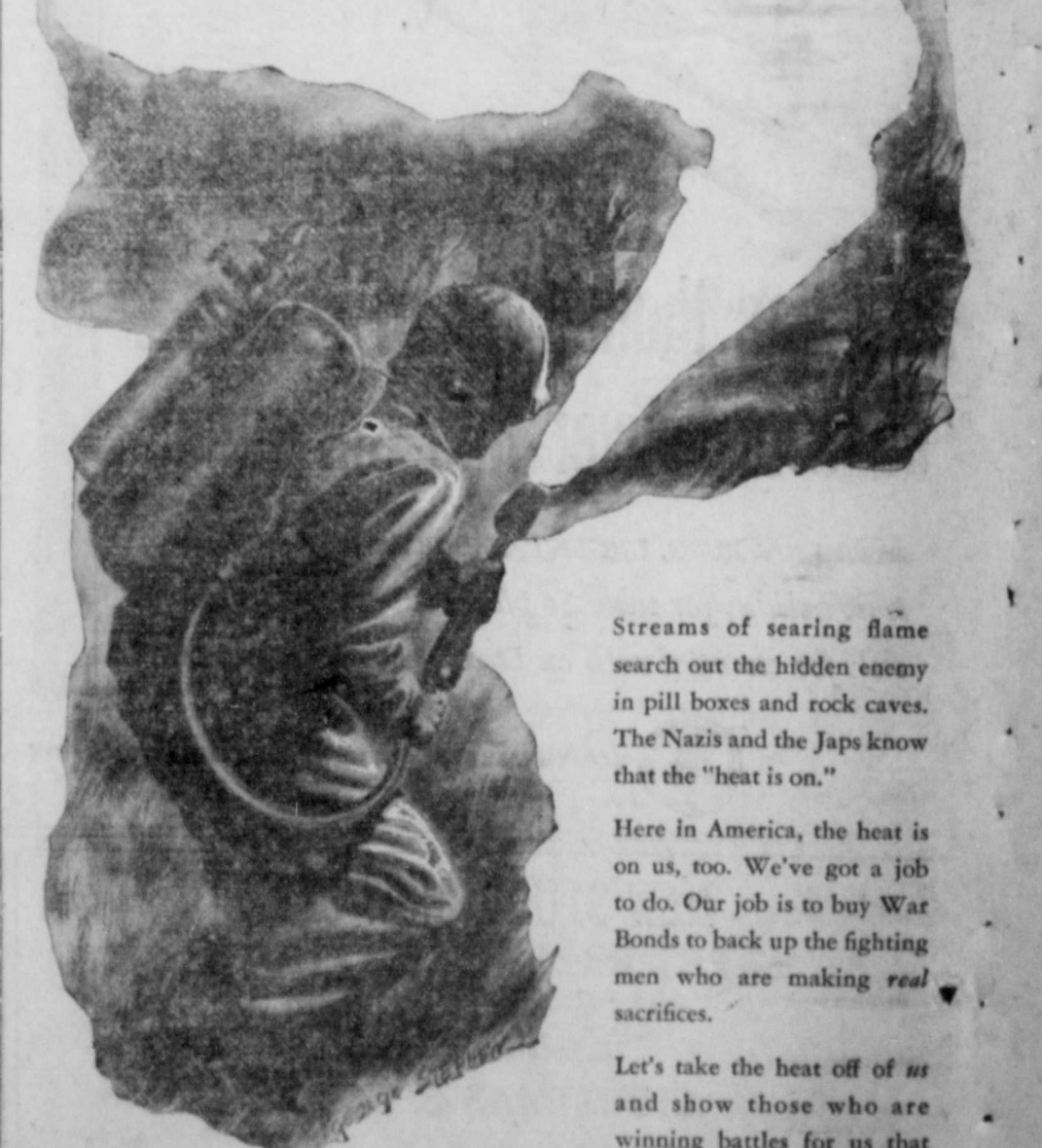


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