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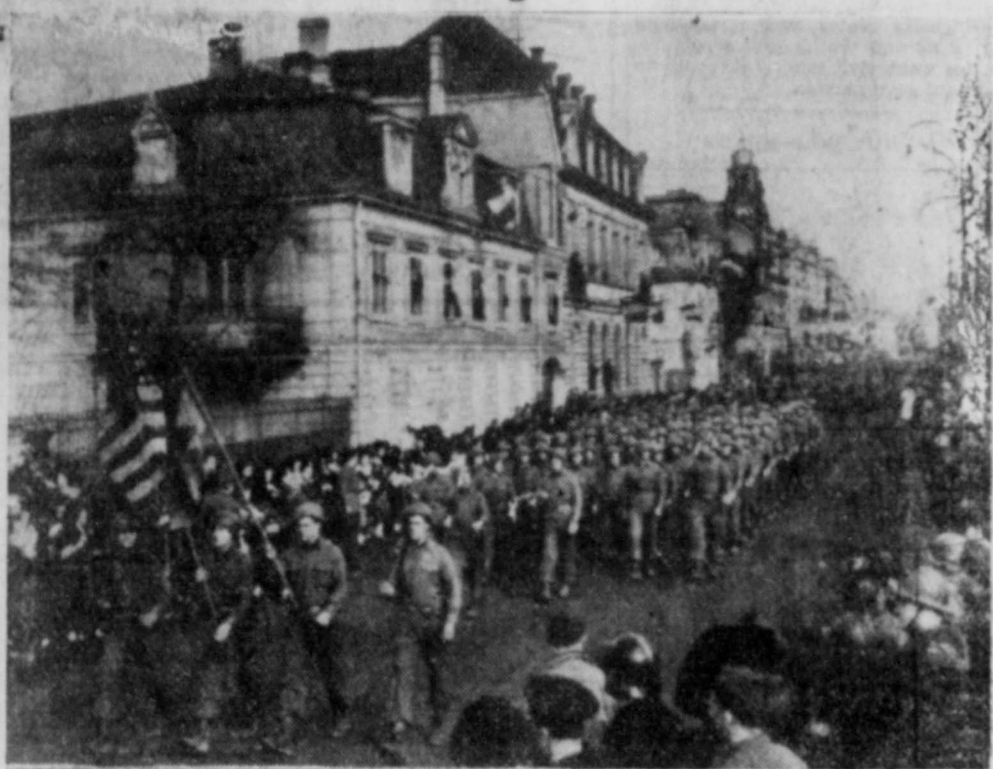
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What? No Mud For Marching



In contrast to the usual scene of mud broken towns and tired troops on the Western Front as Yanks slog through, this picture shows the 109th American Regiment passing saluting base in Colmar, France, during a parade after the town's recapture from the Germans. Note paved streets, undamaged buildings and dressed-up appearance of troops. (NEA Telephoto.)

Army's Move To Put 4-Fs To Work Upsets Capital

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17. (UP)—Mutterings were heard on Capitol Hill today over the Army's decision to put job-quitting 4-fs into war plants as soldiers in uniform at G. I. pay.

Sen. A. B. "Happy" Chandler, D., Ky., a member of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, said he would ask the committee to send for the War Department order for training and assignment of drafted 4-fs.

"I think caution should be exercised when it comes to ordering people around," he said. "I think we'll want to study that order and see if there is a basis in law for it."

The Army announced yesterday that 4-fs inducted under selective service's new limited "work or fight" order would receive four weeks of basic training at Camp Ellis, near Peoria, Ill.

After the four weeks those with special skills who offered to do war work would be allowed to take jobs as civilians at prevailing wages, but would be carried on the rolls of the enlisted reserve corps and subject to immediate recall if they quit their war jobs.

Those with special skills who did not volunteer, the army said, would be put in government war plants where they would work "as uniformed soldiers"—presumably at army pay, \$50 a month.

Texas & Pacific To Streamline Passenger Trains

DALLAS, Feb. 16.—Mr. J. L. Lancaster, president of the Texas and Pacific Railway, announced today that his company is preparing to place orders for new light weight streamlined passenger trains to operate daily between New Orleans, Alexandria, Shreveport, Dallas, Fort Worth, and El Paso, and in co-operation with Missouri Pacific Lines, operated trains between Fort Worth, Dallas and Memphis and St. Louis. Other streamlined trains will be placed in service between South Texas and Memphis and St. Louis by the Missouri Pacific Lines, operated over the Texas and Pacific between Longview and Texarkana.

The service will be inaugurated as soon as new equipment can be procured after the war. Present schedules will be substantially shortened.

Attorney General Rules Against Water Treaty

WASHINGTON (UP)—Attorney General Homer S. Cummings today declared that the proposed Mexican Water Treaty would impair the rights of California, under its water contract with the federal government.

Cummings made the statement in a brief filed with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by Sen. Alexander Wiley, R., Wis., on behalf of Sen. Hiram W. Johnson, R., Calif.

COMMENTS WANTED

The Ranger Daily Times wishes to secure at once comments from men and women of the Armed Forces as to the service being rendered by the American Red Cross.

Persons having letters with such comments in them are asked to bring them to the Times so that copies of them can be made or else the owner of the letter may copy the comments and send them to the Times. This effort will be greatly appreciated by the Times.

Snow Falls In Wide Area Across Middle West

KANSAS CITY, MO., Feb. 17.—Snow spread across wide areas of the middle west today, glazing streets and highways and slowing work-bound metropolitan traffic.

The fall was heaviest in central Missouri, government weather observers said, with 12 inches reported at Columbia. In Kansas the snow was light, with only traces in the western Kansas wheat belt.

In southern Missouri, most of the precipitation was in the form of rain, which reached two inches in the southeastern corner of the state. In southwest Missouri, rain changed to light snow early today but relatively higher temperatures melted it almost as it fell.

Forecasters said both snow and rain were about over and almost surely would end sometime today. St. Louis had six inches of snow on the ground, Marshall and New Florence, Mo., reported eight and St. Joseph three. Kansas City had one half inch.

In Kansas the deepest snow was in the concordia area, with two inches. Topeka reported only a trace.

Kilgore, Oil Capital Of World Named For Colorful Character

(History of the world's greatest oil field is being given in a series by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association.)

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Kilgore was named for Constantine Buckley (better known as Buck) Kilgore, who was born in Georgia in 1836 and came to Rusk County, Texas, at the age of 16. He obtained a common school education and read law. When the war between the States broke out, the huge Buck joined the Confederate army as a private. He

AAA Officials Hold Meeting At Stephenville

STEPHENVILLE, Feb. 17.—AAA Officials from eleven counties of District 7, AAA, met on the campus of John Tarleton Agricultural College, Thursday, February 16th, for the purpose of discussing the Crop Insurance Covering Cotton program for 1945.

Howard Kingsberry, District 7 State Committeeman from Santa Anna, R. H. Nelson and T. E. Whitley, both of College Station, District Field Officers of Districts 7 and 8, were principal speakers at the meeting. Chief topic of discussion was the preparation of listing sheets to be prepared in each county covering individual farm yields, from which premium rates and amount of indemnity that will be allowed.

Among the officials present were J. D. Guy, Florra E. Eaton, and Emmett E. Powell of Eastland County.

B. N. Parmenter Coolidge Cabinet Member Is Dead

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 17. (UP)—Bert M. Parmenter, assistant attorney general in the Calvin Coolidge administration, died at his home here late Friday after a brief illness.

Parmenter, a native of Bethel, Vt., was a pioneer Oklahoma attorney and made his home at Lawton when he first came to the state in 1901. Burial will be at Lawton.

Immediate survivors include the widow, a daughter, Mrs. Gladys MacLain, San Marino, Calif., and a son, Arch M. Parmenter, Oklahoma City.

became adjutant general of Ector brigade, was wounded and captured.

After the war, he was admitted to the bar, served as Justice of the Peace, was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1875, became a State Senator and presided over the Senate, then was elected to Congress, where he served from 1881 to 1895.

He was noted as a hunter and famed as a forceful speaker. He attracted national attention while in Congress when on one occasion he found a committee room door locked—those on the inside were trying to keep him out and thereby prevent a quorum. He solved the situation in typical, direct, Texas fashion—he kicked the door down.

President Cleveland appointed Kilgore as judge of the southern district of Indian Territory, and he served until his death in 1897 in Ardmore. He is buried in Willis Point, Texas.

Such, in brief, was the picturesque career of the man for whom the city of Kilgore is named. He donated land for the townsite in 1872 when the I & G N was building through.

Sea, Air, Ground Forces Rock Japs From Manila To Tokyo

LOCAL MAN BACK FROM PACIFIC

Capt. Gates Barker who for the past 34 months has been serving with the Marines in the South Pacific, arrived Friday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Barker and other relatives and friends.

Captain Barker is a veteran of the campaigns for Tarawa, and Leyte and was on Saipan and Iwo Jima. He was serving with the 2nd Marine Division and was in charge of a company of men equipped with 185 MM guns.

He entered the service in June 1941 shortly after graduation from Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina and in April 1942 was sent to the Pacific. He trained at Quantico, Virginia before going overseas and after the visit here expects to go to Quantico for further training.

His passage home was by plane and he flew from Guam to Hawaii in 26 hours and due to the change in the international date line found himself arriving in Hawaii the same date he left Guam. He flew from Hawaii to the States.

Before going to Furman University he attended and graduated from Ranger high school and at both schools was an outstanding football player.

Historic Bataan Redeemed By Sea Landing

MANILA, Feb. 17 (UP)—American troops have redeemed historic Bataan with a bold sea-borne landing on the southern shores of the peninsula under the guns of Japanese-held Corregidor.

"We have captured Bataan," Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced in a triumphant communique.

Less than 48 hours after the landing, all the peninsula's militarily important objectives were in American hands. MacArthur's troops were pursuing the disorganized enemy over the same dark ground where on April 11, 1942, some 39,000 Americans and Filipinos laid down their arms and began their tragic death march to Camp O'Donnell.

Covered by the big guns of the U.S. Seventh Fleet and the bombs and bullets of hundreds of American war planes, a big invasion convoy swept into the mouth of Manila Bay at dawn Thursday to spill tanks, troops and guns ashore at Mariveles.

The startled Japanese coastal defenders fought back briefly, then broke and fled into the hills under a storm of rockets and gunfire.

Corregidor's giant batteries, partially neutralized by days of continuous aerial and naval bombardment, fired a few bursts at the convoy but they were silenced quickly by salvo after salvo from American cruisers and destroyers.

Mariveles, where the remnants of the American-Filipino army embarked for Corregidor after the fall of Bataan three years ago, was captured by the first wave of attacking infantrymen, who found the town reduced to rubble by the preliminary air and sea barrage. All of the native population had fled before the attack began.

Activities In Athletics Are Planned For Men

GUAM, Feb. 17 (UP)—The armed forces, faced with the problem of keeping fighting men happy between the time the war ends and their discharge from service, are planning comprehensive athletic facilities for overseas posts.

Cmdr. Gene Tunney, special advisor to the Chief of the Navy Bureau of Personnel, said today.

The former heavyweight boxing champion, here on a world-wide tour to inspect navy physical fitness programs, said the service planned to construct football fields, baseball diamonds, boxing rings and other sports facilities in the forward area "to keep men occupied" while they are waiting to return home.

"After the last war it took a year to get the soldiers home from France and the guardhouses weren't big enough to hold all the men that were AWOL," he said. "This time we hope to have equipment ready so they can return to civilian life in the best possible physical condition."

Pvt. Rawls In English Hospital For Treatment

Pvt. ack Rawls in recent letters to his wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Rawls, has informed them that he is still in a hospital somewhere in England for medical treatment.

First wounded in action in France, September 14, 1944, he had returned to duty when illness overcame him and he was first sent to a hospital in Belgium. From there he was sent to a hospital in Paris and then to England. It is understood that he may be required to remain in the hospital for several months.

Pvt. Rawls was serving with the Infantry, having gone into service on December 15, 1943 and was sent to foreign service in

FIVE NAMED TO DIRECT CIVIC GROUP

W. F. Creager, M. L. King, T. J. Anderson, Leo Dockery and David D. Pickrell were elected directors of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce when ballots were counted at a meeting of the directors held Friday night at the Chamber of Commerce.

Hell Walker and E. L. Martin were elected alternates. Election of officers will be held in the near future, a president and vice-president to be selected from the directors.

Other directors with another year to serve are J. J. Kelly, J. Floyd Killingsworth, H. P. Earnest, I. R. Pearson, and A. J. Ratliff.

Balloting by members of the Chamber of Commerce was light and the vote scattered over a long ballot which included a representative from every firm which is a member of the organization. The directors elected were named in the order above with W. F. Creager getting the largest total vote.

There were a number of persons that ran close to a tie with some of those elected, with there being as little as one point difference in the votes.

Higgins, Detroit Tiger Scheduled For War Service

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 7 (UP)—Michael F. (Pinky) Higgins, stellar Detroit Tiger third baseman, said today he had been ordered to take his pre-induction physical examination next Friday.

The 36-year old American League veteran, married and the father of three children, has been in class II-A, but recently was reclassified I-A.

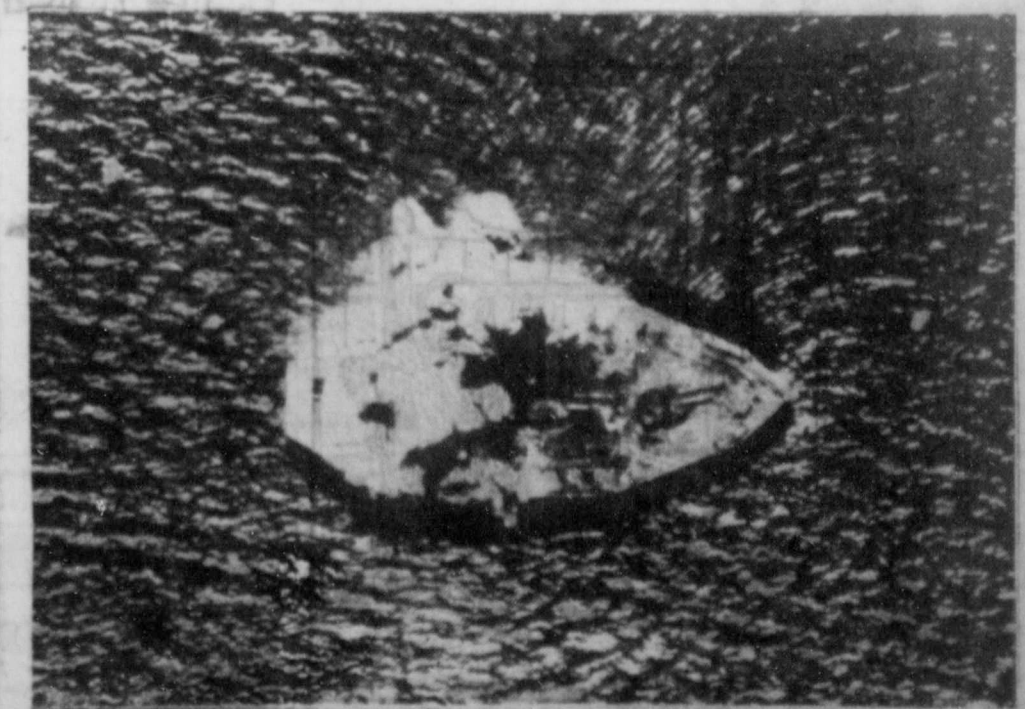
He said he expected to pass "with flying colors" since he had done so when first examined last spring.

Golf Tourney To Draw Some Of Most Famous

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 17.—A select field headed by Byron Nelson, Sammy Snead, Harold G. Hoge, Craig Wood and other stand-out professionals now playing the winter circuit, have entered the \$5,000 Jacksonville open golf tournament to be held March 1 to 4, it was revealed today.

Tournament Chairman Elbert Martin said that the entries had been limited to 150 players. This number will include about 50 leading pros and 100 local and southeastern pros and amateurs.

B-24's Bust Fort Drum



Smoke belches upward from Jap-held Fort Drum, in Manila Bay after "Ken's Men" a B-24 unit of the 5th Air Force 43rd bomber group, gave it a pasting. The raid took place as Yank forces were moving into Manila. (NEA Telephoto.)

ENEMY SAYS 2 LANDINGS MADE ON IWO JIMA; THAT CORREGIDOR IS INVADED

An avalanche of American sea, air and ground forces rocked the Japanese today from Manila to their capital of Tokyo.

Enemy broadcasts reported that American forces—

Made two landings on Iwo Jima, 750 miles south of Tokyo.

Invasion of Corregidor from the sea and air.

Attacked Tokyo itself for at least eight and one half hours in the second straight day of bombardment.

Raided Hachijo, stepping stone island in the Izu Islands, 200 miles south of Tokyo.

Tokyo claimed that the troops which landed on the southwest and southeast beaches of Iwo had been "repulsed."

The reported landing on Corregidor of American Paratroops followed by seaborne forces, came within 48 hours after American troops landed at Mariveles on the Southern tip of Bataan and captured all of the peninsula's principal military objectives.

Trapped Japanese forces still were fighting savagely in Manila but three American divisions were steadily chopping down the resistance pocket on the waterfront.

On the Western Front, Canadian First Army forces rolled on

DIMES FUND HITS TOTAL OF \$267.04

M. L. King, Ranger chairman for the March of Dimes, announced today that final collections for the infantile paralysis fund in Ranger had reached a total of \$267.04.

Of this amount \$44.07 was collected in the dime boxes and bottles placed in Ranger business houses and \$222.97 was collected by special gifts.

This in comparison to the collection last year is considerably better. The 1944 collection had totaled \$208.18.

Collections of the dimes at Ranger's Arcadia and Columbia theatres this year totaled \$297, as compared with \$150 collected in the drive through the theatres in 1944.

Half of the above amounts will be retained in Eastland county for infantile paralysis control work and the other half goes to the national paralysis fund.

FOUND DEAD

McALESTER, Okla. Feb. 17.—(UP)—Services were pending today for W. H. Poland, 84, retired cotton buyer, who was found dead at his home here Friday. Poland, who lived alone, apparently had been dead for three days, authorities said.

THE WEATHER

colder tonight. Spindly mostly WEST TEXAS — Cloudy and cloudy.

LONDON (UP)— Marshal Stalin announced tonight that Soviet forces in East Prussia had captured the stronghold of Wormditt, Mehlack, Southwest of Koenigsberg.

again after having been stalled for almost 48 hours by enemy artillery fire. Canadian troops plunged forward more than two miles in the northern section of the Siegfried Line today, cut the Goch-Caleur highway, and closed within a little more than a mile of both Goch and Caleur.

More than 3,500 American and British planes broke the deadlock yesterday afternoon with a terrific bombardment of enemy pill boxes and fortified towns throughout the Rhineland and southward along almost the entire front.

There were no major changes, however, along the Roer River facing the Cologne Plain or on the American Third and Seventh Army Sectors to the south.

In the East, the Soviet newspaper Pravda reported that Russian troops had broken through to the Neisse River on a broad front 12 miles from Cottbus, 47 miles from Berlin.

The German high command announced that the Russians had broken into Breslau, encircled capital of Silesia, and acknowledged the fall of Sagan, transport center on the Bohemian river and the Breslau-Berlin highway.

To the south, the Italian front was again limited to patrol activity.

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON

NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Of all the many proposed reforms of Congress, those which would seek to change the relationships between Congress and the people are most controversial.

Basis for the belief that some change is needed is the fact that Congressmen have to run too many errands and do too many petty chores for their constituents. This is supposed to keep the Congressmen so busy they don't have time to legislate in the national interest. Yet if all these tasks like helping their people get jobs, pensions, war contracts, or settlement of claims against the government were taken away from Congressmen and given to some other agency, there is possible danger that the whole system of representative government would be weakened. After all, Congressmen are elected to represent the people of their district in Washington and look out for their interests. If Congressmen don't look after the interests of their constituents, they don't get re-elected.

Most would-be reformers of Congress forget that yet it is seriously proposed that all routine requests for information sent by voters to their Congressmen be turned over to an "Inquiries Service" set up in the Library of Congress. That might ruin one of the Congressman's best contacts with his people.

SINCE the Federal Government can't be sued without its consent, anyone with a claim against the government must have his Congressman introduce a private bill for his relief. These private bills make up about half the number of acts passed by Congress each session. Some are reintroduced year after year. The Claims Committee which handles them is usually swamped. To remedy this situation it is proposed that the Claims Committee be abolished and this work turned over to the Claims Division in the Department of Justice for all claims of under \$5000. For bigger claims, relief could be sought through the U. S. Court of Claims.

THE whole question of improving relations between Congress and the people really boils down to a problem for the electorate, not a problem for Congress. It is the matter of choosing better Congressmen. It has been proved time and again that most people don't know who their Congressman is. Too few good men want to make public service a career, considering the risks too great.

There are many able men in Congress in spite of this situation, and it is the opinion of some of them that Congress could be made much more efficient, even under its own antiquated rules and procedures, if only the voters would elect better Congressmen. And that puts the responsibility for the primary Congressional reform right where it belongs—on the people who cast the ballots.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON

NEA Sports Editor

THE sale of the Yankees for \$2,800,000 was but a continuation of the phenomenal success of Arthur M. Wirtz, the young Chicago dealer who literally skated to the position of the most spectacular promoter in America.

Arthur Wirtz had nothing to do with the transaction other than the fact that his lawyer and one-time Michigan classmate, J. Arthur Friedlund of Chicago, rooted the thing up.

This amazing story dates back to the winter of 1934-35, when arenas were flopping all over the place.

James Norris, the Chicago grain king, was forced to take over the Detroit Olympia, which he did with his son, Lt. James D. Norris, and Wirtz, who had handled real estate deals for him. To give the Olympia a sound tenant, the Norrises and Wirtz purchased and created the Detroit Red Wings of the National Hockey League.

The Chicago Stadium was the next arena to be dumped into the ample lap of Jim Norris, and the dynamic Wirtz was elected to reorganize it.

What to do for attractions?

WIRTZ and Friedlund dropped into the College Inn in Chicago's Sherman House one night, and there on a comparative speck of ice, first saw Bess Erhardt, Roy and Eddie Shipstad and Oscar Johnson.

Out Our Way

By J. R. Williams



BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

Nation's Cities Seek More Of State Revenue

CHICAGO (UP)—Through legislative programs and resolutions adopted by state leagues of municipalities in the closing months of 1944, the nation's cities this year are working toward four principal objectives. They are:

1. General revamping of state fiscal systems to allow cities to develop their own adequate revenue systems, also calling for increased sharing of state collected revenues.

2. Retirement systems for municipal employees; inclusion of such employees in the federal social security system.

3. State assistance financial and otherwise, for preparation of postwar public works blueprints.

4. State urban redevelopment legislation.

Municipal leagues of 13 states asked for increased shares in state-collected revenues from liquor, motor vehicles, tobacco, gasoline, and retail goods taxes.

North Carolinians favor allocation to localities of one per cent of the state gas tax for construction and maintenance of roads.

Florida cities propose a state cigarette tax of four cents a package, to be redistributed to communities where cigarettes are sold.

South Dakota cities want to share revenue from the state's 10 per cent gross tax on liquor and Texas cities want the Legislature to increase city revenues from auto license fees.

Oregon cities recommend that the federal government establish a national planning agency to coordinate plans of the federal government with state and local agencies in postwar projects. Ten states have called for prompt completion of postwar plans.

Need for a retirement and old-age assistance plan covering all public employees was expressed by municipal leagues of Minnesota, Michigan, Oregon, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washington, and other states.

Cities of three states—Florida, Minnesota and South Dakota—may approve plans by which local state and federal governments may share costs of construction and maintenance of aviation ground facilities for public use and Texas cities urge allocation of the state tax on aviation gasoline to cities for airports.

Leagues of several states went on record favoring co-operation with the Federal Surplus Property board and three—Kentucky, Oregon and Minnesota—want priorities in the purchase of federal surplus goods and equipment.

Among other interesting features of programs adopted by municipal leagues in 26 states is Nebraska's petition to the State Legislature to

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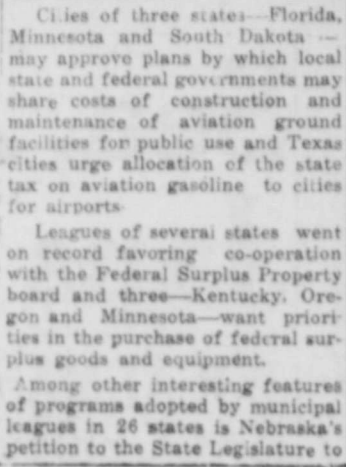
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Board To Review Commissions For Navy Nurses Corps

DALLAS, Feb. 17—Voluntary applications for direct commissions in the Navy Nurse corps will be reviewed by a special traveling board representing the Texas Office of Naval Officer Procurement during a four-day visit in Dallas beginning Wednesday, February 21, and a two-day call in Fort Worth beginning Monday, February 26.

Commander Dan Henry, officer in charge of the Navy Recruiting station here, said interviews would be held in the recruiting office at each city. Lieut. Comd. O. H. Swartz, director of the Texas ONOP, with headquarters at Houston, will head the board of officer and enlisted personnel which will interview and examine applicants for commissions in the Navy Chaplain corps and Medical corps, which, along with the nurse corps, are "priority A" in Naval officer procurement. A limited number of highly trained engineers may be commissioned in the construction battalion, and applicants for enlistment in the WAVES will be interviewed and eligible applicants certified.

Presence of the traveling board in Dallas and Fort Worth (the board will be in Oklahoma City March 7 through 10) and its authority to certify qualified commission applicants will eliminate considerable "red tape" and delay otherwise necessary for the process.

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"Soul" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, February 18.

The Golden Text is: "Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from him cometh my salvation" (Psalms 62:1).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Believest thou that I am a man?" (John 8:20).

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Selznick Hit Coming!

Claudette Colbert, Joseph Cotten, Jennifer Jones, Shirley Temple, Monty Woolley, Lionel Barrymore and Robert Walker lead a cast of hundreds in "Since You Went Away," David O. Selznick's masterpiece of the home front which arrives at the Arcadia Theatre Wednesday through Thursday afternoon.

The production was directed by John Cromwell who has been credited with many of Hollywood's leading motion picture successes. The screenplay, written by Mr. Selznick stresses the humor and joy of everyday living in wartime America rather than more sombre aspects of home front life.

Handled on the large and sweeping style which marks all Selznick films, "Since You Went Away" nevertheless projects the simplicity and courage of the ordinary American family in wartime. The Hilton family around which the story is built could be any average family living in a suburb of any fair-sized middle western city.

It's a Snap



Appropriately garlanded with double flashlight bulbs, Rita Lunge, 18-year-old Gotham glamour gal, poses for her picture after winning over 680 rivals, the title of Queen of the New York Press Photographers' Ball.

One Cent a Day Brings \$200 a Month

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Shell Game!



A "message" that traveled thousands of miles finally reaches the ear for which it was intended. Mary Ida Mowery of St. Petersburg, Fla., got a big sea shell from her boy friend in the South Pacific, with instructions to listen to the whispering in the shell. Judging from her expression in photo above, the "message" was a welcome one.

CHICAGO—THE YOUNG GIANT

FROM somewhere in the safe Henderson produced a canvas sack and stuffed it full of papers. Next he opened a drawer full of money. "I don't know how much is here—about five thousand dollars, I think. How in the world am I going to take it with me?" Jeff thought of a money belt, but Henderson did not have one. Much of the money was in small bills, and it would make too big a wad to be carried in a pocket. All of a sudden an idea occurred to him. "I'll rip open the lining of your coat and it can go in there."

An instant Henderson had his coat off and Jeff, with his knife, opened the lining at the neck. When the wad of bills was thrust in it made a big lump, but they patted it down.

"Now, I've got to run over to the Briggs House and get my things," Jeff said.

"The Briggs House? Why, my dear fellow, there isn't a Briggs. Everything in that direction is on fire. You can see the hotel from these windows. Let's take a look."

They went quickly to the window of the secretary's room. In the line of fire to the southwest the hotel could be seen. From its windows long tongues of flame were shooting upward. Jeff turned away without any comment.

"Come along," Henderson said, "or we'll be roasted in this building."

The fire was close at hand when they ran downstairs and made for the door. Some men were still at the counters, loading themselves with armfuls of clothing, but the truck had gone. Sparks were falling like rain. They hurried around the corner into the alley where they had left the horse and buggy. Both were gone; somebody had stolen them.

"Well, have to walk," Henderson said. "Yes," Jeff

agreed, "and we'll have to walk fast to beat the fire."

Looking toward the burning plank mill, high overhead, through the heated air and land on the roof of a building a quarter of a mile away. In the memory of that fearful night two things stood out always in Jiff's mind. One was the roar of the fire. It rose above all the other noises, and it sounded like a gigantic waterfall, a Niagara of flame and destruction. Another unforgettable memory was that of the strange look at the approaching fire. It did not seem to be a fire at all, but a solid vivid yellow substance, reaching sky-high, that pushed against the buildings. It was like an advancing wall moving forward with irresistible force.

When Henderson and Martin left the store it was midnight, and it took them until one-thirty to cover the mile and a half to the Henderson house. They had to push their way through a multitude of men, women, and children who were trying to make their way northward. In some places the street was almost impassable by reason of the piles of merchandise and household furniture on the sidewalks and in the roadway. Overturned wagons lay on their sides here and there, and maddened horses ran loose through the crowds. Mrs. Henderson was standing on the porch, peering into the street, when the men returned. Sarah, her three-year-old daughter, stood by her mother and held her hand. "O my God," Caroline exclaimed, "how glad I am to see you. Did you go to the store?"

"Yes," her husband replied in a dull voice, "it's gone, but I got the money from the safe. Where's Ruth and the boys?"

"Packing up things we want to take with us. To Lincoln Park. That's where all our neighbors are going when the fire gets too close."

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MISS MCMURRAY IS BRIDE OF MR. PEIRIN

In a ceremony performed Friday evening February 16 at 8 o'clock Miss Ethelene McMurray, daughter of Mrs. Betta McMurray of Breckenridge, became the bride of Mr. Harold Peirin, private in the United States Signal Corps, and son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Peirin of Route 1, Ranger.

GLEANERS CLASS HAS MONTHLY MEETING

The Gleaners Class of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. J. L. Milner, Friday evening at 8 o'clock for the monthly business and social meeting. Mrs. Milner was assisted by Mrs. McKinney.

The devotionals were presented by Miss Mildred Baker, educational director at the church. Mrs. Arney was selected as the shut-in for the class to visit during the month. A series of games was enjoyed after which refreshments were served to 12 members and the following guests, Miss Baker, Mrs. C. F. Simmons, of Houston, mother of Mrs. J. W. McKinney.

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Society, Clubs

Debs Honor Senior Sub-Debs At Formal Dance Wednesday Night

Members of the Debs of Ranger Junior College entertained Wednesday night at the Teen Center from 9:00 to 12:00 o'clock with a Sweetheart dance honoring senior members of the Sub-Deb Club of Ranger high school and their escorts.

The Valentine motif was carried out in the decorations in the hall with red hearts frilled with white effectively placed about the mantels and windows. Red streamers strung from ceiling lights to the corners of the room carried showers of hearts. The refreshments table was covered with a blue cloth and centered with the punch bowl which was flanked by three branch silver candelabra holding red tapers. Red heart cakes were served with the punch.

Members of the Debs entertaining were: Miss Frances Ann Eubank, Marilyn Murray, Catherine Adams, Mary Catherine McHenry, Rosemary Bruen, Jo Ovier, Doris Groves, Mary Frances Osh, Charlene Cook, Natalie Davis and Annelia Walker. Sub-Deb seniors honored were, Misses Jean Roberts, Frances Ruth Hogaman, Vivian Cooper, Carolyn Docker, Norma Jean Heinlin, Johnnie, Ruth Eaves, Myra Sue Ice, Vera Rae Gordon. Young men guests were Mike Gholson, Ralph Reynolds, Archie Tucker, Philip Stephens, Bob Eakin, Max Ervin, Jimmie Kelly, Billy Jordan, Mace Oyer, Ronald Pruet, Gene Lyon, Don Conway, Pete Down, James Horton, Bob Franklin, Wesley Walker, Vivian Hise, Bob Hickey, Warren Calhoun, Elvis Warner, Melvin Harbin and the following faculty members, Mrs. Mamie Ruth Hamrick, Dean H. I. Baskin, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Hunter, Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Boswell, and Mr. and Mrs. Olen Holloway.

Phi Theta Kappas Of Ranger Junior College Are Initiated Saturday

Members of the Delta Tau chapter of Phi Theta Kappa of Ranger Junior College were initiated into the national honor fraternity in ceremonies held Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Hal Hunter.

Installing officers were members of the fraternity from Hardin Junior College at Wichita Falls and who were, Claudia Evans, Bob Mahaffey, Betty Hunt Seeger, Joe Fuchter, Dale Fellows, Georgia Fay Fry, Jack Thomas and Mrs. Madge Davis, sponsor.

Those who were initiated were: Calia Mae Deaton, Ethelen Dunlap, Marie Green, Kathryn Britton, Roma Jewell Parker, Amelia Walker, Mary Jo Wilson, Eunice Yancy, Jo Oyer, Mrs. Cattie Woods, and Ann McEver.

For the occasion the rooms of the home were decorated in

flowers of blue and gold, the colors of the fraternity.

Phi Theta Kappa is a national honor fraternity and membership in the fraternity is the highest honor that can come to a junior college student. The members are chosen from the outstanding students of the upper ten per cent of the student body, based on scholastic rating.

Following the initiation a formal dinner was held in the Home-making department of the college. The tables were decorated in the blue and gold theme and those attending the dinner besides the above mentioned were, Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Boswell, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Hunter, Dean H. I. Baskin, Mrs. Mamie Ruth Hamrick, Mrs. Homer Hestley, Mrs. Dorothy Elrod, Mrs. C. E. May, Mrs. Joe Frantz, and Miss Mary Virginia Williams.

MR. RAWLS WEDS MISS BROWN IN AUSTRALIA


Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Rawls have received word of the marriage of their son, Jeff Rawls, electrician, mate first class with the United States Navy, to Miss Phyllis Mae Brown of Perth, West Australia.

The ceremony was performed January 22 in Perth and the couple spent a short honeymoon in Mt. Cawley, Australia, before Mr. Rawls returned to duty with the Navy.

The bride who is of English descent but Australian born expects to come to the States just as soon as passage and papers can be arranged. She has been closely connected with the war, which resulted in her marriage, through the fact that she has had four brothers in the service, one of whom was lost over Germany while serving with the RAF.

The groom has been in the service of the Navy since June of 1942 and has been in combat duty since June of 1943. He is serving on a submarine.

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JIMMIE EARL VINSON HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Jimmie Earl Vinson entertained his friends with a party Feb. 14, from 3 to 5, celebrating his 7th birthday.

Various games were played, and a Valentine theme was carried out in the decorations and refreshments.

Around the table which was laid with a heart-decorated cloth, cake and ice cream were served to the following:

- Yvonne Hennon, Carolyn and Catherine Aeff, Donna Blackwell, Cecil Woods, Patsy Hise, Mona Gail Rogers, Ann Lee Wolford, Janice Page, Merleise Howard, Emogene Anderson, Stanley McAnelly, Betty Sue Craver, Jackie Williams, Carl Young, Jimmy Dell Rogers, Pete Jameson, Jerry Singleton, and Joe Morris Young.

Mrs. Vinson was assisted in serving by Mrs. Teddie Hamilton.

SHOW AND PARTY TO BE AT YOUNG SCHOOL

It was announced today that members of the Parent-Teacher association of Young School will present a show at the school Tuesday night and following the show a series of games has been arranged for both parents and students. The public is invited and all parents are urged to attend and bring their families.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. B. E. Garner who has been a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital was removed to her home Friday.

Mrs. M. A. Martin has been removed to her home after undergoing medical treatment at the West Texas Hospital.

Philip Stephens, Jr., is a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital.

Capt. Roy Plumery left Friday for Ft. Sam Houston where he is reporting for reassignment to duty with the Armed forces after spending the past month with his family here. He has just returned from overseas duty.

Mrs. D. A. Young and daughter, Mary Lou, have returned from a visit in Lubbock and are making their home with Mrs. Mary Young.

Bill Bailey who has been a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital has been dismissed.

O. E. S. TO HAVE SUPPER MONDAY NIGHT

The Ranger chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star will entertain members with a covered dish supper Monday evening at 7 o'clock in the Masonic Temple dining room and all members are urged to attend.

COLUMBIA STUDY CLUB TO MEET TUESDAY

The regular meeting of the Columbia Study Club will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mrs. L. R. Pearson. All members are urged to attend the meeting.

Sec. Perkins Says Bills Being Set For Changes

WASHINGTON (UP) — Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins disclosed today that experimental bills have been drawn up to achieve the reorganization of the Department of Labor she recommended in her annual report. Miss Perkins wants brought into her department the NLRB, the WMC Employment Service and apprentice training, the WPBS

labor planning activities and certain functions of the WLB

Possible Invasion Seen In Assault On Jap Capital

By United Press
 The Tokyo newspaper Mainichi predicted "possible" Allied invasion of the Japanese Homeland in commenting today on the carrier plane assault on the city. Tokyo radio reported. In a broadcast heard by the United Press in San Francisco.
 Other newspapers viewed appearance of the mighty U. S. Naval task force as a "golden opportunity for the Japanese to finish off the main strength of the American fleet at one stroke," the broadcast said.

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