

VA TO SELECT APPRAISER OF PROPERTY ON GI LOANS

In order to afford veterans all possible protection against overpriced properties in the current high market, the Veterans Administration announced today that effective January 2, 1947, VA, and not the lender, will pick the appraiser to evaluate "reasonable value" for purposes of GI loans.

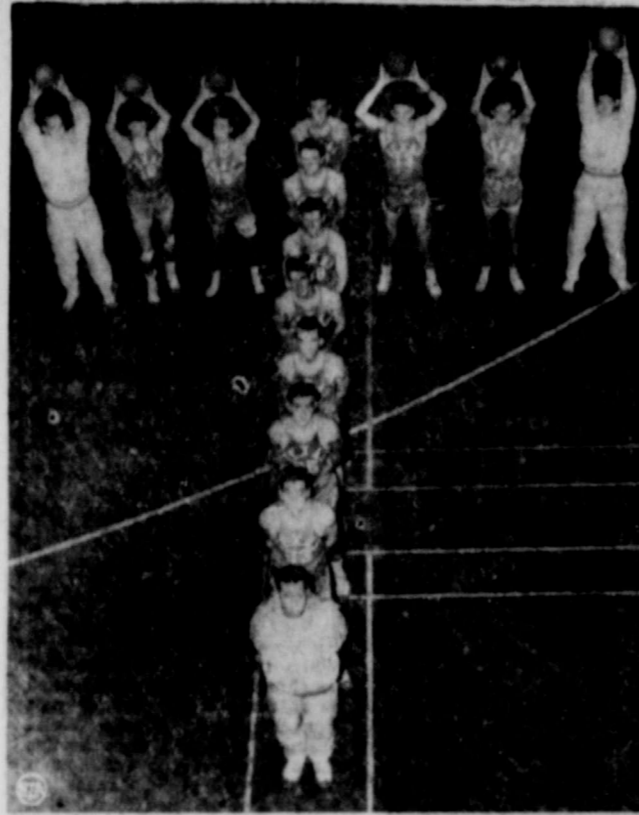
Under the revised procedure, VA will designate by name the appraiser to appraise each piece of property offered for sale to veterans under the guaranty loan provision of the G. I. Bill.

This contrasts with the system in effect for the past 15 months, under which the lender was permitted to select any appraiser he desired from a panel of local appraisers whose general qualifications had been reviewed and approved by VA.

As of November 30th, more than 31,000 GI loans had been approved in VA's Dallas Branch Area of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi.

These loans amounted to \$164,900,315 of which VA guaranteed \$78,072,915. The great majority were for homes.

"T" Is for Texas



Texas University's basketball squad lines up in appropriate formation during their stay in New York City where they met Long Island's quintet.

As of November 25, over 540,000 GI loans had been approved throughout the nation, totalling \$2,842,000,000. Of this amount, \$1,316,000,000 was guaranteed by VA.

Clyde L. Garrett, Assistant Supervising Loan Guaranty Officer in VA's Dallas office, said he had been notified by Washington officials that the new system is being adopted to facilitate administration of the provisions of the law designed to protect veterans against overpriced property, particularly the section requiring an appraisal of "reasonable value" by a VA-designated appraiser.

The revised procedure, Garrett stated, will eliminate the tendency on the part of some lenders to use exclusively the services of certain "obliging" appraisers who are most amenable to turning in a high appraisal where necessary to meet the asking price.

As a result of this practice, Garrett added, many appraisers who resisted the pressure and adhered to what they considered fair estimates of reasonable value found that there were few, if any, calls for their services. Most of the assignments were going to the favored few who were willing to meet the purchase price whether or not it was, in fact, reasonable.

VA also announced that hereafter any development of five or more houses must be appraised by a committee from three to five de-

signed appraisers. All interested lenders subsequently will be advised of the price agreed upon and sale of units in the development may not exceed this appraisal. This will eliminate variations in price for similar houses, not uncommon when several appraisers were called upon individually to determine the "reasonable value" of certain units in a group of houses similar in design and construction.

All details of the loan guaranty program in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi will continue to be handled by the local regional offices under supervision of the Dallas Branch Office, Garrett said.

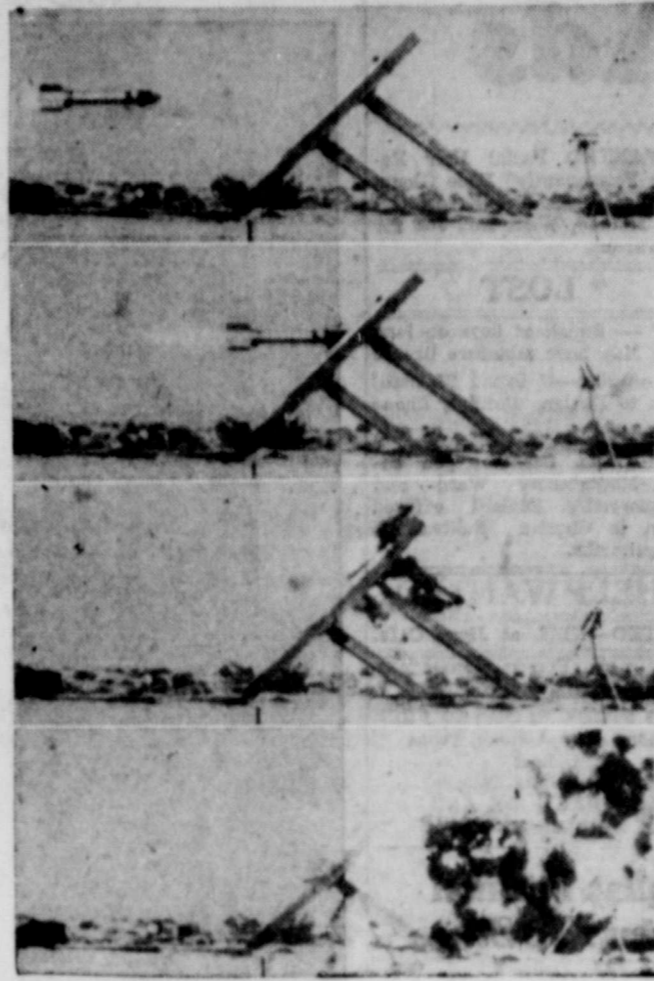
For additional information, please contact your local VA Contact Office at the Sinclair-Priarie Building in Eastland, Texas, or see A. D. Tidwell, local Contact Representative, who comes to Ranger each Saturday morning from 9:00 A. M. until 12:00 noon in the Post Office.

Fireworks Shooting Annoy Veterans

MADISONVILLE, Ky. (UP)—A thoughtful Madisonville city council has enacted an ordinance restricting the sale of fireworks because of complaint of World War II veterans.

Mayor David Parish says the council received numerous complaints from veterans who "were jittery from service experiences." fireworks may be sold from Dec. 20 to Jan. 2, and from July 2-5 inclusive.

New Navy Rocket



The curtain was lifted slightly on secret weapons developed by the Navy at its ordnance testing station at Inyokern, Calif., as can be seen in these speed photos showing the Navy's new "Tiny Tim" rocket tearing through a piece of steel armor plate over two and one-half inches thick. (NEA Telephoto).

U. S. FLOTILLA HUNTS ADDED DEEP SEA FISHING SOURCES

By Harold Hughes
United Press Staff Correspondent
ASTORIA, Ore. (UP)—The greatest deep sea fishing enterprise in the history of American fisheries is about to sail from the Columbia river.

The Pacific Exploration Company's flotilla will hunt new sources of tuna in Mexican, Central and South American waters. The expedition will comprise a "factory ship"—the reconverted freighter Pacific Explorer—and 12 large fishing vessels.

Four of the fishing boats are 100-foot trawlers. A plane will be carried aboard the "factory ship" for use in spotting schools of fish.

The expedition company is headed by Nick Bez, the "wonder boy" of northwestern financial circles, who is president of the corporation and head of the Columbia River Packer's association.

But the money for the ships is

being put up by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and is estimated at \$3,750,000.

As lessee of the Pacific Explorer the company is guaranteeing the government a minimum of \$50,000 a year, or 55 per cent of the profits, whichever is greater.

In the contract, provisions are made for three scientific representatives of the United States fish and wildlife service to accompany this and succeeding expeditions.

These men will have access to all production records and their findings will be available to all fisheries firms.

A list of five objectives of the firm indicated that almost all the fishery areas of the Pacific Ocean eventually would be covered by future expeditions.

The Pacific Exploration Company considers the following ob-

jectives as targets for their new venture into marine fisheries:

1. To take the pressure off present Pacific fishing grounds which have grown tremendously during the war years. This will include investigations of the Bering Sea, where the fish and wildlife service has discovered the existence of a vast population of bottom fish and crabs, scattered over thousands of miles.
2. To develop tuna fisheries of the southern and western Pacific Ocean. (Before the war the Japanese accounted for 66 per cent of the world's tuna production and much of this was taken from islands then mandated to them.)
3. By Presidential proclamation, the United States has notified the world that it has interests in such fisheries areas and proposes to regulate them. This project will provide concrete evidence of this interest.
4. To demonstrate the feasibility

of "factor ship" operations. The firm has long felt that the factory ship is the answer to fish production in isolated areas.

5. To develop and test latest technological improvements in the industry. (The Pacific Explorer is equipped with modern blast and cold storage refrigeration. Down the starboard side is a filleting line long enough for 60 cutters to handle the fresh catch. Down the port side of the main deck a canning line is provided with a capacity of 600 to 700 cases each day.)

Dancing Tongue - to-Tongue
CHICAGO (UP)—In a study of 4,129 emergency cases treated this year officials of Penroth Hospital found the case of a man who suffered a lacerated tongue "bitten by a girl while dancing."

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Colleges Get Surplus at Big Percentage Cut

FORT WORTH (Sp.) Dec. 28. It was bargain day today as War Assets Administration announced awards to West Texas colleges and schools. Duncan D. Myers, chief of the Public Inter-

est Division listed Ranger Junior College, along with San Angelo College and Clifton Junior College as institutions receiving a 95 per cent discount from present fair market value of surplus government property they had made application for.

Ranger Junior College receives a long sought duplicating machine, presently valued at \$15, for seventy five cents, while Clifton Junior College and San Angelo College each receive a drill valued at \$11.50 for the price of fifty seven cents.

Public schools of Seagraves, Lubbock, Claude and Turkey shared in extensive awards of surplus property at a 40 per cent discount.

Barnacle soup kept James K. Cuth, a Norwegian seaman, alive for 119 days when he was cast adrift at sea. Three companions died.

No Desk



Mrs. Anne Brisky, one of the 11,000 remaining OPA employees who will be out of the agency in 60 days, uses this temporary arrangement as a desk to wind up her job. The clean-up squad got her desk before she finished the last few chores in her Washington, D.C. office. President Truman's order dropping price controls on everything but rice and rent has forced many OPA employees to look for new jobs. (NEA Telephoto).

NEWS FROM Cheaney

Mrs. J. B. Griffith and son, W. J. and grandsons, Jal and Jerry spent Christmas visiting relatives in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Kimbrough of Big Spring were visitors in Cheaney last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Underwood and family spent Christmas in De-d-mona.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blackwell and Gay Nelle, spent the week-end visiting relatives in Roby.

Mrs. Monroe Ainsworth and children are in Wink for a visit with Mrs. Ainsworth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Goswick.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dean had as their guests for Christmas dinner, Mrs. Dean's father, B. C. Weekes, and her brother, Willis Weekes and family of Ranger and Dick Weekes and family of Comanche and her sister, Mrs. Ben Freeman and Mr. Freeman.

Mr. John Love has been a patient in the Gorman Hospital where she was quite ill, but is reported to be improved now.

Mrs. Mattie Walton and children, W. E. and Minnie are moving to the Danley place north of Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Stahle and children of Abilene were the guests of Mrs. Stahle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Perrin during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howard were the guests of their son, Pug Howard and Mrs. Howard in Ft. Worth this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Gentry and children were the guests of Mr. Gentry's brother, Dean Gentry of Comanche on Christmas Day.

Mary and Frances Ferrell of Ft. Worth spent the week-end and Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Ferrell.

Dan Walton and sons of Strawn were visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Walton, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bennett and children who reside near Gorman were week-end callers in the home of Mrs. Bennett's mother Mrs. J. B. Griffith.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Underwood and daughters of Ranger were the guests of Mr. Underwood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Underwood, Tuesday.

face frankly, she declared.

Dr. Brunswik stated, "prejudice against colored people is a projection of instincts such as laziness, distines, and preoccupation with sex which one does not like to admit in oneself."

"On the other hand," she pointed out, "prejudice against Jews is a projection of traits the prejudiced would like to attribute to themselves, but feel the Jewish minority should not have."

"Thus it is said Jews have 'too much drive,' are 'too intelligent,' have 'too much power.' The reason this type of prejudice is directed against Jews," she continued, "is they are a minority with a record of achievement."

Dr. Brunswik's study was based on a questionnaire filled out by college women, business men, normal and mentally-ill persons, and prison inmates.

She's the Prize Pin-Up



Pin-up queen of 1946 is 18-year-old Myra Keck, above, of Philadelphia, recently elected by an overwhelming GI and civilian vote. Blond Queen Keck, who works for a New York model agency, is five feet, seven inches tall, weighs 118 pounds and wears a size 34 bathing suit.

Racial Prejudices Called Kick-Back



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BERKELEY, Cal. (UP)—Racial prejudice is a mechanism for projecting an individual's character difficulties to others, according to Dr. Elsie Frenkel-Brunswik, psychologist at the University of California.

The prejudiced person almost invariably uses this projection as a means of solving underlying personality difficulties he is unable to

Electronic Photo Flash 'Freezes' Action



The remarkable photograph, above, showing the action of flying playing cards sharply "frozen" in mid-air was made with a new electronic flash lamp, developed by the U. S. Naval Photographic Service. Exposure time for the flash from the new lamp is 1/10,000th of a second.

Double Debut



The stag line thought it was seeing double when the young women pictured above passed in the grand march at the recent 11th annual Debutante Cotillion and Ball at New York's Waldorf-Astoria. They are the O'Connor twins, Gloria, left and Consuelo, two of 125 girls who made debuts.

2 It's MacAw at 10-1-9 TOKYO (UP)—When a Japanese street urchin tells you that he wants to go to 10-1-9 to see the great "MacAw," what he means is that he wants to stand in front of general headquarters in Tokyo in the hope of getting a glimpse of Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

The English pronunciation of the letters GHQ sounds much like the Japanese pronunciation of the

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words for 10-1-9, ju ichi ku. Smart young Tokyoites delight in contracting words whenever possible into a syllabic argot, which reduces MacArthur to Mac-Aw.

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