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Rep. Martin Asks Gilchrist To Quit

Well... I Dunno, But...

Leave it to a Texan to make a story big! In the mail this morning was a letter from a soldier in Guam addressed to the "Weather Bureau, Ranger, Texas" asking us to settle an argument between a "Texan and Chicagoan." The writer, evidently from Chicago, had encountered a Texan who told him that on December 30, 1946 the weather in Ranger was 59 degrees below zero. Naturally, the Chicagoan was a little skeptical and asked us to refer to our records and let him know the correct figures.

Being a native Texan and knowing the inborn tendency to make Texas the biggest and best in every thing, we sure hate to have to prove that fellow citizen in Guam wrong. But alas, what he really should have told the boy from Chicago, was that along about that date there was a 58 degree drop in temperature in 11 hours. Actually the temperature on December 28 dropped from 75 to 17 degrees.

Stay in there and pitch for Texas, Buddy, but heaven forbid that it ever gets that cold around here.

Bluebonnets are as lovely this year as we've ever seen them and more and more they're becoming a favorite with the flower lovers. Typically Texas, the bluebonnet is blooming in profusion all over Ranger and one of the loveliest spots is the lot between the Susan Hunt and Charles B. homes. It's a whole city lot with almost the entire plot covered with the colorful Texas flowers.

Max Ohr also has a bluebonnet bed that he's proud of. The flowers have taken the entire area between his lawn and the street and are a sight to behold.

Oh me, we forgot to tell you yesterday that Mr. Garner is currently showing "The Best Years of Our Lives" at the Arcadia Theatre and it reminded us today in no uncertain words and no gentle tone of voice that we were sure slipping.

Everybody that's seen the picture had most favorably comment to make on it and we're sure from the stars, the awards and all that, it's one of the best yet.

The picture is showing at the Arcadia today and Thursday and there are three showings each day—3:00, 6:00 and 9:00 o'clock.

Now then, Mr. Garner, will you take back all of those mean things you said?

A thoughtful young lady in talking with us Tuesday, called to our attention something that it would be well for all of us to give considerable thought.

She was speaking of carlessly made remarks about people's character, when many times the remarks were without foundation, and the unfair damage that such does to people.

Many times such remarks are made lightly without any forethought but falling on believing ears can do an unjust harm. The adage "think twice before you speak" is old but it's still wise.

Juniors To Give Seniors Banquet Thursday Night

Members of the Junior class of Ranger High school will entertain Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock with the annual banquet honoring members of the senior class.

The banquet will be held in the Blue Room of the Gholson Hotel and will be a formal affair. Sponsors of the junior class are Mrs. George Robinson and Mr. R. L. Willis. Mrs. Mamie Ryth Hamrick and Mrs. Leslie Hagaman are sponsors of the senior class.

Strike Called Off
NEW YORK (UP)—The United Financial Employees Union, AFL, called off its threatened strike against the New York Stock and Curb Exchanges today and agreed to submit its dispute to arbitration.

Garsson Trial Begins



Former Congressman Andrew J. May, left, and his attorney, Mack Stephenson, right, arrive at the Federal Building in Washington for the opening of May's defense against charges of conspiring to defraud the Government in the Garsson Munitions case. May was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury along with the Garsson brothers after an investigation into the munitions combine. (NEA Telephoto).

ONCE-PROUD JAPAN NAVY MELTING INTO SCRAP HEAP

TOKYO (UP)—The Imperial Navy which Japan sent out on the high seas to challenge the might of the United States and the world is now junk.

All that remains of its 350,000 tons of fighting ships, once the third largest fleet in the world, is a group of partly scrapped hulks and some scrap metal. The demolition is about at the halfway mark, it has been disclosed officially.

Of the 165,000 tons of steel expected to be salvaged from the fleet, headquarters of the United States naval forces in the Far East said 81,000 tons have been salvaged since the scrapping began last April.

Thirty-one ships are being scrapped, in 17 Japanese ports. Nine ships, still operable at the time of the surrender, were used in repatriation and only recently were released for scrapping. One converted carrier still is being used in repatriation service. All operable ships will be scrapped by the end of this year, the Navy said.

No completion date has been set for the scrapping of heavily damaged ships, since they no longer constitute a war potential.

Struck by American raids, 22 damaged ships lie aground on partially sunk in Japanese ports. That means that after the superstructure has been removed, the hull must be patched and pumped out sufficiently to enable the ship to float into drydock before it can be scrapped completely. To date, two hulls have been scrapped completely and work on an additional seven should be finished within two months.

Japanese civilian scrapping firms, paid by the Japanese government, are dismantling the ships as scheduled by allied command. Salvaged metal and non-military equipment is turned over to the Japanese home industry for use in civilian industries.

At Kure, one of the world's largest naval base, three carriers, three battleships and six cruisers, all heavily damaged and beached in the harbor, are fast becoming shells of their former might. Among them is the battleship Haruna, once reported sunk off Luzon, and the battleships Ise and Hyuga, both participants in the attack on Pearl Harbor.

These carriers are being scrapped at Sasebo and two more at Osaka. Other scrapping ports include Nagasaki, Maizuri, Omata, Beppu and Yokohama.

RED CROSS CRITICISED BY OFFICIAL

TEXAS CITY — More criticism of Red Cross activities in connection with the Texas City explosion-fire disaster was made today by an official placed in charge of salvage operations in the blast area.

The Red Cross activities were described as "too little and too late" by Dr. Paul Harris, a Houston dentist, who conducted salvage operations along the blasted waterfront where ship explosions and fires killed hundreds last Wednesday and Thursday.

Dr. Harris charged there were no Red Cross officials in Texas City when they were badly needed to arrange for the immediate procurement of relief supplies.

Union Favors Flat 15-Cent Hour Increase

DETROIT — The General Motors department of the CIO United Auto Workers union voted unanimously today to accept a flat 15-cent hourly wage increase but to reject such an increase in the form offered by GM.

General Motors offered the boost in the form of an 11 1/2 cent hourly pay boost plus three and half cents in holiday pay.

People Invited To Revival Meet

An invitation has been extended to the people of Ranger to attend revival services at the Christian church in Eastland from April 30 through May 11.

Services will be held each evening at 8:00 o'clock with Rev. Grover C. Schurman and Mrs. Ruth Logue Schurman conducting the services and the music.

There will not be any service on Saturday nights.

RELIEF FUNDS TO BE HANDLED BY EACH TOWN

At a meeting held in Cisco Tuesday night representatives from various towns in the Oil Belt voted to place the responsibility of collecting relief funds for Texas City upon each separate town and not take the collection as an area contribution.

Mayor J. J. Kelly, Ranger chairman for the fund, stated today that he felt that this is the best plan and that contributions to the fund from Ranger will be acceptable on a voluntary basis. A committee has been named to work out methods of taking the collection locally and their plans will be announced later.

Those from Ranger who attended the meeting were Mrs. W. E. Browning, Don Butler and Julia McCleskey and Lee Dockery, R. V. Galloway, David D. Pickrell, B. A. Tunnell, Dr. C. L. Jackson, Howard Oliver, James P. Morris and Mayor Kelly.

If You Feel Blue Try This Color Cure

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)—The scientific use of color in the factory and the home may go a long way to solving many of our present day emotional problems, according to a color expert.

H. Ledyard Towle, head of the color dynamics department of a big paint firm, said a bad case of the blues may be no more than an overdose of red or yellows in surrounding colors.

During the war, Towle solved the absentee problem at a Pittsburgh steel plant by simply suggesting the walls be painted a warm beige instead of gray.

It happened that the fluorescent lights gave the women employees in one department a sickly bluish complexion. When they looked at themselves in mirrors they didn't feel so good. The new paint on the walls neutralized the effect and absenteeism was cut from 20 to six per cent.

Towle recommends the nervous person should choose the cool colors for the home. Those colors center about green blue and violet. Those who need some perk up should rely on the warm colors—red, yellow and orange.

War Tension Blamed For Insanity Rise

SPOKANE, Wash. (UP)—An increasing rate of insanity among adult residents of Spokane is believed by county doctors to be an aftermath of the war.

The police identification bureau reports that 10 times as many persons are being taken in charge for insanity than in pre-war years.

When the identification bureau reorganized its file system 19 months ago, a card index was set up leaving space for the listing of insane suspects for the next 10 years. Almost half the space is now filled.

The ratio of insane persons in Spokane County is one woman to every three men.

Fire Chiefs Come And Go In Fitchburg Parade

FITCHBURG, Mass. (UP)—This city has had a real parade of fire chiefs the past year.

Chief Michael J. Shea retired last May after 44 years' service. Then Thomas E. Rude was chief until he retired because of age in July.

John Nikula took over but his temporary appointment expired in December.

Now Ernest C. Caouette is chief.

Funeral For T. L. Bumpers To Be Thursday

Funeral services for T. L. Bumpers of Lake Charles, La., formerly of Ranger, will be conducted at the First Methodist church in Ranger Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock with Rev. Claude P. Jones officiating. Interment will be in the Evergreen cemetery with arrangements by Morris Funeral Home.

Mr. Bumpers was found dead in a cabin on his farm near Lake Charles, Tuesday, April 22, 1947. The body was sent by train to Dallas and will be brought overland to Ranger, arriving here about 5:00 o'clock this afternoon.

The son of Mrs. Georgia Bumpers of Gainesville, formerly of Ranger, and the grandson of T. L. Scott of Ranger, the deceased was born and reared in Ranger.

Besides his mother and grandmother he is survived by his wife of Lake Charles.

Wallace Hits U. S. Policies In Cabled Article

NEW YORK — Henry A. Wallace said today in an article cabled to the New Republic that the United States faced isolation by other nations if she continued to by-pass the United Nations and rely upon her wealth alone for international influence.

The former vice president and cabinet member branded as "utterly ridiculous" charges that he had aroused the British against America, American reactionaries did this by their talk about the inevitability of war, he said.

Workers Return To Search For More Bodies

TEXAS CITY — More than 600 salvage workers moved back into the debris-strewn Texas City waterfront area today to resume the seemingly endless task of searching for the remains of almost 300 persons still reported missing in the disaster.

The danger of an explosion from burning ammonium nitrate on the wrecked dock halted the clean-up work yesterday until high-pressure hose equipment from Port Arthur and Coast Guard fire tugs washed the last traces of the 1,000 tons of fertilizer into the harbor.

Motor Scooter Solves This Golfer's Problem

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)—When R. J. Jackson, Houston industrialist, thought he would be forced to give up golf because of arthritis of the knee, his inventive genius came to the rescue.

Jackson invented a motor scooter for four persons which he named "The Arthritis Special." It enables elderly golf enthusiasts to play many more years since they must no longer tramp over the rolling golf courses.

The traveling park bench has a rack behind the seat for four sets of golf clubs and a caddy can be carried on the rear cushion.

NAM Agrees To Fight Prices

WASHINGTON — The National Association of Manufacturers has pledged President Truman its cooperation in combating high prices. But it says the administration has failed to do its full share toward achieving a stable economy.

Another Peace Move Made
WASHINGTON (UP)—The labor department today called in leaders of the striking National Federation of Telephone Workers to find out how much of a wage offer is needed to revive negotiations in the 17-day-old telephone strike.

During an average year, fire in the U. S. takes 10,000 lives and burns 40,000 persons non-fatally.

ADDRESSES NOW REQUIRED ON ALL MAIL

A. E. Crawley, Ranger postmaster, announced today that effective immediately all mail of local origin directed to people in Ranger must have the box number or street address on it, or it will be returned to the sender.

Crawley stated that the order to this effect was issued to him by the postal inspector and from now on no directory service will be given mail.

"Mail just addressed to Ranger, Texas, will be delivered if address is known at first sight, but will not be given any service," Crawley stated. He said that mail without addresses where the address is not known to the mail clerks, will be placed in general delivery and then returned to the sender or placed in the dead letter division.

Crawley stated that this applies to all mail, monthly statements included. Furthermore, he stated, that mail of local origin addressed to Ranger people should be addressed "Ranger, Texas" and not to "City."

Radio Workers May Give Support To Phone Strike

SAN FRANCISCO — Network radio technicians' unions here moved to investigate the possibility today of "co-ordinated activity" with technicians in other key network transmission cities to support the national telephone strike.

At the same time, several union leaders urged striking telephone workers here to "do everything possible to tie up telephone service and put dial service out of commission."

Wallace Offers More Suggestions

PARIS — Henry A. Wallace said today that a loan of approximately \$15,000,000,000 to Russia by the International Bank was the only "practical step toward world reconstruction and peace."

He denied in an informal discussion with correspondents that the loan plan had "the flavor of appeasement."

Committeeman Confident House To Pass Aid Bill

WASHINGTON — Chairman Charles A. Eaton of the House foreign affairs committee voiced confidence today that the House would join the Senate in giving resounding approval to President Truman's Greek-Turkish aid program.

Describing the Senate's overwhelming okay as a "blow for freedom," the New Jersey Republican said he would push for House action next week on the \$400,000,000 Stop-Communism measure.

The House version, as approved by Eaton's committee last week, differs little in essential details from the measure passed by the Senate late yesterday by a 67 to 23 vote.

W. P. Guest Dies; Funeral Service Held at Strawn

Funeral services for W. P. Guest, 81, were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the family home in Strawn.

Mr. Guest, grandfather of Wilson Guest of Ranger, died Tuesday, April 22. He had resided in Eastland county since 1900 and for 35 years was a justice of the peace in the Tudor community. He and Mrs. Guest would have celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary next month.

Besides his wife he is survived by three daughters, Mrs. L. E. Galey, Mrs. Charlie Townzen and Mrs. Oscar Barron, all of Strawn. A number of grandchildren also survive.

Housing Bill Gets Support Of Senate Group

WASHINGTON — The Senate banking committee, by a 7 to 6 vote, today approved the Taft-Elliender-Wagner long-range housing bill.

The measure would provide federal aid for slum clearance and redevelopment and urban and rural public housing at an estimated cost to the government of \$7,500,000,000 over a 45 year period.

It is designed to encourage construction of 15,000,000 new farm and city homes by 1958.

More Terror In Palestine



Roundups of suspects, in scenes similar to this after a previous outbreak of terrorism, was taking place in Jerusalem and other Palestine cities as a result of the bombing of a British military train. Ten were killed and a score were injured. 100,000 Jewish residents of Jerusalem are under virtual house arrest. (NEA Telephoto).

REQUEST MADE IN HEATED SPEECH ON HOUSE FLOOR

AUSTIN — The resignation of Gibb Gilchrist as A. and M. College president was called for today on the House floor by Rep. Tom Martin of Fredericksburg, who cried in a heated speech that "the time will come when the righteous wrath of the women will pull the curtain down on him."

Students "down there will fight him until hell becomes a refrigerator," Martin said.

Martin, in a personal privilege speech, shouted for Gilchrist to "turn in your resignation and you'll be one of the biggest men in Texas."

"Let those boys down there get an education. As long as this controversy goes on down there those boys won't do any good."

"I believe Gibb Gilchrist is an able man," Martin said, "and I think he is conscientious. But from the time he was in the highway department he couldn't get along with anybody—and that's the reason the highway department sent him on down there—to A. and M. . . ."

"Won't you please resign and quit now," Martin pleaded again. "Nobody will be mad at you. Let's have peace back in Texas."

This is not a threat but a promise—thou shalt not win."

U. S. Delegates Give Up Hope On Austrian Treaty

MOSCOW — The American delegation to the Moscow conference has abandoned hope of completing the Austrian treaty here and is preparing for adjournment tomorrow, it was learned today.

Even if the Russians should give way on the German assets issue, the key problem in the Austrian settlement, the American's doubt that the Big Four meeting could be prolonged sufficiently to complete the treaty.

The U. S. delegation believed that the council would require two more meetings to clean up the odds and ends and decide to whom to refer the various issues on which the Big Four were unable to agree.

LIVESTOCK

FORT WORTH — Cattle 2100. Mature cattle slow, percentage fat steers and yearlings larger than most recent sessions, little done in face of weak to 50 or lower bids. Cows bid and sold steady to 50 off. Bulls about steady. Stockers steady to weak. Medium to good steers, yearlings and heifers 17.00-22.50.

Cows 400. Fairly active, mostly steady, some late cleanup sales easier. Good and choice 18.50-22.50. Hogs 1100. Butcher hogs and sows 1.00-75 lower than Tuesday's average or fully 1.00 lower than close. Stocker pigs 1.00-59 lower. Top 22.75 paid by all interests. Good and choice 180-300 lbs 22.50 to mostly 22.75.

Sheep 5000. Killing classes active, steady to strong, some slaughter lambs 25 or more higher. Medium and good spring lambs mostly 18.00-20.50.

Truman to Canada
WASHINGTON (UP)—W. L. MacKenzie King, the Canadian prime minister, said today that President Truman will visit Canada, probably in June.

The Weather

Mostly cloudy, scattered showers.

Temperature at 1:30 p.m. today	79
Maximum	79
Minimum	68
Hour's Reading	79
Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a. m. today	86
Maximum	86
Minimum	65

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COURTHOUSE NEWS AND RECORDS

Real Estate Transfers, Marriages, Suits Filed, Court Judgements, Orders, Etc.

INSTRUMENTS FILED

Mrs. S. S. Alabrook to T. L. Acrea, warranty deed.
E. F. Arterburn to Art's Tool & Supply Company, warranty deed.
Art's Tool & Supply Company to W. F. Creager, deed of trust.
Lillie Brannon to Carl C. Garner, warranty deed.
Carl L. Butler to Milton J. Gaines, release of M.L.
J. J. Beck to P. B. Grissom, correction warranty deed.
City of Eastland to Thurman Turner, quit claim deed.
Myrtle Curry to W. R. George, release of lien.
Commercial State Bank, Ranger to RFC Merg. Company, transfer of lien.
City of Rising Star to C. C. Rutherford, release of lien.
Price Crawley to Chattie Melbourne, warranty deed.
Jack Cramberlain to J. E. Foster, con. of lien.
Donald L. Chamberlain to J. E. Foster, deed of trust.
George E. Dillard to F. A. Holler, warranty deed.
John Davis to H. A. Skinner, warranty deed.
Eureka Tool Company to The Public, resolution.
Eureka Tool Company to Art's Tool & Supply Company, warranty deed.
Eastland National Bank to C. L. Garrett, release of lien.
Federal Land Bank, Houston, to G. E. Erwin, release of deed of trust.
Jess Flippin to Woodley Petroleum Company, oil and gas lease.
Mrs. M. E. Flippin to Woodley Petroleum Company, oil and gas lease.
Milton J. Gaines to Texas State Life Insurance Company, deed of trust.
Jennie Graves to A. A. Criswell, release of vendor's lien.
Jennie Graves to A. Shirley, release of vendor's lien.
Ada Gordon to E. F. Arterburn, release of vendor's lien.
T. E. Grisham to Trout-Hansen Prod. Company, oil and gas lease.
J. H. Harrison to C. E. Wheat, warranty deed.
Laura Graves to C. W. Graves, warranty deed.
Willie Mack Henry to W. R. Burleson, release of deed.
Otto S. Houston to The Public, ex probate.
Higinbotham Bros. & Company to Oscar Schaefer, release of vendor's lien.
C. Hansen to The Public, ex probate.
Charles T. Hansen to Gilbert Ezzell, oil and gas lease.
June Jones to Ben F. Matthews, lease agreement.
A. H. Johnson to The Public, affidavit.
E. L. Kurth to C. C. Street, release of vendor's lien.
Mrs. W. L. Knight to Price Crawley, release of vendor's lien.
R. C. Kinnaird to Margaret E. Guenther, deed.
G. W. Lisenbee to Mrs. E. E. Lisenbee, quit claim deed.
Opal Lane to Olen L. Corley, warranty deed.
Grover C. Looney to G. G. Crowl, release of vendor's lien.
G. B. Lanier to F. A. Hollis, warranty deed.
D. C. Large to Hazel Hickman, transfer of vendor's lien.
Artie Liles et al v. Henry Liles, ex judgment.
Maryland Casualty Company to Howard McDonald, release of lien.
Fred Joe Mayhew to The Public, removal of disabilities.
E. G. Mayhew, deceased, to The Public, proof of heirship.
Chattie Melbourne to Mrs. W. L. Knight, deed of trust.
Chattie Melbourne to Price Crawley, deed of trust.
A. C. Moore to C. D. Pence,

THE BEST YEARS OF OUR LIVES OPENS AT ARCADIA TODAY

Samuel Goldwyn's star-packed picture, "The Best Years of Our Lives," opened at the Arcadia Theater in Ranger today for a two day run with three shows daily. Features being at 3:00, 6:00 and 9:00 o'clock in the afternoon and evening.
Admission is 50 cents for matinees, tax included, and after 6:00 o'clock admission for adults is \$1.30, tax included. Kiddies are admitted for 50 cents, tax included, at all times and all kiddies not in arms must have a ticket. B. E. Garner, manager of the Arcadia, stated today.
Garner further stated that this picture will not be shown anywhere in the United States this year for any less than it is being shown here.
The triumvirate of Producer Samuel Goldwyn, Director William Wyler, and Cinematographer Gregg Toland, who have worked together in the past to make such memorable motion pictures as These Three, Dead End, Wuthering Heights and The Little Foxes, are reunited again in the production of "The Best Years of Our Lives." This film, the most ambitious ever to be made by Producer Goldwyn, boasts a cast that includes five of Hollywood's top stars, a screenplay by Pulitzer Prize-winning Robert E. Sherwood, and a lavish production. It is also the longest motion picture ever made by Producer Goldwyn, running three hours.
The history of "The Best Years of Our Lives" goes back to August 7, 1944, when the producer read in an edition of Time an account of a group of young men returning to homes only dimly remembered after years of absence. He saw in this news story a subject for a film that might be of great human significance to every family in the United States.
He commissioned Mackinlay Kantor, celebrated short story writer and novelist, to do an original story on this theme. When Kantor finally submitted his manuscript, his treatment turned out to be 134 pages of blank verse. It was subsequently published as Glory For Me and distributed by the Literary Guild. Robert E. Sherwood went to Hollywood to work directly with Producer Goldwyn and Director Wyler on the screen play.
By the time Sherwood had completed it, the story had resolved itself into a drama of three men who returned to the same home town, Boone City, and find themselves suddenly plunged into a strange new world in which their lives, and those of the women they love, are curiously entwined.
To play the three characters, Producer Goldwyn wooed Fredric March from the New York stage; exercised his half share of Dana Andrews' time, whose contract he shares with 20th Century Fox, and brought Harold Russell on from Cambridge, Mass. Russell is a young man whom the War Department featured in a training film called The Diary of a Sergeant. Director Wyler, after Russell's screen test, for "The Best Years of Our Lives" went on record to say that he was the best natural actor he had ever tested.
To portray the women of the story, Producer Goldwyn teamed up with the following actresses:
ments were rendered from the 91st District Court last week:
Ola Fay Drake v. Melvin E. Drake, Jr., order appointing attorney to represent defendant.
Ola Fay Drake v. Melvin E. Drake, Jr., judgment.
L. J. Leach, et al, v. The Texas & Pacific Railway Co., court order.
Beatrice Caraway v. O. J. Caraway, judgment.
Christine Patterson v. James H. Patterson, judgment.

three of Hollywood's top stars — Myrna Loy, Teresa Wright and Virginia Mayo — and introduced his latest discovery, Cathy O'Donnell, who makes her debut in this picture. The rest of the cast includes such screen luminaries as Hoagy Carmichael (who plays five roles in the film), Gladys George, Roman Bohren, Steve Cochran, Ray Collins and Victor Cutler.
Meanwhile Boone City was being reconstructed, bit by bit, in the Goldwyn sound stages. Butch's Place, the Midway Drug-store (with \$20,000 worth of real merchandise) the huge Cornbelt Bank, the Union Club, the Lucia Restaurant, the Embassy night-club, the six-room Stephenson apartment, Fred's and Homer's and Wilma's houses — all these and dozens of other elaborate sets were erected under the supervision of Perry Ferguson and George Jenkins, art directors. "The Best Years of Our Lives" probably represents the first time in the history of Hollywood that rooms have been made life-size, rather than slightly larger in order to leave room for the cameras and other massive motion picture equipment. In order to preserve realism, considerable effort was entailed for removing a wall for practically every shot, rather than increase the true size of the sets themselves.
Other technical innovations in the film include the absence of all makeup on the male characters, and the revolutionary depth of focus and clarity of photography achieved by Gregg Toland by stopping his camera down to f.8 for almost every shot. This required lighting more intense than ever before used in a black-and-white motion picture. To help Toland light his scenes as accurately as humanly possible, moreover, Sharaff, the studio's costume designer, executed the entire wardrobe exclusively in shades of gray and black and white.
One of the most spectacular scenes in the film was made on location at the Army airfield in Ontario, Calif., where thousands of surplus warplanes he abandoned ready to be scrapped. For aerial shots in the first part of the picture, John Fulton, special effects expert, toured the U. S. in a specially equipped private plane. He also brought back with him screen-tests of all the principal U. S. towns under consideration as the prototype of Boone City in the script. Cincinnati, Ohio was eventually chosen to represent Boone, and another camera crew was sent there to make further background shots.
By the time "The Best Years of Our Lives" was completed, more than four months after it had started, 400,000 feet of film had been exposed. Producer Goldwyn's veteran film editor, Daniel Mandel, who has worked on every picture made by the Goldwyn-Wyler-Toland combination, reduced this ultimately to 16,020 feet. Hugo Friedhofer composed the score, Emil Newman directed the transcription of the music to the soundtrack, and the picture was ready for release, offered as a most meticulously wrought human interest drama of intense current appeal.

Out of Wyoming's 32,000 servicemen in World War II, 500 lost their lives.
U. S. Navy has released nearly 80 per cent of its war surplus.
Official time-keepers at track meets start their watches when they see the smoke rise from the starter's pistol. Sight travels faster than sound and the smoke is visible before the sound reaches the timer's ears.



NEW BOOTS AFTER SIX YEARS. Marking Boyce House's sixth year on radio for the makers of Justin Boots and Shoes, H. J. Justin II (right), grandson of the founder of the company, fits Boyce up with a brand new pair of boots to celebrate the occasion.

NEWS FROM DESDEMONA

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Berryfield and Mrs. Inez McCarty of Sterling, Oklahoma, were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Duke.
Mrs. J. N. Duke accompanied her parents home for a visit.
The Jake Hamon Community had a rabbit drive Friday. Somewhere around ninety rabbits were killed.
News was received this week of the death of Ed Putty, Mr. and Mrs. "Boots" Putty attended the funeral.
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lindley and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Rushing are visiting with Charlie Lindley in Coahoma.
Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Koonce were visitors here last week with relatives.
Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Koonce visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Koonce in Dallas recently.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Guthery

Garsson Trial Begins



Dr. Henry Garsson (left), and his brother, Murray Garsson, extreme right, arrive at the Federal Court in Washington to face charges of conspiracy to defraud the U. S. Government. With them, center, is Charles Margiotti who heads the defense counsel for the brothers and Joseph Freeman, one of their top aides. (NEA Telephoto).

and Buck Guthery and wife and Bruce Browning spent a day fishing at Eastland recently.

"Grandma" Ryan was carried to a Ranger hospital a few days ago. She is reported as improved.

Mrs. O. S. Robbins has been a patient in the Gorman hospital with pneumonia. She has recovered to the extent of being carried to her daughter's home, Mrs. Raymond Lindley.

Miss Emma Lou Browning spent the week-end with Miss Belle Pety.

Veterans Good Buyers Of War Surpluses

Major items were maritime galley equipment, meat slicers, potato peelers, soap powders, linens and navigational instruments.
Figures released by WAA on another sale showed that the government recovered 19 per cent of the original cost. The sale covered merchandise which had an inventory price of more than \$400,000 and included trucks and trailers, textiles, machinery and large quantities of scrap material.

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

ON THE TOWERS' SCREEN



Pert Jeff Donnell appears in feature on the same program is her action-musical western with "Meet Me Off Broadway" starring the Hoosier Hotshots in "That Jing Fred Brady of radio comedy Texas Jamboree." The second fame and Jinx Falkenberg.

OUT OUR WAY By J. R. Williams



Advertisement for CHEVROLET FLOOR MATS. Text: JUST ARRIVED GENUINE CHEVROLET FLOOR MATS FOR 1937 to 1946 Trucks and Pick-Up Price ... \$2.90 1940 to 1946 Passenger Cars for Front and Rear Price \$3.50 and \$3.90 ANDERSON - PRUET CHEVROLET

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



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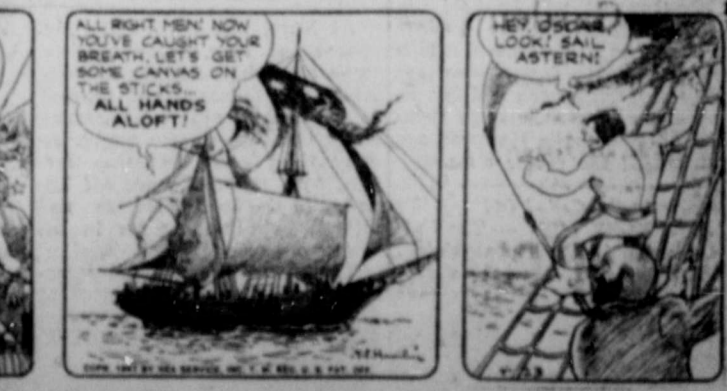
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FORT WORTH, April 23—Boyce House, Texas' well-known "walking, talking one-man Chamber of Commerce," will celebrate his sixth year on radio this Sunday (April 27) with a special program. "I give you Texas and the Great Southwest" is heard over KGKO (Fort Worth-Dallas) and KTSA (San Antonio, at 12:45 p. m. and over KGNC (Amarillo) at 3:00 p. m.
 Guest on the program this week will be H. J. Justin II, grandson of the founder of the Justin Company.

Skunk Cabbage Proposed As Diet Variant

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (UP)—Wildgrown skunk cabbage, wild onion bulb and pig weed are offered as daily menu suggestions by William C. Steere, University of Michigan botanist.

The professor, who hates the strict modern usage of garden-grown vegetables, adds that young shoots of nettles, dock and mustard seed would put some punch into the daily eating fare. "They're delicious and nutritious," he said. "And free, too."

Block Signal System Rules Flint Traffic

FLINT, Mich. (UP)—No-bound traffic on Flint's main street may be moving at a fast clip while southbound cars are at a standstill, under a newly-installed two-block signal system. Described as the first of its kind in the country, the system works through underground

Army Plane Fuel Tank Changed To One-Man Car


CORUNNA, Mich. (UP)—Norman Anderson, 19-year-old inventor, thinks he has one answer to city transportation needs. Anderson has built a one-passenger streamlined vehicle he calls a "Scoutmobile." It is powered by a four-horsepower engine, has knee action wheel arms, an automatic gear shift and is capable of doing 40 miles an hour. The three-wheel car has a body made of an old army airplane fuel tank. Anderson says he could mass produce the car for \$350.

China and India, with 40 per cent of the world's population, account for only 2 per cent of its manufacturing.

sounding device which change the color of the light automatically. Any car traveling more than 25 miles an hour will cause a change in lights, forcing a slowdown or complete stop.

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Australia Reports Industry Growing

MELBOURNE, Australia (UP)—Peacetime industrial development in Australia has been sharply expanded as a direct result of the war effort. Australian and foreign companies already have leased 74 government war plants for conversion into manufacturing plants. Ample skilled labor is available and many women who worked in war factories are now taking jobs in the new industries. Some American firms already are operating factories in Australia and more are listed to start. The Australian government's program calls for leasing of \$300,000,000 worth of factories for reconversion into industrial plants.

Orange Crates Transformed Into Marble-Like Altars

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NEW ORLEANS (UP)—Amazing, say the neighbors of Edward Michel, what he can do with a simple orange crate. Because of his handicraft hobby, their homes, like his, are graced with miniature altars which many admirers say, could pass for an artistic work of marble. Michel has the neighboring fruit stand operators save their old orange crates. With sandpaper, chisels and knives, white enamel and gilt—and Michel's touch—they become small, glittering table-sized religious altars. Some of his designs he has taken from Old New Orleans churches.

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Engagement Of Miss Hunt, Mr. McLaughlin Announced

Wedding To Take Place In Ranger On Afternoon of May 10

Mrs. Susan Hunt has announced the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Susan Camilla, to Mr. Charles Keith McLaughlin, of Ft. Worth, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McLaughlin of Ranger.

The wedding will take place Saturday, May 10, at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon at the home of the bride-elect's mother.

Miss Hunt has chosen as her only attendant for the wedding, Miss Annabel Schiesher of Chicago.

Mrs. McLaughlin and her daughter, Mrs. Charles J. Owen of Eastland, entertained Wednesday at 1:00 o'clock with a luncheon at the home of the former, honoring Miss Hunt.

The two course luncheon was served at tables for four which were centered with arrangements of pansies in milk glass bowls. The bride-elect's table was centered with a miniature bride and groom surrounded by bridal wreath and the bride-elect's place was marked by a corsage.

A box filled with kitchen utensils, a gift from the groom-elect's grandmother, Mrs. Jessie Pickell, of Tulsa; Oklahoma, Mrs. L. L. West of Tulsa and his two nieces, Ruan Owen of Eastland and Kim Neher of Dallas, was presented Miss Hunt at the luncheon.

Following the luncheon games of bridge were enjoyed by the following guests: Miss Hunt, her mother, Mrs. Susan Hunt, her aunt, Mrs. H. S. Cole, Jr., of Houston, Mrs. J. B. O'Connor and daughter, Miss Susa O'Connor of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. James P. Morris, Mrs. Pat Hinkson of Strawn, Mrs. Price Crawley, Mrs. Jimmy Phillips, Mrs. Bobbie Powell, Mrs. W. L. Downtain, Mrs. M. L. King, Mrs. James Ratliff, Mrs. Dean Crawley, Mrs. David D. Pickrell, Mrs. Ven White, Mrs. J. E. Matthews and Mrs. Charles Dean.

WSCS Ends Current Study

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met at the church Monday, April 21, with the president, Mrs. Vernon Deffebach, presiding. Mrs. G. C. Boswell led the opening prayer.

During the business session it was voted to invite Mrs. W. B. Landrum, field representative of the woman's division, to speak to the women of the church Friday evening, May 2.

Mrs. Curtis Savage gave the devotional, using the 14th chapter of Acts for scripture. Mrs. James Ratliff gave a beautiful poem pertaining to race relations, and Mrs. Carl Heinlen gave a discussion of Dr. Henry Smith Leiper's "Blind Spots."

This concluded the study, "The Christian and The Race," and the Society gave a vote of thanks to Mrs. Stanley McAnelly for her generous and untiring effort in conducting this study. Mrs. C. E. May dismissed the meeting with prayer after which Mrs. McAnelly served tea to the members.

Cigarette Tax Shows Big Jump For Last Year

CHICAGO (UP)—The Federation of Tax Administrators reports a record increase of 41 per cent in state cigarette and tobacco tax revenues during 1946.

The Federation reported that the 31 states which have cigarette and tobacco taxes collected \$236,500,000 from this source in 1946, compared with \$164,200,000 during 1945.

The increase was attributed to higher taxes in some states, and to increased production after the wartime cigarette shortage.

Nine states reported 1946 revenues from cigarettes and tobacco amounting to more than \$8,000,000. They were: New York, \$32,600,000; Massachusetts, \$20,100,000; Texas, \$19,900,000; Pennsylvania, \$19,300,000; Illinois, \$17,200,000; Ohio, \$15,500,000; Louisiana, \$11,200,000; Florida, \$11,100,000, and Oklahoma, \$8,800,000.

A. B. Chandler, baseball commissioner, is the second man ever to hold that post. Established in 1920, it was filled by Kenesaw Mountain Landis until his death.

No Legs . . . But Hopes To Play Ball



Unaware he has no legs, Greenwood Brann, Jr., age 11, has a cherry smile at Malden Hospital in Malden, Mass., with his father and Aunt, Mrs. Lillian Robertson. Greenwood is worried how his dad, a maintenance worker is going to pay his bills. Young Brann also told nurses how he hopes soon to play baseball with his friends. He still does not know that both his legs were amputated last week above the knees. Mrs. Brann, not in the picture is also in the hospital having a child. (NEA Telephoto).

Wong Knee New Takes Honorable Alternative Out

CHESTER, Pa. (UP)—Wong Knee New's friends respected his decision to commit suicide. They were convinced he had taken the "honorable way out."

Wong's sentence to life imprisonment for murder had been reversed by the State Supreme Court, but he felt his debts still made life unbearable.

He poisoned himself in New York and his Chinese associates here said that according to their Oriental philosophy he had taken the only honorable alternative.

Merchants-Thanked For Assistance

Members of the Olden Parents-Teachers Association today expressed their appreciation to the merchants of Ranger for their part in making the recent bingo party given by the organization a success.

Contributions by the merchants were largely responsible for the success of the effort, a member stated.

The highest point in Arizona is Humphreys Peak, an extinct volcano in the San Francisco mountains rising to 12,611 feet.

Rebekahs To Attend Breckenridge Meet

Members of the Ranger Rebekah Lodge No. 244 met at the I.O.O.F. Hall Tuesday for a business meeting which was presided over by Noble Grand, Lee Graham. Routine business was transacted and several members were reported absent due to illness.

Members wishing to attend the Oil Belt Association at Breckenridge are asked to meet at the hall Thursday evening, April 23. A bus has been secured to furnish transportation and will leave promptly at 5:30.

The penny prize furnished by Mrs. Bertie Shipman was won by Mrs. Clara Ivy. Twelve members were present.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Garner are the guests of Mr. Garner's son, B. E. Garner and Mrs. Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Brashears of Alice are the guests of Mrs. Brashears' son, Wilson Guest and Mrs. Guest.

Mrs. Mamie Ruth Hamrick has returned from Dallas where she represented the Ranger branch of the American Association of University Women at the national and state convention.

Mr. and Mrs. John Finto had as their guests for the week-end Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Champion of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Browning of Roscoe. All attended the Ice-Capades in Ft. Worth Sunday.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our deepest appreciation for the kindness and thoughtfulness shown us for the beautiful floral offerings following the illness and death of our loved one. We shall always be grateful. The Stuard and Miller families.

BARBS

BY HAL COCHRAN

SIX students at a Michigan college were suspended on charges of trying to steal examination papers. They REALLY failed!

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