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Special Session To Hear Truman Aid Plan

Well . . .
I Dunno,
But . . .

People who live in downtown Ranger were justly irritated Sunday morning after having their sleep disturbed Saturday night by the constant crack and boom of firecrackers.

In the first place there's an ordinance against the firecrackers being shot in downtown Ranger and in the second place the kids or grown-ups, which ever it is that was doing it, should have a little more respect for the rights of others.

Many complained to us about it Sunday and we personally wanted to tan the hide of the pranksters.

Another thing about this fireworks business, we think it should be against the law to sell some of those big fire crackers to the small kids. Every year we read and hear about kids getting seriously hurt with the fireworks because they are too small to know how to handle 'em. Some of the crackers and other fireworks are even dangerous for adults to fool with, much less the kids.

We notice that a number of towns are completely prohibiting the shooting of fireworks and are making the ordinance stick.

Anyway, if some of those people that were disturbed Saturday night get a hold of those that were shooting it up, they may realize that there's another kind of danger in shooting fireworks late at night and disturbing people's rest.

We thought everybody had heard of the Ranger oil boom but found out last night that there are some who haven't. In talking to a man in Dallas we mentioned the boom and he said, "What boom?" When we explained, he replied, "Well, you can see I'm not from Texas." And he sure must not be if he never heard of that one.

Figures just released by the Texas Department of Safety estimate that 100 persons will die and 2,870 others will be injured in accidents during the Christmas holidays and Governor Jester has issued a proclamation appealing to the people of Texas to impose upon themselves such discipline and sense of responsibility for the welfare of others that their acts while driving will not be responsible for injury or death to others.

Letters urging measures and appeals for safe driving have been mailed to mayors and police chiefs of Texas. The letters urge precautions as can be taken to make communities free of accidents.

The first step toward accident prevention is to be sure that the car you are driving is road worthy. Then next don't try to break all of the speed records and observe signals and highway courtesy, and pay strict attention to your driving while you're behind the wheel. If all of those things are carefully observed, chances are you won't have an accident.

Rains that fell during the weekend totaled 1.20 inches and about 14 inches of water were added to Lake Hagaman.

WANTED — Carriers for Ranger Daily Times routes. See Mr. Joe Dennis afternoons at the Times office.

SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

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Christmas is just around the corner. And now you can buy your gifts earlier. Buy them now and you'll have only 8 days left.



A Toast, Despite Stormy Words



Secretary of State George C. Marshall, left, and Russia's foreign minister, Vyacheslav Molotov, are pictured toasting each other after a luncheon in the American Embassy in London. The two statesmen eye each other calmly, despite many stormy exchanges during current Big Four meeting. (NEA Radio-Telephoto).

REVALUATION OF RUBLE IS TALE TELLING

WASHINGTON — Moscow's drastic revaluation of the ruble was described here today as a "monetary purge" that indicates Russia's inflationary troubles are far worse than ever suspected on this side of the iron curtain.

The step was not completely unexpected here. The state department's "Voice of America" programs broadcast a tip that it was coming 11 days ago. But even the most informed officials were amazed by the exchange rate under which many Russian's will get only one new ruble for every 10 they now hold.

One federal reserve official said he could recall no other incident in recent history when a great power had virtually repudiated its own currency.

State department officials said the "Voice of America" programs are now broadcasting the Russian news to every country that can be contacted. Significantly, Moscow's announcement came on the heels of Russian charges that a post war inflation had brought capitalistic countries to the brink of collapse.

Cpl. Bill Judy Assigned To Adj. Gen. Office

HEADQUARTERS, SEVENTH AIR FORCE — Cpl. Billy N. Judy son of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Judy of 601 Spring Rd., Ranger, has been assigned to the Adjutant General's office, Seventh Air Force, according to an announcement by Maj. Gen. Ralph H. Wooten, commanding general.

Arriving in this theater on October 28, for his first tour of duty in the Hawaiian Islands, the 19-year-old corporal served with the base publications section at Alamogordo, N. M., prior to receiving his present assignment.

Enlisting for military duty on June 18, 1946, Corporal Judy took basic training at SAAC, San Antonio, Texas. A brother Jack, BM Second Class, is now serving in the Navy.

Quarterback Club Postpones Meet

It was announced today that there will not be a meeting of the Quarterback Club tonight because of conflicting events and the club will not resume meetings until after the first of January.

Decision to postpone the meetings was made after consideration of the full calendar from now until after the first of the year.

Each year 175,000 forest fires, or 575 per day, burn over 5,000,000 acres of an area the size of the State of Virginia.

J. K. Dorris Of Route 1 Ranger Dies Monday

Jarome Kenray Dorris of Route 1, Ranger died in Ranger this morning and funeral services are pending the arrival of children.

The body is at Killingsworth's Chapel.

A native of Erath county, the deceased had resided in Ranger one year. He was born on May 30, 1896. He was a member of the Methodist church in Ranger.

Survivors are his wife, one son, Glen Dorris of Canyon, four daughters, Mrs. J. D. Drennan of Ranger, Mrs. T. H. Van Valkenburg of San Diego, California, Mrs. C. H. Thompson of McCaulley, Texas, and Miss Ann Dorris of Ranger; the following brothers and sisters, Berlin Dorris, of El Paso, Harlin Dorris of Clovis, New Mexico, Cletis Dorris of Clovis, Cone Dorris of Korea, Johnson Dorris, South Carolina, Mrs. G. L. Massey of Clovis, Mrs. E. C. Hammel of Dallas, Mrs. Helen Brewer of San Francisco and Mrs. Joe Paggett of Iowa. Five grandchildren also survive.

Large Crowd Hears Annual School Program

A large crowd was present Sunday afternoon for the annual school Christmas program given at the high school auditorium at 3 o'clock.

The program was under the direction of Miss Lilla Jean Brown, Miss Jennie Ruth Hooper, and Miss Jo Oyer of the fine arts department of Ranger Junior College.

An appreciative audience applauded the program of Christmas music and readings given by students, and regarded by those who heard it as one of the most enjoyable ever given.

An offering taken at the program was turned over to the Child Welfare Club for welfare work during the Christmas season.

Two Basketball Games Scheduled Here Tonight

A doubleheader in basketball will be played tonight beginning at 7 o'clock at the Recreation building when Ranger High School meets Gorman and Ranger Junior College plays Gainesville Junior College.

The college game is a return one, the two having played at Gainesville last Friday night when Ranger won by a score of 41 to 35.

Coaches are predicting that both games will be fast matches. The high school game is not a part of the scheduled district games but the college game is one of the zone games.

PIPKIN HEADS AREA SCOUT ORGANIZATION

At the annual meeting of the Comanche Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America, held in Brownwood Friday night, the following officers were elected:

President, Grady Phippin, Eastland; Vice-Presidents, O. E. Winebrenner, Brownwood; John Bailey, Breckenridge; Owen H. Ellis, Stephenville; W. B. Pickens, Eastland; John Gibbons, Richland Springs; L. C. Ward, San Saba; Treasurer, C. L. Pouncey, Brownwood; Council Commissioner, Rio Cox, Brownwood; Nat'l. Council Representative, J. A. Bates, Ranger; Nat'l. Council Representative, Dr. N. B. Taylor, Lampasas.

Following the business session was the Annual Banquet which was presided over by O. E. Winebrenner. The main speaker of the evening was Glenn Singleton, Deputy Regional Executive from the Dallas Regional Office, who spoke on "The Regional Perspective of Scouting".

Guy Quirk, Council Executive, gave an Annual Report on the advancement made during 1947.

Attending the meeting from Eastland were: Grady Phippin, W. B. Pickens, and S. J. Potts, Field Executive.

Apaches Pioneered In Silver Bullets

PHOENIX, Ariz. (UP) — The Lone Ranger employs silver bullets to maintain law and order in the West, but Arizona's warlike Apaches had them a long time before the Lone Ranger, according to A. L. Flagg, superintendent of the minerals department of the Arizona State Fair.

Flagg said law and order was something that didn't interest the Apaches at all. Silver for their bullets came from Richmond Basin, near Globe, where the almost pure metal at one time could be poked up on the surface.

Miners in the frontier days of Arizona removed millions of dollars of the precious metal from the fabulous basin.

Jaycee Meet Postponed

Due to the fact that there is a conflict with events in the Blue Room of the Gholson Hotel, the Junior Chamber of Commerce meeting scheduled for tonight will be postponed until a later meeting.

GRAND JURY RETURNS

The 91st district court grand jury, impaneled Monday morning, December 8, and recessed that afternoon, will reconvene Tuesday morning. After a short session, the body will likely recess until after the Christmas holidays.

Texas has the tallest monument in the world—the San Jacinto Monument and Museum, at San Jacinto battlegrounds, 18 miles from Houston, where Texas' independence from Mexico was won. It is 564 feet above finished grade line. Cost \$1,000,000.

ONE DIES, TWO INJURED IN RANGER CRASH

Albert Hamilton, 57, of Ranger died Sunday morning about 5:22 o'clock in the West Texas Hospital in Ranger of injuries sustained when the car in which he was riding was struck at the Main Street crossing by a west bound Texas and Pacific passenger train about 1 o'clock Sunday morning.

Angel Kentneria and Claude Dixon, 44, who were also in the accident were reported this morning to be recovering from their injuries. The two are in the West Texas hospital where it was reported that Dixon was the more seriously injured of the two.

According to reports of the accident, the men drove into the path of the oncoming train without seeing it or else not realizing that it was so close to them. The car which was going west, was knocked several feet into a taxi parked at the curb waiting for the train to arrive. Thomas Fox, Jr., who was driving the taxi narrowly escaped when, as he stood beside his car, he saw what was going to happen and ran.

Funeral services for Hamilton were conducted Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Killingsworth Chapel with Rev. Jasper C. Massee of the Second Baptist church officiating. Interment was in the Evergreen cemetery.

The deceased was born in San Antonio, December 24, 1889 and had resided in Ranger 21 years where he engaged in blacksmithing with his brother at the Hamilton Blacksmith shop.

Survivors are two brothers, P. M. Hamilton and W. P. Hamilton, both of Ranger, a sister, Mrs. Nora Arriego of Austin and his mother, Mrs. J. M. Hamilton of Ranger. Three nephews and six nieces also survive.

Funeral services were for Walter Adams, Owen Hamilton, Carlton Adams, Coleman Brown, Turney McCleskey, and Allie Thompson, all of Ranger.

Urges Tuition Free For Two Years College

WASHINGTON — President Truman's commission on higher education urged today that all worthy students be given tuition-free schooling through the first two years of college.

Calling for "sweeping changes" in higher education, the commission also recommended a reduction in tuition fees for college upper classmen and graduate students, prompt elimination of the "quota system" and segregation and doubling present college attendance by 1960.

In the first of six volumes reporting on "Higher Education for American Democracy," the 20-member commission also told Mr. Truman that many of the European concepts of education have been abandoned and that the American education system should be strengthened and attuned "to the needs of the free citizens of our democracy."

County Group To Ask Extension Of Carbon-Star Road

A delegation from Eastland county, headed by County Judge P. L. Crossley and L. E. McGraw, president of the Chamber of Commerce of Eastland, and including representatives from Okla., Rising Star and Carbon as well as members of the Eastland county commissioners' court, will go to Austin Tuesday morning to appear before the Texas Highway Commission to ask the commission's consideration of a state highway between Carbon and Rising Star.

The proposed highway, which the Eastland county delegation will ask the commission to consider, is about 16 miles long and would provide a direct paved route from Eastland to Rising Star via Carbon and Okla. At present, travel between Eastland and Rising Star over pavement is routed through Cisco.

Western Group Holds Crucial Meeting Today

LONDON—The western delegations held a crucial meeting today a few hours before the Big Four foreign ministers gathered for a session that probably will determine whether their sixth conference will collapse or continue in an effort to reach an understanding about Germany.

Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin in consulted Prime Minister Clement Attlee about the Big Four crisis after a British cabinet meeting. It was assumed that Russia's Vyacheslav M. Molotov had had some long telephone conversations with the Kremlin over the week-end to get its final word.

Secretary of State George C. Marshall conferred with his delegation and top advisers. Marshall was reliably reported to feel that if Molotov would not back down in his demands for \$10,000,000,000 reparations from the Reich, while the United States and Britain pour in money to keep the Germans from starving, there was no sense of going on.

House Democrats Protest GOP Strategy On Bill

WASHINGTON—House Democrats protested angrily today as Republicans devised strategy aimed at passing their own anti-inflation program by nightfall on this no-nothing basis.

Republicans were determined to hold debate to a minimum and Speaker Joseph W. Martin, Jr., Mass., said he was confident the four-point GOP substitute for President Truman's 10-step program could be approved today.

House Democratic Leader Sam Rayburn of Texas and Rep. A. S. Mike Monroney, D., Okla., strongly denounced Republican plans to "cut" debate and bar amendments. Monroney said the Republican program was "an answer to the problem of high living costs."

Baldwin Funeral Being Arranged

LONDON—Funeral services were being arranged today for Earl-Stanley Baldwin, three time prime minister of Britain whose last major act was to force the abdication of King Edward VIII, now the Duke of Windsor.

Baldwin died in his sleep Saturday night at his home, Astley Hall, Stourport-on-Severn in Worcestershire. He was 80. He had retired 10 years ago, shortly after the coronation of King George VI in 1937.

The Governor Beats The Drum



Gov. Frank Carlson of Kansas beats the drum with one hand, as, with the other hand, he donates \$10 to launch a campaign to send the University of Kansas band to Miami Fla., where Kansas will meet Georgia Tech in the Orange Bowl on New Year's Day. With the governor are, left to right, Harry Spencer, business manager of the band, Wayne Adams and Pete Wiley.

VETERAN OIL MAN OF RANGER DIES SUNDAY

Funeral services for Leander J. McMillen, 85, of Ranger will be conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Morris Funerals Home in Ranger with Dr. Claud P. Jones, assisted by Rev. David C. Ham, officiating. Interment will be in the Evergreen cemetery.

Mr. McMillen died in a hospital at Siloam Springs, Arkansas Sunday, December 14, 1947. He was born in Greenville, Pa., May 24, 1862 and had resided in Ranger since 1932. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and of the Garfield Masonic Lodge No. 604 at Macdonald, Pa. He had followed the oil business all of his life, having served as superintendent of the South Penn Oil Company in West Virginia and having come to Ranger as an employee of the Transcontinental Oil Company. He had retired from business a number of years ago. Veterans of the oil business in this section, on learning of his death spoke highly of his character and ability.

He is survived by two sons, E. L. McMillen of Ranger, Raymond McMillen of Tulsa, Oklahoma and one daughter, Mrs. Gracie Carpenter of Siloam Springs.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. J. Kelly, Dr. Ross Hodges, Felton Bradsher, J. E. Matthews, C. E. May, Sr., Max Ohr, John Reusser and Onis Littlefield.

Last U. S. Troops Leave Italy

ROME—The last 1,600 United States troops in Italy were on their way home today but the Italian Communist party had a clear warning from President Truman not to use their departure as the signal for an attempt to take over the country.

As the Americans sailed from Leghorn on the transport Admiral Sims yesterday, Premier Alcide De Gasperi finished shaking up his non-Communist cabinet. He added five moderate left Republicans and rightwing Socialists to its membership.

Giuseppe Saragat, a strong anti-Communist and Socialist, and Rinaldo Ossola, chief of the Republican party, were made vice premiers. The addition of the left Republicans and moderate Socialists wrecked the Communist hopes of forming an anti-government leftist front for the March general elections.

La Paz, Bolivia, is the highest capital in the world. It lies in a river valley in the Andes Mountains, 12,000 feet above sea level.

PRESIDENT CONFERS WITH SENATE AND HOUSE LEADERS

WASHINGTON — President Truman assured Congressional leaders today that he will submit his message on the Marshall plan for long range European recovery before the special session adjourns on Friday.

Mr. Truman conferred for 15 minutes at the White House this morning with House and Senate leaders of both parties. After the meeting, Senate president Arthur Vandenberg, R., Mich said Mr. Truman "wanted to notify us that he will have his message on the long range plan for submission this week."

Mr. Truman also wanted to ask the Congressional leaders about their plans for adjournment, and they told him both houses plan to get Friday.

Congressional action on the \$597,000,000 bill for emergency aid to Europe is near completion. A conference compromise authorizing stop gap aid to France, Italy, Austria and China is expected to receive approval of both houses today.

Vandenberg said Mr. Truman did not reveal exactly when his Marshall Plan message would be sent to Congress except that it will go up before Friday. Mr. Truman does not plan to deliver the message in person because of his leg.

As the administration campaign for long-range help to Europe got rolling, the emergency aid bill was ready for final approval by Congress.

Action was to come on a conference report adjusting differences in bills originally approved by the House and Senate. The Senate had authorized \$597,000,000 for the three European countries alone. The House had approved \$505,000,000 for those three countries plus \$50,000,000 for China. The conferees reached the final agreement Saturday.

Burglars Rob Cisco Grocery Saturday Night

Burglars entered the Norvell & Miller grocery store in Cisco Saturday night and robbed the safe of an unannounced sum of money. Entrance to the building, according to Sheriff J. B. Williams, was gained through a skylight.

The knob was knocked off the safe door and the door battered in and opened.

A number of clues, including some tools, were found in and about the building.

The building, officers believe, was entered between 11:30 and 1:30 Saturday night.

Officers in this area are working on the case.

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK
Cattle 3200. Steers and yearlings slow, other classes active and strong. Steers and yearlings 20-26. Cows 17.50-19. Canners and cutters 10-14.

Calves 2200. Active. 11m. Choice calves 21-27. Stocker calves 19-22.50, few calves to 23.

Hogs 1400. Butchers 25-50 higher. Sows and pigs steady. Top 24.75. Most 26.50 on butchers. Sows 24.50 to mostly 25. Bucklers 17-20.

The Weather

Partly cloudy becoming fair and colder.

Temperatures at 1:30 p.m. local time
Maximum 44
Minimum 37
Hour's Reading 44
Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a.m. today
Maximum 46
Minimum 27

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—Republican strategy in dealing with the President's anti-inflation program is to criticize the Democrats for everything they do and everything they don't do, whether it makes sense or not.

Blaming them for the existence of today's high prices, and view with alarm all proposals to put on controls to keep 'em down. Criticize the administration for not using all the powers it has, and bawl it out if it asks for more powers. Censure every one of the President's specific requests, and find fault with them because they are too vague.

In fighter's parlance, this is known as giving them the old one-two. Fight with the left to sock with the right. The Democratic defense lends itself to this attack. Knowing that price, rationing and wage controls are unpopular, the administration has been feeling its way.

The result is that, before Senator Taft's Joint Economic Committee and Rep. Jesse Wolcott's House Banking and Currency Committee, Democratic spokesmen have given the impression that the Truman administration is far from sure of what it wants. There is no sign that the administration is preparing an omnibus bill to carry out all of Truman's 10 points. So Taft says the proposals are not made in good faith, and Wolcott says he never heard such vague testimony.

As a matter of fact, the Truman administration does not seem to be pulling together on this program. Senator Tobey's Banking Committee has been given conflicting testimony on how credit controls should be handled. Secretary of Agriculture Anderson has had to back away from the proposed livestock marketing controls. Secretary of Commerce Harriman has not given a clear picture of what commodities he wants to control, or how. And Secretary of Labor Schweitzer indicates that wage ceilings can probably be handled by voluntary means, though he'd like controls, just in case.

This uncertain approach enables Republicans to say that the Democrats just want to get a control foot in the door so they can muscle in later to regiment the economy. Again the old one-two. Part of the trouble seems to be that the job of fighting inflation has been scattered all over town. Instead of one department being put in charge of economic stabilization, there are five.

Agriculture is planning for grain and meat controls. Commerce for steel and such stuff. Federal Reserve for credit control. Treasury will put on the savings bond drive, and Labor will put on wage ceilings. Perhaps this split-up is politically wise, since Congress left OPA's functions thus scattered by the Second Decontrol Act it passed last summer. Also, knowing how unpopular OPA was, the Democrats may not have wanted to hint that they might bring it back.

All this monkeying around and political shadow-boxing is reminiscent of 1941. Everybody was then talking about selective price control and taking things easy, as they came, which didn't do any good. It wasn't until they started to get tough about high prices, with a hald-the-line order and a real stabilization act, that they began to get results.

There is, of course, a marked difference of opinion as to whether further inflation in 1943 offers any danger. Taft says higher prices would be preferable to controls. The National Association of Manufacturers says controls would be a club in the closet to whack business. Truman wants some controls made ready. He may not use them, he says, but he'd like to have them available in case inflation gets any worse. It is steadily getting no better.

If experience in two world wars proves anything, it is that the only way to regulate wages and prices is to regulate wages and prices, period. This is the idea that Bernard M. Baruch has tried to sell in both wars, and never gotten across. Slap on a ceiling. Not as of next April when inflation may be worse, but as of yesterday. Then hold that line and quit playing politics.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Frank Leahy didn't like the looks of his Notre Dame team when the Irish beat Purdue, 22-7, in their second start.

Calling the young men together when practice was resumed, the incredible South Bend plymaker said: "I look like we'll have to start all over, and get right back to fundamentals."

"Now, lads, this is a football. Please, coach, as fast as broke in the great tackle, Ziggy Carolski."

The Southern California game marked the end of the collegiate careers of Casarowski as well as his first-string running mate, George Connor, and back Johnny Lujack, Bob Livingston, Floyd Simmons, Fred Evley, Pete Ashbaugh and Corrie Clatt and tackles George Sullivan and Gasper Urban and guard Joe Signaigo.

BUT don't feel sorry for Notre Dame. There is plenty left, and the Irish have a superior freshman class included in the latter is the 196-pound, 20-year-old Jack Landry, from Rochester Aquinas, whom the ever-conservative Leahy calls the finest backfield prospect he has ever seen.

Landry came ready made, having been drilled in the Leahy T by Harry the Horse Wright, who called the first plays the great coachman at Notre Dame.

Notre Dame went into the Southern California scrap with a 17-game streak without a defeat, extending through the 1946-47 season. The last team to shade

Soviet Does Things Bigger And Better

MOSCOW (UP)—A 125-pound watermelon was grown this year on a collective farm near Frakhent, a report reaching Moscow said.
It was only one outstanding example of a tendency toward gigantism in that region this year. Melons were reported from 33 to 39 pounds, "average" onions weighed 14 ounces and "many" weighed nearly two pounds. Some sweet potatoes weighing 44 pounds were reported.

'Shucks! What Have I Got To Gripe About?



Bughouse Square Misses Lady Cop

CHICAGO (UP)—Some of the kindness and quiet dignity has gone out of Bughouse Square. The "lady cop" has passed along and her beat, which she called a "hobby," is patrolled by a male policeman.
The debaters, drunks, dope peddlers and addicts, derelicts from cheap hotels and rowdy pickups don't exactly take to men cops. They miss kindly, bright-eyed Mrs. Marie C. Hagan, 74, who before she died for 25 years kept peace in the mecca of soapbox orators and rebels.
After Mrs. Hagan's last visit, somebody asked her if she wasn't frightened at the tempo and topics

of the arguing—religion, Russia, communism and capitalism.

FUNNY BUSINESS



OUT OUR WAY



FUNNY BUSINESS



"Uncle Ed wouldn't move out of the hammock so we put a tent over him for the winter!"

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Former Dancer

HORIZONTAL

- 1 & 6 Pictured
- 7 Celestial
- 8 Responded
- 9 War god
- 10 Fasten
- 11 Care for
- 12 Impudent
- 13 Two-fold
- 14 Tuscany river
- 15 Tiers (ab.)
- 16 Id est (ab.)
- 17 Heating
- 18 Sables
- 19 Time measure
- 20 Man's name
- 21 Mountain spur
- 22 Singing voice
- 23 Pronoun
- 24 Sun god
- 25 Her name
- 26 Her famous brother is named
- 27 Sea eagles
- 28 Precipitation
- 29 Military helper
- 30 Harvest
- 31 Reservoir
- 32 Nullify
- 33 Came in
- 34 Put into code

VERTICAL

- 1 Adjust
- 2 First-hand

Answer to Previous Puzzle

HAROLD BURTON

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



BY MERRILL BLOSSER



RED RYDER



BY FRED HARMON



ALLEY OOP



BY V. T. HAMLIN



This Is Happy

By PEGGY DERN

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It was a few days later that she saw the Savannah newspaper. She had come down to breakfast a little earlier than the others and was in the drawing room waiting for breakfast when she saw the stack of neatly folded newspapers on a side table. Carelessly she lifted the newspaper on top and turned the pages idly. Suddenly she sat erect, bright-eyed and eager. For Steve's face looked back at her from the newspaper, and beneath it there was a line of print:

Stephen Landers, well-known newspaper correspondent and radio commentator, who will speak tonight at the Auditorium. Beside the picture, there was the usual "interview with a visiting celebrity."

Madeline and Joyce came in with a casual "good morning," but Happy was on her feet, holding out the paper, exclaiming happily about Steve's presence in Savannah. So eager and excited was she that Madeline looked puzzled and a little disturbed.

"It's Steve," Happy explained eagerly, not realizing how much she was betraying her inmost feelings in the excitement of knowing that Steve was so near. "He's in Savannah! Oh, I'm going up to see him. It's not far—there must be buses and things."

Joyce and Madeline exchanged a swift glance and Madeline said quickly, "But of course, Happy, we'll all three go. It's only 80 miles and a fine road. We can make it in two hours or less. Joyce and I have some shopping to do."

She excused herself and came back into the dining room when Joyce and Happy were almost half through their meal. "I telephoned George—he's at

still toused, though he had combed it hastily, and a dark blue robe belted snugly about his waist, as she came toward him down the corridor.

"Happy!" His arms went about her and caught her close, to the frank delight of the elevator operator, who was lingering to watch. "Happy—mignon—you're real! I thought I was imagining things. Come on in!"

THE sitting room of his suite was strewn with newspaper, a portable typewriter stood on a table, with an untidy sheet of manuscript paper on one side, an equally untidy sheet of typed sheets liberally adorned with pencilled corrections on the other.

"Let me look at you!" said Steve, and held her away from him. "By golly, you're prettier than ever—a life of luxury seems to agree with you! And what a swell tan!"

"Oh, Steve, it's grand seeing you again!" she cried. "And seeing you is like coming on a green oasis in a desert. What the heck are you doing in Savannah?" he demanded.

"Mrs. Harrell and Joyce brought me in. They wanted to do some shopping. And they want us to have tea with them at 8—and we're going to stay and hear you lecture tonight." Steve looked genuinely alarmed. "Don't you dare!" he protested sharply. "Don't you dare come near the place! Good grief, gal, it's tough enough to get through one of these harangues without knowing you are in the place." And Happy, understanding, and laughing a little in warm, tender amusement, answered soothingly, "All right, all right; don't look so terrified. We'll just go to a movie, then, until you're finished." "Having fun, Happy?" Steve asked after a moment. "Of course, Steve! But I'm checking a little homesick. Isn't that silly?" Steve nodded and gave her shoulder a pat. "Wait right here, pretty thing, while I toss on some clothes and we'll go out and see the town." (To Be Continued)



John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, leaves UMW's Washington headquarters after announcing that the union had severed connections with the AFL.

Safety Factor Urged in Xmas Shopping

NEW YORK (UP)—The Greater New York Safety Council advises Christmas shoppers to consider the safety factor when buying gifts for children.

Christmas Shoppers YOUR THEATRE MAN BRAN GARNER Says SEASON'S GREETINGS TO YOU ALL AND SUGGESTS THAT YOU Give Entertainment THIS YEAR IN COUPONS REDEMPTIBLE AT YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE! THEATRE Gift BOOKS

This Is Happy

By PEGGY DERN. WHEN Steve came back into the sitting room, sleek and well-groomed and undeniably handsome, Happy was absorbed in the typed sheets she had found beside the typewriter.

Happy stand still in sheer delight. It was a tiny house, not more than 25 feet wide at most; yet it was three stories high, with a walled garden at the back.

Hey, Sarge, Lay Off—For the Kiddies



Recruiting Sgt. James Kerper, of Sturgis, S. D., is doing his best to argue Santa into enlisting in the Army, but Santa just smiles because he knows that he is booked solid until after the Yuletide holiday.

Jefferson Poverty Plea Revealed

CINCINNATI, O. (UP)—Even Presidents of the United States sometimes find themselves financially embarrassed. A letter written by Thomas Jefferson when he was President and "very hard pushed" for funds has come to light at the University of Cincinnati.

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Montgomery Ward Catalog Sales Department. Catalog Orders placed up to December 20th will reach you in time for Christmas. Just place your order with our Catalog Sales Department anytime up to December 20th, and you'll have your purchases in time for Christmas.

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COURTHOUSE NEWS AND RECORDS

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

INSTRUMENTS FILED

The following instruments were filed for record in the County Clerk's office last week:
W. L. Andrus to J. L. Yancey, release of vendor's lien.
C. A. Brewer to Marshall H. Jones, warranty deed.
D. B. Beyhan, to C. D. Lane, quit claim deed.
Robert L. Butler to J. B. Harbin, release of vendor's lien.
Herman Barron to E. J. Williamson, warranty deed.
Mrs. Ruth Clark to R. B. Lamb, warranty deed.
City of Cisco to James J. Spoon, special warranty deed.
City of Cisco to J. E. McCannell, special warranty deed.
Margie Childers to J. A. Wolfe, warranty deed.
Wanda June Crosby to Bessie Bennett, release.
W. A. Canafax to Ed Franklin, quit claim deed.
E. P. Crawford to Herman Barron, release of lien.
Charles L. Cofer to E. C. Mosley, warranty deed.
Harley Corder to Agnes Williamson, warranty deed.
Commercial State Bank, Ranger to E. C. White, release of lien.
Walter A. Coffman to Texas Electric Service Company right of way.
Roy Lenoy Choate to G. A. West, deed of trust.
J. L. Dunaway to W. W. Anderson, warranty deed.
Charles T. Dean to J. P. Morris, warranty deed.
Eastland National Bank to R. L. Jones, assignment of lien.
Eastland National Bank to Southland Life Insurance Company, transfer of lien.
F. C. Eaves to J. A. McNeeley, release of vendor's lien.
F. C. Eaves to J. A. McNeeley, release of vendor's lien.
Sig Faircloth to Southland Life Insurance Company, deed of trust.
First National Bank, Cisco to J. E. Doty, release of deed of deed of trust.
Ida S. Ford to Mrs. L. M. Colburn, warranty deed.
Great Southern Life Insurance Company to A. Z. Myrick, release of deed of trust.
Samuel Greer to N. D. Burns, special warranty deed.
Hickok Prod. & Dev. Co. to C. H. Fee, release of oil and gas lease.
R. H. Hodges to C. T. Dean, warranty deed.

J. H. Ives to McElroy Ranch Company, oil and gas lease.
J. T. Ingram to B. A. Ingram, warranty deed.
W. L. Lorenz to Maggie A. Ober Lorenz, warranty deed.
C. D. Lane to L. M. White, quit claim deed.
Eugene Lankford to The Public, affidavit.
N. E. Landers to M. P. McCollum warranty deed.
W. L. Maples to Eastland National Bank, deed of trust.
W. I. Maples to C. L. Webb, ML contract.
W. I. Maples to R. L. Jones, deed of trust.
J. R. Moore to L. D. Tankersley, quit claim deed.
W. R. Morris to V. B. Fenwick, warranty deed.
J. P. McCracken to McElroy Ranch Company, oil and gas lease.
S. B. Norton to Fred Napier, release of lien.
A. F. Nieman to E. P. Crawford assignment of lien.
Valena P. Olson to W. E. Asberry, warranty deed.
W. A. Pence to Samuel Greer, deed.
Oliver H. Phillips to R. C. Smith, warranty deed.
S. E. Price to N. B. Studdum, warranty deed.
Earnest E. Rutledge to L. M. Rutledge warranty deed.
L. M. Rutledge to Higginbotham Bros. & Company, MML.
L. M. Rutledge to Higginbotham Bros. & Co., deed of trust.
James J. Spoon to State Reserve Life Insurance Company, deed of trust.
The State of Texas to City of Cisco, quit claim deed.
H. W. Sublett to The Public, proof of heirship.
F. R. Scott to Joe A. Weise, release of vendor's lien.
San Angelo National Bank to D. B. Beyhan, quit claim deed.
Tom B. Stark to Charles L. Cofer, warranty deed.
J. H. Scott to Woodrow Hallmark, warranty deed.
Jennie Perdue Stephens to Lone Star Roofing Company, oil and gas lease.
Bertie F. Sulanan to R. L. Shaw, warranty deed.
Ethel M. Triplett to J. M. Flournoy, oil and gas lease.
C. A. Timmons to Margie Childers, release of lien.
A. M. Thurman to H. C. Wharton, warranty deed.
J. H. Taylor to W. B. Britain, warranty deed.

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warranty deed.
E. H. Tandy to James F. Byrd, warranty deed.
J. H. Taylor to T. B. Kiper, deed of trust.
Floyd White to Ben R. Day, deed of trust.
C. L. Webb to R. L. Jones assignment of ML.
Hall Walker to Lorene Garza, warranty deed.
Dean Wilkinson to H. L. Ratliff, deed of trust.
C. S. Westbrook to Charles Lee Funderburk, deed.
PROBATE
J. R. Poplin, deceased, application to probate will.

ORDERS AND JUDGMENTS
The following orders and judgments were rendered from the 91st District Court last week:
The State of Texas v. R. L. Kirk, et al, judgment.
The State of Texas v. H. A. Neiger, et al, judgment.
Margaret Louise Bruening et al v. Robert O. V. Lawrence, contempt of court order.
James H. Caton v. Great Northern Life Insurance Co., judgment.
A. L. McCoy v. W. O. McCoy, judgment.
Ora Forsythe, v. J. A. Forsythe judgment.
Ex Parte: Mary Evans, order changing name.
Frances Truman Ramsey, order W. M. Ramsey, judgment.

Protect Your Eyes Warns State Health Officer, G. W. Cox

One of your most valued assets is good eyes. Many people thoughtlessly abuse the eyes and think little about it until trouble comes, declares Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.
What can you do to protect your eyes? First, it is important to take care of your general health. If bodies are tired, naturally the eyes are tired too. If there is infection in the body from teeth, kidneys, or other sources, the eyes will probably be affected.

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in diseases of the eye.
NEW YORK (UP)—A 70-page chart in Braille to help the thousands of blind persons here to use the municipal transportation system has been completed. The chart, said to be the first of its kind, gives a word picture of 500 stations, 1,000 platforms, track levels and train direction. Simple code symbols are used to guide the blind, with notations on train schedules, door locations, turnstiles, streets above ground and train routes.
The chart was developed, after a year's work, by William Wilchik of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind. The guild will publish the chart and distribute it free on request to all blind persons.
Minnesota's rural counties have the services of only 23 per cent of the state's doctors.

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This Is Happy

PEGGY, DERN

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It was 5 o'clock when they returned to the hotel and found Mrs. Harrell and Joyce waiting for them in the lobby.
"Oh, we've had the grandest time," Joyce bubbled once the greetings were over. "Mr. Landers, I love you for coming to town just when you did."

der which the poet, Sidney Lanier, used to sit when writing his poems, facing his beloved "Marshes of Glynn." And it was midway when at last the station wagon went up the drive and came to a halt at Sundown.
Steve looked about him in astonishment.
"GOOD grief, I wasn't prepared for anything like this. It's overpowering," he admitted and blushed at the admission.
Happy said eagerly, "I tried to tell you, but I couldn't find words."



"I'VE GOT A RIGHT to a big Christmas smile," says Rose Martin of Marshall, Texas, as she rises from her wheel chair. The 14-year-old girl is going home for Christmas—walking for the first time since she was struck with polio in March—thanks to the treatment given her at the Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children in Dallas. Entirely dependent on public contributions to meet its annual operating budget of over \$200,000, the hospital now is receiving donations from its many friends to carry on its humanitarian work.

'Antsy Pants' For Men On Market And Demand For Them Is Brisk

By James Brock
United Press Staff Correspondent
PHOENIX, Ariz. (UP) — The new look for men is finally sweeping the country, but it's not so much a "look" as an "it's there, all right, but you can't see it."

Antsy Pants, the latest wrinkle in boxer's shorts, is an exclusive product of Goldwater's Phoenix department store. Since the firm began placing advertisements in national magazines it has received more than 3,500 orders for the novel male lingerie.
Mr. America's desire to have his shorts adorned with huge red ants has the firm working overtime to fill orders which pour in at the rate of 150 a day.

Gene Warren, the store's men's shop buyer and Antsy Pants authority, said an additional clerk had to be hired to handle correspondence connected with the craze.
"We're not only 2,000 orders behind already," he said, "but new orders keep coming in faster than we can catch up on the old ones."

The firm's predicament is complicated because manufacturing the garment has its problems. The white broadcloth material is bought in New York, then shipped to Los Angeles, where the two inch-long facemiles of desert ants are imprinted. Still another Los Angeles firm does the actual cutting and stitching.
Largest of the orders, which

ognized officially in 1938. The name of the party was changed to Popular Socialist in 1943 after Moecews dissolution of the Communist.
The main strength of the Communists in Cuba always has been control of the labor movement, although the party claims 15,000 so-called "militants." An adjunct to the party is the so-called Young Socialist movement, which claims a membership of 50,000.

Story Of Margie's Wedding Dress

CLEVELAND (UP) — Margie Dowell was all set to be married. She had the man, the veil and the dress.

But the man, Melvin (Red) Eastin, also had a car, which was unpaid for. Margie made some unkind remarks about the sleek new auto and Red, in a fit of anger, was heard to say that his car meant more to him than anything.
Amid a burst of tears, Margie cried, "I hope you smash your car to smithereens."

Two weeks later Red did just that.
It wasn't long before Red's best friend, Joe, and Margie became engaged.
Margie still wasn't happy. Joe produced an engagement ring. "It isn't as pretty as Red's," Margie said.
As fate would have it, one night Margie and Red met again. Some six weeks later than originally scheduled, Red and Margie were married.

Margie wore a blue suit, instead of the bridal gown she had gone to such trouble to buy. "The dress

had brought me enough bad luck" she said.

It wasn't long afterward that this classified ad appeared in public print:

GET UP NIGHTS DUE TO KIDNEYS?

FLUSH THEM OUT THIS DOCTOR'S WAY
If you get up nights—have frequent desire to pass your water—but have only scanty passages—yes, and have backache, due to excess acidity in the urine, be glad you're reading this:
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BY HAL COCHRAN
THE wise political candidate is the fellow who stands for what the voters fall for.
The caretaker's horse at a Georgia golf club was destroyed by fire. We wonder if the gentlemen went around the course in anything.
We'll soon be complaining about zero weather—but it still will amount to naught.
Compromise is when a man agrees to let his wife buy what she has been arguing about if she will just shut up.
What tickles a man more than finding a dime in last year's overcoat?

CUBAN COMMUNISTS LOSING INFLUENCE IN ISLAND LIFE

By Frances McCarthy
United Press Staff Correspondent
HAVANA (UP) — Communism appears to be on the wane in Cuba.
The progressive elimination of years-long Communist influence is necessarily slow, however. The forthcoming presidential elections in 1948 may be used in horse trading by political opportunists to extend the life of the Communist party in Cuba.
The Communists have, since April, received a series of reversals from a once-friendly political ally—the government of Presi-

Gone—Where?

dent Ramon Grau San Martin. The present outspoken antagonism of the government to Communist influence in the Cuban labor movement has affected seriously the Communist party, or the Popular Socialist party as it is called in Cuba, formally announced the withdrawal of its support from the Grau government Sept. 9. That brought the moderates into a dominating position in the Cuban labor movement for the first time in years.
The Communist party in Cuba was founded in the late 1920's by Julip Antonio Meila and was rec-



Alice Ritchie, right, 14-year-old Cleveland, O., baby-sitter, vanished from her post under mysterious circumstances. With her two charges sleeping upstairs, the girl disappeared, together with a pistol and a panel truck. The house had been ransacked. The truck was later abandoned after an accident, and witnesses said a girl and two youthful companions fled from the scene. (NEA Photo).

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Golden Wedding Anniversary

L. A. Horn and wife Georgia Horn, of Chastain Addition, Eastland, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home Sunday, December 14th. Their two children and eight grandchildren were present except two grandchildren who were unable to attend.

L. A. Horn, son of the late Esquire H. B. Horn, of Eastland, was born and raised in Eastland County. He is 72 years of age. His wife Georgia Horn 69 years of age, was the daughter of Wm. M. Hagar, deceased. She was born in Mills County, but came with her parents to Eastland County while a mere child and has continued to reside here. Mrs. Horn's mother, Mrs. W. M. Hagar, is still living, and resides in Eastland with her son, Mrs. Horn's brother Virgil Hagar, Mrs. Hagar has reached the age of 86 years, and due to cold weather and her advanced age was unable to attend the celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Horn's five children and their families present for the occasion were as follows: Roy D. Horn, of Eastland; C. A. Horn and wife, Alice, their daughter, Miss Patsy Ann Horn, of Houston; Mrs. Gladys McCleskey and husband V. L. McCleskey, their sons Lee Alton McCleskey, and wife Jane McCleskey; Otis Lynn McCleskey accompanied by his fiancée Miss

Mary Anna Waters of Dallas; Velma Stubblefield, and husband Conner Stubblefield, their daughter Donna Jane Stubblefield and son Sammie Stubblefield of Goldthwaite; L. A. Horn and wife Ollie Mae Horn, their daughter Nancy Lee Horn, of Oklahoma City. Mr. Horn's niece, Mrs. R. C. Brittan of Breckenridge was also present.

Before sitting down to a delicious and bountiful wedding feast L. A. Horn, Jr., made a short talk and presented to his father and mother, in behalf of the other children, a beautiful ivory colored radio. Mrs. R. C. Brittan read a poem which was very suitable for the occasion.

During the afternoon, hot chocolate and frosted covered home made cookies were served to a number of relatives and friends who called on the host and hostess, which included the following: J. M. Horn, the only living brother of L. A. Horn, 81 years of age and his wife Mrs. Maggie Horn, their daughter Mrs. Stella Hazzard, of Eastland. L. A. Horn's nephew L. B. Horn and wife of Flatwood Community. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wood, John Sawyer and Mrs. Walter Boone, of Eastland.

L. A. Horn and his brother, J. M. Horn, recited some exciting experiences of the pioneer days of Eastland County. Stories and jokes were told. Mr. and Mrs. L.

A. Horn greatly enjoyed the occasion and Mr. Horn, laughingly told the visiting guests not to expect a celebration too often, but in another fifty years they were all invited to visit him again. Mr. and Mrs. Horn were united in marriage December 14th, 1897 by Rev. Robertson (now deceased) at Carbon. All their children and grandchildren are still living. Mr. and Mrs. Horn are in excellent health and heartily invite their friends to visit them at their home at any time.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hansford have returned from Oklahoma City where they visited their son, Billy Hansford and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Herweck were in Wichita Falls over the weekend where they visited Mr. Herweck's sister, Mrs. G. V. McElroy, Jr., and attended the Odesa-Wichita Falls football game.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown of Fort Worth are the parents of a baby boy born this morning in a Fort Worth Hospital. Mrs. Brown is the daughter of Mrs. Betty Craver and a sister of J. C. Craver.

Heartsease

by Elsie Glenn

ENCOUNTER

An I say it again: It's what you give to someone else, consciously or unconsciously, perhaps blindly even unintentionally . . . if what you gave lifted even for one brief moment someone's burden . . . or sorrow.

If you have learned one thing from "Heartsease" . . . to give away what you are . . . I thank God.

The other day I went to a certain place . . . to seek advice of someone. I was spiritually at low ebb . . . my very heart seemed tired . . . and I was confused.

But somewhere . . . the person I came to see . . . was doing something else . . . and I had to wait. It is sometimes good for people . . . to have to wait.

And I waited . . . and I waited . . . then someone spoke to me.

A man I had never seen before . . . his whole face was lighted with fellowship . . . with gladness . . . his outstretched hand in mine was strong and warm. As I looked into his face . . . the loneliness that is in every human heart . . . and that was in mine until that moment . . . was swept away. He told me he spoke to me because

he had been wondering what sort of person I was.

Then the woman I had waited for came in . . .

Because I have known her for a long time . . . and because I know she is fine . . . because of something about her; her complete gallantry . . . her deeply intelligent eyes . . . her courage . . . the set of her head . . . I was distressed because of a small gesture she made. She tiredly brushed her hand across her eyes . . .

Yet . . . she smiled at me . . . and she gave me the advice I sought in the same direct . . . pointed . . . generous way she does everything else.

Then I left . . . a braver and wiser person . . . a happier and better one.

Why? Because two people . . . with their own burdens and heartaches . . . and they have their share of both . . . took time to smile at me . . .

I tell you again:

It's what you give to someone else . . . consciously or unconsciously . . . perhaps blindly . . . even unintentionally . . . if what you gave lifted even for one brief moment someone else's burden . . . or sorrow.

Late News From Many Area Towns And Communities

Making its winter debut in Breckenridge, the Men's Chorus, that city's most famed musical organization, will be presented by the Breckenridge Women's Club in a program at 8:00 o'clock this (Monday) afternoon at the Breckenridge First Methodist church. Also on the program will be Herbert Rogers of Wichita Falls, young pianist who has just completed studies in New York and Philadelphia.

According to R. L. Ponsler of Cisco the Sam Hart well, 6 miles north of Cisco, Friday produced 480 barrels of oil after having been given the acid test. It showed a rock pressure of 1,300 pounds and is believed to be a really good producer.

Mrs. N. S. Kinard of Cisco received information Saturday that Milo H. Kinard, brother of her deceased husband, had just died in a hospital at Lubbock. Funeral arrangements are pending.

Clifford Gilbert of Carbon has been confined to his home suffering with an injured hip hurt when

he fell while wrecking a building in Brownwood recently.

A Girl Scout troop has been organized at Rising Star under the sponsorship of the Rising Star Business and Professional Women's club. Mrs. R. C. Chapman is leader and will be assisted by Mrs. Thurman Cox. Twelve girls, as follows, have signed as members: Luna Jean Allen, Patsy Jean Boyd, Sammy Lee Harris, Lucy Ellen Jacobs, Mary Ida Jackson, Lois Sue McCollum, Dorothy Murdock, Kathryn Morrow, Patricia Riden, Harriett Spinney, Marlene Stanfield and Betty Jane Westernman.

Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock the civic clubs of Ranger will present a musical program under the direction of Miss Lilla Jean Brown, head of the piano department of Ranger schools; Miss Jennye Ruth Hooper, head of the voice department, and William R. Falter, band director. The program will be given in the High School auditorium and the public is invited.

The Eastland Lions club meets tomorrow (Tuesday) at noon at which time the coaches and members of the Eastland High School football team will be guests of the club. Each Lion will be responsible for a meal for himself and at least one other.

Two Simple Rules On Filing Income Tax Returns

"Great confusion as to who is required to file income tax returns by January 15, 1948, exists in the minds of most taxpayers. This confusion is evidenced by the flood of questions received in our office daily," stated John B. Dunlap, Acting Collector of Internal Revenue for the Second District of Texas.

"For the information of the public, we would like to set forth two simple rules governing those who must file returns by January 15, 1948. All taxpayers not covered by these rules who file on a calendar year basis must file by March 15, 1948. No returns may be filed until after January 1, but the earlier they are filed after that date, the sooner those entitled to refunds will receive them.

The following type taxpayers must file returns by January 15, 1948:

1. Farmers—who derive at least two-thirds of their income from farming, ranching, or similar agricultural occupations, must file either an estimated income tax

or their final individual income tax return on Form 1040 before January 15, 1948. If the final return on Form 1040-ES for 1947 is filed, it will not be necessary to file an estimate.

2. Persons who have had material changes in income or exemptions—Taxpayers who filed estimated tax returns and who now find that their estimate must be substantially increased or decreased as a result of changes in income or exemptions must file an amended tax return on Form 1040-ES before January 15, 1948. If they so elect, they may file their final income tax return on Form 1040 before January 15 in lieu of the amended estimate.

"It is emphasized that the second type of taxpayer listed above has the right to file either an amended estimate or a final return. If the final return is filed by January 15, it will serve both as the return and as an amended estimate. If an amended estimate is filed by January 15, the taxpayer then has until March 15, 1948, to file the final income tax return.

"Any taxpayers who are in doubt as to whether they are required to file a tax return should contact a Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue. O Zone Field Office of the Collector is located in each principal city within the collection district."

Cotton Field Wedding Not Like Elizabeth's

BALDWIN, Ga. (UP)—Squire H. T. Sanders figures that the two hours it took Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh to be married was too long.

On the day the royal couple

were married, Sanders was picking cotton in his field when a man and woman drove up. They crossed the rows of cotton and presented a marriage license.

Without even removing his pickaxe, Sanders performed the ceremony and within two minutes the couple were gone and Sanders was back at his picking.

"My ceremony," he concluded, "was just as binding as that royal affair."

For the first nine months of 1947, 15 per cent less kerosene was exported from the United States than in 1946, according to American Petroleum Institute.

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