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Congress Makes Down Payment On Aid

Well... I Dunno, But...

Goodness me, Ranger Junior College is really getting swankey. In the mail this morning was one of their leather bound calendars and address book with stamp folder inserted. Now there'll be no excuse for forgetting addresses or running out of stamps.

Everybody's sure getting the Christmas spirit and the Ranger school band was helping instill that spirit Friday when they paraded on Main street and played Christmas carols.

That was certainly a nice gesture. Evidently that band means to be something more than a football boosting band. And that's good.

Meta Ann Scott took off by plane Saturday for Managua, Nicaragua, where she will spend the holidays with friends. She was to spend the night in Mexico City and go on by plane to Nicaragua Sunday.

Before leaving she made the remark that she was going where she could gather a bushel of orchids. Might do it, too.

The carillon bells start ringing Saturday night and will be placed on regular schedule for the pre-Christmas days and continue on the schedule through Christmas. They will ring twice each evening, at 7 to 7:30 and from 9 to 9:30. Those in charge pointed out they will time the ringing of the bells so that they will not conflict with services at other churches.

Betty Reauer will play the bells and at times records of Christmas carols will be played and there will also be broadcasts of organ music.

The girls at the Ranger Clinic who are Mrs. Al Tune, Mrs. J. D. Harrison and Ethel Perrin, thought up a good one. They made their Christmas tree serve a practical purpose as well as add a note of Christmas spirit and beauty to the clinic's reception room.

They bought many pounds of candy and packed it in cellophane bags and placed them under the tree. Then when some child came in that was frightened about going into the doctor's office, they would give him a sack of candy from the tree to still his fears. And they say it works.

So when we stopped by to see the gayly decorated tree which is topped with an unusually beautiful blue star, we got in a class with the kids by getting a sack of the candy.

If you haven't been reading Garden Lore by Mrs. Ethel Brookes Gilmore which appears in the Sunday edition of the Times, you've been missing something that would make your Christmas richer. Recently in her column she has given some beautiful legends about Christmas and we think you'll like them.

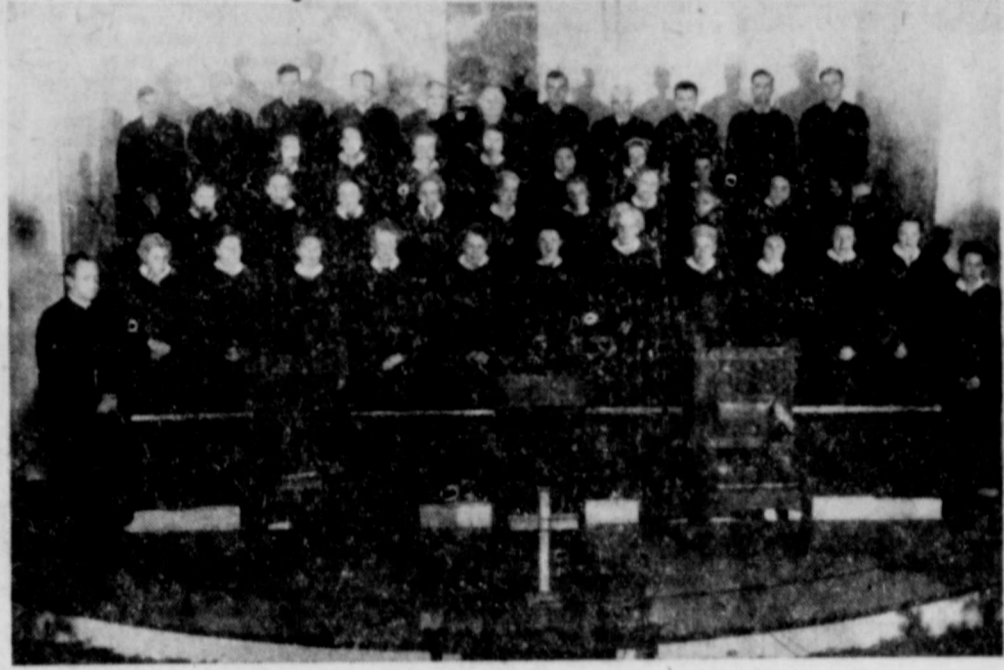
Mrs. Gilmore who makes writing and research in history her hobby is the daughter of one of Texas' pioneer newspaper publishers and writing comes as naturally as the hours of the day.

The human heart pumps the equivalent of six barrels of blood every hour, the World Book Encyclopedia states.



Shopping days to Christmas... Christmas bells is never blue. She's playing in the snow. You'd better do your shopping too. Just three more days to go.

To Sing Here Sunday



Members of the choirs of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches in Breckenridge who will sing Sunday night at the First Methodist Church are shown in the picture above. The choirs are under the direction of Charles Kiker and will be assisted on the program by the Junior Choir of the churches.

Muri Hancock, formerly of Ranger is violinist, Mrs. Marjorie Duncan pianist, Mr. Kiker will accompany at the organ.

The program will be at 7:30 o'clock and the public is invited to attend.

MAN 55 STILL TOPPING TREES IN NORTHWEST

ASTORIA, Ore. (UP)—Fifty-five is an age when most high climbers have retired to quiter pursuits on the ground.

John Gunderson, five years over the half century mark and the father of a six year old daughter, is still working at altitudes of over 200 feet "topping" the giant timber that grows in the northwest. He is the steeplejack of the loggers, the aristocrat of the woods and is paid accordingly—\$22 a day—even when there are no dangerously high trees to be sealed.

"In my business you get only one mistake," Gunderson says after working 25 errorless years. Lean, sinewy armed Gunderson (his stomach's as flat as a movie glamor girl's) was a logger in the tough "old days."

Once, during the '20's he worked in a camp near Saddle Mountain, where accidents killed five men in one week.

"The boss laid the bodies out on stumps and waited till quilting time to haul 'em into town," he recalled.

He's aware of the dangers of his job.

"Climbers have fallen and lived, but few of 'em ever have fallen and climbed again," he said. Their job is to top spar trees and rig them with cables and booms. When a tree (9 to 30 feet in circumference) has been chosen, they start the dangerous job of working their way to the toppling point.

Just a few months ago, Gunderson had his closest brush with death. Using two lines around the tree as he backed his way to the top, he forgot that one was unhooked from his belt when he released the other.

He was in free space. The ground, littered with stumps and stabs, was 200 feet below. The line with a ring on the end of it flashed through the air over his head. He made a quick pass at it as his body fell out from the tree. Death was seconds away. His finger caught the inch wide steel ring.

"You never stop learning in this job and you can never afford to get sloppy," Gunderson advises.

Meetings Postponed
It was announced Saturday that all meetings of the Junior Chamber of Commerce will be postponed until after the holidays and meetings will not be resumed until January 5.

A method of concentrating the feed value in alfalfa has been developed by research workers. Alfalfa juice is extracted and then dried so the powder can be mixed in livestock or poultry feeds.

Olden Hornets Defeat Strawn In Basketball

The Olden Hornets and Strawn played two games of basketball Friday at the Olden High School Gym.

The first game was played between the Olden High girls' 1 team and the Strawn girls' A team. The score was 25 to 5 in favor of the Strawn girls.

The second game was between the Olden boys' A team and the Strawn boys' A team resulting in a score of 29 to 24 in favor of the Olden boys.

The Strawn teams played good games in spite of the fact that they have not had a gym to practice in. This was the second time Olden has defeated Strawn this year.

The Olden boys' team have an undefeated record for the year, having won over Morton Valley, Strawn and Carbon and then Strawn again.

More Welfare Workers Needed By Department

COMMERCE, Tex. (UP)—More qualified young men and women must choose welfare work as a career to make Texas' program of public assistance successful, according to John H. Winters, executive director of the state department of public welfare.

Winters said in an address to students at East Texas State Teachers College that persons with tolerance and character are necessary to deal with the heartaches and incomes of others.

"Purpose of the welfare service is not to run anybody's life but to be of service," he said.

"People who cannot help themselves must be assisted by others if our citizenship is to be happy and our democracy is to be solid from top to bottom."

Winters explained that Texas' welfare program which is operated at an expenditure of \$87,000,000 yearly in state and federal funds must have a humane aspect administered by informed, understanding employees.

GI's Old Uniform Finds Way Back

NORMAN, Okla. (UP)—A Norman war veteran who donated his army uniform to an old clothes drive got the same clothes back again after later re-entering the army.

Mrs. A. J. Williams, a Red Cross worker, said the veteran gave his uniform away last spring. When he went back into service recently, he went to the Red Cross office here to see if he could find an old uniform in the clothes supply. He found his own.

SPECULATOR LIST BEING COMPILED

WASHINGTON—The Agriculture Department was trying today to compile a list of speculators that would expose the gamblers and yet protect innocent persons.

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson said he would like to have his aides check all the names on the list to make sure no injury is done to innocent persons having the same name as the commodity speculators.

The difficulty, however, is that the list may contain between 12,000 and 15,000 names of those who have traded on the commodity exchanges during the past two years. Agriculture officials said it would be virtually impossible to check each name and still get the list ready by next week as Anderson hopes to do.

One official said that in many cases the department has the names of market traders but no addresses.

The Secretary was authorized to reveal the names yesterday when Congress passed and President Truman signed a resolution to that effect.

With the list at hand, Congress will try to determine whether government "insiders" have been profiteering on the commodity exchanges. That charge has been leveled by Harold Stassen, Republican presidential aspirant. Anderson himself has implied that some congressmen are on the list.

Radio Stations WU Strike Comes Will Serve If

James Smith and J. C. Walker both operators of amateur radio stations in Ranger announced Saturday that if and when the Western Union strike occurs, they will handle emergency messages for the people of Ranger.

Smith's station is W5-ECE and Walker's is W5-AKM. Smith can be contacted at his home at 425 Walnut Street or at his West Texas Vocational School on Pine Street. Walker can be contacted at his home and shop on Highway 80 East.

It was stated that no charges will be made for any messages sent.

Smith has served in emergencies on a number of occasions, relaying messages from stricken areas such as the Texas City disaster and the area in north Texas and Oklahoma that was swept away by a tornado last spring.

UNIFYING OF WEST GERMANY LIKELY NEAR

WASHINGTON—Three power unification of Western Germany appeared in the offing today in the wake of Secretary of State George C. Marshall's assertion that complete unity is impossible until the East-West struggle over European recovery is resolved.

In his 2,500 word radio report to the American people on the failure of the London Big Four Conference, Marshall said last night that the split between the western democracies and Communist Russia is "clear cut" for the immediate future.

Blaming the Soviet Union for the deadlock on the German and Austrian treaties, Marshall held out hope for European stability until it has been determined whether "true freedom" or "governmental tyranny" is to prevail.

"We cannot look forward to a unified Germany at this time," the Secretary of State said. "We must do the best we can in the area where our influence can be felt."

Diplomatic officials said Marshall's remarks forecast American British-French talks on merger of their three zones of Germany. They said he does not believe it possible to attempt negotiation of a three-nation peace treaty with Western Germany.

Unification of the three western zones is believed to be virtually the only method of bringing pressure on Russia to agree to a settlement on Germany.

The American and British zones have been merged for a year. France so far has refused to join because of her objections to German industrial potential. But French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault left the way open to an agreement after the London meeting failed.

With the din of Soviet propaganda still ringing in his ears, Marshall said it was the "greatest disappointment" to him that the Big Four foreign ministers failed to reach accord at London. He deplored the "drowsy repetition of what had been said and re-said before" by Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov.

Pop Proves Realistic

GOSHEN, Ind. (UP)—Sheriff's officers hurried more than usual when an accident call reported that "there's lots of blood on the snow-covered pavement." The "blood" turned out to be strawberry pop which had been on a truck, one of the vehicles involved in a collision.

A foot-candle, the unit for measuring light, is the amount of light produced by the flame of a standard candle on a surface a foot distant.

Blames Trouble Makers With Prison Strike

SANDY POINT, Texas—Warden David Coers today blamed a "small group of trouble makers" for terrorizing 325 prisoners into a hunger strike at the Darrington State Prison Farm.

The strike was in its fourth day today, but Coers said some prisoners were eating lunches of rolls and coffee fed them in the fields.

"Many of the prisoners want to go into the mess halls and eat" he said, "but a small group of trouble makers is keeping them out by threatening them with violence."

"We are feeding any that want to eat out in the fields until we can find out who the ringleaders are. The remainder are being kept in the cell rooms."

Coers said he had ordered that all Christmas packages sent to the men by friends and relatives be held back from them until the strike is ended.

The prisoners refused a beef rib dinner offered them last night.

W. W. Thompson, assistant general manager of the state prison system, said there had been no violence in connection with the strike. He said he would make a personal investigation.

Officials said that most of the prisoners are "repeaters" sent up for a second time.

Officials said the food situation was critical throughout the Texas prison system, with practically no backlog of farm livestock.

Premier Gives Employees Bonus

David D. Dickrell, superintendent for the Ranger division of the Premier Oil Refining Company announced today that employees of the company are receiving Christmas bonuses.

Those who have been with the company six months or more will receive 50 per cent of a month's pay, those who have been with the company three months or more will receive 30 per cent of a month's pay and those who have been with the company less than three months will receive 15 per cent of a month's pay.

Funeral For Mrs. Spence Sunday

Funeral services for Mrs. F. J. Spence will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Hamner Funeral Home with Rev. L. A. Chapman, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating, assisted by Claud C. Smith, minister of the Church of Christ.

Mrs. Spence passed away in Eastland Saturday.

Marshall Returns From Conference



Returning home from the London Foreign Minister's conference, Secretary of State George Marshall, right, is met with a firm hand clasp from President Truman, who assured him he had done a "good job." The full presidential cabinet was also on hand to greet Marshall. At center is Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug. (NEA Telephoto).

1,000 KIDS GET JAYCEE XMAS GIFTS

Christmas was made brighter for 1,000 kids Saturday when members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce entertained with a big Christmas party at 4:30 o'clock at the Christmas tree standing beneath the derrick on Main street.

Santa Claus was on hand to distribute 1,000 gifts to the kids, gifts that were made in Ranger by the students of the West Texas Vocational School.

Crowds jammed the intersection and Boy Scouts assisted the Jaycees in lining up the kids to receive the gifts. Coy Sims led the crowd in singing Christmas carols and the Rev. James W. McClain of the Holy Trinity Episcopal church in Eastland told the Christmas story.

The party was planned and financed by the Jaycees with the assistance of the students at the school, Roy Martin Lumber Company, Ranger Lumber and Supply and Burton Lingo Company.

Hall Walker Made Trustee Of Hardin-Simmons

Hall Walker has been notified of his appointment to the board of trustees of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

Mr. Walker who is a graduate of the university was nominated for the position by the Sweetwater Baptist Association and elected by Baptist General Convention.

President Rupert N. Richardson of the University in his letter to Mr. Walker stated that he was named to the board because he is an alumnus and because of his genuine interest in the university.

He further stated that enrollment at the university had doubled and that the opportunities for service there were greater than ever before.

Legion Auxiliary To Have Party Tuesday Night

Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock members of the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary will entertain with a Christmas party and turkey dinner.

Gifts will be distributed from a Christmas tree and each person attending is asked to bring a gift for the exchange.

All veterans and their families are invited to attend.

\$540,000,000 GIVEN FOR FRANCE, ITALY, AUSTRIA, CHINA

WASHINGTON—Congress gave Pres. Truman a \$540,000,000 down payment on his European recovery plan today, but pledged a full scale review of U. S. foreign policy before judging his request for \$17,000,000,000 to stop Communism.

The \$540,000,000 was the amount finally approved for emergency aid to France, Italy, Austria and China. It is designed to tide those countries over until spring when Mr. Truman hopes to have the long-range Marshall plan in operation.

But there were indications that the four-year plan of economic aid to Europe would touch off perhaps the most bitter foreign policy debate since a "little group of wilful men" blocked U. S. entry into the League of Nations after World War I.

Some Republicans opened fire on the long-range program shortly after the President sent his Marshall plan message to Congress yesterday. Others withheld immediate comment, but indicated they would ask plenty of questions before committing themselves to the multi-billion-dollar proposal.

Sen. Robert A. Taft, R. O., chairman of the powerful GOP policy committee, said he was "unqualifiedly opposed" to a four year pledge of U. S. help. He described Mr. Truman's spending figures as "too high," and said the plan would push up prices in this country. He said the importance of American dollars in stopping Communism has been "exaggerated." Many of the goods the U. S. proposes to ship to Europe, said Taft, look like "luxuries rather than necessities."

Chairman Arthur H. Vandenberg of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, who is generally regarded as the chief Republican spokesman on foreign policy matters, said he would reserve judgment until after his committee holds hearings on the Marshall plan. The hearings begin Jan. 7.

Meyers To Be Arraigned Jan. 7

WASHINGTON—Government prosecutors today tentatively set Jan. 7 for the arraignment on perjury charges of Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers who faces a maximum prison sentence of 60 years if he is convicted.

The 52 year old retired air force procurement officer was indicted yesterday on six counts of perjury and subornation of perjury.

The Buffalo-born general, who was retired two years ago, already has been stripped of his \$550 monthly pension and his service medals.

In addition to the pending court action, he also faces possible court marital by the Army.

Brother of Miss Fullbright Better

Word has been received that the condition of J. L. Fullbright, of Victoria, brother of Miss Alma Fullbright of Ranger, is some better.

Mr. Fullbright was critically injured in an oil well accident recently and until Tuesday was unable to take food except interminously.

The Weather

FAIR AND WARMER
Temperature at 1:30 p.m. today
Maximum 53
Minimum 39
Bar's Reading 53
Temperature for the last 24 hours ending at 8:00 a. m. today
Maximum 62
Minimum 34

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

By Peter Hudson
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—The old question of how big a fleet of merchant passenger ships, freighters and tankers the United States should operate—and how much shipbuilders and operators should be subsidized by the government—is again hot. Half a dozen sparks have fired up the boilers and raised a head of steam.

1. The Geneva agreement, under which tariffs on three-fourths of America's imports will be reduced Jan. 1, 1948. While many U. S. manufacturers fight all thought of protective tariff cuts, shipping interests see only good in it. They believe lower trade barriers can lead only to increased world business. And most government officials believe greater U. S. imports are necessary to relieve the rest of the world's dollar shortages and balance trade.

2. Early adoption of the Marshall Plan. This is expected to assure continuance of heavy relief shipments over the next four years. President Truman has already asked Congress to extend Maritime Commission authority to operate, charter and sell government-owned vessels until June 30, 1949. This authority is due to expire Feb. 29, 1948.

3. THE unexpectedly heavy consumption of fuel oil and gasoline, which has made necessary the recommissioning of nearly 100 tankers laid up in the inactive fleet. At the end of the war surplus tankers were offered for sale to U. S. buyers. Those not sold were disposed of to foreign buyers. Now there is pressure to stop these sales abroad, so the tankers can be put in U. S. service.

4. A pending Interstate Commerce Commission decision on the petition of coastwise shippers for adjustment of rail and ship rates. Shipping interests want a higher rate for themselves. Also, an end to the railroads' practice of lagging rates so as to charge less freight on lines competing with water routes. If ICC ends this discrimination, an increase in coastwise shipping is likely.

5. The new report from President Truman's Advisory Committee on Merchant Marine, headed by K. T. Keller of Chrysler. It recommends a four-year, \$600 million program to build 46 new passenger ships and 200 cargo vessels to replace 20-year-old freighters.

All the foregoing are positive factors, indicating a continuing boom in shipping. There is one bearish influence:

6. This is an effort to amend the wage-hour law to provide a four-shift, 42-hour work-week for seamen. It would replace the present three-shift, 56-hour week at sea and the 40-hour week in port. If this change in the law is approved, it would mean a one-third increase in crews and costs on U. S. flagships. This, in turn, would make it harder for the U. S. merchant marine to compete with foreign flagships, which already have lower pay scales and operating costs. Or it would mean increased U. S. operating subsidies.

THE question of how big a fleet the U. S. should maintain for national security has been argued back and forth in Congress for many years. Main impact of the Keller report is to revive interest in the subject, and make old recommendations seem new. Congress set a policy in the Merchant Marine Act of 1936. A Maritime Commission report in 1938 laid out a long-range shipbuilding program which paid off handsomely by expansion in wartime.

In June, 1946, the Maritime Commission reviewed its program in the light of expected peacetime traffic. It recommended construction of 58 new passenger ships and 86 fast new freighters. The Keller report merely revises this to 46 passenger ships and 200 freighters—50 a year for four years.

If the President and Congress now accept the Keller Committee recommendations in whole or in part, it will merely mean that the old long-range Maritime Commission program will again be set in motion. It aims at a modern, active fleet of 1000 ships. This may be too small for an expanding world trade.

SPORTS

By Harry Grayson
NEA Sports Editor

(CHICAGO—NEA)—It's too bad football can't have a World Series, with the winners of the two major professional leagues meeting for the right to tackle Notre Dame for the championship. Notre Dame, in this observer's opinion, would beat the best of the pro teams.

I have always held that a top-notch college team would finish in front of the better money combinations. I mean varieties like the high-rolling ones turned out at Notre Dame, the kind Jack Sutherland molded at Pittsburgh, superior Alabama creations, Howard Jones' slicker machines at Southern California, the Minnesota outfits of 1934-35-36 and Army's unbeaten cadets of '44-'45-'46.

If this fall's 18 top college teams could be matched with the 18 pro clubs, I haven't the slightest doubt that the undergraduates would prevail by a wide margin.

A FOOTBALL player doesn't improve with age. The normal college age—19 to 22—is ideal for the toughest of all games. The Army and Navy Air Forces have long realized this. They will not take a trainee past 23.

I am more positive about the superiority of the top-flight college team every time I walk into the dressing room of a professional club.

Take Tex Coulter of the Giants, for example. As a West Pointer, his big tackle weighed 218 pounds. Now he's listed at 260. And how do you suppose the 250-pound Catef, Sandlee of the San Francisco 49ers compares with the 218-pounder who played so much fullback for Stanford seven seasons back?

Spartan individual competition is greater in the college ages.

"Very good," the defendant replied.

Brown, who was tried for the man for theft of \$8, asked, "have you ever been in the penitentiary?"

"Yes sub, I went down there once for burglary and was let out early on good behavior," the defendant explained.

Judge Brown added another 120 days to the man's "good record."

"Yes sub, my previous record."

Dollars to Doughnuts He Gets Through All Right



Finds Ozone Shields From Harm By Sun

CHICAGO (UP)—Ozone, a gaseous form of oxygen that is most prevalent 60,000 feet in the atmosphere, is mankind's greatest protection against the sun's dangerous rays.

D. Marcel Selman of the Institute of Nuclear Studies at the University of Chicago, one of three institutes in a new \$12,000,000 nuclear research program under way here, reports ozone makes it possible for human beings to expose themselves to the sun's rays.

Without ozone, it probably would be necessary for people to live underground to avoid the ready rays of the sun.

Birthday Portrait: Stalin at 68



As the U. S. S. R. prepared to celebrate the 68th birthday of Generalissimo Joseph V. Stalin on Dec. 21, Moscow released this new portrait of the Russian leader.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Commerce Head

- 3 Measure
- 4 Destiny
- 5 Outbuilding
- 6 At this place
- 7 He once
- 8 Comparative suffix
- 9 Face
- 10 Mental course
- 11 Later
- 12 Catech (coll.)
- 13 Machine parts
- 14 Virginia (ab.)
- 15 Bet
- 16 Plant
- 17 Curved exudation
- 18 Mural note
- 19 Anemol
- 20 Savory jelly
- 21 Goes by boat
- 22 Punctuation mark
- 23 Boredom
- 24 Cravats
- 25 Amphibian
- 26 Rent
- 27 Sprite
- 28 Goal
- 29 Sigma (ab.)
- 30 Most profound
- 31 Reddish dyes
- 32 Imbibes
- 33 Chinese group

Answer to Previous Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with some letters filled in.

Crossword puzzle grid with a portrait of a man in the center.

This Is Happy

By PEGGY DERN

XXVI
THE white azaleas were gone, but the petunias were flourishing, and yellow calendulas now made a bright, soft border around them. Happy, to whom the terrace was still a favorite spot, half lay, half sat in a big wicker chair, her eyes on the sweep of lawn that dropped to the edge of the stream.

It was late afternoon, and she had begged off from a round of calls with Joyce and Madeline. Save for the servants, she was alone in the house; or thought she was, until she heard a footstep and looked up to see George coming toward her, smiling.

"Hello! My word, but you look comfortable—and prettier than ever. Mind if I sit down? Or would you rather be alone?"

Happy smiled at him. "Don't be a goof. Of course I don't want to be alone; I'm just lazy!" She forced herself to sound pleasant and gay, though as a matter of fact she did want very much to be alone, as she had every hour since Steve went away. But she couldn't very well tell George that.

He dropped into a chair beside her and stretched out his long legs and heaved a vast sigh.

"Boy, am I tired!" he said contentedly. "It's been a swell day and we got a lot of work accomplished—hello, what's that?"

It came again, a peculiar dry, whirring sort of noise, a little like the noise of a brisk wind rattling the palmets, and yet oddly different. There was in it, despite her ignorance of what caused the sound, a chilling premonition for Happy.

They heard it again, and now George was on his feet, moving swiftly across the grass toward the creek. Happy followed him, puzzled and oddly uneasy.

George stopped so short, with a hand flung out behind him, that Happy trod on his heels. His hand held her still and signaled her sharply to stand.

"Let Timmy alone. He can handle the situation."

"Oh, no George—not! He'll be killed!" Happy tried to move but George's arms caught her and held her close.

The cat and the snake were oblivious to them. The whirring noise now had a queer sound of desperation, but Timmy did not so much as flicker a whisker. He was rigid, poised, waiting— Suddenly the snake swayed and Timmy, a flash of golden fur, struck with lightning-like speed. Happy gave a deep groan and hid her face against George's shoulder as blackness swept over her.

When she came to, she was back in the wicker chair, and George was kneeling beside her, forcing brandy between her clenched teeth, and looking—her clearing senses told her with a feeling of shock—a little annoyed, almost disgusted.

Memory came over her and she struggled erect, crying out wildly, "Timmy—where is he? What happened?"

"Timmy's fine; highly pleased with himself. And why not? He held her still and signaled her sharply to stand. But to me, he's—he's my family; the only thing I've got to love and that gives me love in return," she flashed.

"That's not quite true, Happy. Oh, perhaps it was true once, but since you came to Sundown. You know perfectly well that I love you; I think if you'd let yourself, you could love me. I'm asking you to marry me, Happy."

Happy looked out over the lovely scene, and for the second time felt something dark and evil and mysterious stirring ever so faintly beneath the surface of beauty.

"No, thanks," she said, far more curtly than she had meant to speak. And realized, to late, how rude and ungracious she had been. She flushed miserably. "I'm sorry."

George stood straight and tall, his eyes cold.

"Why should you be sorry? It's my privilege to ask you, yours to refuse; so what occasion is there for regret?" His voice was as curt as hers had been. "Perhaps, though, this was scarcely the time or the place for me to present my question." His manner softened.

"I am very much in earnest, Happy. I want to marry you. I believe that I can make you happy; I'd try very hard. I am leaving in the morning, very early, and I shan't be back for a day or two. Just think it over and have an answer ready for me when I get back. Will you do that?"

"I—yes, George, of course," she said, and tried not to shrink as he bent his head and kissed her cheek lightly.

(To Be Continued)

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



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BY MERRILL BLOSSER



RED RYDER

BY FRED HARMON



ALLEY OOP

BY V. T. HAMLIN



Good Record Includes Term At Penitentiary

DALLAS, Tex., (UP)—A 30-year-old U.S. man, standing before County Judge Joe B. Brown, was asked if he had a good record. "Yes sub, my previous record."

This Is Happy

By PEGGY DERN
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XXVII

HAPPY was almost ready to leave her room to go down to breakfast the next morning when Joyce came in, bright-eyed and radiant. She was in riding clothes and her eyes were like stars, her cheeks pink.

"Happy, how'd you like to go to a wedding?" she demanded eagerly.

"A wedding? Whose wedding?"

"Mine," said Joyce radiantly. "Midge and David's. This afternoon."

Happy caught her breath.

"You mean George has finally given in?"

"I mean I've finally managed to persuade David that it doesn't matter whether George gives in or not. And David has finally managed to persuade me that money isn't important when two people love each other as we do. Oh, Happy, I'm on air! I'm walking on clouds and banging my head on the stars! David's landed a marvelous job on a big stock farm in Kentucky. They breed and train race horses, but they also have a lot of finely bred farm stock, and David's going to be superintendent at a whole of a farm."

Happy, seeing her shining eyes, remembered George's calm conviction that Joyce's love for David was not important.

"That he has to leave for the job tonight," Joyce explained in a rush. "And so we are going to be married at 3 o'clock in his mother's house, and go straight from there to the train."

Smiled, Happy said, "But George is away—"

Spots of happiness vanished from Joyce's face and, for a moment, her young eyes were bitter.

"Of course; that's one reason why we're being married today! Oh, I know George couldn't really stop me, but he'd try like the dickens. And—well, I'm so used to doing

read the service above their clasped hands.

Afterwards, there was a beautiful wedding cake, which David's mother had baked with her own hands; and then there was the scramble to get Joyce and David to the train. Once they were safely aboard, and Mrs. Boyle had been returned to her cottage, and the station wagon headed back toward Sundown, Madeline drew a deep breath and said, "And now for the deluge! George will be back tomorrow, and ashamed as I am to admit it, I dread it. George can be—extremely unpleasant."

"I suppose so," Happy admitted, started to realize that she, too, was beginning to fear the inevitable scene with George. "What are you going to do now, Madeline?"

Madeline smiled at her wryly. "Thanks for taking it for granted that I shan't stay on here at Sundown," she said frankly. "I am going out to California. I have an aunt and some cousins there. They aren't Harrells, of course, but they are quite nice people."

There was more than a trace of bitterness in her voice, and Happy, remembering George's high opinion of the Harrell name, could appreciate and sympathize with that.

"I don't understand George," she said impulsively.

Madeline smiled wryly at her. "Don't you? Oddly enough, I don't either—and that's queer, isn't it, when you remember that I am his mother?"

The station wagon turned into the beautiful sweeping driveway. The house ahead was like something seen in a dream, and as always, Happy's heart was touched by its almost unearthly beauty in the dying sunset light.

But she said nothing as the car halted and she and Madeline got out. A white-coated houseman swung open the door for them and a chauffeur took the station wagon back to the big garage behind the house. And as Madeline and Happy entered the lovely old reception hall, George stood in the doorway of the drawing-room.

There was a moment of shock as Madeline and Happy faced him.

(To Be Continued)

IRON CURTAIN REFUGEES BESIEGE FOREIGN LEGION

By Dudley Harmon
United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS (UP)—Disoriented German and Central European refugees from behind the iron curtain are flooding to join the famous French Foreign Legion, which is turning down several hundred applicants a week.

An officer of the Legion, recently transferred to Paris, told the United Press that some 800 Germans apply weekly in the French occupation zone. The Legion limits the number of Germans who can join and takes only

specialists. But Germans make up two-thirds of the 20 per cent which have been recruited from Central Europe since the war, he said.

"The Germans who try to enlist are mostly displaced Sudetens, refugees from the eastern territories, or those who have lost faith in the future of their country," the officer said.

Hungarians, Rumanians, Czechs and other eastern European "who don't like the conditions of life in their countries" also are eager to join, he said. However, they first must escape from their homelands, where the Legion does not have

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U. S. WON'T BUY WOOL, SO AUSTRALIA HITS BACK

By George McCadden
United Press Staff Correspondent
SIDNEY, Australia (UP) — Australia is busily chopping American import tax on wool away and talking about austerly. Mostly, the Australians are blaming dwindling American purchases of her wool, the nation's primary industry and biggest dollar earner.

Australians eager to resume buying of such "Yank" goods as cigarettes, automobiles, corsets, nylons, typewriters and fountain pens, are wondering why America is not buying more of their famed wool. Especially they wonder since the recent 25 per cent slash in the U. S. import duty of 34 cents a pound.

In recent months, Britain has displaced the United States as the biggest wool customer. Stockpiling during the war led to the use of Australian wool on a large scale by United States fabricators.

During the four months July to October, 1947, sales were down between 33 and 40 per cent compared to the same period in 1946. The United States took an estimated 20 per cent of the \$106,276,000 value of wool sold at auction in Australia in those four months. For the 12 months ended June, 1947, the United States bought 1,129,000, or 27 per cent of the bales sold. (A bale of greasy wool weighs between 310-315 pounds.)

In none of the 10 pre-war years did America take more than 10 per cent of the Australian crop. In the year ended June 30, 1939, the United States bought only three per cent.

A director of a leading wool firm believes American demand has dropped for two reasons—in-

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increased Australian wool prices and because the United States is using up more war stock piles.

In the fall of 1946, when American buyers were active, greasy wool sold at auction in Australia averaged about 28 cents per pound, the wool firm director explained. Rates for medium grades were lower than for wool of comparable quality produced in the United States, he said.

But in the ensuing 12 months wool values in Australia rose steadily, bringing an average greasy wool auction price in October, 1947, of 46 cents per pound. As prices rose, United States demand slackened off.

The imposition of the 34 cent per pound tariff also cut demand. Various other factors contribute to the steady loss of Australia as a market for a great variety of American goods, many of which became popular during the war years.

"The government is restricting dollar expenditure, not because it likes doing so, but because it has to help Britain," it was explained by Senator Courtice, minister for trade and customs in the labor government.

Australia is part of the British dollar pool and consequently shares with other dominions Britain's economic ills. Prime Minister Joseph B. Chifley has a dread fear of another world depression which has also affected Australian economic policy. His feeling has been reflected in a determination to conserve dollars by limiting imports.

Carboloy, the alloy used in making high-speed metal cutting tools, is almost as hard as a diamond, according to the World Book Encyclopedia.

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RJC Football Team Honored At Banquet Wed.

On Wednesday evening, December 17, at 7:30 o'clock, Ranger Junior College football banquet was held in the basement of the Methodist Church.

The decorations carried out the football and Christmas motifs and were arranged by the college pep leaders.

Fine Music Programs Planned Christmas Social Whirl Is On

Christmas is here and again Ranger swings into a round of activities to celebrate the holidays.

Christmas week will be ushered in this year with a series of some of the most promising church programs that have ever been presented here.

On Tuesday night the First Baptist Church will have a service in front of the manger scene on the church lawn.

With the arrival of the college crowd and other Christmas guests, dances, parties, dinners and open houses begin to fill the calendar.

Program For Church Cantata Is Announced

Coy Sims, music director of the First Baptist Church, has announced the program for the Christmas cantata to be presented at the church Sunday evening at 7:30.

The program will be as follows: I. "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (Adesto Fideles), Three Choirs.

II. "Silent Night", Gruber, Three Choirs.

III. Solo, "The Infant Jesus", (Gesu Bambino), Yon, Mrs. Coy A. Sims.

IV. "Away In A Manger", Luther, Carol Choir.

V. Trio, "The First Christmas Morn", Farris, Mrs. W. A. Lewis, Mrs. F. R. King, Mrs. Bruce Harris.

VI. "Glory to God", Borntiansky, Church Choir.

VII. "We Three Kings", Hopkins, Men's Chorus.

VIII. "Glorious Is Thy Name", McKinney, Youth Choir.

IX. "And There Were Shepherds", Noyes, Church Choir.

X. "Christmas Bells", Jones, Carol Choir.

XI. "Come Let Us Unite In A Joyous Noel", Bedell, Youth Choir.

XII. "Joy To The World", Handel, Choirs and Congregation.

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Two Groups Have Joint Luncheon, Party Thursday

Members of the Happy Hour Club and the Woodmen Circle met at the home of Mrs. Ruby Greer Wednesday, December 17, for a covered dish luncheon and Christmas party.

The Christmas theme was carried out in the favors, which were tiny wreaths, and table decorations, which consisted of small trees decorated with tinsel and mistletoe.

Couples T. U. Entertained Friday Evening

The Couples Training Union of the First Baptist Church was entertained Friday evening at 6:30 with a buffet supper in the home of Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ham.

Church Services To Emphasize Christmas Sun.

All the services at the Second Baptist Church Sunday will emphasize the Christmas theme. The Training Union will be in charge of a special service beginning at 6:30 in which the story of Christ's birth will be presented in carol singing by the choir and picture slides.

Personals

Miss Edna Smith, who is attending school at Draughon's Business College, Abilene, Texas, is among the high ranking students whose names appear on the honor roll this month.

Miss Kirk Is Complimented At Gift Tea Thurs.

Mmes. H. A. Shockey, Ross Richards, and Johnny King were hostesses at a gift tea Thursday evening from 7 to 9:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Shockey honoring Miss Hattie Lou Kirk, bride-elect of Mr. J. L. Richardson, Jr.

Lone Star Club Has Christmas Party

The Lone Star Club was entertained at a Christmas party in the Lone Star club room Friday night beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Best Sellers

(Compiled by Publishers' Weekly) FICTION East Side, West Side, by Marcia Davenport. House Divided, by Ben Ames Williams.

Non Fiction

Speaking Frankly, by James F. Byrnes. Inside U. S. A., by John Guther. The American Past, by Roger Butterfield.

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Little Madelon's brother was a shepherd. Their mother and father had died, so when he went to watch the flock at night she went with him.

Best Sellers (continued)

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Non Fiction (continued)

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Heartsease (continued)

Love . . . if you die in the loving. For love is all your needs answered.

Heartsease

Love . . . in its last analysis, is the melting and the flowing of the human soul and heart and body . . . in utter neglect of self toward the beloved . . . when a human being reaches the highest pinnacle of devotion . . . passion . . . grief . . . bitterness . . . and drowns in the sublimeness of release from every emotion of mankind . . . save that of unspoken feeling for someone else.

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Boys Do Farm Chores While Papa Studies

Seven children have proved to be an asset to Alfred Howard, Keyser, W. Va., Navy veteran, in pursuing his studies at West Virginia University.

Young People's Class Has Party

Members of the recently organized Young People's Class of the First Methodist church were entertained with a Christmas party Friday night, December 19 in the new auditorium of the church.

Bank Employees Entertained Fri.

Employees of the Commercial State Bank and their families were entertained Friday evening with a Christmas party in the lobby of the bank.

Card of Thanks

To my friends, this is to express my appreciation for your loyalty and kindness shown me in illness. Mrs. R. L. Ross.

Rev. Mrs. Ham Hold Open House At Parsonage

Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ham held open house Thursday evening from seven to ten o'clock in the newly decorated parsonage of the First Baptist Church.

Christmas Cantata

Three choirs of 80 voices will participate in the program which will also include several special numbers.

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Second-Hand Smokes for Sale



Because of the severe tobacco shortage in Japan these days, many Japanese have turned cigarette-butts sniping into a profitable business. They collect butts from sidewalks, make them into new cigarettes and sell them for two yen each. Some peddlers, like the ones above in Tokyo's Ueno Station, make as much as 500 yen a day, compared to the average white collar worker's daily wage of 65 yen.

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DUNCAN BROTHERS
Duncan Coffee Company Gives Employees Bonus

Herschel M. Duncan and Charles W. Duncan, owners of the Duncan Coffee Company, Houston, Texas, authorized a gift bonus to establish a real Santa Claus fund of over two hundred thousand dollars, to be distributed among salary and wage employees. Thus, for the thirtieth consecutive year, on an ever-increasing amount, the Duncan brothers have divided the earnings of the company among their employees.

This is one of the largest bonuses ever to be given by any company in the Southwest, being something in excess of \$212,000.00. Among the first advocates of the bonus plan, the Duncan brothers have joined other progressive leaders in the Southwest to urge strongly the division of a portion of the greater profits made possible by better and more productive employee-employer relationship. "This policy," Herschel Duncan said, "has been one of the hallmarks of our business since its inception, and will contribute to the greater success of any business."

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Veterans Of Two Wars Mix In American Legion

When thousands of World War II veterans joined the American Legion, many persons had doubts as to how the fighters of the recently concluded war would mix with those who wore the uniform in 1917 and 1918. Now they know. The answer is at hand—they all talk the same language. Reports from American Legion conventions in 1946 and 1947 show that—whether it was at the business sessions or at fun making, veterans of both wars hit it off in fine style. In their conventions they argued at times over differences of opinion. But the final decision always was for the good of The American Legion and for the community, state and nation in line with the oath that every Legionnaire takes when he dons the overseas cap and membership buttons.

There are now more than 3,000,000 Legionnaires, the majority of them from World War II. Assistant National Adjutant Henry Dudley, long ranked as an expert on the matter as he is in charge of American Legion national membership, estimates the average of World War I veterans as 53 years. The average age of World War II veterans is 29 years.

Handreds of World War II posts have been formed in The American Legion. Thousands of "boys who fought the last war have gone into old established American Legion posts. The 25 odd year age difference that some thought would prove too much has been overcome. It doesn't count. They talk the same language.

Theatre Gift Books May Solve Shopping Problem

Interstate Theatres have the solution to the annual perplexing Christmas shopping problem, said R. E. Garner, local theatre executive as their Theatre Gift Books went on sale at all Interstate movie houses.

These Theatre Gift Books are a



On Key
Huguette Reynault is Paris' 1947 version of "Miss Dactylo," or Miss Typist. The 21-year-old secretary will now compete in the "Miss France" contest. In addition to typing, Huguette is also an excellent swimmer and ice skater.

Young Oklahoma Republicans To Back "Ike"



Young Oklahoma Republicans are backing a state political meeting on January 2, in Oklahoma City to form "Eisenhower for President" Club. Shown in Oklahoma City making plans, from left to right: James W. Rogers, Holdenville; Harold Brand, Oklahoma City; Tom Monford, Amorita; George S. Shirk, Oklahoma City; V. L. Downing, Oklahoma City; J. B. A. Johnson, Oklahoma City and Carl Rizely, Oklahoma City. All these men are well known for their active work in GOP circles. (NEA Telephoto).

gift service which Interstate provides for its patrons. Each book contains coupons with a cash value which are redeemable in entertainment at the box office of any Interstate Theatre. They are available in five convenient prices, \$1.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$10.00 and \$15.00. The latter is handsomely bound in gold tooled red or green leatherette and makes a perfect gift for the most discriminating giver. All Gift Books are packaged in colorful greeting envelopes.

Garner pointed out that these theatre Gift Books should be more popular than ever this year since there is still a scarcity of worthwhile gifts. He added that they represented so much pleasure for the recipient for so little expense to the giver and they had steadily grown in popularity since their introduction by Interstate several years ago.

Five-Cent Candy Bar May Come Back On Market

HERSHEY, Pa. (UP)—May be the five-cent candy bar will come back. The chocolate industry is installing new labor-saving machinery which might do the trick. When costs began to skyrocket, particularly in the cocoa-bean market, the industry was faced with the alternatives of seeing the price as high as 10 cents—or find faster and more economical production methods. They started switching to new machinery, and here in this "chocolate city" the results were beyond expectations. An official of the Hershey Chocolate Corporation said the changeover, besides overcoming increased costs, definitely will help speed the return of the nickel bar of candy.

Memorial At Baylor To Honor Robert Browning

WACO, Tex. (UP)—The world's greatest Robert Browning collection will be housed in a \$700,000 library on the Baylor University campus in Waco, if present plans materialize. Already an estimated \$400,000 is available for the edifice, which will occupy a city block. The drive force back of this cultural movement Dr. A. Joseph Armstrong, head of the department of English at Baylor. In 1918, he presented his private Browning collection to the school. Since then his efforts have resulted in making it the world's greatest collection of books, poems

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and paintings of the famed Britisher. The collection is valued conservatively at \$250,000. Dr. Armstrong says, pointing to one book alone worth \$50,000. Browning died in 1889. He then and is today widely read. His works have been translated into 37 foreign languages. There are 550 of his works and criticisms of Browning in the Japanese language alone. Collecting the works of the poet has taken Dr. Armstrong across the Atlantic 32 times. He is considered one of the greatest living scholars on Browning. The present Browning library on the Baylor campus, while small has rich Renaissance furniture, hand-carved bookcases, oriental rugs and stained glass windows designed especially for Baylor's collection to interpret certain of Browning's poems. The collection numbers more than 4,000 books ranging from first editions to college texts.

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Corn Borer Pest

WECOME, Minn. (UP)—A young Welcome war veteran has begun a campaign against a pest that cost Minnesota farmers an estimated \$13,000,000 damage this year from corn borers. Ernest Pollard, former Seabee, has invented a cornstalk cutter that chops the standing stalks into one inch pieces, either killing the borers outright or making it impossible for them to survive the winter because of inadequate shelter. The borer normally hibernates in the stalks during the winter and produces its young in the spring.

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