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Some Retailers Cutting Food Prices

FURTHER CUTS EXPECTED IF WHOLESALE PRICES DROP

CHICAGO—The sharp downward trend on the nation's grain exchanges was checked today, but grocers and butchers in many cities already had begun to cut the price of meat, flour, bread and lard.

Wheat opened 1 1/2 to 5 1/4 cents per bushel higher on the Chicago Board of Trade, reversing last week's downward plunge. Corn was six cents higher to 1 1/2 cents lower, and oats were 3/4 to 2 1/2 cents higher.

Prices at Minneapolis and Kansas City followed the trend. Soybean futures at Chicago, however, dropped the permissible eight-cent limit for the fifth consecutive day.

At St. Louis, the price of hogs dropped from \$2 to \$4 per hundred pounds below Friday's average. A total of 17,000 hogs arrived at the St. Louis stockyards today.

In New York, the Grand Union chain of 128 stores announced an immediate cut in the price of steaks from 79 to 69 cents a pound.

One nation-wide group knocked a cent off the price of a 29 ounce loaf of bread. Lard was reduced as much as 20 per cent. Flour went down 10 per cent in some towns.

William H. Eden, vice president of American Stores Co., said at Philadelphia that "if wholesale markets continue to drop, there will be price reductions all along the line from soap to syrup."

"The whole structure should come down if the wholesale trend continues," he said. Butcher shops reported mark-downs on bacon, ham, pork and beef steaks. Bacon, the so-called "barometer" of meat prices, led the way.

WASHINGTON—Chairman Jesse Wolcott of the House banking committee said today he is confident Congress will approve a new rent control bill before the present act expires 20 days hence.

He did not believe a 30-day emergency extension of the present law would be necessary, as proposed by some Senate leaders.

"Our committee can get a bill out in plenty of time for both houses to act on it," Wolcott said, "regardless of what the Senate does with its bill."

17 Killed In Korea Outbreaks

SEOUL, Korea—Seventeen persons have been killed in 3 days of Communist demonstrations against the United Nations Commission on Korea, including attacks on police posts and transportation lines, U. S. Army authorities announced today.

Lt. Gen. John R. Hodge, American commander in South Korea, met the situation by moving the curfew hour up from midnight to 11 P. M., and arming all military vehicles.

WASHINGTON (UP)—President Truman will tour American possessions in the Caribbean beginning late this month, the White House announced today.

Stops are scheduled in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Cuba and Key West, Fla., where Mr. Truman will take a vacation.

Fair and cold tonight. Not so cold tomorrow.

Texas Girl Held



Accused of assaulting five soldiers with a barrage of bullets, 23-year-old Jo Ann Rogers of Austin, Tex., was held in a Washington, D. C., court. One soldier was wounded, as a result of the shooting, done with a shooting-gallery rifle. The red-headed waitress said, "I thought it had corks in it." (NEA Telephoto).

Oak Ridge Put On Top In Fire Prevention

BOSTON (UP)—The home of the atom bomb, Oak Ridge, Tenn., has been named the winner among the nation's cities in the 23rd annual fire prevention week competition sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association.

Runner-up was Chicago, the association said, with New York third. Others in the first 10 finished in this order: Jersey City, N. J.; Memphis, Tenn.; Louisville, Ky.; Fort Collins, Colo.; Cincinnati, O.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Anderson, Ind.

Jaycee Meeting Tonight At 8

The Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the Ghoson hotel and all members are urged to attend.

It was stated today that a rodeo producer will be at the meeting to discuss with members the possibility of producing the 1948 Jaycee rodeo.

Some Shy at Bargain SAVANNAH, Ga. (UP)—Evidently Americans are suspicious of dollar values. A newly opened jewelry store here advertised silver dollars for 79 cents but could sell only 70.

Former Ranger Boy's Fight Story Related

Following is an account of the thrilling bout in which Bobby Cross of Kilgore, formerly of Ranger, battered his way to win a regional championship in last week's Tyler Golden Gloves tournament to win the fight to enter the Fort Worth tournament which opens Wednesday.

"Taking a left lead to land his powerful right hand Kilgore Heavyweight Bobby Cross scored a thrilling first round technical knockout over Tyler's Lillard Hart to be crowned heavyweight champion in the finals of the eight annual Tyler - Courier - Times - Telegraph Golden Gloves tournament here Thursday night.

Cross joined Welterweight Tommy Nichols of Kilgore on the team that will represent East Texas in the state finals in Fort Worth, Feb. 11-12.

Nichols punched out a split decision over Herman "Moe" Litton of Gladewater in the championship welterweight bout.

The night, however, belonged to Big Boy Cross.

Going into the ring carrying a 36 pound weight advantage, but still rated an underdog to the more experienced Tyler heavyweight, Cross brought the crowd to its feet by dropping Hart for a nine count in the opening seconds of the bout with the first of a series of stiff right hands.

Hart regained his composure, and landed two light left jabs, but Cross banged over the lethal right cross and Hart's legs went rubbery. Another right hand sent him on his second trip to the canvas.

Badly hurt, and bleeding from the re-opened cut received Wednesday night, Hart groveled to his feet to become a punching bag for the young Kilgore heavy.

Putting Hart down and out on the third knockdown, Cross looked to be the victor by a clean knockout, but the bell rang at the count of six.

Hart failed to answer the bell for the second round and Cross' arm was raised in victory.

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Oil For The Homes Of New York



With the threat of more cold looming over the eastern United States, oil-starved New Yorkers locked gratefully to the U. S. Navy. The Navy was lending New York State 12,600,000 gallons of fuel oil to help ease the critical shortage. Workers secure oil lines to the Navy's tanker, Mission San Luis Obispo, at Staten Island, N. Y., as the first of the oil is pumped ashore. (NEA Telephoto).

SNOW, SLEET RAIN OVER MOST OF STATE

A bright sun shone on Texas today, glistening on a blanket of snow in parts of the state and film of ice in other sections.

The newest norther of the season sweeping across the state Sunday brought snow, sleet and freezing rain to a wide area, with some form of precipitation reported in all sections of Texas except the El Paso area.

Three inches of snow lay on the ground at Pampa, with two inches reported at Amarillo and Texarkana, and one inch at Clarendon.

Small amounts of sleet and snow had fallen over most of extreme North Texas. Flurries were reported as far south and east as Waco, and freezing rain, intermingled with snow, was reported at Lufkin, where 2.54 inches precipitation was reported.

The State highway department said traffic had whipped most of the ice from the pavement, and that bridges and inclines had been salted down.

The low this morning was 3 degrees at Amarillo. Clear skies were reported over all the state except in the southeast part and along the coast. Continued cold was forecast for today and tonight, but warmer temperatures and clear skies were expected Tuesday.

Meanwhile, rain spread over the storm-battered Pacific Coast today, and a cold wave bore down on the oil-starved eastern seaboard.

Oregon and Washington counted at least ten dead from the storm which battered coastal shipping with winds up to 60 miles per hour yesterday.

Says Truman May Alter Stand On Civil Rights

WASHINGTON—One of President Truman's principal congressional advisers predicted today that the administration would back down a bit on civil rights in an effort to appease protesting southerners.

There was no White House confirmation. This congressional source suggested the President might restate his civil rights program to eliminate a request for legislation to prohibit racial discrimination on railroads and other forms of interstate transportation. The proposals for anti-lynching, anti-poll tax and fair employment legislation would remain.

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2 Navy Planes Make Emergency Landings Here

Two Navy FG-1D Navy planes made emergency landings at the Ranger Airport late Sunday afternoon and one of them was forced to crash land when his hydraulic system failed.

Capt. Less Smith and Lt. Cmdr. A. T. Holderman, both stationed at Naval Air Station at Denver Colorado, were enroute from Denver to Dallas when, just this side of Fort Worth, they encountered minimum flying conditions. They turned back and headed for the Ranger port.

Lt. Cmdr. Holderman stated that his plane was missing and that he was short of fuel also. He forced the crash landing to avoid destruction at the airport when his brakes failed. No one was hurt in the crash and the damage to the plane was light.

Captain Smith had a safe landing. The two were still here this morning awaiting repairs to the damaged machine.

Officials Search For Cause Of Mine Explosion

GREENWOOD, Ark.—Federal and state mine inspectors searched the depths of the Sunshine Coal mine today for the cause of a Sunday explosion that killed 8 men.

The mine, one of the larger shafts in the Arkansas-Oklahoma border region, was not expected to open for normal operations for several days.

The miners were in a "short" Sunday work crew cutting coal with automatic machinery far underground. The main force of the blast was concentrated at about the 4,000 foot level, but a three-man working crew working at the 800 foot level at the time said it shook the whole mine shaft.

The dread "after damp" gas that fills closed places after an explosion killed five of the men by suffocation. The other three appeared to have been killed by concussion.

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Desdemona Rites For Elmer Wittie Held On Wednesday

Funeral services for Elmer Wittie, who died Tuesday, February 3 at a Gorman hospital where he had undergone an operation for stomach ulcers, were held Wednesday, February 4, at the First Baptist church in Desdemona, with the pastor, Rev. Martin, officiating. Interment was in the cemetery at Desdemona.

Pallbearers were Clayton Williams, K. B. Hooper, Frank Genaway, "Boots" Putty, Floyd Moore and Charlie Jackson, all of Desdemona.

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"She just smiled her way into my heart," Hennessey said. "There are some fine people in the world aren't there, Mary?" the announcer prompted.

"Yes," she said. "Especially nice cops like Mr. Hennessey."

Eisenhower Swears Bradley In As Chief Of Staff



Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, left, administers the oath of office to Gen. Omar N. Bradley, as the latter assumed his duties as a chief of staff of the army. President Truman and Secretary of the Army Kenneth C. Royall witnessed the three-minute ceremony in the Pentagon building in Washington. When Bradley said, "I do," Eisenhower smiled and said, "With those words you have a job."

Barn Completed For Tri-County Livestock Show

Members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce stated today that the livestock show barn is completed and stalls for the show which opens Friday are being installed today.

The aluminum roof has been finished and doors and windows installed. The doors and windows were made and put in by the FFA boys under the direction of R. B. Thomas Jr., their sponsor and teacher.

It was also stated that entries to the show are coming in rapidly and indications are that there will be no empty stalls at the exhibit.

One of the features of the show will be the Murray Cox broadcast from the show at 12:15 o'clock Friday. The broadcast will go out over stations WFFA, 820, and will describe the Ranger show. He will also interview some of the people at the show.

Fort Worth Livestock Cattle 1500. Most classes slow and weak. Common and medium slaughter steers, yearlings and heifers 14-25.50. Beef cows 16.50 to 22. Bulls 16-32. Stecker and feeder yearlings and steers 19-23.

Cattle 600. Slow, about steady, good and choice fat calves 22-25. 50. Common and medium 17-21. Culls 14-16. Stecker steer calves 23 down.

Hogs 1300. Mostly \$2 lower than Friday average. Top 23 for good and choice 200-250 lbs. Most sows 18 down. Few stocker pigs 15 down.

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Missouri Boy Rides To California



After 1665 miles and nearly six months of travel, 18-year-old Clyde Elliott and his 7-year-old Palomino horse, Pal, reached their destination, Alhambra, Calif. The youth, from Joplin, Mo., plans to rest and then return "the modern way," but Pal's going out to pasture. Elliott is visiting relatives in Alhambra. (NEA Telephoto).

C. E. May Jr. To Enlist Volunteer Naval Recruits

C. E. May Jr., has been appointed volunteer recruiting officer for the Navy Reserve in Ranger and will be glad to furnish interested persons with information.

He stated that the commandant at New Orleans is interested in securing men in the reserve for active duty from now until the first of December. The duty would be at sea in Destroyer Squadron 16, based at New Orleans. Men in the reserve with ratings below chief petty officer are sought.

To Investigate Grain Price Drop

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Hey Bob, On The Beam, Traffic Slogan

OMAHA, Neb. (UP)—If the Omaha Safety Council has its way, pedestrians disobeying traffic regulations will be warned in these words: "Hey Bob! Be on the beam."

The phrase is a slogan formulated by the council to help cut down the traffic toll, which last year reached record proportions.

The "Hey, Bob!" warning was conceived as a friendly admonition of one Omahian to another to stop jaywalking, going against the light, and other violations, according to Council Manager Paul R. Stevens and M. J. Timmins, chairman of traffic engineering.

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

First of two dispatches on proposed social security law changes

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—(NEA)—From many parts of the country come complaints that the present U. S. government social security benefits aren't enough to get by on.

Very close to two million people—retired workers of 65 or over, their wives if over 65, their widows, their aged dependent parents and their dependent children under 18—are now receiving these benefits. On the average, this is what they get:

- 875,000 retired workers over 65 get approximately \$25 a month.
- 270,000 of their wives, 65 or over, get half allowance, or about \$13. Man and wife thus get approximately \$38 a month.
- 135,000 widows with young children get about \$20 a month.
- 165,000 aged widows of deceased workers get \$20 a month.
- 10,000 aged dependent parents get about \$13.50 a month, and 325,000 children of deceased or retired workers get \$13 a month.

As mentioned above, these are average figures and the benefits go only to those covered by the social security system, largely workers in industrial and commercial establishments.

Another cause of today's complaints is lack of understanding on what social security is supposed to do. Many people becoming eligible for benefits have had the idea there would be enough money coming in to give them a life of ease in old age. But social security can never provide the equivalent of even half-pay. It is intended to provide only enough for the bare necessities of life in old age.

It is the contention of Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio, and many others, that the U. S. social security system should never provide even an adequate standard of living.

"We cannot, by government aid, put those who are not working in a better position than those who pay their own way," said Taft in a recent speech, "or we will kill the incentive which is the very foundation of our productivity."

There are now 77 million American workers in the social security system. That's about 60 per cent of all employed workers. Not covered are farm and household workers, employees of non-profit organizations, state and local government employees, the self-employed small business and professional people.

Employees of the railroads, federal government employees, members of the armed services and veterans of all wars have what amounts to social security systems of their own.

There are over 1,340,000 railroad employees, who pay 5 1/2 per cent of their pay, on the first \$300 a month income. Their employers match this sum. It provides the fanciest retirement social security benefits in existence.

There are 1,516,500 federal government employees, now covered by Civil Service retirement. They pay 5 per cent of their salary for coverage. Over 120,000 of them now receive pensions.

There are 7500 Navy and Marine Corps officers, and 30,000 Army officers now receiving retirement pensions.

The Veterans' Administration has 2,304,000 pensioners on its rolls, plus 936,000 survivors of veterans. Half a million vets are receiving other benefits.

One of the great confusions of the present situation is that all these social security systems are in competition. If a worker shifts from government employment to the armed services and then back to civilian employment, he may lose benefits under all three systems.

Any consideration of broadening the social security system must therefore take into account a possible merger. It is obvious that the broader the coverage, the lower the cost and the greater the benefits.

Buy United States Savings Bonds

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—It was last spring in Havana that Luke Durocher predicted the Brooklynins would run away and hide.

"We'll break in front and stay there," boasted The Lip, never dreaming then that he was going to be banished for the year by Commissioner Chandler.

Well, the Dodgers didn't break in front and lose the opposition, but there wasn't much doubt about the National League pennant-winners, once they struck their precise stride, and the Giants lost their surprising early foot.

MANAGER DUROCHER once more feels that the younger Brooks will make the club more formidable as the campaign rolls along. They won't bog down in the heat of summer, should be rambling fastest of all at the wind-up.

The highly imaginative Durocher plans to install another pennant for Brooklyn.

"We'll upset the other side with our speed on the bases, stealing and taking the extra base," he says. "Outfielders will stumble in their haste to get the ball away."

The new Durocher, who is pretty much like the old one, points out that Bert Shotton swiped the pennant last year.

"The records show the Dodgers stole 88 bases, a third more than their nearest rivals," he explains.

"And what does not show are the extra bases they took, the base-hit stretching they did to get the other clubs jittery and open up their opportunities."

Chatting with the new, Du Durocher you suspect that he, like a lot of other baseball men, was surprised when the Pirates traded

William Richard Cox and south-paw Preacher Roe, especially the former. It looks like the Corsairs are playing on the Superbas' side, and "Bill" Cox is one of the fastest men in baseball, and we will prove it," beams Durocher.

"The Pirates let Cox stand around on the bases last season, but we will have him running at every opportunity."

So in Cox, only 28, Branch Rickey got a man to plug the hole at third base, with the three 13 set free.

18 Imaginary sky
19 belt
15 Extent
16 Poker stake
18 Gem
19 Metric writing
20 Employed
21 Feminine
22 East Indies
(ab.)
23 Apud (ab.)
24 Mark
28 Pollute
31 Limb
32 Help
33 He supervises
35 Entertain
38 Atop
39 Parent
40 Far (comb.)
43 German town
47 Dinner course
49 Beverages
50 Turkestan mountain range
51 Gaelic
52 Tormented
54 Tangler
56 German city
57 Tirades

Being a right-hand smacker, Cox should find the short left-field stands at Ebbets Field just as friendly as Greenberg Garden.

The pitching records show Durocher the Braves' bowlers were far superior to those of the Bums in 1947. Brooklyn's inexperienced staff yielded more bases on balls than any other in the circuit.

The slugging records show Durocher the Dodgers were fifth.

"So you are forced to the conclusion that Barney Shotton stole the pennant on venturesomeness and running speed," concludes Durocher.

And the lively Dodgers may shake some of the lead out of their more sluggish opponents' pants.

No Housing Guarantee Offered Veterans

ATLANTA, Ga. (UP)—Veterans Administration officials here are replying to complaints about poor housing construction for ex-GIs with this version of their responsibilities: "We guarantee loans, not houses."

ated by the VA is essentially a credit program, according to Robert J. Taylor, VA loan guaranty officer for Georgia.

"A government guaranty of a portion of the veteran's loan gives him a better rating with the private lending institution from which he seeks to borrow the money," Taylor said.

The Modern Rip Van Winkle



Frenchmen Are Living Longer Despite Hardships

PARIS (UP)—Despite eight years of food shortages, lack of heat and grave financial worries, Frenchmen are living longer than ever before.

The ministry of public health announced that the death rate hit a new low in 1946: 13.4 out of every 1,000. This compares with 16.8 in 1945 and 20 out of every 1,000 in 1944, the year of the invasion.

The country of 90-year-old Philippe Petain and other aged ex-statismen and general also is producing more children than ever before. The birth rate is 38 per cent over the pre-war one, the ministry announced. Yet although more children are being born, infant mortality is steadily decreasing.

Nebraska fed, clothed, housed, and provided medical care and some recreation for the inmates and patients of state institutions in 1947 at an average cost of \$10.80 a week.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

THE FAT-TAILED SHEEP of Persia stores fat in its TAIL... AND IT SOMETIMES GROWS SO LONG AND HEAVY THAT SHEPHERDS HITCH TINY CARTS BEHIND THE ANIMALS TO SUPPORT THE WEIGHT.



FITNESSES
BUDLONG AND BLOOM
ARE FLORISTS
IN CHICAGO!

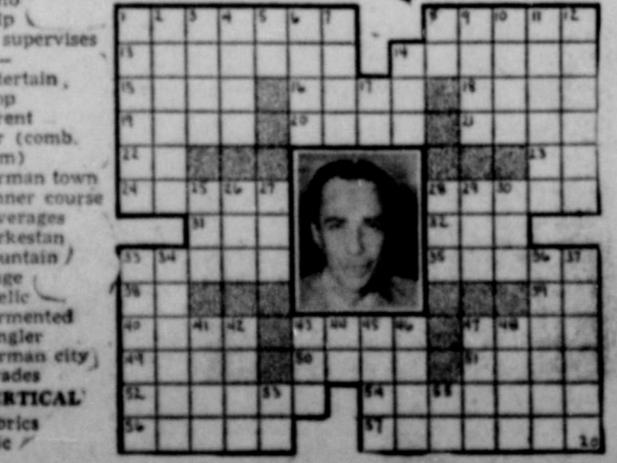
KWIZ KORNER
On this river Robert Fulton launched the first American steamboat, the Clermont.

WHERE'S ELMER?
ANSWER: Hudson River, between New York City and Albany.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

FCC Chairman

- Answer to Previous Puzzle
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| 1,8 FCC chairman | 4 Paper measure | 27 Self | 43 Small child |
| 13 Set free | 5 Note of scale | 28 Make lace | 44 Chemical |
| 14 Imaginary sky | 6 Jacob's | 29 Ventilate | 45 Scottish girl |
| 15 belt | 7 brother | 30 Fish | 46 Metal |
| 16 Extent | 8 Accomplish | 31 Turin | 47 Dry |
| 18 Gem | 9 Idumaea | 32 Fish | 48 Heraldic band |
| 19 Metric writing | 10 Tropical palm | 33 Turns | 53 Half an em |
| 20 Employed | 11 Biblical | 34 Fish | 55 Area measure |
| 21 Feminine | 12 Called | 35 Fish | |
| 22 East Indies | 13 Last letter of alphabet | 36 Entertained | |
| (ab.) | 14 Last letter of alphabet | 37 Candles | |
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| 24 Mark | (symbol) | | |
| 28 Pollute | 25 Aged | | |
| 31 Limb | | | |
| 32 Help | | | |
| 33 He supervises | | | |
| 35 Entertain | | | |
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OFFICE Nurse

By Adelaide Humphries
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THE STORY: Janice Hilary, pretty, efficient young nurse to popular and handsome society doctor Eric Holbrook, runs his office for him. When little Betty Jane Cox, the other nurse, suggests to spinsterish Miss Willows, one of the doctor's two secretaries, that Miss Hilary might get married and leave, Miss Willows replies: "Miss Hilary will never leave. Not unless something unforeseen occurs. It's a pity, a terrible pity." Miss Willows knows how easy it is to idolize the fascinating doctor and put the office before everything else. She knows, too, that the doctor will never divorce his beautiful, goddess-like wife, Ben Archer, childhood friend of Janice, comes home after three years overseas. He is still in love with Janice, although she has never given him any encouragement.

"Then it's the one thing you haven't accomplished," he told her. His eyes still followed her every movement speculatively. "See here," he said abruptly, "do you have to go home? Couldn't you give me still more of your time? You see, I hate going home to an empty house. Mrs. Holbrook left this morning, as you know. I wonder—couldn't I persuade you to have dinner with me? You would be doing me a great favor, truly you would."

His dark eyes were beseeching, his smile a bit rueful.

"WE-ELL, I suppose I could—" Janice began. She was not exactly taken by surprise at this request. The doctor sometimes asked her to have luncheon with him, usually when there were matters to be discussed that, under the pressure of time, they could not get around to in the office.

"Good!" he said, before she could say more. His face lighted up as though the favor she had granted were more than he possibly could desire.

Janice recalled what Miss Willows had said about a man—any man—hating to be left alone. He had mentioned his empty home; he must have taken his wife's departure almost as much to heart as Miss Willows seemed to think he would. Janice had been about to add that she had a previous engagement this evening. She found now that she could not. It would have been almost wicked to disappoint him when he seemed so genuinely pleased.

"Shall we go along now?" he was asking. "Or would you rather meet me later? Whichever you prefer, Janice."

"Later, I believe," Janice said. When they had lunched together, she had merely thrown a topcoat around her shoulders over her

uniform and been ready, but even the smart fall suit she had worn to the office today did not, somehow, seem festive enough for this occasion.

"That will be splendid! Shall I pick you up? I should know your address, Janice, but—"

"It will save time if I take a cab and meet you somewhere," she interrupted. Not that she would not want Dr. Holbrook to come to her house, but it would save time, and yes, to be truthful, explanations.

HIS dark eyes glinted with sudden laughter. "I just remembered," he said, "this is my birthday. So we ought to make it a gala event!"

"Indeed we should," Janice returned. Now she had no regrets about accepting his dinner invitation. She thought about Mrs. Holbrook again. You would think she might have waited one more day to be with her husband on his birthday.

"There's a small place downtown—the food is really something out of the ordinary," Eric Holbrook said eagerly. "Michelle is an artist and he's always so delighted when I bring someone who has never tasted his food. Wait until you sample his chicken, smothered in a sauce he has concocted, and the rum cake—well, you must see for yourself and tell me if I exaggerate. What time shall we say?"

He looked so much like a school-boy anticipating a rare treat that again Janice was glad she had not disappointed him. It would be much better—and simpler—to disappoint Betty. Her engagement for the evening was to have been with him.

"I think I can make it in a half-hour," she said. "You'll have to give me the address," she added, smiling. It was rather flattering to see him so eager.

Of course, Janice knew his eagerness now was not on her account; it was just that he was so happy to have escaped a lonely evening, the return to an empty house.

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McKELLAR OUT TO SET RECORD FOR SENIORITY

By Leo Soroka
United Press Staff Correspondent
MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP)—The veteran Sen. Kenneth D. McKellar has been a friend of nine presidents. He hopes to equal the all-time record of 36 years service in the United States Senate before he retires from the political scene.

At 79, McKellar has outlived all but two of the presidents he knew. He is entering his 31st year in the upper house.
When his present term expires in 1953, McKellar will have equalled the 36-year record established by the late Sen. Francis J. Warren of Wyoming.

The dean of the Senate and ranking Democrat says he is through running for re-election.
"If I finish my present term five years hence, I may have served as long as any senator in the history of the country," McKellar observed.

McKellar, however, has served longer than Warren in Congress. With 31 years already on tap in the Senate, McKellar boasts six years in the House of Representatives.

Of his acquaintances at the White House, McKellar describes President William McKinley as a "short, gracious gentleman, quite stout, with one of the finest faces I have ever seen."

To McKellar, President Theodore Roosevelt was blessed with a strong character, vigorous and earnest, using his hands a lot when he talked.

McKellar first met President William Howard Taft in 1899 when the latter was a federal judge in Memphis, sent here to clear the docket of another federal jurist.

Of Woodrow Wilson, McKellar reminisces:
"The day he went out of office, a feeble and invalid old man, I was talking to him as he sat in the President's room at the Capitol. A joint congressional committee headed by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, his bitterest Republican enemy, called to ask Mr. Wilson if he had any further message."

"Wilson's face was stern and cold as he said very curtly, 'No, thank you.' Thus he dismissed Lodge."

McKellar remembers President Warren G. Harding as a "gracious and delightful man, and positively handsome."

He first met President Calvin Coolidge while living at the same hotel when Coolidge was vice president.

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With the Republican President Herbert Hoover, McKellar breakfasted on many occasions at the White House as a member of the Senate appropriations committee.

To McKellar, the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt was "by all odds, the most remarkable man I ever knew—and, before his crippling infirmity, a handsome, stalwart six-footer."

Under Franklin D. Roosevelt, McKellar was first acting chairman and later chairman of the Senate appropriations committee during almost the entire war. In that time the government spent some \$400,000,000,000, every dollar of which went through McKellar's hands.

McKellar and President Harry S. Truman served together in the Senate. He lauds Mr. Truman, saying "he has grown steadily in strength and ability."

Australia Making Big Strides In Polar Studies

By DAN L. THRAPP
United Press Staff Correspondent
LONDON (UP)—Australia's 5-year plan for Antarctic exploration developed with great success this season. Purchase of a third exploration ship is contemplated, to give the dominion the largest scientific fleet in South Polar seas.

The Wyatt Earp, veteran exploration ship, was damaged slightly recently when she was buffeted by southern gales and ice. The other vessel used in the commonwealth, the LST 3501, succeeded in the hazardous task of landing a 14-man wintering party on desolate Heard Island, landed stores on French-claimed Kerguelen Island to re-supply the Wyatt Earp, and now is en route back to Australia.

Group Capt. A. C. Campbell, leader of this year's diverse expedition, was expected in England this month or in February to select a third vessel, which must be wooden-hulled to withstand expected battering by Antarctic ice.

It was thought that still other ships might later be bought in Britain, the United States, or in Scandinavia as the five-year exploration plan develops.

While the LST deposited the Heard Island party, the Wyatt Earp was expected to reach the Antarctic mainland before the end of January. A landfall was to be made off the South Magnetic Pole, west of the Ross Ice Barrier, site of Little America.

Magnetic observations a n d soundings would be taken and the ship then planned to cruise west along the almost unknown coast of the continent, carrying out scientific work.

The ship would seek a base for a permanent station on the continent within the Australian-claimed sectors, and would then return to Hobart and Melbourne by way of Heard Island and Kerguelen Island. It may take several such trips to find a suitable base for a land party, authoritative sources thought.

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Texans Plan Security Week



Brigadier General E. W. Fiburn, left, commander of the Texas Military District, is shown discussing plans for National Security Week with Colonel George E. B. Paddy, Houston attorney and veteran of both World Wars, who has been selected by the Reserve Officers Association as state chairman for National Security Week.

Observation of National Security Week will start on Lincoln's birthday, February 12, and continue through George Washington's birthday, February 22.

"Restoration of our military strength is one of the most vital issues facing this nation and is the only way we can hope to build a permanent peace," said Col. Paddy.

Elaborate plans for observance of National Security Week throughout the state are being made by the Reserve Officers Association, Texas department. Coulter R. Sublett of Tyler is president of the Texas department of ROA.

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