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On Capitol Hill—Mush!



Rep. Frank Boykin, a big-game hunter from Alabama rides around Capitol Hill in a husky-drawn sled which is currently appearing in a Washington sportsmen's show. The congressman is accompanied by Jane Tomlin, contestant for the title, "Miss Outdoors of 1950," and parka-clad Joe Perrin, the driver. Because of Washington's lack of snow, the sled is equipped with wheels.

More than 500,000 acres of Nebraska farm land were sprayed for insects and weeds last year by airplane.

Donations Send Children Back To School Happy

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 13 (UP)—Smiling children carrying full lunch boxes and wearing warm clothing started back to school today, saved from starvation by a flood of donations from throughout the nation.

Food, clothing, money and medicine poured into destitute farm camps near here faster than a relief committee could distribute the supplies.
Plight of the farm workers was disclosed when a truant officer, checking on large scale absences from school, found that 100 children were starving in the camps because their parents could not find work.

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"Now we've got hundreds of offers of food and clothing from all parts of the country," juvenile officer John Walker said. "They'll be fed now."
Juvenile Judge Thomas J. Croaff said the workers' prudence kept outsiders from learning of their troubles immediately.
"These people being helped are worthy in every way," he said. "They are proud people, not beggars. That they are in this desperate situation is no fault of theirs."

An Arizona Senate Committee was authorized to investigate conditions at farm labor camps, and Arizona Congressman John Murdock said he will try to get food from the U. S. Department of Agriculture's surplus stock piles. Gov. Dan Garvey estimated that \$100,000 would be needed to carry the workers over until labor is available in cotton fields in about 60 days.

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FINGERPRINTS Don't Lie

By Rupert Hughes
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THE STORY: Martin Queripel, the private detective, is assigned to investigate the slaying of Wendell Palmer, wealthy Los Angeles man, for whom murder Palmer's daughter's name, the sculptor Paul Moody, is charged. Paul was seen entering the Palmer home before the murder and his fingerprints have been found on a telephone which was used to utter Palmer's death. As a result, the victim's suspicion, refuse to believe in Paul's guilt. Queripel has recommended a young lawyer, Stanley Kenyon, to defend Paul and has asked Kenyon to come to meet the girl.

for a few moments the thrill of feasting his eyes on the most adorable creature he had ever met. His fancies took flight, but were brought down like shot pigeons when Queripel explained who Azalea was and that she wanted Kenyon to save her fiancé from the gas chamber.

Her sublime faith in Paul Moody's innocence had strengthened her with a sublime faith in his acquittal. The gentle disbelief of the kindly Queripel had shaken her confidence more than all the harshness of the others. But Kenyon accepted everything she told him as the gospel truth, and anything she wanted him to do as a divine mission.

He felt like a young Knight of King Arthur's Round Table to whom some beautiful "lady" has appealed to help her through a dark forest peopled by black ogres.

LATER, he would be almost tempted to wish that Paul Moody might be found guilty and removed from competition, so that he himself might console his lovely client. She was more irresistible for her meek lack of self-esteem even more than for her winsome beauty and her fanatic devotion.

Kenyon accepted the case with enthusiasm and told Azalea as much. He promised her more than he hoped to achieve because he felt that she desperately needed a slip of hope to carry her through the desert of despair.

"Leave it to us, Miss Palmer," he said. "There is no more wonderful detective than Queripel, and with his skill and my determination to serve you, Paul Moody is as good as acquitted now."
That first word of optimism broke Azalea down completely. She rose, but would have dropped

to the floor if Kenyon had not caught her and upheld her. Her tears on his sleeve were like the jeweled ribbon that a lady of King Arthur's court would have fastened on the sleeve of her chosen knight entering a tournament.

As soon as Azalea could get herself under control again, Kenyon offered to take her home. But she said:

"I've a car downstairs."
"But you oughtn't to drive a car in your state of mind."
"I have my father's chauffeur."

"BESIDES, I want you and Mr. Queripel to get to work at once. Forget all about me—except to tell me a bit of news now and then—especially how my poor darling is looking. You are his lawyer and he's your client, but I'm to pay you. Don't tell him that; but when he says he can't afford to pay you, then you say you'll work for nothing—for publicity or something. But save him. And God bless you and help you. And don't let all that talk about fingerprints not lying fool you. They even look my fingerprints while they were at it!"

"They took your fingerprints?" Queripel asked. "You didn't tell me that."

"Yes," she said. "The man who was picking up fingerprints from everywhere about the house, came into the room where Nadine and I were being cross-examined by the police detective—Fleming I think his name was."

O'Hea, who was listening in as usual, broke in again:

"Nice fellow, that Fleming; but dumb. But he's a class straight honest stick."

Queripel silenced O'Hea with a look and nodded to Azalea to go on. She did.

"While Fleming was questioning Nadine and me, and a police stenographer was staking it down, the fingerprint man came in and took our fingerprints—for reference and elimination, he said."
Then she tossed off a careless comment that acted on Queripel's brain as an apple acted on the brain of Sir Isaac Newton.

(To Be Continued)

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



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Society-Clubs

Lone Star Ladies Group Attends District Meeting

Members of the Lone Star Ladies Club entertained Friday night with a party at the Lone Star Producing Company's Clubrooms at 7:30 o'clock. Hostesses were Mrs. Robert L. Allen, Mrs. Archie Robinson, and Mrs. Edgar Huffman.

During the evening games of forty-two and bridge were enjoyed and at the close of the games high score awards in forty-two went to Mrs. V. V. Cooper, Jr. and H. S. Packwood and in bridge high score winners were Mrs. C. L. Denmore and Robert L. Allen.

At the close of the evening refreshments were served to the following, Messers, and Meses. V. V. Cooper, Jr., H. S. Packwood, Archie Robinson, Robert L. Allen, Onis Littlefield, W. M. Vaden, George Porter, C. L. Denmore, Earl Blackwell, Jr., Fritz Huffman, Roy Payne, J. A. Bates, Arthur Deffebach, C. A. Strong, James L. Turner, Ted Sparling, and Mrs. Edgar Huffman and Mrs. S. L. Kirkpatrick.

Willing Workers Party Postponed

It was announced today that the party for the Willing Workers Class of the First Methodist Church which was scheduled for Tuesday night has been postponed and the date for the party will be announced later.

1920 Club To Have Safety Program

The 1920 Club will hear a program on safety when it meets Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Community Clubhouse and leader of the program will be Mrs. W. M. Brown. All members are urged to attend.

O. E. S. To Meet Tonight at 7:30

The regular meeting of the Ranger chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the Masonic Hall. All officers and members are urged to be present and visitors are welcome.

Announcement Of Marriage Made

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Mrs. Laverne Lloyd to Mr. Shelton Tankersley.

The ceremony was performed Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Toots Bott with Rev. David C. Ham reading the marriage service.

Mrs. Bott attended the bride as matron of honor, wore a red suit with black accessories. Her corsage was of white carnations.

The bride wore a gray suit with red accessories and her corsage was of red carnations.

Jack Robinson attended the bridegroom as best man.

Following the ceremony a reception was held and a three tiered wedding cake cut by the couple.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lancaster of Moran; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Tankersley and son, and Mrs. Johnnie Craig, all of Morton Valley.

Young P.T. A. To Elect Officers

A very important meeting of the Young School Parents-Teachers Association will be held Tuesday afternoon at the school. A report from the nominating committee will be read and officers for the next term elected.

Mrs. Arthur Deffebach will be the guest speaker and will discuss the subject, "Citizenship, A Double Duty." There will also be a room program.

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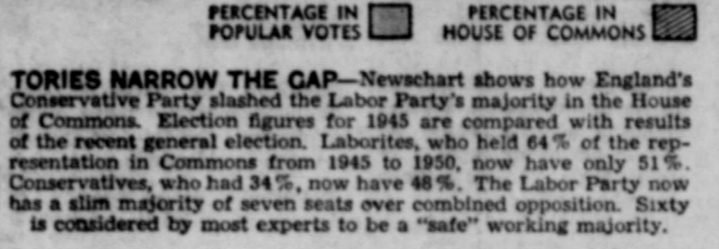
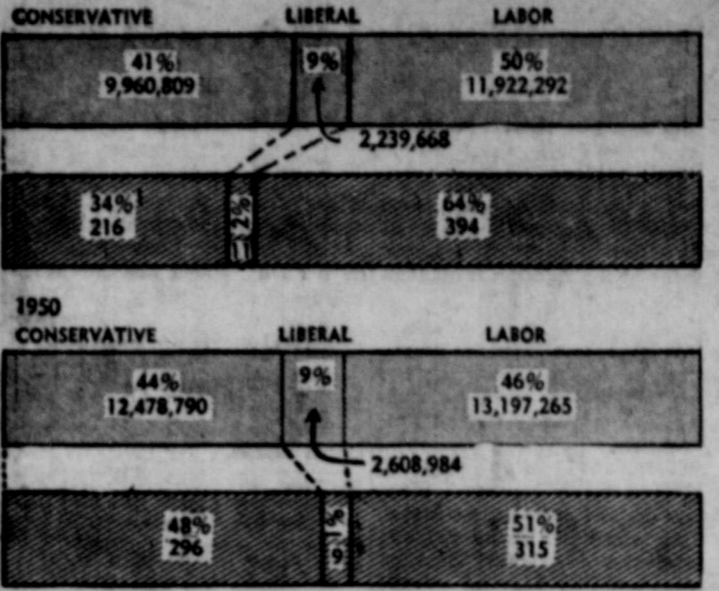
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TORIES NARROW THE GAP—Newschart shows how England's Conservative Party slashed the Labor Party's majority in the House of Commons. Election figures for 1945 are compared with results of the recent general election. Laborites, who held 64% of the representation in Commons from 1945 to 1950, now have only 51%. Conservatives, who had 34%, now have 48%. The Labor Party now has a slim majority of seven seats over combined opposition. Sixty is considered by most experts to be a "safe" working majority.

Personals

The Rev. and Mrs. David C. Ham are the parents of a baby girl born Wednesday at the Ranger General Hospital. Mrs. Ham and the baby, who has been named Jennie Kathryn, have been removed to their home.

Mrs. L. S. Neher and daughter, Kim, of Dallas are the guests of Mrs. Neher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McLaughlin and her sister, Mrs. Charlie Joe Owen and Mr. Owen.

Valerie Leonard of Fort Worth was a guest during the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Anderson.

Leslie Hagaman is a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. McKinnon of McCamey were the guests Sunday of Mrs. A. F. Miller and her father, J. F. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Lovell had as their guests Friday, the Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Lovell of Fort Worth

and Saturday had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moore of Texas City. Mrs. Moore is here to be with her father, Jesse Burch who is a patient in the Ranger General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dennis spent Sunday in Brownwood to be with Mrs. Dennis' brother, J. H. Long, who was injured in a fall at Goldthwaite last week and was rushed to the Medical Arts Hospital in Brownwood. He is reported to be improved.

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Brazda had as their guests for the week end their daughter, Elaine Brazda, a student at SMU, Dorothy Imholz, and Melvin Howe, also student at SMU, Robert Imholz, and James Finlinson of Moundsville, West Va., who has just graduated from the University of California.

Mrs. Mary E. Cleveland, librarian at Arlington High School, and formerly librarian at Ranger High School, was the week end guest of Mrs. S. B. Baker and Mrs. W. D. Conway.

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HOLLYWOOD, March 13 (UP)—Swedish screen star Ingrid Bergman will marry director Roberto Rossellini as soon as she receives Swedish recognition of her divorce, probably Wednesday, her Hollywood attorney said today.

Attorney Greg Bautzer said he had been informed by Miss Bergman's Rome representative that certification of her divorce from Dr. Peter Lindstrom was expected Wednesday although no definite date was set.

He explained that a divorce received in a foreign country must be approved by the country of which the parties are citizens.

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