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3 Billion Profits Tax Passed

Singleton Rites Set In Strawn

Mrs. Eva Hamill Singleton, former resident and business woman of Ranger, died this morning at Nazareth Hospital in Mineral Wells. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 in the First Methodist Church in Strawn.

She had been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Dean Robinson, when she died.

Mrs. Singleton was the niece of Mrs. H. C. Croom of Ranger.

Ranger people will remember Mrs. Singleton from the Hamill shop which she opened and managed in 1940. She stayed in Ranger for about three years and then moved to California where she appeared in several motion pictures and on radio programs.

Mrs. Singleton was connected with the Chappell Dramatics School in Dallas, and also taught private classes in Grand Prairie. She formerly was a talent scout for RKO and other Hollywood studios.

Mrs. Singleton had been actively engaged in radio work, having appeared frequently on the Dr. Christian series and other network programs.

Murray Cox To Speak At Farm Bureau Meeting

Murray Cox, Dallas, WFAA radio farm reporter, will show his films on farming and ranching which he took during a visit to the Pacific Northwest, at the High School Auditorium in Eastland, Tuesday night, Jan. 16.

The program is sponsored by the Eastland County Farm Bureau according to A. Z. Myrick, Cisco, president of the organization who is inviting all farm and ranch people to see the show.

Films of the Northwest to be shown by Cox were made when the special train of Texas Farm and Ranch people toured that section last summer.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. A large crowd is expected. A large parking area for cars is available on the east side of the school.

The membership of the Eastland County Farm Bureau is growing, Myrick added. He said that a program for the new year is being worked out.

Other officers of the organization include Howard Ingram, Nimrod, vice president; Joe Bob Browning, Gorman, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. J. F. Mosley, Olden, reporter; and Mrs. John Love, Alameda, service and insurance officer.

Plans are underway to secure a string band for the meeting of January 16. Everyone is invited to attend.

Hollywood New Year's Party Ends In Brawl

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 3 (UP)—Police sought to learn exactly what happened at a wild Hollywood New Year's party which was climaxed by a brawl that sent one guest to the hospital with a head injury.

Television film distributor Stephen Van Boytham, 43, was operated on yesterday at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital for a skull fracture suffered at a party at the home of Mrs. Ann King, estranged wife of a radio executive.

Officers were not sure how Van Boytham was injured because of conflicting reports given by the 50 guests at the party.

Some celebrants said he was struck on the head by a perfume bottle or cosmetics jar in a bedroom argument with another man over a woman.

Others said he fell down the stairs or fell off the driveway of the luxurious Toluca Lake district home.

Guests at the party included actor Sonny Tufts; western actor Robert Livingston, former film "Lone Ranger"; and other radio, television and motion picture performers. Tufts' wife said they got there too late for the excitement.

For Good Used Cars (Trade-In on the New Old) Osborne Motor Company, Eastland



WATCH FOR RED TANKS—A United Nations bazooka team is on alert for Red tanks which broke through the defense lines in the Imjin area. (NEA Telephoto by Staff Photographer Walter Lea).

High School Cage Teams Defeat Gorman In Clean Sweep Of 3 Games

It was a clean sweep for the Ranger High School teams Tuesday night here as they brushed aside the sputtering efforts of Gorman's basketball teams.

The only close game of the night was the 19-16 victory of Ranger's B team over the Gorman B squad. The Bulldogs scored twice as many points as the Gorman A team to win 52 to 26 and the undefeated Ranger girls topped with the weaker sex from Gorman, 38-8.

Gorman's A team was on the short end of a 22-8 half time score and found it impossible to catch up, even though Robertson and Eaker found the range in the third quarter and sank 8 and 6 points respectively. Gorman's Kent shared high-scoring honors with 6 points.

Hummel chalked up three fouls in rapid fire order and seemed on his way out but began to use caution in his guarding and although he had four fouls during the game he went all the way. Hummel and Cunningham, whose fast break crisp shots coupled with Hummel's tips turned the game into a runaway in the last quarter, tied for high-scoring honors for Ranger with 14 points each.

Some smooth shooting by Massegoe of Ranger and Joiner of Gorman featured the slow-scoring B team tussle. Joiner edged out the Ranger forward by one point as the Gorman set-shot artist sank 9 points. Ranger's 9-5 half-time lead was slowly cut down by Gorman and the visitors came uncomfortably close in tying the game before the final 'gong' sounded.

Cantrell, Carter and Mooreland helped Ranger's cause with 5, 4, and 2 points respectively. For Gorman, Rachel scored 3 points, and Rodgers and Gilbert 2 each.

Griffin Rites Slated Thursday

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church for B. L. Griffin, 68, who died Wednesday morning in a Ranger hospital.

Interment will be at Gorman cemetery. Rev. Ralph Perkins and Rev. Jasper C. Massegoe will conduct the services. Funeral arrangements are in care of Killingsworth Funeral Home.

Fallbearers will be members of the Masonic Lodge and Masonic graveside services will be held.

Griffin, a retired Phillips Petroleum Co. employee, was born in 1882 in McNeil, Ark. He had lived in the Frankell Community from 1937 to 1945. From there he moved to Ilex, Texas, where he lived until moving to Ranger two years ago. He married Maudie Park in 1910.

Griffin was a member of the Ranger First Baptist Church and the Ranger Masonic lodge. Survivors include his wife of Ranger; two sons, J. A. Griffin of Phillips, Tex., and Bill Griffin of Ranger; one daughter, Mrs. W. W. Smith of McLeod, Tex.; three sisters, Mrs. Mattie Gowan of Gorman, Mrs. Allie Ball of Gorman and Mrs. Lina Miers of DeLeon; four grandchildren.

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Even New Tax Might Have To Be Considered

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (UP)—President Truman today signed the new excess profits tax bill, and warned that "the task ahead of us will require more and much heavier taxes."

Mr. Truman said even a new excess profits tax might have to be considered.

The bill which he signed is designed to raise about \$3,500,000,000. It was passed in the dying hours of the 81st Congress.

The President said in a statement that the new 1950 tax legislation increased federal revenues "very substantially," but he said it would be necessary to ask Congress again for "substantial tax increases."

"We shall have to canvass and re-canvass every revenue possibility, including the new excess profits tax," Mr. Truman said.

"In developing this tax in the few weeks at its disposal, the Congress may have been overly liberal in its concern over some corporations in special circumstances."

Because excessive exemptions and relief provisions cut federal revenues "needlessly," the President asked treasury secretary John W. Snyder to keep the excess profits tax under continuous review so that if a revision becomes necessary, the request could go to Congress immediately.

The excess profits tax levies a flat 77 per cent tax on corporate "excess profits" and hikes regular corporate income tax rates from 45 to 47 per cent.

The combined tax may not exceed 62 per cent of any company's income. Firms earning less than \$25,000 annually are exempt from both levies.

New Movie Shows GI Murdering Korean Prisoner

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 3 (UP)—Hollywood has just ground out a movie showing how GIs really fight a war, including the murder of a prisoner-of-war by an American, and the Defense Department passed it without batting an eyelash.

Ever since the Geneva convention outlawed the killing of a POW, the subject has been verboten on the screen.

But Samuel Fuller has shattered all tradition in "The Steel Helmet" by showing an enraged U. S. infantryman shooting down a North Korean prisoner.

Fuller, who wrote, directed and produced the 12-day "quickie" for Robert Lippert, showed it to the war department and got nary a squawk from the battle-wise brass.

"The killing is part of the story," he explained. "It's not a soldier shooting a prisoner. It's a man shooting another man."

"And we show it wrong. The American pays for it by going off his nut."

"The POW shooting is shocking," he admitted. "But it fits the plot. At the preview, ironically enough, the audience applauded when it happened."

Ranger Women's Mother Dies Tues.

Funeral services will be held in Hillboro today for Mrs. Dora Johnson, mother of Mrs. J. M. Jones and Mrs. E. C. Reynolds of Ranger, who died Tuesday morning there.

Exact time of the rites were not available but were expected to be held sometime this afternoon. Mrs. Johnson was 82 at the time of her death.

Jap Double Talk With Each Picture

TOKYO, Jan. 3 (UP)—Japanese sidewalk photographers snap pictures of American servicemen here and then hand them cards reading:

"We have taken your nice form just now. The pictures will be sent your hand after five days by mail. We hope you pay a purchase-money here and will send them with responsibility 160 yen."

Ranger Day At Fat Stock Show Held Jan. 28

Ranger, Waco, Meridian and Falls are the latest cities to accept an invitation to have a special day at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, officials of the Fort Worth exposition announced.

Ranger Day will be Sunday, January 28, and the citizens will attend the afternoon rodeo. The occasion is being sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce of which C. E. May Jr., is president. The delegation will boost the Jaycees' annual rodeo which is held in the Jaycees' own arena which seats 5,000. A block of tickets had been sent to R. V. Galoway, Senior Chamber of Commerce manager, who will have charge of the distribution.

Waco's Day will be Wednesday, January 31 and the delegation will attend the afternoon rodeo, Sidney Dobbins, general manager of the Chamber of Commerce, writes. The Longhorn Club, of which Ralph Buchanan is president, will have a leading part in plans for the occasion.

Bob Curtis, manager of the Meridian Chamber of Commerce, has requested Jan. 30 as his city's day because of the livestock judging in progress there. A good many years ago, Meridian and other Bosque County cities observed a Bosque County Day and brought a delegation of 2,000 which is believed to be the all-time for such an occasion at the Stock Show.

C. W. Mann, manager of the Falls Chamber of Commerce, has advised Show officials that his city will have a day. The date has not yet been chosen.

Doctors Register Under New Law

AUSTIN, Texas.—State Selective Service headquarters expects about 7,500 doctors, dentists and veterinarians to register under provisions of the medical draft law on January 15.

Brigadier General Paul L. Wakefield, state Selective Service director, estimated that about 10 times the number registered in October will register in January.

The state Selective Service director said that his estimate was based on information received from Major General Lewis B. Hershey, national director, and Mr. Todd Bates, executive secretary of the state advisory committee created under the medical draft law.

All physicians, dentists, and veterinarians who have not reached their fiftieth birthday on January 15, except members of the regular reserve components of the armed services, are required to register on January 15.

Also exempted from this January registration, General Wakefield pointed out, are those physicians, dentists and veterinarians who registered under the medical draft law on October 16.

Two Children Unaware That Grandma's Dead

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Jan. 3 (UP)—Two small children spent the day with their "sleeping" grandmother, unaware that she had died of a heart attack in the early morning hours, police reported today.

"Grandmother is still sleeping," six-year-old Billy Fred Wall and his four-year-old sister, Bertha Elaine, told an aunt when relatives went to the house late yesterday.

However, the aunt, Mrs. C. V. Johnson, said the body of the grandmother, Mrs. W. A. Dougherty, 56, was found slumped in a chair near a telephone.

The Bowie, Texas, woman apparently died of a heart attack a few minutes after she got up yesterday, authorities said. They said she apparently was trying to call for help.

Mrs. Johnson said the children's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest E. Wall, had gone to Georgia on a business trip Christmas Day, leaving the children in care of Mrs. Dougherty.

Atomic Site Studied WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(U.P.)—Space at the Pantex Ordnance Works near Amarillo, Tex., is being sought by the Atomic Energy Commission.

Bitter Debate Seen

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (UP)—The 82nd Congress, meeting for the first time Monday, faced the bitterest foreign policy debate since Pearl Harbor.

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BLAZING CHINESE COMMIE OFFENSIVE 6 MILES AWAY

TOKYO, Thursday, Jan. 4 (UP)—The blazing Chinese Communist offensive in Korea drove within six miles of Seoul Wednesday while Mongolian cavalrymen, exploiting what appeared to be a breakthrough in the east, raced south in a wide encircling move.

President Syngman Rhee and his government fled Seoul amid the distant thunder of artillery as the battle for the South Korean capital opened on its northern approaches.

A telephoned report from Kimpo Airfield at midnight Wednesday (9 a.m. Wednesday CST) said the Red glare of numerous fires could be seen against the dome of Seoul's capital building, indicating that some withdrawing units were putting the torch to some abandoned structures.

The U. S. 8th Army remained silent on whether Seoul would be abandoned to the crushing Chinese or defended in a battle to the death. Highways south were cleared of refugee traffic.

An 8th Army spokesman said the Red offensive was gaining momentum all along the 140-mile front and that United Nations forces were continuing an orderly retreat under heavy pressure.

The spokesman said 300,000 Chinese and Korean Communist troops had been thrown into the Red offensive. An extra 100,000 to 150,000 Reds from Hunan were racing south to hurl their force against the wavering right flank of the UN line.

A pooled dispatch said Mongolian cavalrymen, last reported in action in the siege of the U. S. 10th Corps at Hungnam, were in the forefront of the fighting 30 to 50 miles east of Seoul.

The cavalrymen were racing down at least two roads leading to the heart of inner South Korea and outflanking the Seoul defenders.

One of the last correspondents to leave Seoul made an aerial survey of the battlefront to the north late Wednesday. He reported the Reds were within six miles of the city, moving south along the main highway from Kaesong and Pyongyang.

College Rodeo Group Includes RJC Members

ABILENE—Bill Guest of Hardin-Simmons University has been elected president of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association. Guest was chosen at a meeting in Albuquerque Friday. He succeeds Harley May of Sul Ross, the '49 all-around champion cowboy.

Eldon Dudley of Oklahoma A&M was named vice president. Guest is leading in the bulldogging and will become national champion in this event at the NIRA show in San Francisco in March. He has 417 points against 240 of the second place holder, Don Rigger, New Mexico A&M.

The NIRA sets up rules of intercollegiate competition. The regulations are patterned after the Rodeo Cowboy association. Each school has a faculty sponsor.

Among the schools in the NIRA are Abilene Christian College, Ranger Junior College, Texas A&M, Texas A&I, Sul Ross, Texas as Western, Texas Tech, Hardin-Simmons, New Mexico A&M, New Mexico, Arizona, Flagstaff, Tempe, Colorado A&M, Wyoming, Oklahoma A&M, Kansas State, Washington State, California Poly, Cameron Junior College, Baylor, TCU, Texas, Arlington Junior College and John Tarleton.

Tenn. Farmer May Be In Line For Texas Fortune

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 3 (UP)—A Tennessee tenant farmer vowed today he would "buy some land" if his hopes for inheriting a Texas fortune came true.

Feat Adkinson, 61-year-old father of seven children, may inherit properties allegedly in Dallas. They include a 175,000 hotel, 300 acres of range land, and \$40,000 in cash and securities.

Adkinson received inquiries from Chicago several months ago asking about his father. Farmer Adkinson replied that he knew nothing about his father since there had been family trouble.

Detective Skeptical Of Woman's Story About 'Dead Baby's Body'

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 3 (UP)—A "skeptical" detective said today he believed the "mutilated body of a dead baby girl" reported seen in a rapist's car actually was only a doll.

Homicide officer Claude Langston voiced his opinion as police sought a pale-skinned, 35-year-old man who showed the "dead baby" to Mrs. Kathleen W. Harper, 24-year-old housewife, during an attempted rape New Year's Day.

Mrs. Harper, during repeated questioning by police, insisted she saw "the body of a blond-haired baby girl" in the back of the stranger's "big green" automobile as she fought off his advances in a city park.

The child's throat had been cut, she said, and there was dried blood on her face. The body lay on the floor between the front and back seats and was covered with a blue and white baby blanket.

Langston said the woman, wife of a sergeant stationed at Ellington Air Force Base, obviously was telling the truth about the attempted rape and the object seen in the car.

The detective said there were no reports in this area of missing children who might have fallen victim to the stranger.

"It could have possibly been a doll," Mrs. Harper admitted, "but I don't think so. In fact, I am certain it was a real baby girl, and I know what a real baby looks like because I have one of my own."

The young mother said the man showed her the body and said "this will happen to you" shortly after he had forced her into his automobile at gunpoint as she walked home from a grocery store Monday evening.

Mrs. Harper, who only recently stopped wearing leg braces after conquering a siege of polio, said she escaped the man when he got out of the car for a minute.

"I saw my chance—jumped out and started running and screaming," she said. "I expected my knees to buckle but the Lord must have held me up."

Mrs. Harper said her would-be attacker chased her at first, but fled when two men and a woman heard her screams and picked her up in their automobile.

Detective Langston said he was trying to learn the identity of the persons who picked up Mrs. Harper in the park. He said the young mother did not get their names.

"ROCKET AHEAD" With Oldsmobile Oldsmobile Motor Company, Eastland

WASHINGTON COLUMN

Fogbound Defense Atmosphere Is Reminiscent of Last War

WASHINGTON—(NEA)—The fire chat on May 26, 1940, the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt made his sensational suggestion that the United States should harness the machinery of this country to build 50,000 airplanes a year.

Whether the President knew it was going to turn out that way or not is now immaterial. The main function of his 50,000-plane statement was that it served to dramatize the fact that the United States would have to perform bigger miracles of production than it had ever performed before.

Though \$25 billion have been appropriated by the present Congress for military procurement, the armed services are talking only in terms of about \$600 million this year.

Does all this have a familiar ring? Substitute "Communist" for "Nazis" and substitute "Russia and its satellites" for "the unholy alliance," and President Truman would have had his fire chat already written for him.

THE SCOREBOARD

Assembly Line Technique Isn't Helping Baseball Any

NEW YORK—(NEA)—More baseball is played on the sandlots and in the schools than ever. Organized baseball turned to the assembly line.

Below Class A, it's into a bus to travel half the night to the next destination, and the grub is more likely to be bad than good.

Time For Some Dieting



COURTHOUSE NEWS AND RECORDS

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

Lucky Guys by Frank R. Adams

THE STORY: Sgt. Eddie Engstrom's squad is wiped out by a bomb and the men realize they are dead when they find themselves back home in Westwego. So far only one living creature can see them—Eddie's dog Duke.

men and many of the women were employed. Lloyd Nelson had dropped in to see his fiancée. "We ain't engaged any more," he informed the gang.

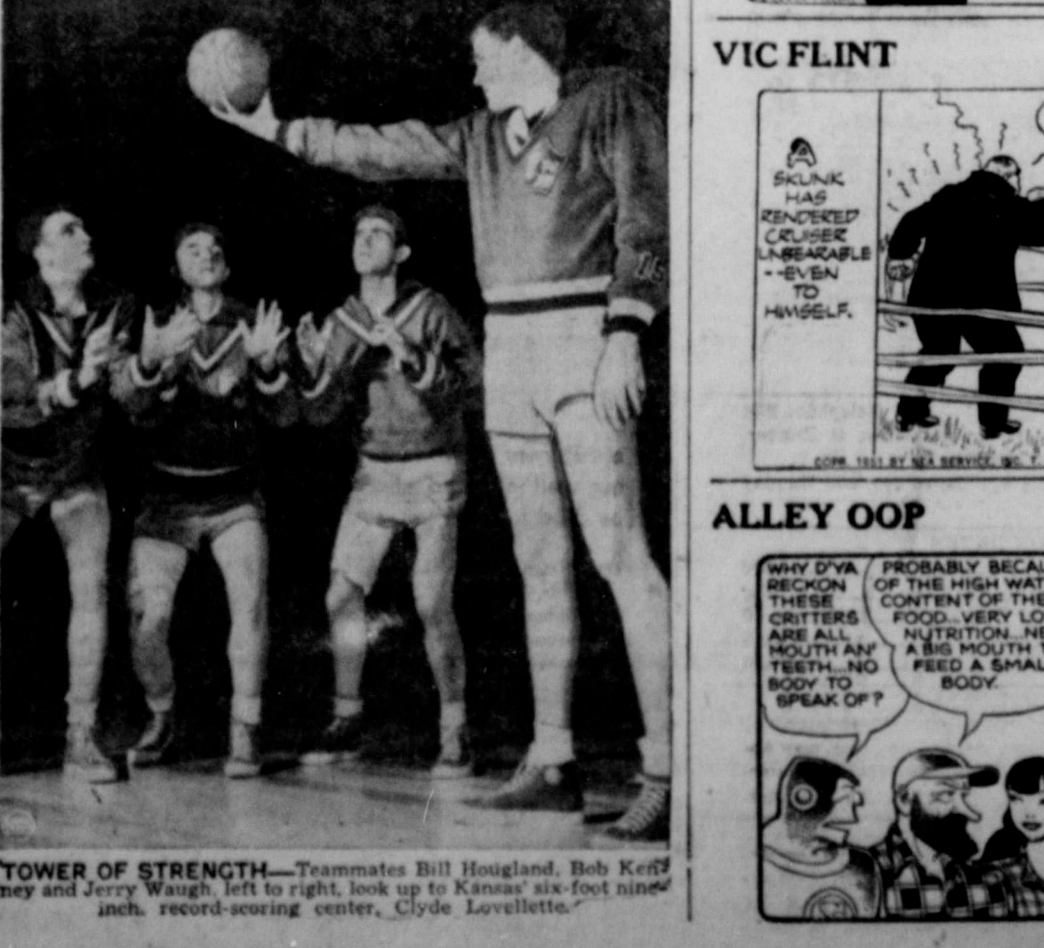
FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

IT'S TO GIVE EACH OTHER MORAL SUPPORT—FOR PEOPLE WHO EAT TOO MUCH!

ORDERS AND JUDGMENTS

The following orders and judgments were rendered from the 91st District Court last week:

Crossword puzzle with clues for 'Ocean Fish' and 'Answer to Previous Puzzle'. Includes a grid and a fish illustration.



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★ NOTICE

MASONIC NOTICE
Stated meeting Ranger Masonic Lodge, No. 738 A. F. & A. M., 7:30 p.m., Thursday. Examinations in all degrees. All members are urged to be present. Visitors welcome.
H. B. Getts, Act. W.M.
J. F. Donley, sec.

★ WANTED

YOUNG Ex-GI seeks employment. Former ranch worker. Will accept anything. Phone 659-W.

Cotton Use Increases
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (UP)—The Department of Agriculture viewed with apprehension today a sharp increase in cotton consumption which already has cut deeply into scant reserves.

• BARBS

BY HAL COCHRAN
THE average life of women has jumped, according to a doctor. Meaning that many more years to stay 29.

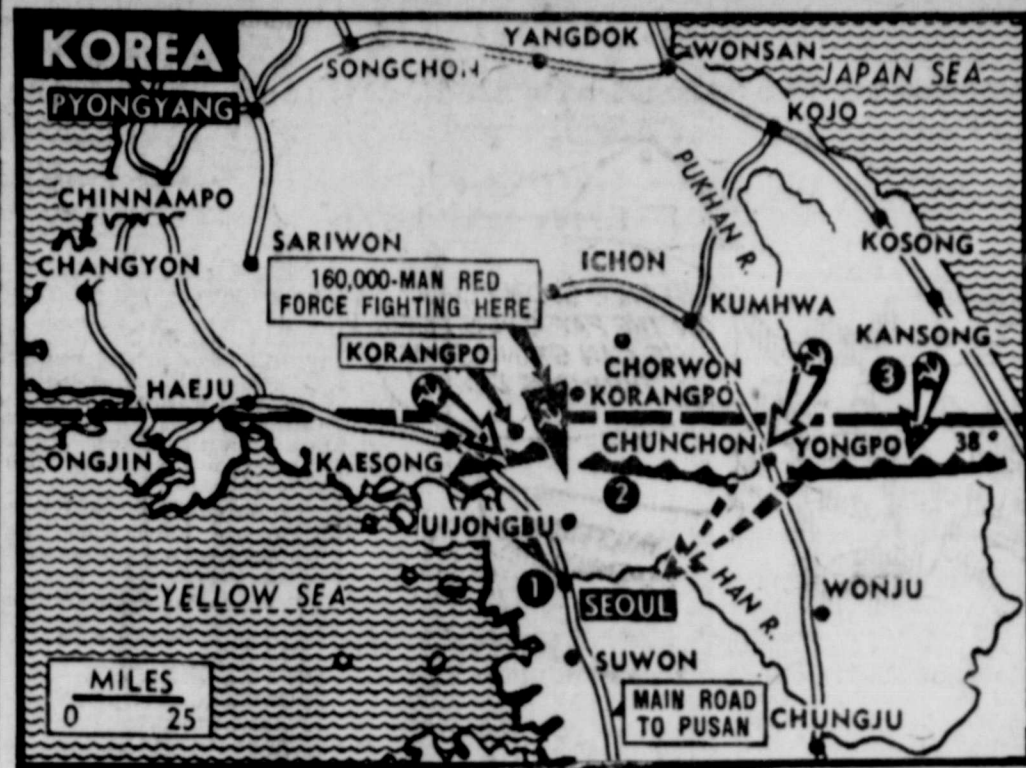
A Minnesota man was arrested for poking his wife in the eye. We can just see her as a perfect eye witness.

Put off until tomorrow the little devilish things you shouldn't do

today would make a nice proverb for little tots.

The ruler often is the difference between making a smart pupil and a pupil smart.

It's funny how many people raid the home refrigerator just before going to a church supper.



CHINESE TROOPS REPORTED NEAR SEOUL—Crack Chinese troops were reported within 15 miles of Seoul (1) and the South Korean capital's fall appeared near. Enemy patrols were spotted north of Uijongbu (2) after Reds drove wedge-shaped salient into United Nations line north of Seoul. Situation was serious on eastern end of front where Communist forces were trying to turn Allied flank (broken arrow) and cut Seoul's main supply line. Security regulations cloaked battle south of Yongpo (3) as up to three enemy divisions smashed into UN defenseline. (NEA Telephoto).

LATEST GI JOKE IN KOREA IS PHRASE-- "SOMEBODY PUSHED THE PANIC BUTTON"

BY H. D. QUIGG
SOMEWHERE IN KOREA, Jan. 3—(U.P.)—A poor man's paragrapher at work:

It's a pretty good bet that no American outfit ever will "hit the panic button" again in this war. The days of panic are gone. Experience and confidence have taken over.

But the expression—"the panic button"—linger on. It's a new phrase which blossomed in the Korean War. And now you hear it on all sides. It's always uttered as broad humor. Whenever an outfit makes a routine move, the big joke is that "somebody pushed the panic button."

The expression stemmed from the signal given by the pilot of a plane which is in serious trouble. He pushes a button sounding a buzzer which means everybody is to bail out. The fact that the GI is able now to use the expression to poke fun at a condition which once may have prevailed in some instances, is a sign of healthy self-appraisal and self-confidence.

The appointment of Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway as 8th Army commander and the aggressive spirit he has shown in his visits to get acquainted with his fighting units have set off a saying which is going the rounds in front line units: "up the ridges with Ridgway."

Winter time in Korea has given GIs a chance to watch the operation of a Korean architectural development several hundred years old which American house-builders are just catching up with. That radiant heating. Korean houses are heated by the simple process of running the smoke and fumes from the kitchen stove underneath the floors of the other rooms.

Korean houses don't have basements. The under-floor chimneys are made by digging four or five trenches in the ground. Flat rocks are laid over them. A layer

of dirt is smoothed over the rocks and heavy oil paper flooring is put over that. The kitchen fireplace is built lower than the floors of the rooms and the smoke flows through the trenches and out an upright chimney from the other side of the house.

The big guess came among United Nations troops for a time, of course, was about the date the Communists would lower the boom for the big push. But nervous tension over the situation seemed to show only in rear areas. The farther forward you go, the calmer the boys seemed to be.

The famous Korean dust which comes in such clouds along the road that most GIs feel a lot of it has sifted right into their bones is just about as bad in winter as it is in summer. Many Koreans wear cloth masks over their noses and mouths to fend off disease germs, but their main value since the UN vehicles began churning up the roads is in screening off the dust.

One line outfit, which has had plenty of experience with the Chinese has got tired of their bugle and whistle blowing. They intend to fight fire with fire. Their commander, Maj. James H. Lee, (5714 E. Claridge Circle),

allas, Texas, went to Seoul and bought three bugles. He had his buglers practicing Chinese bugle calls.

"When they hit us again," he said, "if they blow an advance, we'll blow retreat right back at them. We'll play everything in the book—anything to mess 'em up. We've got about 50 police whistles, too, and we'll match their blowing those."

"Maybe I shouldn't put that in the paper," I said. "It might give away your strategy."

"Doesn't matter in the least," he said. "They won't know who is blowing what when the time comes. We've even got an old fire siren we'll turn on if we can get enough wire for it."

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SCENES AROUND RANGER

While performing the annual year-end clean up around the desk, I ran across the following poem in the San Patricio News. It's a Christmas poem and comes a bit late for last year's yuletide celebration but, still, there are only 362 days until next Christmas. Here's the poem—a sort of Latin-American version of our "Night Before Christmas":

"Teez the Night Before Chreestmas,
And all through the casa,
Not a creature is stirring,
Caramba! Que Pasa?
The stockings are hung con mucho cuidado
In hopes that St. Nicholas weel feel obligado
To leave a few cosas, aqui and all
For chico y chica (y something for me.)
Los ninos are snugged, all safe in their camas,
(Some in vestidos and some in pajamas.)
Their little cabezas are full of good things
They're all esperando que Santa will bring
Santa esta at el corner saloon,
May borracho seence meedafternoon.

*Mama see seating beside la ventana,
Shining her rolling pin, para manana,
When Santa returns to his home zigzagando,
Leet up like the Star Spangled Banner, cantando,
Then, mama will send him to bed con a right.
Merry Chreestmas a todos, y a todos, Good Night!
(Poet Unknown)*

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Property Owners Win Dallas Slum Clearing Suit

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 3 (UP)—Dallas property owners today won a fight in the state supreme court against a city-sponsored slum clearance project.

The high court, in a one-paragraph opinion overruling application for a writ of error by the city, sustained in effect a previous ruling of the court of civil appeals.

The action involved a suit between David C. McCord, Jr., and other property owners and the Dallas Housing Authority.

The Housing Authority won approval of its slum clearance project in trial court, but was overruled in civil appeals court on grounds the agency lacked authority granting it the right of eminent domain.

In that opinion, the appeals court noted that "commendable as the plans of urban redevelopment may be . . . adequate and appropriate legislation" was needed before the project could be carried out.

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Quata Head Is Bride Of Dale Kirk In Ceremony Read By Ranger Pastor

Mrs. Quata Head became the bride of Dale Kirk at 8 p.m. Friday, December 29, in a ceremony read by the Rev. Ralph Perkins, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ranger, at his home in Ranger.

Mrs. Kirk chose for her wedding a gray gaberdine suit, with black accessories. Her shoulder corsage was of pink roses.

Attendants were Patrick Head, young son of the bride, and Christina Arther. John Dean Slaughter of Cisco was best man.

The couple left immediately for Wichita Falls where they will make their home. Mr. Kirk is employed by the Bell Telephone Company.

Mrs. Kirk has been attending Ranger Junior College, since her graduation from Eastland High School last June. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Langley, 610 South Connelley Street.

Personals

Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall attended a medical meeting in Ft. Worth, recently. There were three hundred doctors present.

Mrs. W. T. Watkins of Lott was Christmas guest of her son, Dr. W. P. Watkins and family. Dr. and Mrs. Watkins and children spent New Year Holidays with Mrs. Watkins' parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson. They also attended the Cotton Bowl game in Dallas, Monday.

Mrs. Lee Mitchell and son, Robert Lee of Long Beach, Calif., are spending Wednesday in Dallas visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kribbas and daughter, Barbara. Mrs. Robert Mitchell will return with them.

Mrs. P. C. Long and Clayton had as New Year's guests, Mr. and Mrs. Rex C. Outlaw of Evansville, Indiana and Judge and Mrs. George W. Outlaw of Sweetwater. Mr. and Mrs. George Cunningham of Abilene were also visitors in the home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Jones have returned to their home in Ranger after spending the holidays in Kingsville.

Mr. and Mrs. James Higdon transacted business in Cleburne, yesterday.

Mrs. J. F. Byas was called to Dallas to be at the bedside of her brother.

Mrs. Perry Horton from Strawn was in Ranger, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Wolford and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Aills attended the Cotton Bowl game in Dallas, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eubanks of Oklahoma have been visiting her



GENERAL WALKER BROUGHT TO FORTMYER—The body of Lt. General Walton H. Walker, killed recently in a jeep accident in Allied flank (broken arrow) and cut Seoul's Myer, Virginia. Members of the Old Guard, 3rd Infantry Regiment form the honor guard. The General will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery. (NEA Telephone)

7200 Birds Go On Display At NY Poultry Meet

By Elizabeth Toomey
NEW YORK, Jan. 3 (UP)—The barnyard, complete with crowing roosters, colorful bantams and glamorous silver pheasants, was transplanted to Manhattan today.

The 7200 birds on display for five days in the greater New York Poultry Exposition are here for serious business—to decide which is the bird of finest feather.

"But it's like a circus for city folks," said one breeder, regretting that big city folk didn't understand the seriousness.

C. T. Alden, poultry expert from Roslyn Heights, L. I. brought along a Russian goose—chubby and white with drooping ribbon feathers.

"Tickle him under the chin," Alden suggested to the pretty blonde model posing with the rare goose when it wouldn't hold up its head for the camera. She looked a nervous finger, the goose bit out an angry "phht" and the picture was taken—with the belligerent goose hanging its head.

A three-legged rooster caused a small flurry when it arrived,

the entry of Paul R. Pinkerton of Frenchton, N. J.

"There are always a few novelties like that," explained one official.

This is the largest poultry show ever held in the city. It covers two floors of Grand Central Palace. Some 600 breeders sent birds from 27 states, plus several game bird entries from Cuba and Haiti.

The questions city dwellers ask interest the experts almost as much as the entries.

"They ask some very personal questions about poultry," said Mrs. Alice A. Roberts, only woman on the panel of 15 judges, and one of the few women poultry judges in the country.

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Choir Practice

Everyone is asked to attend the choir practice, Wednesday night, December 3rd in the Methodist Church. Practice will begin at 8:00.

Auxiliary Meet

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Thursday night, January 4th in the home of Mrs. Laura Melton. All members are urged to be present.

V.F.W. Meet

The V.F.W. Auxiliary will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 at the hall. All members are urged to be present.

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1920 Club Meet

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Mathena had the following guests in their home for the holidays: Mr. and Mrs. Rex Elrod of Wichita Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Elrod of Edinburg.

Mrs. A. L. Stiles had as guests in her home Tuesday night, Mr. and Mrs. George Warden of Portland, Oregon. Mrs. S. R. Amos and daughter, Carlon of Dallas are also visiting in the home.

Mrs. Frank Hicklin has been confined to her home by illness since the Christmas holidays, but is able to be out now.

Mrs. Sadie Jones returned from Snyder where she has been visiting Mrs. H. A. Scott and Mrs. V. O. Bennett.

A. L. Stiles was called to the bedside of his mother, Mrs. P. E. Stiles in Lubbock.

Dorcas Class Will Meet

The Dorcas class of the First Baptist Church will hold their business and social meeting Thursday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. W. W. Mitchell. All members and associate members are asked to be present.



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