

## The Gay Philosopher

By J. W. S.

CISCO AREA farmers might do well to consider broom corn for a special crop. Mr. H. H. Tompkins has a definite opinion on this. There is a definite shortage of broom corn and indications are seen that the shortage will continue.

Tompkins has just returned from a broom manufacturer's plant in Dallas. While there he arranged for some broom seed. He says he will make the seed available to farmers and guarantee to deliver it on time.

According to estimates, broom corn will gross you something over 100 per acre in this area.

SPEC Tompkins, the TCU star, has graduated and is back home. He will be with his father in the lock-out and other enterprises. He is getting all set at the plant to go into the whole meat packing business — will be sausage, swiners, lunch and so forth.

THINK THE weather is here? Let us quote from a received this morning from Marvin E. Strickland, our correspondent up at Anchorage, Alaska.

Am sending along snapshots after our first big snow in December. This one measured 16 inches. Now, however, we measure the snow in feet, as we have a total of over three feet as of Dec. 1.

While the weather in Fairbanks has been 50 to 57 below zero for two weeks straight, the coldest in Anchorage was 25 below. Most days are sunny and clear during the daylight hours, but are now seven hours out of 24. By June, it will be daylight about 21 hours a day with 10 hours of darkness. Farther north at Fairbanks and Mt. Mcenery, during late June and early July it is all daylight 24 hours a day.

Will mail you some more copies of the Anchorage Daily News telling of the Big Alaska rail fire in Anchorage that destroyed over 4 million dollars worth of equipment and buildings.

The paper also tells about the blow and storm that hit Fairbanks, Alaska, this week — while miles away there was no wind. It can be seen that Texas isn't the place in the world with a steady and changeable weather.

CISCO JUNIOR COLLEGE has a victim back in the days there was a national foundation to help out with the expenses. She is Miss Betty Spravls, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Spravls of Scranton. She was stricken when she was six years old. She now is pretty active — can do just about anything — can except swim.

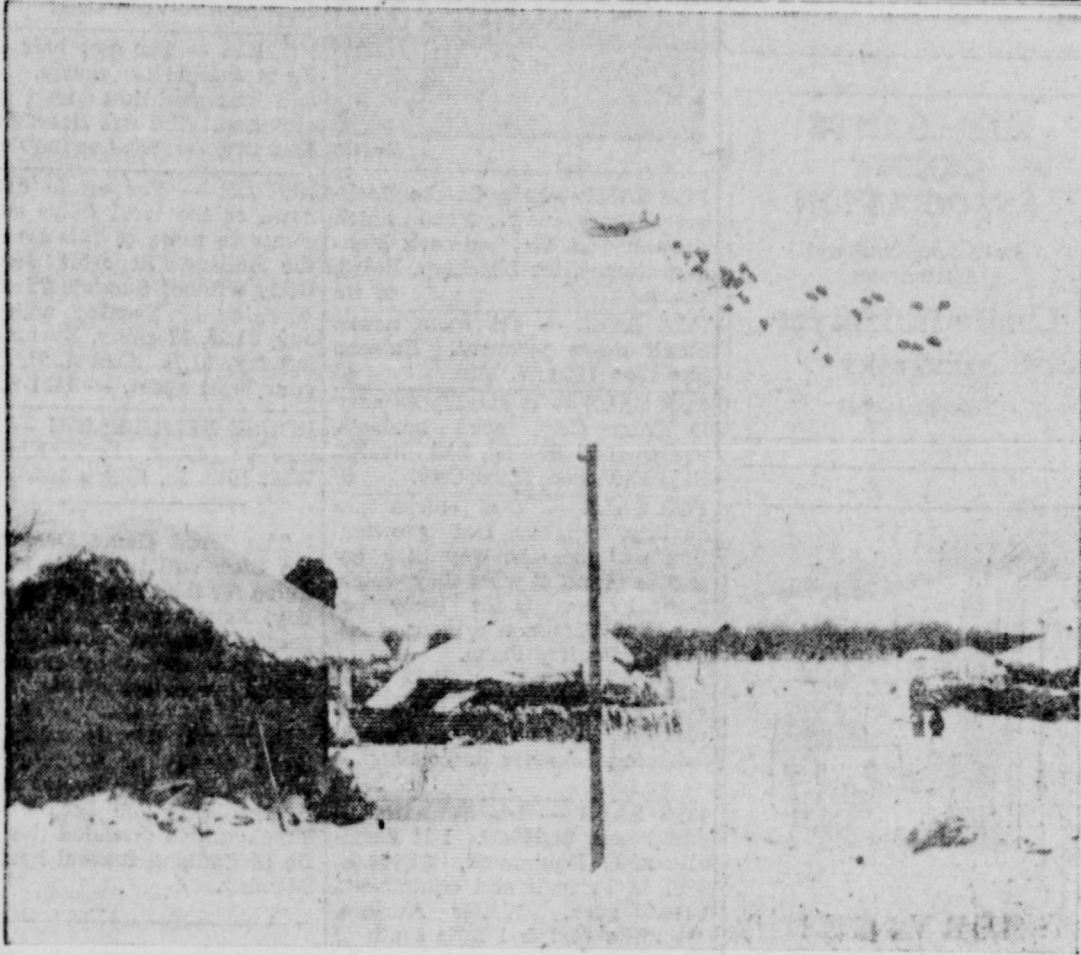
Betty tells us she certainly is sympathetic with the March of Dimes drive, because she knows what it means to have polio. She is a CJC senior and probably will lead the March of Dimes dance at the Country Club next Saturday night.

WE EVER meet up with the who is in charge of the program at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show and if he asks us what we think of the program, we're going to advise him to keep the rodeo. And, for goodness sake, we're going to say, do away with the horse show. There is nothing as boring as sitting on a hard seat for hours and watching performance classes for show horses. It is swell to have the horse show, but they ought to make a separate affair out of it. Their show is the world's best, but they're not going any more until they stop making you see all of the show horses. A few of them would be okay, but hundreds of them are entered.

## Oil Tax Office to Be Open Late

Mrs. PEGGY Gallagher, deputy collector, will keep her office at the Chamber of Commerce open tonight for the benefit of Cisco area residents who might want to pay their 1951 poll taxes.

A total of 277 poll taxes had been paid at Mrs. Gallagher's office by noon today. Today is the deadline for paying the 1951 poll taxes.



**LIKE MANNA FROM HEAVEN**—An American Air Force combat cargo plane is shown dropping parachutes bearing supplies and ammunition to GIs trying to stem the Red tide in South Korea. French and Dutch troops lend support to American soldiers fighting the Reds in below-zero weather.

## EASTLAND COUNTY GOLFERS TO PLAY ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT

At a meeting held last week by representatives of the Country Clubs of Cisco, Eastland and Ranger it was voted to hold a series of round robin matches with members of the clubs participating for team trophies.

The first of the series of matches will begin on February 4 when local golfers invade the Eastland course.

## New Records Are Set By Oil Men During Past Year

HOUSTON, January 31—Achievements of the petroleum industry in 1950 offer assurances of oil men's ability to meet the challenges of 1951, according to Roy M. Stephens, newly-appointed Texas chairman of the Oil Industry Information Committee.

Stephens, who is acting sales manager of Humble Oil & Refining Co., called attention to new records established by oil men in 1950 in supplying the American people with the greatest quantity of petroleum products in the nation's history. He said:

"Domestic consumption of petroleum hit an all-time peak last year. This is the eighth consecutive year that consumption has topped the previous year, and is high tribute to the keen competition which affects every branch of petroleum, from exploration and discovery right through marketing and research."

Stephens noted that, according to a recent government forecast, the American people will want an additional 468 thousand barrels per day in 1951. He added:

"Leaders of the industry are confident that they can meet this demand. A lot, of course, rests with what happens in 1951. Depending upon developments in Washington and abroad, and the availability of men and materials, there is every reason to believe that the industry can continue its excellent record of supplying our people with their petroleum needs."

To meet this demand, the OIIC spokesman said, the oil men in 1950 drilled approximately 43,000 wells, the greatest number in history; boosted refinery capacity to an all-time peak; processed more crude oil than ever before; passed the billion-barrel mark in motor fuel production; and set new records for production of distillate fuel oil and natural gas. The capacity of the petroleum industry is roughly 25 per cent greater than it was during the peak of World War II.

Since the end of the war, the OIIC chairman said, the industry has invested more than 10 billion dollars in capital expansion and development — an average of more than two billion dollars a year.

Each club is to arrange its players according to ladders with the number one player at the top. It was tentatively decided that play would begin with 15 players from each town but it was pointed out that the number might be increased to 20 or 25 if a sufficient number of players desired to enter.

Each player will be assessed a 25 cent entry fee to go toward purchasing the trophies for the winning team. If the team wins the trophy two years in succession the trophy becomes the permanent possession of the home club. There will be no green fees charged after the entry fee is posted.

Following the opening matches between Cisco and Eastland on February 4, weather permitting, Eastland will play in Ranger on February 18, Ranger will play in Cisco on February 25, Eastland will play in Cisco on March 4, Ranger will play at Eastland on March 11 and Cisco will play in Ranger on March 18.

Bill Dill, Cisco Country Club pro, will have charge of the local entries.

## Methodist Choir Practice Postponed

Regular weekly choir practice at the First Methodist Church scheduled for tonight has been cancelled due to the weather, it was reported by Rev. E. H. Lightfoot.

Members were also reminded that the fellowship banquet also scheduled for tonight had been postponed until a later date. The time will be announced later.

## Former Cisco Man Is Nolan County School Head

by HAMILTON WRIGHT Reporter-News Staff Writer

Nolan County's new school superintendent, a native of Rising Star, has had long and varied experience teaching in a West Texas. He is Rea C. Dill, an Abilene Christian College graduate.

He took his first public office position as superintendent Jan. 1 when he succeeded Ed Neinst. His father emigrated to Eastland County in 1880, settling at Rising Star. Rea attended grade school and was graduated from Cisco High School in 1924. He finished ACC in 1928, and got his master's degree from Texas Christian University in 1944.

He is 43 years old, the youngest of nine children, all living. His birthday is July 25. He taught in schools at Cisco, in Rosen Heights in Fort Worth, Throckmorton, Hamlin. He came to Sweetwater in 1945 and taught in West Ward School.

He is married and the father of five children. They are Mrs. Lucian Morgan, Fort Worth, a graduate of North Texas State Teachers College; Preston, 16, a junior in local high school; Juaneice, 15, local high school sophomore; Doyt, 12, in sixth grade; Sandra, 8, in grade school. Mrs. Dill teaches the second grade in the Latin-American public school here. She is a Fort Worth native.

He has five brothers: Terry Dill, Abilene; Merritt Dill, Cross Plains and John, Charlie and Jim Dill, all of Fort Worth.

His hobbies — raising chickens and carpentry.

His assistant in the county office is Miss Georgia Stiles, who has been employed there for the last four years.

## SMU Completes Entire School Plant



Perhaps unique in the history of college construction is the Perkins School of Theology quadrangle on the campus of Southern Methodist University. School officials believe that it is the first theological seminary plant designed and brought to completion in one continuous operation. Costing approximately \$3,500,000, the

seven-building quadrangle will be dedicated to the training of ministers and Christian workers on Feb. 8. Shown in the aerial view are, left to right in the foreground of the quadrangle: Kirby Hall, the Perkins Chapel and the Bridwell Library; rear, left to right: E. B. Hawk Apartments,

Paul E. Martin Apartments; S. B. Perkins Dormitory, and A. Frank Smith Dormitory. Insets show Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Perkins of Wichita Falls, for whom the school is named. They are long-time benefactors of SMU and principal donors to the development of its theology school facilities.

## Methodist Dedicate Theology Quarters At SMU Feb. 8

DALLAS, Jan. 31—Dedication ceremonies for the \$3,500,000 Perkins School of Theology Quadrangle at Southern Methodist University will be held February 8. Dr. Eugene B. Hawk, Dean of the school, has announced the event, set during annual Ministers' Week at SMU, will draw a record attendance of Methodist churchmen from all parts of the United States. The dedication will climax a three-day program, Feb. 5-8, which also will include the first official Homecoming for alumni and ex-students of the Perkins School of Theology. President E. C. Caldwell of the University of Chicago will deliver the dedicatory address on Feb. 8.

SMU officials believe that the ceremonies dedicating the quadrangle to the training of Christian workers will mark the first time that an entire, separate plant for a theology school has been completed at one time. Named after Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Perkins of Wichita Falls, principal donors to the school and long-time benefactors of SMU, the quadrangle contains seven buildings: Kirby Hall, for classrooms and offices; the Perkins Chapel; the Bridwell Library; the E. B. Hawk and the Paul E. Martin Apartments for married students; and the S. B. Perkins and A. Frank Smith dormitories for single students.

Speakers for the annual Ministers' Week series of lectures at SMU will be Dr. Nels F. Ferre of the School of Religion of Vanderbilt University; Dr. Harold A. Bosley of Evanston, Ill., and Dean Clarence T. Craig of Drew Theological Seminary.

## Desdemona Boy Wins Show Prize

"White Flash," 865 pound Short-horn steer owned by Joe Ben Koonce, Desdemona 4-H Club Boy, was the champion Short-horn of the boys steer show at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Ft. Worth last Saturday, January 27.

"White Flash," first was awarded a blue ribbon for winning the middleweight division, and later defeated the light and heavy-weight winners for the championship.

Joe Ben's father, B. O. Koonce, bred the steer and has also bred several steers that have won at the Houston Ft. Worth shows in past years but were shown by other boys.

"White Flash" was reserve champion Short-horn steer at the State Fair last October, at Dallas. Koonce received \$45.00 in prize money. The steer will be auctioned Friday, February 2.

## Health Units Urge Dental Care

AUSTIN, Jan. 31. — Progress being made in the prevention and control of dental disease through scientific and proper care daily of the teeth was described by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, in urging the observance of Children's Dental Health Day, February 5.

Dr. Cox said it was with children that modern dentistry has had its greatest success in preventing tooth decay. He told of the research being done by the Division of Dental Health with sodium fluoride in preventing tooth decay — both by fluoridation of community water supplies and the application of sodium fluoride to surfaces of the teeth by dentists.

A control test showed in one Texas city where the water supply was fluoridated, the rate of decayed, missing and filled teeth among six year old children dropped 47 per cent in 29 months. In a nearby city where no fluoride was added to the water the rate remained at eight decayed teeth per child.

The Texas State Health Department recommends that teeth be brushed after every meal to remove particles of food which may cause decay-producing acids. Brushing teeth a few minutes after eating candy is especially important because acid which attacks tooth enamel is formed by action of bacteria on carbohydrates, especially sugar in a few minutes.

Dr. Cox's said children's 20 first teeth should be given the best of care to permit the children to chew properly, to promote facial development and to preserve the space for the 32 permanent teeth which will come in later. Children should pay their first visit to the dentists when all 20 first teeth are in and then see him each six months thereafter.

National Dental Health Day is a splendid time to resolve to do your utmost every day to see that children follow simple dental health rules and are given treatments as required for the preservation of their teeth.



**THROUGH THE ICE**—Walt Dropo, Boston Red Sox star, showed good form on his rookie try at ice fishing while vacationing in Newfields, Me. Although the fish don't always cooperate, Dropo did very well. He's shown holding two of the ten pickerel he caught in a couple of cold hours.

## MOST POLIO CASES OF DECADE OCCURRED IN PAST THREE YEARS

Almost half of all the children and adults stricken with infantile paralysis in this country during the last thirteen years have been victims of high polio incidence in the last three years alone.

From 1938 through 1947 there were 113,523 cases of polio reported in the United States; since then the rising tide of polio has accounted for over 100,000 cases.

During the three successive high polio years of 1948, 1949 and 1950, polio incidence has occurred at an annual case rate approximately three times greater than in the previous decade.

Behind these statistics, Stanley Webb, Eastland County March of Dimes Director said today, are partially or totally disabled children, men and women robbed of their means of livelihood, human beings who look to the chapters of the National Foundation for the Infantile Paralysis for help in obtaining care and treatment.

Here in Eastland County during the last three years, Mr. Webb said, there have been many cases, of which the most occurred in the past three years.

These grim facts are the reason for the intensified 1951 March of Dimes now under way, Mr. Webb said, for patient care resources of the National Foundation have vanished and must be rebuilt.

In 1948, Mr. Webb declared, there were 27,902 cases of infantile paralysis in the nation. This was followed in 1949 by an epidemic that could have amounted to a national calamity without March of Dimes funds—32,173 cases, the highest on record. Last year brought the second highest incidence, conservatively estimated at over 30,000 cases.

**More Need Help**

"The figures tell only part of the story," said Mr. Webb. "Our problems are not those of 'cases' but of people. It does not really matter in which year a child or an adult was struck down by polio nor does it matter, except financially, whether there were more cases in one year than in another. Our sole consideration is for those who need our help. Today there are more of these than ever before. And we are not only out of emergency aid funds, but we begin 1951 owing bills for patient care given in 1950!"

Mr. Webb recalled that as early as last September, the National Foundation was compelled to call upon its chapters in all parts of the country to pledge what local funds they could to epidemic relief in stricken areas.

This was done to insure continuing care, Mr. Webb asserted, the only alternative being a supplemental polio emergency drive.

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## Plans Call For Class To Resume Work On Monday

All units of the Cisco School System, including Cisco Junior College day and night schools, were dismissed for the balance of this week today due to cold weather and the outlook for continued cold and bad weather.

President O. L. Stamey of the college said the classes were dismissed until Monday for all units of the school system.

More of the same was all that the weatherman could promise Ciscoans and all of Texas for today, tonight, Thursday and Friday on the weather menu. Little relief was in sight from the cold which has held the entire southwest in its grip since Saturday night and Sunday.

The temperature has been below the freezing mark since Saturday night and in the teens since Sunday night. Light sleet and snow was falling in the Cisco area Wednesday and the forecast called for it to continue through Thursday afternoon. A possibility of freezing rain was in the prediction.

The Texas Department of Public Safety warned motorists to drive carefully over all highways in the state as sleet, snow or freezing mist made driving hazardous. In Cisco no accidents have been reported despite streets made slick by sleet and light snow. Gravel had been placed on the viaduct and at major street crossings.

School children took only 30 minutes off for lunch today in order to permit classes to be dismissed at 2:20 p. m. so that bus students could reach home earlier.

Devastating fires struck Childress, Lubbock and Houston and fire fighters were hampered by the cold in their efforts to control the blaze. At Childress several buildings, including a bank, were burned at a loss estimated at a million dollars. At Lubbock, the J. C. Penney Co. three story building in the heart of the business area was destroyed at a loss of over \$300,000. In Houston a fire was still raging at noon today after destroying a block of business buildings across the street from the Rice Hotel. Frozen hydrants were hampering the efforts of firemen.

Noon readings over Texas included 14 degrees in Cisco and Wichita Falls, 16 at Dallas, below ten at Amarillo and Lubbock, 21 at San Antonio, 28 at Houston and 29 at Galveston.

## Cattle Raisers To Meet In Dallas

Elaborate plans for entertaining Texas and Southwestern cattle raisers at their convention in Dallas, March 12-14, have been announced by John Carpenter, president of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

Carpenter said the entertainment committee for the convention, headed by R. J. O'Donnell, Interstate Circuit theaterman, has scheduled a program of social activities destined to make this meeting the most memorable in the association's 74-year history. Entertainment will be provided by Dallas business leaders and firms, under the sponsorship of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association is the largest organization of its kind in the world. The March meeting will be its first in Dallas in 31 years. More than 3000 persons from six Southwestern states are expected.

Concluding function will be a luncheon for officers and directors of the association on March 14 in the Adolphus.

Dallas will greet the convention with street decorations, window displays, and a general air of friendliness intended to match the traditional hospitality of the cattlemen themselves, Carpenter said.

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## Simple Blood Test Offers Hope For Predicting Heart Disease

A simple blood test which can detect the first symptoms of hardening of the arteries may be the means of defeating America's No. 1 Killer, heart disease, according to an article in the February issue of Pageant magazine.

This test, recently developed at the University of California by Dr. John W. Gofman and his colleagues, is applicable to anyone, and its results can be labeled positive or negative. A positive reading, according to Pageant, means that you MAY be stricken suddenly, and perhaps fatally, but it doesn't mean that you're INEVITABLY slated for a heart disease. Nor does it mean you have to give up in despair, because, according to the researchers, there is growing evidence that a simple correction of diet can clear your blood of the danger and switch you from positive to negative.

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A scientist engaged in March of Dimes research is shown here with a technician, as he begins an experiment with bacteriophage to determine how and where the 'phage obtains the "food" and energy for reproduction. (Bacteriophage is a virus-like organism which destroys bacteria.) Being simpler to work with than viruses, 'phage are used as models in this experiment to develop basic information about viruses in general. The ultimate aim of this and similar research is to find a substance that can safely be used as a preventive or remedy for polio. Since 1938, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has spent approximately \$12,000,000 in research aimed at finding a polio prevention or cure and the development of better treatment methods.



PAINTING AND POLITICS—Bert Fairchild, a painter in the City Hall and County Building in Chicago, takes time off his job to file his nominating petition for alderman with Chief Clerk John Rusch. Described in his campaign literature as "the workman's friend," Fairchild is a perennial candidate for alderman of the 37th ward.

heart patients, he found the dip in 101 out of 104 known heart cases. By last fall 8,000 blood samples had been processed and almost all who had heart disease had the tall-tale protein molecules in their blood.

A follow-up experiment indicates that a cholesterol-free diet may eliminate the dangerous molecules from the blood of patients with "positive" results. It's still too early to make Dr. Gofman's blood test generally available, warns Pageant - or to make any definite statement about the relationship of diet to coronary heart disease - but in the entire history of medicine the promise of defeat for the No. 1 killer has never seemed so bright.

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The Word Home Demonstration Club will not meet as scheduled for their meeting on Thursday, February 1, providing the present weather prevails, it has been announced by Miss Alice Bacon, reporter.

Raymond Gandy of Olney, Cleve Gandy of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stoker of near Breckenridge and Jack Fizer of Breckenridge attended the Charlie McClelland funeral held here Monday.

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# SOCIETY AND CLUBS

AND NEWS OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

### Group Council Of Christian Church Meets On Tuesday

The group council of the First Christian Church met Tuesday afternoon, January 30, at the church for their regular meeting. The call to worship was made by Mrs. Ada Mobley. Group three presented the program. Mrs. George still read the 91st Psalm. A talk, "Origins of Religion in the Near East," was presented by Mrs. J. R. DeArmond. Mrs. James Latimer conducted the business session, and minutes were read by Mrs. L. C. Burzenski. Group reports were submitted and offerings dedicated.

Subscriptions to the church magazine, "World Calls," were discussed. Mrs. W. J. Armstrong reported on program material for next quarter. Mrs. Fleming Waters reported on the Area School of Missions, to be conducted in Abilene on February 6. Group duties were assigned for February.

The meeting closed with the missionary benediction. Those present were: Mesdames Sam Kimmel, James Latimer, G. W. Troxwell, W. R. Huestis, J. R. DeArmond, D. E. Aden, L. C. Burzenski, George Estill, W. J. Armstrong and Ada Mobley.

### Miss June Anderson Becomes Bride Of Floyd Johnson

Miss June Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Anderson, became the bride of Floyd Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edgar Johnson, in a simple ceremony in the home of Rev. Leslie Seymour on the afternoon of January 27, at 2 o'clock.

The bride wore a sun gold gabardine suit with black accessories, and a shoulder corsage of white feathered carnations.

The Rev. Leslie Seymour officiated at the single ring ceremony.

Following the ceremony, the couple cut their three tiered wedding cake in the home of the bride's parents.

The couple will make their home in Weatherford and Mr. Johnson will continue his work at Consolidated in Fort Worth.

### Birthday Dinner Honors Max Witt

Mr. Max Witt was honored with a birthday dinner on Saturday, January 27, in his home. A birthday cake was brought by his daughters, Mrs. Melvin Stokes and Mrs. Wilbert Kroenke, of Wichita Falls. Kenneth Glen Witt, who is making his home with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Kroenke, accompanied Mrs. Kroenke. Mrs. Stokes was accompanied by her husband and children, Wallace and David. Friends and relatives who visited during the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Witt and children, Donald, Wanda and William, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reich and children, Beckie and Timmie and Pastor Lohman.

Mrs. Witt prepared a lovely birthday dinner for her husband, and canasta games were enjoyed in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kent of Fort Worth spent the past weekend visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kent. Their son accompanied them.



FOR LUCK—Actress Virginia Mayo, official hostess of the National Football League's American Conference team, hands the ball in Los Angeles to Jim Hardy of the Chicago Cardinals. Hardy played with the American (Eastern) team in a charity game against the National Conference all-stars.

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### Rainbow Advisors Meet Monday Night

The current Advisory Board for the Assembly of Rainbow Girls held their first meeting of the year in the home of Mrs. T. E. Lisenbee on Monday night, January 27, at 7:30 o'clock.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Sam King. Routine business was transacted and the following officers were elected: Mother Advisor, Eugenia Cotton; Chairman of Board, H. L. Thompson; Recorder and Secretary, Mrs. T. E. Lisenbee, and Reporter, Mrs. A. B. Byrd.

Refreshments were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Sam King, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown, and Mrs. A. B. Byrd.

### Scranton News

On Friday night of last week, Scranton teams defeated Strawn two games at the Mingo gym. Scranton girls guard Julia Wheatley played 4 quarters as forward and scored 22 points. Jane Starr, a regular forward scored 19 points.

For the boys team, Douglas Speegle led with 15 points and was followed by Don Starr with 14 points. On Tuesday night of last week Scranton girls were defeated by Olden 19 to 18 at Olden and Scranton boys were defeated 52 to 29 by Olden.

Scranton contests with Gorman at Gorman for Tuesday were cancelled because of the cold weather.

In honor of their wins at the Eastland tournament, the Scranton community honored the grade school teams with a real banquet on last Thursday night.

Those attending were the team players, their parents and all members of the family.

Coach W. L. Donohoo and all players wish to express their sincere thanks to all of Scranton community, who contributed their help to this fine banquet.

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enter the Putnam Tournament this week.

On last Thursday, Scranton players received 16 player awards for their awards in the Eastland tournament. These awards were presented to the team players in an assembly program last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kent and son of Weatherford spent the past weekend visiting in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kent, and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Moates.

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Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farley returned Saturday from College Station, where they reentered Jerry Farley in A & M. On the return trip, they visited Mr. and Mrs. James Craig of Waco. They were accompanied on the trip by Miss Nancy Cross.

Miss Martha Graves of Lubbock daughter of Mrs. T. A. Graves underwent surgery on Friday, January 26, at a Lubbock hospital. Mrs. Graves left last Thursday to be at the bedside and returned on Saturday as her condition was satisfactory.

Miss Graves, who is a teacher in Texas Tech, will be in the hospital for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Hooks have been recent visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. F. N. Hooks, and his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Flournoy. Mr. and Mrs. Hooks were met here by Mrs. W. C. Harp, of Oklahoma City, who will accompany the Hooks to Austin for the remainder of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cross have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Nancy Dean Cross, to Jerry Farley, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Farley. Jerry has re-entered Texas A & M college for the second semester of the year.

Mrs. Reggie Henderson has returned from a Fort Worth hospital where she recently underwent surgery. Her condition is satisfactory and she expects to return to her work at the First National Bank in a week or so.

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**KITCHEN MEMO** BY JEAN CLARKE

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Grease may splash onto the wall behind your range. Cut a sheet of plastic to fasten on the wall. Then a quick wipe with a soapy cloth will keep it clean.

Quilted coverlets are precious possessions and need to be washed and dried with care. The sagging weight of a wet coverlet causes uneven drying on the line and distorts its shape. If you haven't an automatic gas dryer, borrow the use of one for drying your coverlets. Set the dial at high temperature to completely dry for 20 to 25 minutes and the coverlet will be soft, fluffy and perfectly shaped.

To prevent the flowerettes from breaking off as you lift cauliflower from the pan, put the vegetable into a clean cloth tied to form a bag. Cook, of course, over a low gentle simmer flame.

Spill your pins and needles? A dime-store magnet in your sewing box will pick them up in a flash.

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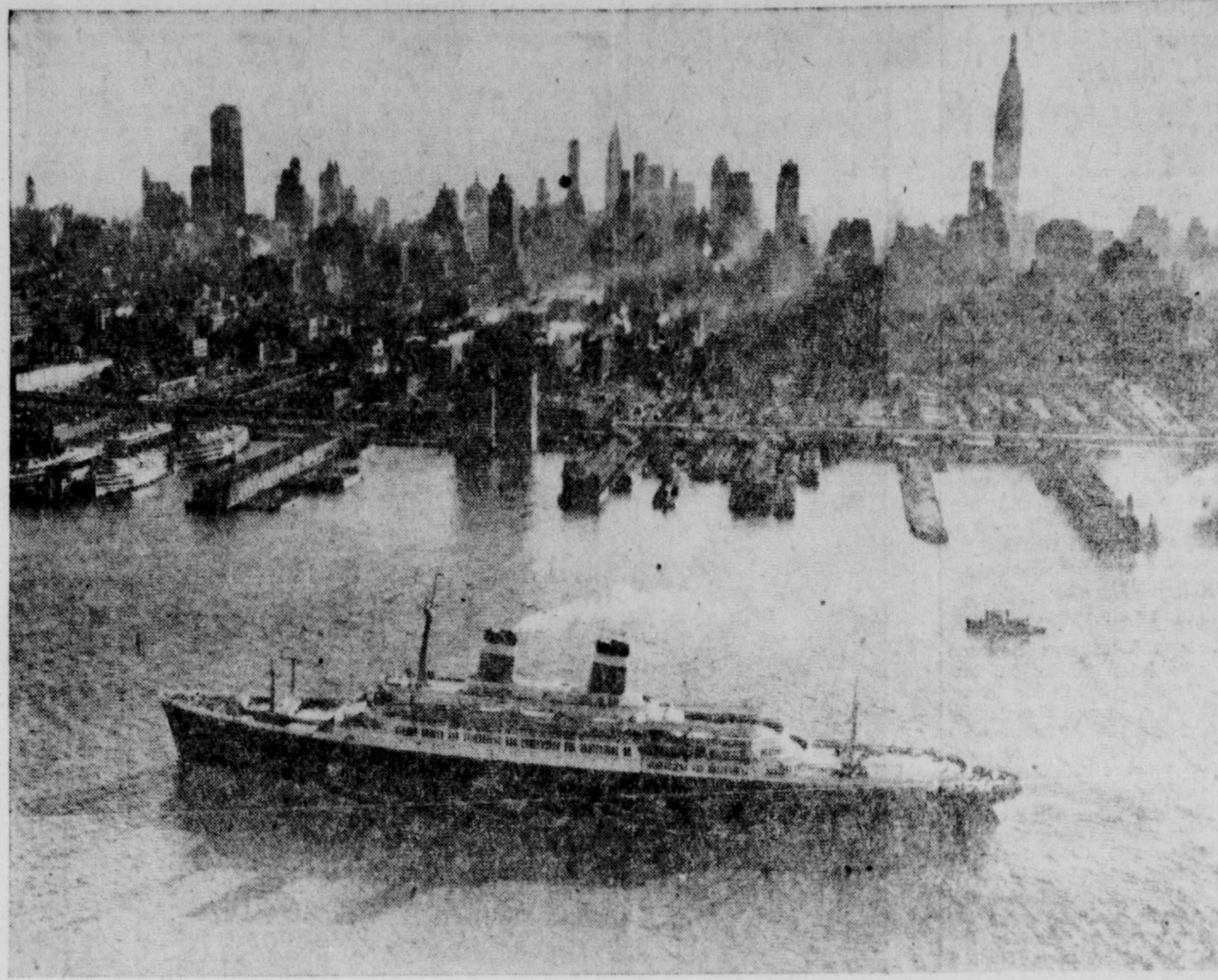
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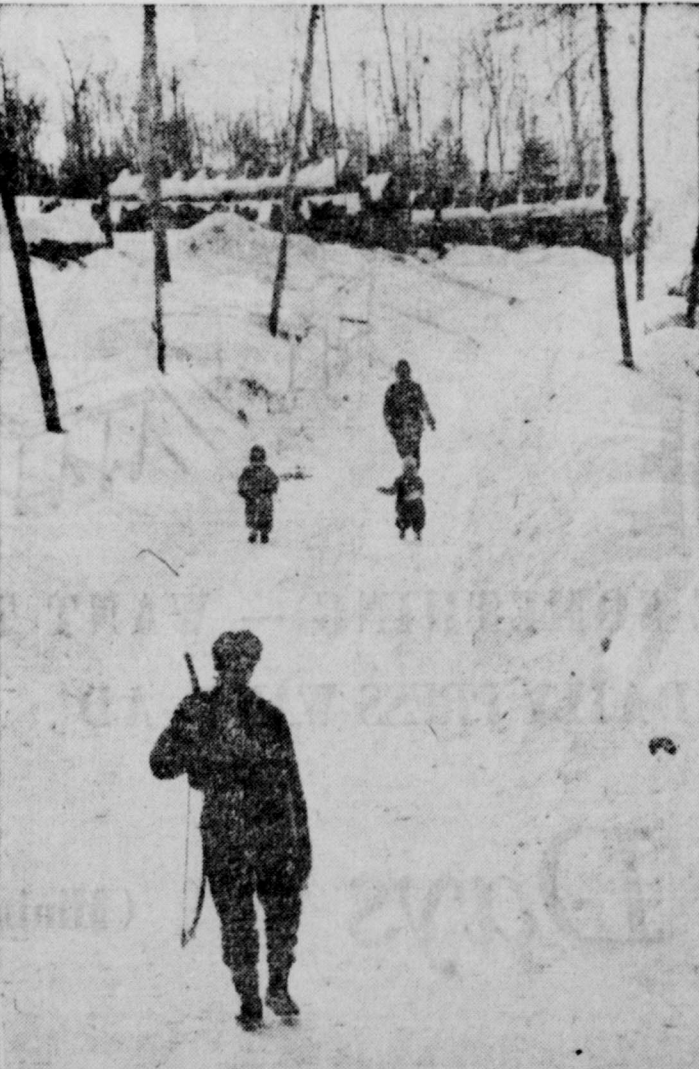
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**FIRST VISIT**—The S.S. Independence, big new American passenger vessel, is shown sailing into New York Harbor for her inaugural visit. Built by American Export Lines at a cost of \$25,000,000, the ship will carry 1000 passengers in three classes. One of the world's fastest vessels, the Independence will sail on February 10 on her maiden voyage to 22 Mediterranean ports.



**WELCOME SIGHT**—To hard pressed ground troops, the sight of a ground support fighter, loaded with bombs or rockets, streaking overhead to blast enemy positions is the most welcome sight in the world. These infantry-engineers, on a training mission on Long Island, get a close look at the USAF's new swept-wing fighter, the Republic F-84F Thunderjet, as it passes overhead during flight tests.



**BUSY SEASON**—Back from a hard day's work, lumberman Nelson Thibault is met by his wife and children at the logging camp at Gatineau, Canada. The district covers 7000 square miles and extends north from Ottawa to the point where water begins to run toward Hudson Bay. It sends out more than 600,000 cords of pulpwood each year, and produces 35 million board feet of lumber for building. This is the woodmen's busiest time of year.

#### January Birthstone Friendship Symbol

January is the month of the garnet — symbol of true friendship and fidelity. Its history, according to the Jewelry Industry Council, goes almost as far back as there is a history of civilization. In the Hellenic period, for example (about 300 B. C.) metal signet rings gave way to rings in which the seal was engraved on a gem set in a metal ring. Garnet was among the most favored stones of that time.

Aside from its beauty and richness of color, garnets have always been plentiful enough to bring them within easy reach of everybody.

From the earliest times glittering pebbles of garnets have caught the eye of earth dwellers. In pre-historic days, garnet pebbles probably were first picked up along river courses where rushing waters had loosed them from the mother-rock, long before the idea of mining for gems dawned on our remote ancestors. Garnets range in size from tiny grains of sand to large gems and have been found in every color except blue. To qualify as gems worth setting, garnets must be of unblemished transparency and

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