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TELEPHOTOS AND BEST FEATURES

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Appoint New School Superintendent British Roar Across Channel In Fierce Coastal Raids Governor Asks Fifty Millions In Taxes

Renews Request For Transaction Levy In Form Of Bill And Fixes \$35,000,000 As Security Minimum

Stipulations Include Higher Taxes On Natural Resources And Public Utilities; State Chief Says Body Should Pass Bills In 30 Or 40 Days

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 17 (AP)—Governor W. Lee O'Daniel today urged the legislature to impose additional taxes aggregating approximately \$50,000,000 per year, including a general transactions tax.

O'Daniel said a total of between \$35,000,000 and \$40,000,000 was needed for bigger old age pensions and other social security purposes. The current revenue for social security is \$9,000,000 a year.

He also asked an extra \$7,500,000 yearly to retire the large general deficit, \$5,000,000 for eleemosynary institutions, \$5,000,000 for elementary and high school, and \$2,500,000 for colleges.

To finance social security and permit the abolition of the state ad valorem tax for general purposes, he suggested a 1.6 per cent transactions tax. The rate, he pointed out, could be reduced if the ad valorem level is retained.

The governor advocated higher taxes on natural resources and public utilities to supply money for functions other than social security. He estimated this increase would yield \$11,000,000 a year.

When O'Daniel proposed a like transactions tax two years ago, it mustered little support in the legislature. At that time, however, it was in the form of a constitutional amendment. This time, he submitted a bill and asked the lawmakers to expedite action on new taxes.

"There is no reason," he said, "why this legislature should not during the first 30 or 40 days of the session pass tax bills to finance these necessary services of the state government, and in order to expedite such consideration, I hereby submit as emergency legislation the following:

(A) The subject of raising necessary revenue to finance social security, including old-age pensions, aid for dependent children, aid for the blind, and teachers retirement;

(B) Raising revenue to meet the other necessary obligations of the state.

The program he now is recommending was the same one on which he went before the people last summer and that the people registered their approval of it at the polls. He also struck back vigorously at the argument that the levies should not be imposed because of national defense spending.

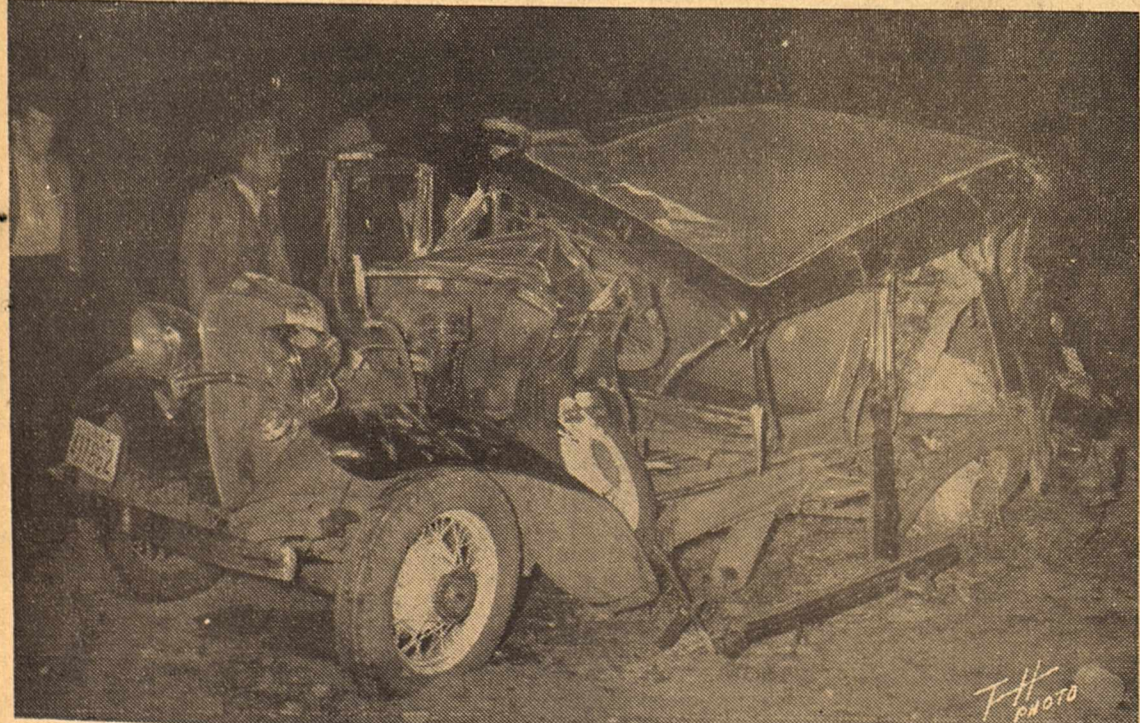
It was the second half of the governor's biennial opening message to the lawmakers, and it was delivered in person. The first half, delivered yesterday, dealt with governmental reorganization and all other matters except taxes and social security.

A crowded house chamber again heard the chief executive, listening attentively.

Hardly a sound was heard in the big hall while the governor spoke

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Crossing Accident Kills Driver



Bystanders view the tangled wreckage of William Henry Gillespie's sedan in which he was riding when struck and killed by a fast freight at a crossing here last night. Gillespie died almost instantly. He was thrown clear of the wreckage.

Installment No. 1



W. LEE O'DANIEL

Governor Lee O'Daniel delivers the first half of his address to the Texas legislature at Austin. O'Daniel pleaded for clean government and the end of the poll tax system. The second part of his talk was given at another joint session today.

Eastbound Train Kills Negro At Grade Crossing

William Henry Gillespie, 48, negro barber, was killed at 9:45 p. m. last night when his automobile was struck by an eastbound freight train at a grade crossing here.

Gillespie's car was knocked thirty feet down the tracks, and he was thrown clear of the wreckage, according to witnesses.

Gillespie died before an ambulance arrived, Clint Montgomery, negro, who was riding in a car directly behind him, said.

Another witness to the accident was Paul Armstrong, negro, riding with Montgomery.

The negro's chest was crushed and he received a fractured skull.

He came here from Teague, Texas. The accident occurred when Gillespie drove onto the grade going north on Jefferson St.

MRS. TOLBERT BELL IS VISITOR HERE

Mrs. Tolbert Bell of El Paso is here to spend about a week as guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williamson. She is the former Miss Eddy Gene Cole.

Explosions Point To Bombings Of Invasion Sector

Greeks Make New Gains In Tepeleni Area While Germans Again Use Fire

By The Associated Press
British bombers roared across the channel to pay a daylight "visit" to Nazi bases along the French coast this afternoon, and heavy explosions were heard soon after they disappeared in the mist shrouding the Strait of Dover.

Greek dispatches from the Albanian front reported new gains in the bitterly contested Tepeleni mountain sector, while the Greek press declared one-third of Italy's forces have been knocked out of the 11-week-old conflict.

Italian losses in the campaign were estimated at 70,000 killed, wounded, taken prisoner or sent back to Italy for frost-bite treatment.

In the RAF's daylight raid across the channel, violent explosions heard on the English coast indicated that the bombs were falling on the Calais-Boulogne "invasion" sector.

The thrust followed intensive overnight assaults, in which German "torch raiders" set 100 fires at Bristol, England—one of the main ports of entry for United States war supplies—while RAF squadrons again blasted the big German naval base at Wilhelmshaven in a "highly successful" attack.

It was the second smash at Wilhelmshaven, base of the German North Sea fleet, in 24 hours and the 41st since the war began.

During the night, distress signals cracked out of the North Atlantic from two large British ships—the 14,935-passenger liner *Almeda Star* and the 10,578-ton freighter *Zealandic*.

Later messages from the two ships reported that each had been torpedoed, but it was not immediately known whether they had sunk. The *Almeda Star* had previously been classified by Germany as a "pirate ship" to be sunk without warning because she allegedly carried arms.

In South American waters, the "cat and mouse" saga of the French foodship *Mendoza* and a closely watching British cruiser moved nearer a climax as the Frenchman crept northward safely inside Brazilian territorial waters—with the British cruiser *Erickson* just outside.

Signs Forecast Balkan Trouble

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Jan. 17. (AP)—Signs of increasing friction between Soviet Russia and Rumania and diplomatic reports that Adolf Hitler intends to take over Rumania and make it a German protectorate kept the Balkans in a state of anxiety today.

All traffic on Hungarian railroads, except international trains, was suspended last night adding to the general apprehension. The action was believed by observers to take drastic steps to complete the projected movement of 300,000 troops with full motorized equipment before the end of January.

A high diplomatic source said repeated clashes had occurred on the Russian-Rumanian border and that an average of five to 10 Rumanian guards are being slain nightly in incidents along the Besarabian-Bucovina frontier.

Midland County Man Dies At Farm Home

Henry Stanton Singleton, 70, died at 11:20 a. m. today 12 miles east of Midland.

Singleton had been sick about two years.

His body was brought to Ellis Funeral Home here.

Singleton lived with his son-in-law, W. L. Jones, Jr.

Funeral services probably will be held in Ellis Funeral Chapel at 3 p. m. tomorrow, with burial here.

Heath Will Succeed Lackey



W. W. LACKEY
W. W. Lackey has been school superintendent in Midland 35 years.



GEORGE A. HEATH
George A. Heath will become superintendent of Midland schools July 1, 1941.

Japanese Indignation To Attitude Of U. S. Increases As Officials Meet In One Of Many Conferences

By The Associated Press
TOKYO, Jan. 17.—With the Japanese press already assailing Secretary Hull's testimony on United States defense needs as "a clear challenge to the Axis, short of an ultimatum," it was reported today that Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuo was preparing to reply with a speech in parliament next Tuesday.

Moreover, Domei, Japanese news agency announced, Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye soon will clarify for the public his cabinet's policies.

Expressions in many Japanese quarters indicated that the secretary of state's remarks had produced deeper anxiety here than any development since Washington last October advised United States citizens to withdraw from the Orient.

High military and cabinet officials met today with Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye for the third time this week as Japan's reaction to the United States' attitude in the Far East was reflected in bitter anti-American comment in the press.

Foreign observers expressed belief the almost unprecedented series of conferences were indicative of closer cooperation between the cabinet and army and navy chiefs.

They noted that today's conference, which took place in the premier's home and lasted 45 minutes, was attended by the war and naval ministers, the ministers of home and foreign affairs and high-ranking officers of both the army and navy. Domei, Japanese news agency, said "vital questions" were discussed.

Hull is target of "imperial rule assistance association" headed by Premier Konoye, also was scheduled to meet today to discuss the advisability of a nationwide expression of the people's "sentiments toward the aggressive attitude of the United States."

United States Secretary of State Cordell Hull was the target of sharp press attacks.

Secretary Hull's statement Wednesday before the U. S. House Foreign Affairs Committee, in which he asserted that danger to the United States would be "multiplied many fold" if Japan, Germany and Italy gained control of the high seas, was described by the newspapers as "a clear challenge to the Axis, short of an ultimatum."

The newspaper *Yomiuri* called Hull's statements an example of America's "pig-headed anti-Japanism" and said his criticisms of the Axis powers were prompted by "malice and hatred."

LATEST NEWS FLASHES

Transfers Hearings To Princess' Apartment
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17 (AP)—A deportation hearing against Princess Stephanie Hohenlohe was transferred to her Palo Alto apartment today after the Hungarian princess had ridden to the immigration offices in an ambulance.

Immigration officers announced that because of her health the session would be held at her bedside in Palo Alto.

Greece Makes New Gains In Tepeleni Area
ATHENS, Jan. 17 (AP)—New but ill-defined gains in the Tepeleni area and the region north of Klisura were reported today in Greek dispatches while the Greek press claimed that one-third of Italy's forces in Albania had been knocked out of the war.

Food Shortage Hits Southeastern Europe
BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Jan. 17 (AP)—Serious food shortages have resulted in many southeastern Europe areas from the commandeering of railway lines for Nazi troops and war material for Italy and Germany, it was reported today. Many towns in Rumania and Hungary are reported already to be running out of food.

Stimson Disapproves Broad Powers With Board
WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP)—Secretary Stimson rejected as "dangerous" today a suggestion that broad powers proposed for President Roosevelt in the aid-to-Britain program be vested in a board or commission, but said he had no objection to a two-year limit on presidential exercise of those powers.

Stimson Fears Crisis In 60 to 90 Days
WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP)—Secretary Stimson, urging swift Congressional action on the British-aid bill, said today he was apprehensive "as to the possibility of a crisis x x x within the next 60 or at least 90 days."

George A. Heath Will Succeed W. W. Lackey As School Head July 1

School Board Offers Three Year Contract To Educator Who Has Made Outstanding Success Operating White Deer, Texas, School System

George A. Heath today was appointed superintendent of Midland schools, effective July 1, succeeding W. W. Lackey whose contract expires June 30.

Heath now is superintendent of schools at White Deer, Texas, and has served there six years. He has had 12 years experience as a school executive. He obtained his B. A. degree at West Texas State Teachers College and his master's degree from Texas Tech.

He is 37 years old and married. He lacks only one year's summer work on his doctor's degree at Colorado State College of Education.

Lackey has been school superintendent in Midland 35 years. He holds B. A. and M. A. degrees from the University of Texas, and in 1937 was presented a doctor of laws degree by Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene.

The Midland school board last night decided to appoint Heath to the position and in a long distance telephone conversation today he accepted the assignment. He plans to come here in a few days to sign a three-year contract with the board.

It calls for a salary the first year of \$3,600, \$3,800 the second year and \$4,000 the third. A maximum traveling expense of \$300 a year was set for Heath. Lackey's salary has been \$4,500 a year.

No additional changes in the school system now are contemplated by the board, it said.

The vote for Heath's appointment was 6 to 1.

Will Buy Home
He said today he may come here right away and buy a home.

Heath formerly was president of the Ex-Students Association of West Texas State Teachers College and formerly was first vice-president of the Associated Ex-Students of the Teachers College of Texas.

The new school superintendent is a member of the Methodist Church, is a Mason, a Boy Scout committeeman, a life member of the Parent Teachers Association and is a member of the National Education Association.

Other organizations of which he is a member include the Texas State Teachers' Association, the Department of Superintendents of the State, the Northwest Texas Conference for Education, The Panhandle Plains Superintendents' Association, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and Phi Delta Kappa, national education fraternity.

He has traveled and studied extensively throughout the United States and southern Canada.

Has Seen City Grow
Lackey today was not ready to announce his plans and said he had no statement at this time. He was principal of Abilene schools before he came to Midland.

During the 35 years he has served Midland schools, their enrollment has increased from 445 to more than 2,200 and their units of affiliation from one to 55 1/2. Midland schools are rated as among the best in the state and the high school is a member of the Southern Association of Accredited High Schools and Colleges.

Lackey taught four summers in the University of Texas summer normal, four summers in the San Marcos Teachers' college summer school, and nine summers at T. S. C. W., the Texas state college for women. He taught college credit work in English, Latin and Education.

He has been recognized as a prominent Latin scholar and teacher. Lackey has delivered 35 to 40 commencement addresses, has written hundreds of newspaper and magazine articles and has written several books including his latest volume of poems.

Many persons have read his Sunday school lessons.

Ponder Seriously Ill In Midland Hospital
C. B. Ponder, former deputy sheriff, who was shot when his pistol discharged in an accident Dec. 3, was seriously ill today in a Midland Hospital.

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A BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
WE NEVER UNDERSTAND MEN TILL WE SYMPATHIZE WITH THEM: That I may know Him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings.—Phil. 3:10, 11.

What Kind of a World Do We Want?

Neither Germany nor Britain has stated with any directness, its war aims—the kind of Europe and the kind of world they would like to see emerge from the war.

As long as both are locked in death grips, it isn't likely that either will. Once at war, the only object is to win. Remolding the world comes afterward.

There can be no harm, therefore, and perhaps some good, in speculation about these things in the United States.

We had a hand once in rearranging Europe. It was a reluctant hand, as shown by the fact that the United States fought only as an "associated," never an "allied" power, and that it never did sign the Versailles Treaty, but made a separate peace with Germany later (Treaty of Berlin, 1921). Most of the suggestions we made in 1919 were rejected, and even those which were adopted did not work very well.

Yet when Senator Wheeler issued his recent prescription for Europe, his 1941 version of a Wilsonian Fourteen Points, what did he propose? Nothing better than another of those interminable reshufflings, re-carvings, of the European map.

It seems doubtful if anything like that will do this time. No matter who wins, the defeated people will remain a fact, and a stubborn fact. Germany was beaten, and thoroughly beaten, in 1918, but the German people remained a fact. The French people were beaten this time, but they remain a fact, as Herr Hitler is already beginning to discover. Franco already knows that, despite the shootings and executions, that the large republican element in his people remains a fact. And the Norwegian people are facts, and the Dutch, and the Belgian, and the Polish and Czech. Military victory does not eliminate people. They remain.

No possible rearrangement of Europe into another set of nationalistic closets, walled off from the rest by tariff barriers and artificial restrictions, can be much better than the one devised in 1919—a rearrangement, by the way, that embodied a considerable amount of scientific study, and way by no means entirely a victor's caprices.

Europe must federate or die. Not as the Caesars federated it, or as Napoleon tried to federate it, under a single master working the other peoples as slaves—such a federation leaves safe no country in the world.

Europe requires a continental economy, allowing national political and cultural institutions, yet allowing continental freedom of shipping and intercourse and trade in such a way that all can live.

The United States can certainly impose no such order in Europe, nor would it be so foolish as to try. Yet Europe itself has produced almost no leadership with such a vision.

We can only hope that somewhere, in the trenches or bomb-shelters, it is being born.

Can We Depend On This?

Howard C. Hopsom strutted his little hour across the stage—and a very big shot he was, too. He was able to play ducks and drakes with congressional committees who wanted his testimony in their investigation of lobbying, to appear only at his pleasure, and then with a very cocky and complaisant attitude.

Now, a broken and whimpering man who mumbled dazedly through his trial, he goes to Lewisburg Prison to serve a five-year sentence.

It is of no use to gloat over the downfall of Hopsom, a singularly unattractive man personally in contrast with more vivid and magnetic scoundrels who have gone before him. There is more at stake here than the fate of a single individual who inflated himself at other people's expense until for a brief moment he thought he was bigger than the people's government itself. At the very moment of his greatest arrogance, part of the \$20,000,000 he had obtained fraudulently from customers and stockholders was in his pockets. He was using part of it to attempt to influence the course of national legislation.

But Hopsom's lawyer, pleading for leniency, made a remark to the court which is worthy of attention. "All of these transactions were in years gone by," he said. "Standards were different then. He was the victim of the standards of a different era."

Can we depend on that?

One certainly hopes so. No system, economic, political, or social, can survive unless those who are in positions of trust prove themselves trustworthy. No more deadly blows have ever been struck at "The American Way" than have been struck from the inside by men like Hopsom who have used the sacred name of individualism as a cloak beneath which to steal and defraud and do deeds which looked devious and dark when exposed to the daylight.

We hope Hopsom's lawyer was right when he condemned Hopsom's practices to "a different era." None should hope more fervently that it is true than those whose faith in "The American Way" is unshaken.

The American Way is, first of all, an honest way.

Just Beginning

Lots of people are worried because there seem to have been holes in the Hatch Act.

Not Senator Carl A. Hatch, who wrote it. "I sort of expected that there might be some violations," he said in New York recently. "You can't expect practices so long standing to be disrupted overnight. The Hatch acts are just beginning."

That's usually the way under democratic procedure—and under any other, if the truth were known. The perfect solution of nothing is ever hit the first time out.

Dictators cover up their mistakes, and change policies secretly.

Democracies must wash their dirty dishes and remodel their legislative clothing in public.

Church News

TRINITY CHURCH (Protestant Episcopal)
10:00 a.m.—Sunday school.
There will be no 11 o'clock service.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
John E. Pickering, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Bible school
10:50 a. m.—Preparation for the Lord's Supper.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship service. The pastor will preach on "The Second Coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ."
5:00 p. m.—Junior Endeavor.
6:30 p. m.—Senior Endeavor
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship. Sermon by the pastor on "The Best Treasures."
1:00 p. m. Monday—Luncheon meeting of the Women's Council.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday—Choir practice.

GOSPEL HALL
500 S. Loraine
J. D. Jackson, Pastor
7:00 a. m.—Bible study.
11:00 a. m.—Preaching service.
7:30 p. m. Evening service.
7:30 p. m. Thursday. — Evening service.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
500 North A Street
C. C. Morgan, Minister
Lord's Day Services—
10:00 a. m.—Bible study.
10:50 a. m. Worship service.
6:30 p. m. Young People's class
7:30 p. m. Evening worship
Week-day Services—
3:00 p. m. Tuesday—Women's class
7:30 p. m. Tuesday—Men's class
7:30 p. m. Wednesday—Study in "Revelation."
9:00 a. m. Saturday — Children's Bible drill.

HOLINESS TABERNACLE (Pentecostal)
O. W. Roberts, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school.
11:00 a. m.—Preaching service.
FUNDAMENTAL BAPTIST Church—502 E. Illinois
Chas. B. Hedges, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school.
11:00 a. m.—Preaching service.
7:30 p. m. Preaching service.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday—Prayer meeting.
7:30 p. m. Thursday—Gospel singing.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
H. D. Bruce, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday school.
10:55 a. m.—Worship. The pastor will preach on "Jesus and the Tithe", continuing a series of related sermons.
6:15 p. m.—Training union.
7:30 p. m.—Worship service. The pastor will preach on "Jesus the Son of Suffering".
2:00 p. m. Tuesday—Mrs. H. E. Walker of Dallas will conduct an associational-wide conference for junior Sunday School workers.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday Prayer-meeting.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES
"Life" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, January 19.
The Golden Text is: "I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son." (Revelation 21:6, 7).

CHURCH OF CHRIST (South Side)
Corner of S. Colorado and California streets.
Services at 10:30 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.

Ample Power Reserve For Defense Program Available In Texas

A. J. Duncan, president of the Texas Electric Service Company said today ample power reserves for national defense requirements are readily available in the territory served by the company.

The company has just completed a survey of probable power needs in the area during 1941. Already, the Texas Electric Service Company and several other Texas power companies have met demands for increased electric power as a result of the national defense program. Duncan said, and have ample facilities for additional requirements for electric power in Texas.

"Our high-voltage transmission system was designed to meet just such emergencies as the one our country now faces. We learned from experience back in 1917 and 1918 what would be expected from the electric industry in time of war, and in building our transmission system we allowed generous reserve capacities, much more than were justified by the immediate needs for electric power.

"Our system has been called on to meet numerous emergencies during the last decade as a result of oil booms in West Texas. Cities grew up overnight and greatly increased amounts of electricity were needed by cities and by industries that were an outgrowth of the oil booms. The oil industry itself required large amounts of power for pumping oil for pipe line stations and for refineries. During these booms there was no lack of electric power despite the rapid increase in demand.

"This ability to cope with greatly increased demands is due almost entirely to the flexibility of our modern electric power transmission systems, which pools the electric energy generated by a number of electric power plants and carries it to the cities and towns where it is needed. Texas has one of the most carefully-planned interconnected high-voltage transmission systems in the world. The transmission system of the Texas Electric Service Company is interconnected on the East, West, North and South to systems of neighboring power companies so that in time of need each company can supply power to the other.

"Already the power companies of Texas have contracted to supply—or are already supplying—more than 25,000 horsepower for national defense activities.

German Bombers Damage Vessels

ROME, Jan 17 (AP)—The Italian high command reported today that waves of German bombers seriously damaged a British cruiser at Malta besides scoring new hits on the aircraft carrier *Illustrious* and hitting a merchant vessel.

Stefani, official Italian news agency, said that great quantities of heavy and medium caliber bombs and "tons" of incendiaries were dumped on Valletta, Maltese capital, its arsenal, ships in the harbor and other of "the most important objectives on the island."

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German And U. S. Statements Evoke Common Question

By Dewitt McKenzie

Berlin and Washington yesterday produced striking authoritative statements which, while purely coincidental, would seem to be so closely associated in idea as to demand consideration in relation to each other.

One was contained in an article in Adolf Hitler's newspaper *Voelkischer Beobachter*, and therefore stamped with official approval. The other developed in Secretary of War Stimson's testimony before the house foreign affairs committee.

First item: Hitler's paper said the Fuehrer's statement that Germany has plenty of submarines will gain import during the next six months, because American aid for Britain ultimately will be a problem not only of production but of supply.

Second item: Secretary Stimson objected writing into the lend-lease bill any prohibition against releasing American warships to Britain or any other nation.

"I can foresee conditions," he stated, "under which the navy could be transferred under conditions very advantageous."
See Sub Threat.

It would be very easy to offer an interpretation which would make his statement a corollary to the claim by Hitler's paper.

The Fuehrer's journal in effect threatens that the German submarine offensive will prevent the delivery of American supplies to Britain.

Whether Hitler has "plenty" of U-boats depends on what he means by "plenty." Observers generally agree that he has a good many—obviously enough to have created a very dangerous situation for British shipping.

The remark that American aid will be a problem not only of production but of supply is a long-headed observation.

Obviously it will avail little in the way of help for Britain if we produce mountains of supplies and they can't be delivered because of Hitler's counter-blockade.

Hitler is waging a dual offensive on this front in an effort to win the Battle of Britain and thus clinch the war. The submarine assault by air is the other. And both of these lead toward the projected invasion of England with troops, which he would calculate to be the knockout blow.

Lack of Light Ships.

Britain's problem is to counter these offensives in time. She is handicapped in meeting the submarine campaign by several circumstances, but one of the most important is the lack of sufficient destroyers and other light, fast warships to act as convoys and submarine hunters.

Should Hitler be able to unleash a further pack of U-boats, England's need of warships will increase. Certainly if the time arrives when Hitler can make his great gamble at invasion, men of war will be a crying need to blast the vast Nazi armada of transports out of the English channel.

I said in this column recently that if the British ever felt driven to call on us for more aid than we already have proffered, it likely would be a plea for warships. That thought grows stronger with each passing day.

That is why one wonders whether Secretary Stimson might have had something of the sort in mind.

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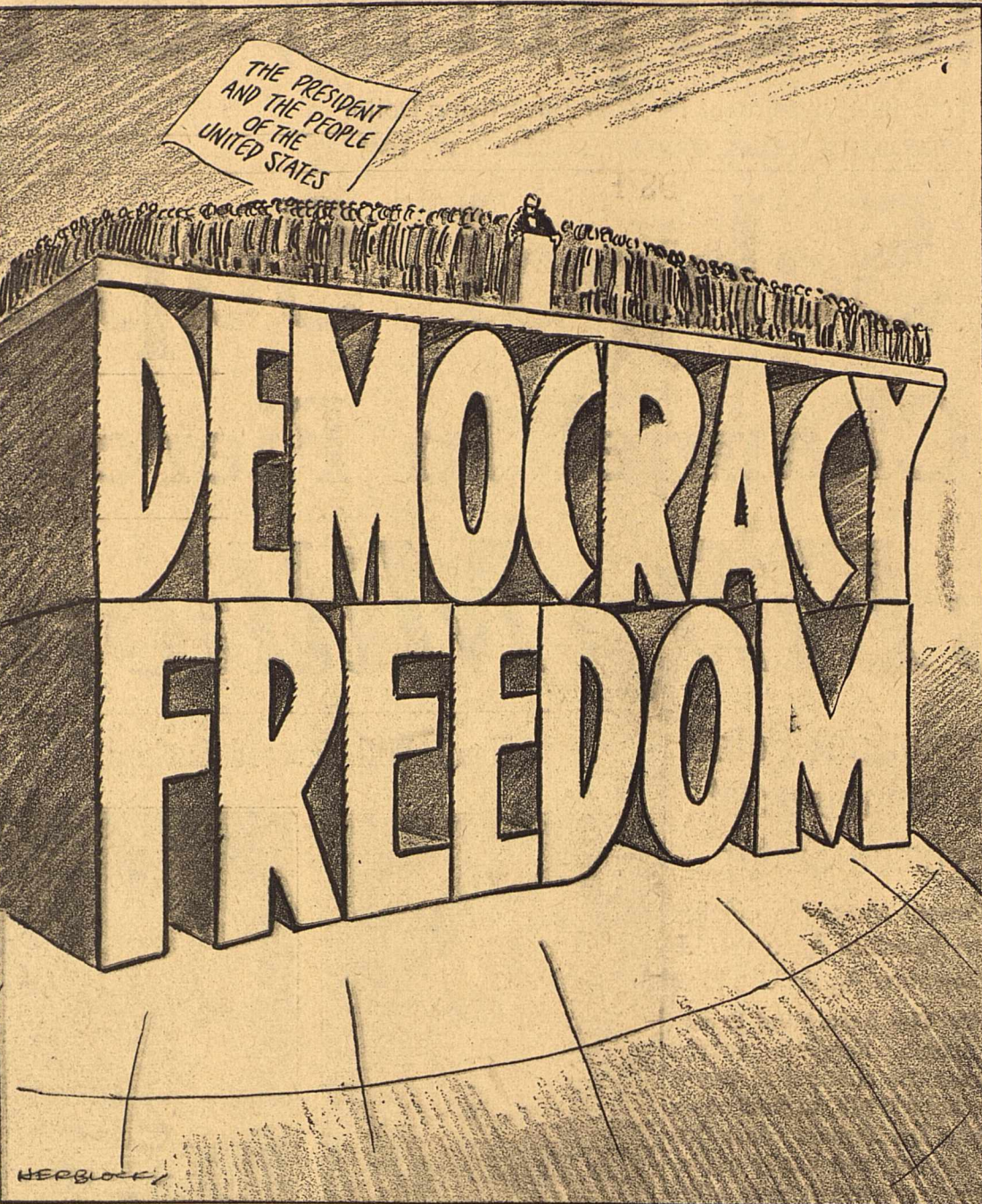
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Inaugural Stand



Church News

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
W. C. Hinds, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Church school.
11:00 a. m.—Worship service at the Ritz Theatre. Sermon by the pastor on "Missions".
6:30 p. m. Intermediate and Senior Leagues meet in the old annex of the Baptist Church.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship service at the old annex of the Baptist Church. The pastor will preach on "Travelers".
7:30 p. m. Thursday—McMurry Chanters, musical organization of McMurry College at Abilene, will present a program at the First Presbyterian Church. The public is invited.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
1005 S. Main.
Fred McPherson, Pastor.
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school.
11:00 a. m.—Worship service. The pastor will preach on "The Return of Christ."
6:30 p. m.—Training union.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship. Sermon by the pastor.
6:45 p. m. Wednesday—Teachers' meeting.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday — Prayer meeting.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
510 S. Baird
John Wharton, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school.
11:00 a. m.—Church service. Sermon by the pastor.
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8:00 p. m. Wednesday—Prayer meeting.
9:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Thursday—Women's missionary council meeting.
8:00 p. m. Friday—Young People's service.

MEN'S CLASS
Teachers—Marvin Ulmer and W. I. Pratt.
Meets at 9:45 a. m. Sunday in the Crystal ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer. It is non-denominational.

NAOMI CLASS
Naomi class for women (inter-denominational) meets at 9:45 a. m. in private dining room, Hotel Scharbauer.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
W. Pennsylvania and Loraine
Lee Carter, Pastor
Saturday services—
10:00 a. m.—Sabbath school.
11:00 a. m.—Praching.
8:00 p. m. Wednesday—Prayer meeting.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH (Roman Catholic)
Father John J. O'Connell, Pastor
8:00 a. m.—Mass for Spanish-speaking people.
10:00 a. m.—Mass and benediction.
7:00 p. m. Monday—Perpetual novena service.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
T. H. Grallmann, Pastor
Services at 2:30 o'clock every second and fourth Sunday afternoon at Trinity Episcopal Church, 1410 W. Illinois.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
W. J. Coleman, Minister in Charge
9:45 a. m.—Church school.
11:00 a. m.—Worship service. The minister will preach on "Things That Cannot Be Shaken."
6:30 p. m.—Junior, Pioneer, and Kingdom Highway groups meet.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship service. The minister will bring a message to the children.

Switzerland has 3638 miles of railways.

German And U. S. Statements Evoke Common Question

German Bombers Damage Vessels

ROME, Jan 17 (AP)—The Italian high command reported today that waves of German bombers seriously damaged a British cruiser at Malta besides scoring new hits on the aircraft carrier *Illustrious* and hitting a merchant vessel.

Stefani, official Italian news agency, said that great quantities of heavy and medium caliber bombs and "tons" of incendiaries were dumped on Valletta, Maltese capital, its arsenal, ships in the harbor and other of "the most important objectives on the island."

"Fires and devastation," Stefani declared, resulted "almost everywhere in the arsenal and harbor of Valletta."

It was the first German raid on Malta and by far the most effective thus far of all its bombardments—hitherto the exclusive work of the Italian air force.

Cornelius Vanderbilt Will Lecture Here

Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., noted scion of a famous American family, will be presented by Town Hall Club as its next lecturer in this year's series. He will speak at the high school auditorium Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Subject of his address will be "Twelve Most Interesting People I Have Ever Met."

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Coming Events

SATURDAY

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Quickly Checks
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in honor of **ROBERT E. LEE'S** Birthday January, 19

Please plan to take care of your banking business Saturday

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MIDLAND FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Frank Fulk Honored at Party For Twelve-ite Club

Mrs. W. P. Knight, president of Twelve-ite Club, was hostess to the group with a bridge-luncheon at her home, 1201 W. Missouri, Thursday afternoon at one o'clock, honoring Mrs. Frank Fulk, club member who is leaving next week to make her home at Tyler.

Lareine de Coeur's Entertained With Afternoon Bridge

Choosing a Valentine motif for tallies and for the tea-time party plate, Mrs. Henry Sharp was hostess to Lareine de Coeur's with a bridge party at the home of Mrs. Fred Hallman, 600 N. Pecos, Thursday afternoon.

Needlecraft Club Has Sewing Session

Red roses decorated the party rooms where guests gathered for an afternoon of needlework when Mrs. H. G. Bedford was hostess to Needlecraft Club at her home, 611 N. Marfield, Thursday.

Demonstration of Milk Products Is Given at Club

Westside Home Demonstration Club held its first meeting of 1941 at the home of Mrs. C. R. Fryar, Thursday afternoon.

ABILENE PUBLISHER VISITS IN MIDLAND

M. B. Hanks, publisher of the Abilene Reporter-News, was a visitor in Midland today.

Dessert-Bridge Is Courtesy for Ace High Club

Mrs. W. G. Henderson scored high and Mrs. Pat Ruckman second high in bridge games at the meeting of Ace High Club with Mrs. S. P. Hazlip, 1007 W. Tennessee, Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Pratt Hostess To Club at Party In Spring Theme

The spring theme was dominant in appointments for the dessert-bridge with which Mrs. W. Iley Pratt complimented the Colonial Card Club at her home, 911 West Kansas, Thursday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock.

Novel Favors Are Feature of Party For Delta Dek Club

Novel favors of little crocheted baskets filled with violets were presented to members and guests by Mrs. Jerald Bartley, 1506 W. College, when she entertained Delta Dek Club with a dessert-bridge, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Courtney Class Has Annual Dinner

COURTNEY, Jan. 17 (Special)—The homemaking 11-B class of Courtney High School served its annual dinner, Tuesday. The table was laid with a white cloth, a small cart overflowing with fruit as the centerpiece.

Harris-Luckett Business Opens In Midland Today

The Harris-Luckett Store was opened for business in Midland today.

"FASHION FUTURES", Nation's Greatest Style Show, Forecasts American Trend

IN MAGNIFICENT DISPLAY, NEW YORK BIDS FOR STYLE LEADERSHIP

By Marian Young NEA Service Women's Page Editor and Fashion Authority

NEW YORK. — Miss American Fashion—as nervous and as pretty as a debutante as ever you've seen—had her Spring coming-out party in the crystal-chandeliered ballroom of the Hotel Astor here.

CLOTHES FOR THE AMERICAN WAY

Sponsored by the Fashion Group, in collaboration with the Fashion Originators' Guild, Fifth Avenue's smartest shops and several individual creators, the largest fashion show ever seen in America turned out to be, as planned, a distinctly trend-setting show.

The seal of authority was specifically put on clothes to suit the American way of life.

Three Hostesses Honor Mrs. Cravens

STANTON, Jan. 17 (Special)—Three hostesses entertained Wednesday afternoon complimenting Mrs. Charlie Cravens, at the R. M. Deavenport home, here.

Stanton Group Names 42 Club

STANTON, Jan. 17 (Special)—Naming of their club, the Friendship Party-Two Club, and voting to dispense with serving refreshments in the future, was business added to the diversion of 42 games, when Mr. and Mrs. Ben Carpenter entertained a group at their home recently.

STUDY CLUB WILL OBSERVE JUBILEE

McCAMEY, Jan. 17 (Special)—The Woman's Study Club will celebrate the Golden Jubilee birthday of the general Federation of Women's Clubs with a program on "Facts and Folklore," Tuesday afternoon, January 21st.



Keeping abreast of front page news, American designers found inspiration in the embattled democracies of China, Greece and Great Britain. Above: Fashion Futures pledged loyalty to China as well as to Great Britain and Greece.

Mrs. Randolph Chooses Patriotic Theme for Bridge

Tallies and score pads were in patriotic theme when Mrs. G. B. Randolph entertained for Sans Souci Club with a three-table dessert-bridge at her home, 610 Cuthbert, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

McCamey Club Hears Educational Program

McCAMEY, Jan. 17 (Special)—The McCamey Garden Club met Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Upton County Public Library for an educational program on lawns, vines, trellises and pot plants, prepared by Mrs. Bee Watson and Mrs. Fred Mueschke, and led by Mrs. Watson.

Methodist Class Discusses Ways Of Raising Money

Mrs. L. H. Pittman, Mrs. Geo. Deavenport and Mrs. Douglas Nix were hostesses for the monthly business and social meeting of Friendship Builders Class of the Methodist Church at the Nix home, 600 S. Colorado, Thursday afternoon.

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Refusal of Christ Is Based on Flimsy Untenable Excuses

By R. A. Weaver.

17 And he sent forth his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.

Since the beginning, man has sought to justify himself in the sight of God, whether in the sins of omission or commission.

The excuses given as examples of reasons for refusing the invitation by Jesus are as creditable as those given in modern time.

These excuses simply say, "We prefer what the world has to give

to that which God has to give." If there had been a legitimate reason for a person rejecting the offer of salvation, it would be found here, for they give the reason for the rejection of the gospel's offer of salvation in all ages.

The Blessed Invitation. Let the teacher of divinity tell of the sacred nearness of God; the fellowship of Christ; the communion within for mankind; the joy of service; the peace that passeth all understanding; the joy unspeakable; the hope eternal; the love that never faileth; the touch of His hand; the comfort of the Holy Spirit; the power that comes from walking the way of the cross; the strength that comes to guide our feet over the straightened way.

MRS. MEREDITH VISITS DAUGHTER Mrs. Jerald Bartley police-and-repavor action loosens phlegm, relieves irritation, clears air passages, tends to stop mouth breathing, and invites healing, restful sleep. Try it.

VICKS VAPORUB advertisement with illustration of a person coughing and the product packaging.

PANSY PLANTS advertisement for Midland Floral Co., including phone numbers and address.

YOU DON'T... advertisement for Iva's Jewelers, featuring an illustration of a woman and a child.

On Top of the Stove advertisement for Midland Steam Laundry, including phone number and address.

TILLMAN'S BAKERY advertisement featuring Sully's Bread and contact information.

A&L HOUSING LUMBER CO. advertisement for plywood and paint, including contact information.

HIGHWOOD'S PRESCRIPTION advertisement for a medicine, including a coupon for a bottle.

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Goren
 ♠ K J 9 4 3
 ♥ A 10 7
 ♦ 8 5 3
 ♣ A Q 6

W N E S
 ♠ J 10 2
 ♥ Q 8 6 5 2
 ♦ 6 4
 ♣ K 9 7

Dealer

Mrs. Sobel
 ♠ A K 9
 ♥ A 7
 ♦ Q J 8 2
 ♣ J 10 8 3

Duplicate—None vul.
 South West North East
 1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
 2 ♣ Pass 2 ♦ Pass
 2 N.T. Pass 3 N.T. Pass
 Opening—♠ 5. 17

By Wm. E. McKenney
 America's Card Authority

The American Contract Bridge League awards Master Points to the winners and runners-up in its various tournaments. A player who accumulates 260 points becomes a Life Master, of which there are only 24 in the United States. Among them is only one woman, Mrs. R. C. Young of Bywood, Pa.

A new Life Master is about to be created, Mrs. A. M. Sobel of New York, winner of the national open pair championship at Philadelphia with Charles H. Goren. Mrs. Young and Mrs. Sobel are recognized by all as the two outstanding women players in the world. At the national tournament Mrs. Young won the mixed pair championship by 40 of a point over Mrs. Sobel, who finished second. In the open pairs, won by Mrs. Sobel, Mrs. Young finished sixth, showing how true to form these two fine players run.

Here is one of the hands that helped Mrs. Sobel and Goren win the national open pair title. Only one other pair reached the audacious contract of three no trump, and this pair failed to make the contract. The opening lead puts the question to declarer at once, how to manage the entries so as to be able to finesse diamonds, perhaps finesse hearts also, and yet be able to cash all three spades. Mrs. Sobel decided to avoid a block in spades, so won the opening lead with the queen. A low heart was led to the ace and when West dropped the ten, South led the second heart. West discarded the three of spades. The nine of hearts was played from dummy and East won with the queen. East dutifully switched to clubs, but the defense could gather only four tricks. Mrs. Sobel won nine tricks with the help of the winning diamond finesse.

ARMY PLANE AND CREW LAND SAFELY NEAR PARIS

PARIS, Texas, Jan. 17 (AP)—A muddy pasture furnished a soft landing place for a bouncing army plane near here with its three occupants escaping uninjured.

The fliers—First Lieut. Luther B. Bivins, First Lieut. F. M. Coates and Corp. George R. M. Wood—from Fort Sill, Okla., brought the plane out of a fog last night with only a six-minute supply of gas left.

AUSTIN MAN VISITS HERE ON BUSINESS

C. D. "Nick" Nichols, of Austin, was a business visitor in Midland today.

KRLH PROGRAMS

- FRIDAY
- 6:00—Fulton Lewis Jr., MBS.
 - 6:15—Selective Service, MBS.
 - 6:20—Engineers for Defense, TSN
 - 6:30—Sport Spotlight, TSN.
 - 6:45—News, TSN.
 - 7:00—Roger Bastfield-TSN.
 - 7:15—Hymns at Twilight, TSN.
 - 7:30—Laugh and Swing Club, MBS
 - 8:00—Billy Davis, TSN.
 - 8:15—Reminiscing in Rhythm, TSN.
 - 8:30—I Want a Big Boy, MBS.
 - 8:50—Raymond Gram Swing, MBS
 - 9:15—AF Bulletins, MBS.
 - 9:20—Sports Show, MBS.
 - 9:30—Lone Ranger, MBS.
 - 10:00—News, TSN.
 - 10:15—Jack Amding's Orchestra, TSN
 - 10:30—Vagabond's Trail, MBS.
- SATURDAY
- 6:30—Morning Tunes
 - 7:00—Musical Jock, TSN
 - 7:30—News, TSN.
 - 7:45—Desert Drifters, TSN
 - 8:00—News, TSN.
 - 8:05—Dance Tunes, TSN.
 - 8:15—Rhythm Wranglers, TSN.
 - 8:30—Rainbow Trio, TSN.
 - 8:45—What's Doing Around Midland
 - 9:00—Organ Melodies, TSN
 - 9:15—Billy McDonald's Orch., TSN.
 - 9:30—Singing Strings, MBS.
 - 9:45—Organ Moods, MBS.
 - 10:00—AF Bulletins, MBS.
 - 10:05—John Amding's, MBS.
 - 10:15—Recorded BBC News, MBS.
 - 10:30—U. S. Army Band, MBS.
 - 11:00—Musical Interlude
 - 11:05—Conservative Vision, KBST
 - 11:12—It's Dance Time
 - 11:45—Man on the Street, TSN
 - 12:00—News & Market Reports TSN
 - 12:10—Happy Roy Thomas, TSN.
 - 12:30—Jimmie Rogers & Co., MBS.
 - 12:45—Latin Melodies.
 - 1:00—Music in a Mellow Mood, MBS.
 - 1:30—Address by Mrs. Bolton, MBS.
 - 2:00—Valley Choristers, MBS.
 - 2:30—U.S. Naval Reserve Band, MBS
 - 3:00—Songs Sweetheart Sing, MBS
 - 3:15—Palm Beach Handicap—MBS.
 - 3:45—Dance Orch., MBS.
 - 4:00—AF Bulletins, MBS.
 - 4:05—Dick Shelton's Orch., MBS.
 - 4:30—Current Affairs Forum, TSN.
 - 5:00—Sagmaster Comments, MBS.
 - 5:15—Pappy and His Boys, MBS
 - 5:45—News in Religion, TSN
 - 6:00—The First Offender, MBS
 - 6:30—Sport Spotlight, TSN
 - 6:45—News, TSN.
 - 7:00—The Green Hornet, MBS
 - 7:30—The Texolians, TSN
 - 7:45—George Hall's Orch., MBS
 - 8:00—News, TSN.
 - 8:15—Profit and Loss, MBS
 - 8:30—Contact with Dave Elman, MBS
 - 9:00—Chi Theatre of the Air, MBS
 - 10:00—The Prize Parade, TSN

Oilmen To Attend Barham Barbecue

MONAHANS, Jan. 17. (Special)—West Texas oil men will gather here tomorrow afternoon when George B. Barham, drilling contractor, entertains with his annual barbecue honoring employees of oil companies. Climaxing the barbecue will be a dance in Tubbs Hall.

Between 800 and 900 oil men and families from West Texas are expected. Beef, pork, and venison will be served. The barbecue is one of the outstanding events in the Permian Basin's oil fraternity.

Tex Parks, superintendent for Barham Drilling Company, is in charge of arrangements.

The dance at Tubbs Hall will start at 9 p. m.

British Shoot Down Ten Planes Of Axis

VALLETTA, Malta, Jan. 17. (AP)—Ten German or Italian planes were shot down during a heavy dive-bombing attack yesterday on the harbor and city here, British authorities announced today. Three other attacking planes were reported damaged.

The battle against the low-flying bombing and machine-gun attacks of the Axis warplanes ranged along the whole coastal area, with British machine guns chattering from roofs and windows.

The British said that although there was some property damage, there was very little of military importance while civilian casualties were "slight."

Judge Rules Against Gulf In Tankers Case

SHERMAN, Texas, Jan. 17. (AP)—The Belgian government won the first round of a suit in which the Gulf Oil Corp. seeks to avoid turning four tankers over to Great Britain.

Federal Judge Randolph Bryant yesterday overruled exceptions by the Gulf Oil Corp. of Pennsylvania to the transfer and set hearing of the case for early in February.

Allen Dulles of New York, attorney for the Belgian government, valued the ships at \$4,000,000 and said they were needed for prosecution of the war. The tankers are the Good Gulf, Lubrafol, Belgian Gulf and Spidoleine, now at Port Arthur, Tex.

Civil Service Announces Positions May Be Sought

The United States Civil Service Commission announced applications will be received for these positions:

Occupational therapy aide, junior occupational therapy aide, recreational aide, student dietitian, student physiotherapy aide, under and minor library assistant, consultant in social services, translator and bilingual stenographer.

Information on requirements for examinations and application forms may be obtained from Frank Smith at the post office.

MRS. TUTTLE IMPROVING AT RESIDENCE HERE

Mrs. J. A. Tuttle is recovering from influenza at her home, 1506 W. College.

Mexico Would Fight At Shoulder Of U. S.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 17 (AP)—Mexico was described officially today as "prepared to fight at the shoulder of the United States and our other sister republics for Democracy and our way of life in this hemisphere."

Alonso Sordo Noriega, government press chief, interpreting President Avila Camacho's address to the graduation class of Mexico's Military College yesterday, said:

"Avila Camacho spoke as the leader of one Spanish American Republic to the peoples of all Spanish America, calling on them to increase their confidence in the destiny of Democracy which is the concern of everyone who lives in this continent."

Shell Employees Meet At McCamey For Talks On Oil Field Safety

McCAMEY, Jan. 17 (Special)—Shell Pipe Line Corp. employees of Iraan, Bakersfield, Rankin, Crane and McCamey held their bi-monthly safety meeting at the McCamey High School Monday.

Bill Mosher, Gulf Oil Corp. safety engineer and Doug Corley, Gulf superintendent of Iraan, were guest speakers.

Other out of town guests were H. E. White, Shell Oil Co., Inc., safety engineer of Colorado City, A. L. Geer, electrician of Colorado City, Henry Butler, electrician of Midland, Henry Madden, trainee of Colorado City, C. C. Parker, division

Producer Offers Garner Motion Picture Chance

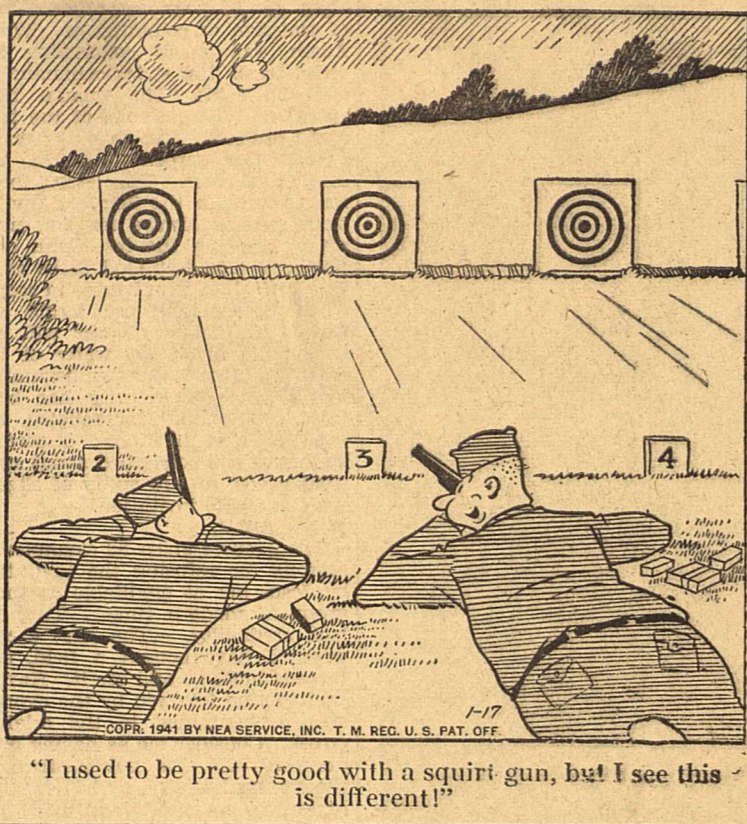
HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 17. (AP)—Nothing was said about the salary, but John Nance Garner has an offer today to become a movie actor when he retires as vice president Monday.

Film Producer Charles R. Rogers said he had telegraphed Garner an offer to play the role of vice president and to preside over a cinematic United States senate in scenes for a forthcoming picture.

engineer of Wink and Paul Crenshaw, supervisors training instructor.

Several discussions on safety in oil field work were held by 45 employees.

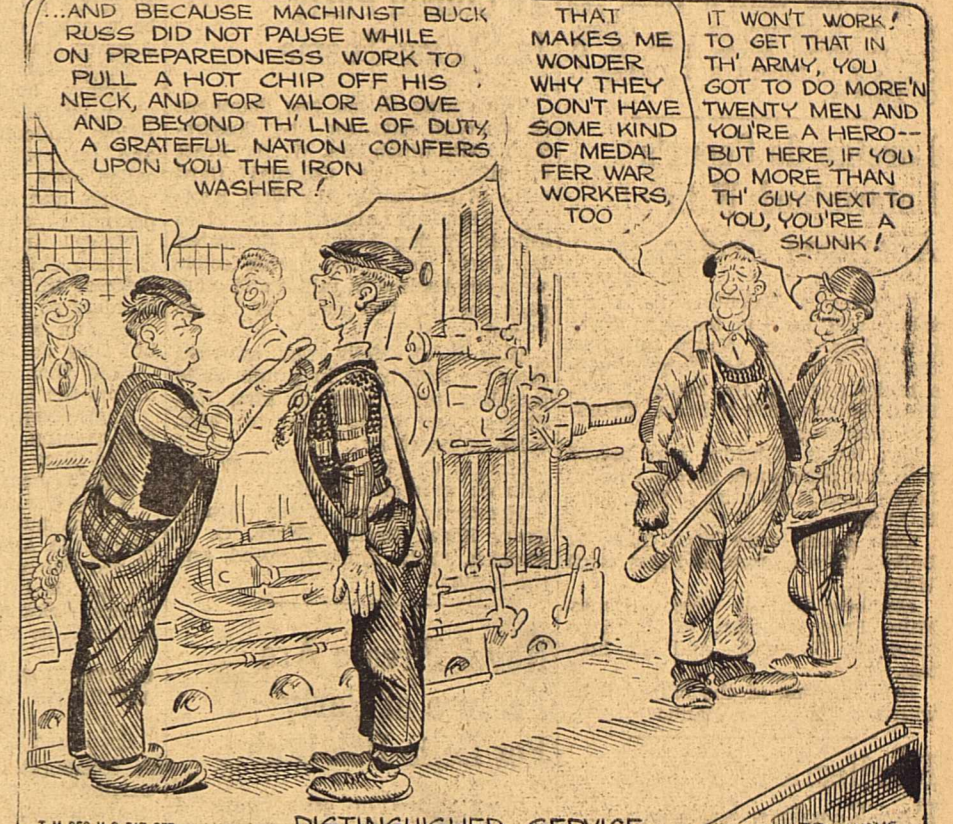
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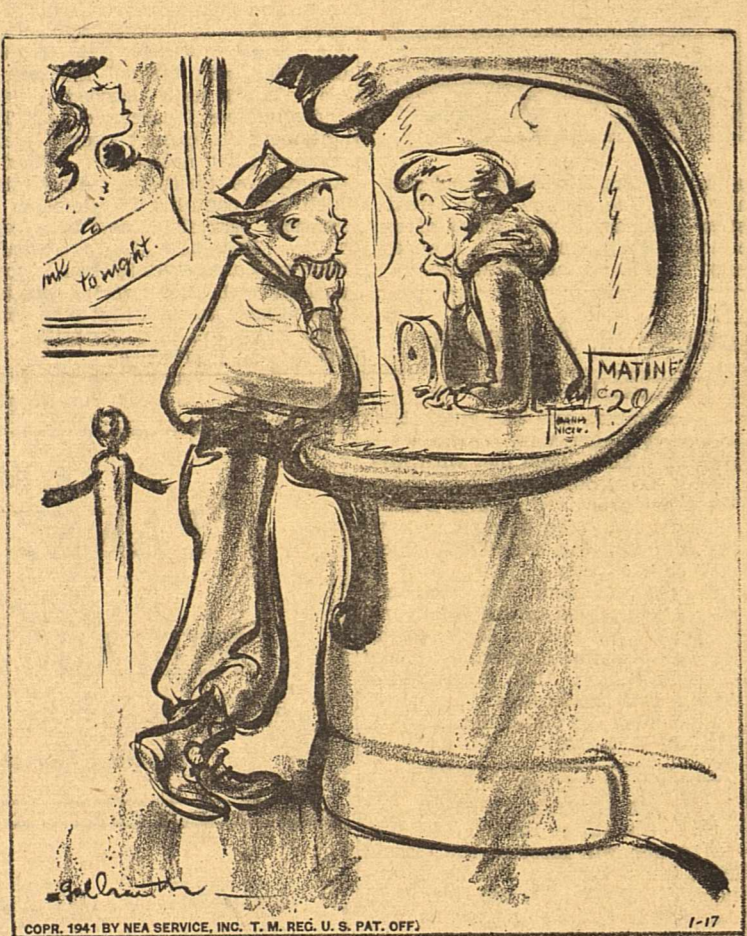
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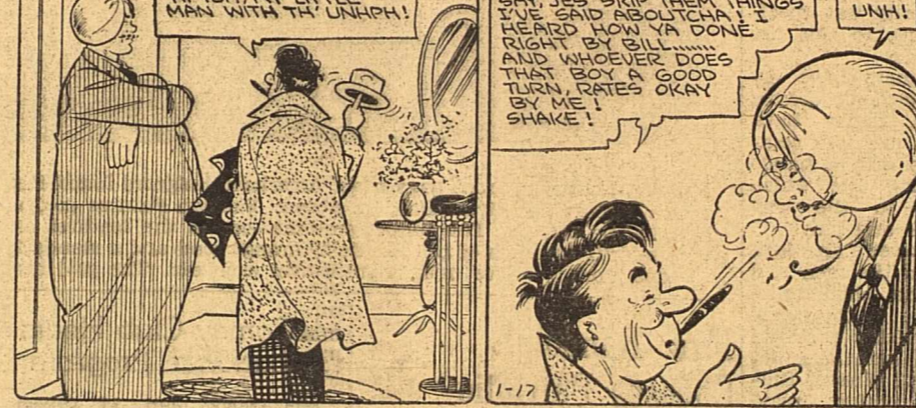
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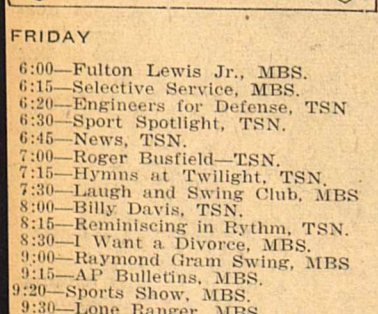
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WASH TUBBS



ALLEY OOP



RED RYDER



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



THIS CURIOUS WORLD by William Ferguson

A BEECH TREE NEAR ST. CHARLES, VIRGINIA, GREW DIRECTLY THROUGH THE HEART OF ANOTHER BEECH NEARBY.

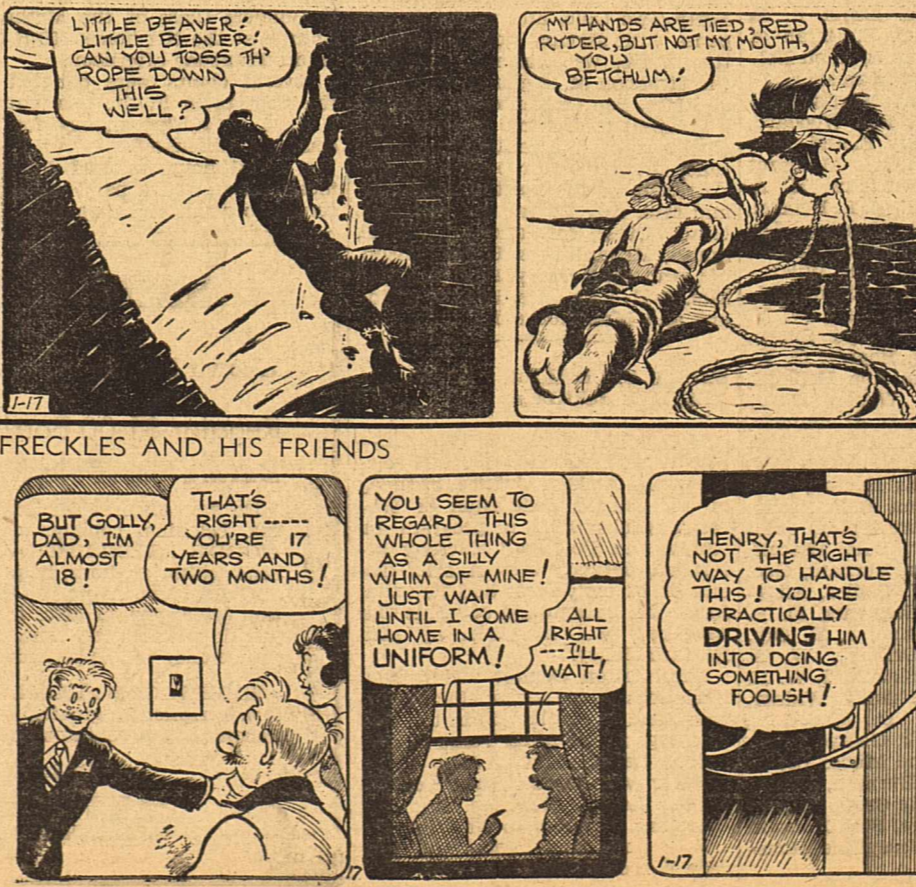
KWIK KOPPER

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH WAS THE FATHER OF TWENTY CHILDREN.

ANSWER: He might mean wheat, barley, oats, or rye.

NEWS: Who held the first Inaugural Ball?

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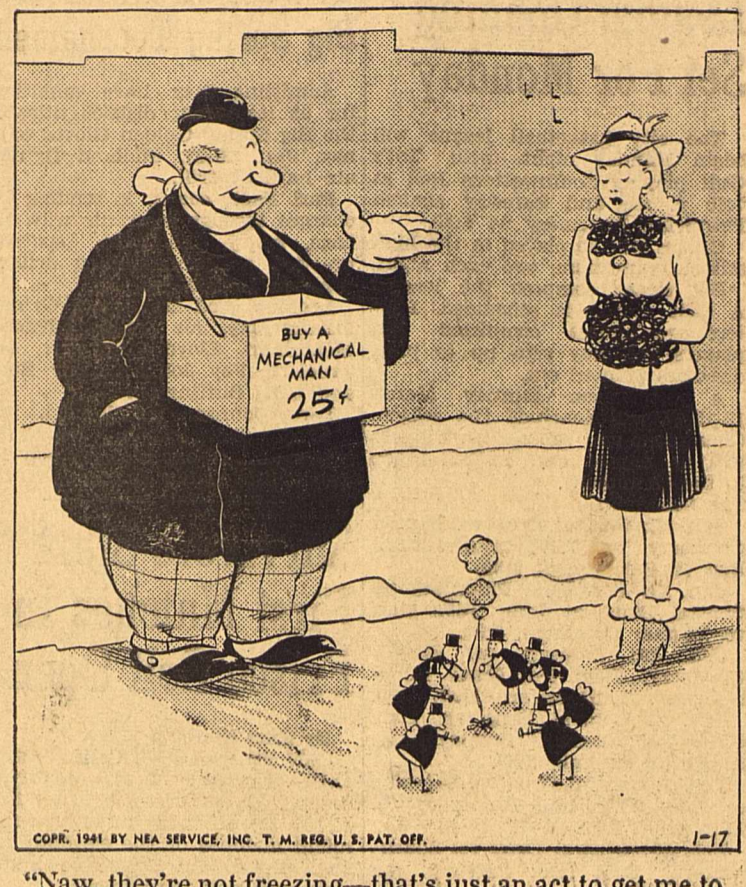
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Outlaw Bronc May Mean Money For Owners But He's Murder For Riders

DENVER, Jan. 17 (AP)—Five Minutes to Midnight, a bronc that gives the horse laugh to that old stuff about man's faithful servant, has proved that being a western outlaw still can be profitable.

The shaggy old "Eleven Fifty-Five" showed his 15 years' rodeo experience yesterday by tossing George House, Sterling, Colo., on the second jump.

Governor--

(Continued From Page One) and a burst of applause met his final words. O'Daniel said that if the legislation would not accept the transaction he would "approve any reasonable and honest tax bill which this legislature passes and places on my desk which will raise a sufficient amount of money to meet in a reasonable way the obligations which the state must meet."

Oil News ...

gas by coring from 4,300-20 feet. A core from 4,320-40 also was fully recovered and showed good porosity, with oil and gas present. The test is coring ahead past 4,348 feet in line.

Stimson Says Congress Can Depend Upon FDR

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP)—Secretary Stimson said today that no president had rushed this country into war and that Congress could safely rest with Mr. Roosevelt the broad responsibilities proposed for him in the lease-lend program.

CONSCRIPT'S WIFE

BY BETTY WALLACE

YESTERDAY: Martha finds Bill is actually enjoying his conscription service. He has changed. His restlessness is gone, replaced by a feeling of silent power. They go to reception quarters to get Bill a pass. A whole afternoon and evening, together, is ahead of them.

DATE FOR A PARTY

IT had been a glorious day—this first day with Bill since the train bore him away from her, into the army.

"But it slipped away so fast!" she was waiting, there on the dark road as the car sped back toward the camp. "We hardly had a minute!"

"Mrs. Marshall, you have been monopolizing me for exactly 11 hours, 15 minutes—" "So you've been counting the minutes until you could get away from me!"

"Counting the minutes, all right," he admitted, with a new glumness in his tone. "Counting them and wishing there was a way to stretch 'em out."

She cuddled against him more closely. "Five minutes, yet." She added, "We're like Cinderella and the golden coach that turned back into a pumpkin. I forget where Prince Charming came in, at that point, but my Prince gets turned back into a buck private at the stroke of 10."

His arms tightened. "It's hard to take, honey. I only wish you could come up every Sunday." It was much too far, and it cost too much. They both knew it. "Anyway, this one round trip may result in our owing Paul a new clutch. You always play the chickens with the clutch."

LIVESTOCK

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 17 (AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Cattle salable 1,000, total 1,100; calves, salable and total 600; All classes fully steady; most common and medium slaughter steers and yearlings 7.00-9.25; good offerings to 10.00; load heifers at this price, better kind scarce; beef cows 5.00-7.00; very few higher; good fat calves 8.50-9.50, common and medium 6.00-8.25; good quality stockers in light supply.

Wool

BOSTON, Jan. 17 (AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—The bulk of the business in wool in Boston today was on foreign types of the finer grades. South American wool was getting most of the demand.

Cotton

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (AP)—Cotton futures closed today 2 points lower.

Stocks

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (AP)—Closing price of the fifteen most active stocks today:

HEAD-ON COLLISION KILL SAN ANTONIO CITIZEN

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 17 (AP)—Orlan Knox, 45, of road today from injuries sustained Monday night, when, according to deputy sheriffs, a truck he was driving was in head-on collision with another truck on the old bus Christi highway.

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home from the office after a hard day and go to work at home! It was monotonous to listen to the radio, maddening to have no one to talk to but Butch.

ITALIAN REPORTS U-BOAT TORPEDOED WAS PROTEUS

ROME, Jan. 17 (AP)—The Italian high command reported today that a submarine rammed and sunk by an Italian torpedo boat Dec. 29 had been identified as the Greek "Proteus," of French construction.

MAP PUZZLE

A crossword puzzle grid with a list of words to be placed in the grid. The words include: HORIZONTAL 1. Pictured South American republic, 5. It borders on —, 8. Its capital city, 12. Egg dish, 14. Watered silks, 16. Yellow resin, 17. Bronze, 19. Armadillos, 20. Electric unit, 21. Title pages, 24. Compass point (abbr.), 25. Credit (abbr.), 26. Weight, 27. Journey, 29. South Carolina (abbr.), 31. Saucy, 33. Small island, 35. Tiny vegetables, 36. Kingdom, 39. Soon, 40. Amends, 43. EIL, 45. Company. VERTICAL 17. Striped fabric, 18. To roost, 22. Extremist, 23. Malefactor, 25. A great deal of — is mined in this land, 26. To profane, 28. Fit to be planted, 30. District, 31. Nominal value, 32. Sheep's call, 34. Being, 37. Noun ending, 38. Lieutenant (abbr.), 41. Pomeranian, 42. Uncle, 44. To acquire knowledge, 47. Maxim, 49. Crows old, 51. Eagerness, 54. Sloth, 55. And, 56. Affirmative vote, 57. Half an em.

Little Hammerin' Hank Wants To Retire With One Title, But Zivic Is Tough Assignment For Fighter

By Gayle Talbot
NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (AP)—The largest crowd of the indoor fight season, possibly 18,000, is expected to watch Henry Armstrong try to take his welterweight title back from Fritz Zivic tonight in Madison Square Garden.

Defends Title



Fritz Zivic

This will be Henry's first scrap since he went down to unexpected defeat by Zivic last October, and it is tonight or never for the busy little negro who not so long ago held three championships simultaneously. If Zivic trounces him again, then it's adios to one of the greatest of modern fighting men.

So much, at least, has been gathered from Henry's conversation. He has plenty of money for a fellow of simple tastes, accumulated in as furious and as crowd-pleasing a career as any fighter ever lived through. Henry, however, would like to retire with one title. It is a sort of monument that all fighters aspire to.

Armstrong is Favorite
Though Armstrong probably will go into tonight's 15-rounder a slight favorite in the wagering, he is by no means an overwhelming choice of those who qualify as experts. Such an older star as James Jy Johnson, for instance, has predicted that Zivic will wear Armstrong down and knock him out by the 10th.

There's a wide diversity of opinion because no one knows how near Armstrong comes to being the superb little savage he was a year ago. Henry has gone over the hill, but how far?

In their other fight Armstrong played out in the closing rounds and Zivic gave him a bad beating. At the final bell Henry was on the floor, exhausted and nearly blinded. Since then Armstrong has undergone an operation to remove the scar tissue around his eyes. He has rested longer than ever before and devoted himself to building back his resources. He believes he has succeeded.

Coach W. N. Hardgrave takes his Midland Junior High cagers to Kermit tonight for a tilt at 7 p. m. with the junior team there.

Twelve players will make the trip. Team members are: H. G. Bedford, Bill Richards, Copper Daugherty, D. Drake, Bobby Gene Stevens, Ralph Vertrees, Jimmy Watson, Bobby Hyatt, Bobby Conkling, Cecil Smith, and Henry Shaw.

The Pups will be minus the services of Bill Ryan, Guy Cowden, and John Larsh, who are out with influenza.

Starters—Bedford, Drake, Richards, Stevens, and Watson. Daugherty will be ready for replacement.

City Beautification Committee Will Meet
The city beautification committee of the Midland Chapter of Commerce will meet at 4 p. m. today in the county courtroom to organize a garden club.

Miss Elma Graves is chairman of the committee.

Junior Chamber Members Distribute Ball Tickets
The Junior Chamber of Commerce today in its luncheon meeting made plans for the annual banquet in April, indicated it would send a delegation to El Paso for the state convention, and distributed tickets to be sold for the President's birthday ball Jan. 31.

Members will conduct a ticket selling campaign for the ball. The organization voted to attend the senior Chamber of Commerce banquet Jan. 24.

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Goslin, Hitter With Chips Down, Wants Youngsters Same Way

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 17 (AP)—Goose Goslin, who in seasons past liked to go to bat when a hit meant the ball game, gets a kick now watching young players develop under his teaching.

"My biggest joy will come if I can send a new star to the Major Leagues," said Goslin, honeymooning here with his bride of a week. When time caught up with the veteran outfielder and his playing days were over, he became part owner and manager of the Trenton, N. J., club in the Class B Interstate League.

"I am just as happy now with a bunch of youngsters in a minor league as ever I was as a player," he declared. "When the time came for me to leave the big league I felt I had been given my share of good fortune."

Likes Money Players
Goslin, a money hitter throughout his 19 years in the American League, goes for young players who show up best under fire.

"I don't care if a boy gets only one hit a day so long as he gets that one when it is needed," he explained.

"You can tell money hitters when you see them. They have a lot of confidence and when the chips are down they walk up to the plate like they relish the spot.

"It's the same way with pitchers who like to work in tight games."

Big league clubs are bidding for two of Goslin's young pitchers and an outfielder, but he plans to keep them for another year.

Florida hired Tom Lieb, ex-Notre Dame star, as the coach. Lieb has hired two former Notre Dame assistants. It is reported the next step will be to try to persuade the entire Notre Dame seventh team to enroll.

Strange Goings-On
Headline—Fighter Milo Theodore to debut as violinist in Carnegie Hall.

Hi, diddle, diddle... Milo plays the fiddle. Maxie Baer goes on the stage... Dempsey runs a sports page... Armstrong spends his leisure time writing pretty thoughts in rhyme... Schmeling trains to be a 'chuter'... Nova is a yogi roofer... Louis talks on books and such... (Can he read 'em? well in my book... Any day, now we may hear two-ton Tony's off the beer... Here's a question for a quiz... What's happened to the boxing biz.

Today's Guest Star
Bry Rice, Warren (Pa) Times-Mirror "Dad of debbit, 'de-emphasize" is a funny little term... Our definition of it is, a goal aimed at by schools when their prospects for future athletic success are not particularly bright.

Badgers To Play Panther Quintet
McCAMEY, Jan. 17. (Special)—The McCamey Badgers are scheduled to meet the Fort Stockton Panthers in their first home game at 7:30 p. m. Saturday.

Coach Nolan Tipps took over the coaching duties of Cuthbert Carll, who left Tuesday for a year's training at Fort Bliss.

Tipps will not have a letterman in the lineup. Due to a new interscholastic League ruling, which went into effect Jan. 1, Roger Choate, Marvin White and Dave Jones are ineligible.

The starting lineup probably will be Arthur Fleming, Douglas Gilliland, Norman Whitaker, Gerald Reynolds and Leslie Pool.

Twenty-five Midland Citizens To Banquet
Twenty-five Midland scout leaders and parents of Boy Scouts tonight will attend the annual Buffalo Trails Council banquet in Big Spring.

The banquet program will feature three Silver Beaver awards, and an address by Dr. W. R. White, president of Hardin-Simmons University.

Official Says Half Yale Students Received Help
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 17 (AP)—Yale scholarship official disclosed today that nearly half of the university's 1940 varsity football team received "financial aid."

City Basketball League Opening Set For Monday

The city basketball league will begin Monday night with Tot's Gulf playing Southwestern Bell at 7:30 p. m., and Safeway against Petroleum Pharmacy at 8:30.

Games will be played in the high school gymnasium, two each night. Six teams compose the league. A split season is scheduled. Rosters are almost completed and players will sign up to play, directors pointed out.

A post season tourney March 12-13-14 will conclude the season. Champions and consolation winners will be named and awards made to the champions.

The Schedule:
Jan. 22: Central Drug vs. Banner Creamery, at 7:30; Southwestern Bell vs. Safeway, at 8:30.

Jan. 27: Petroleum Pharmacy vs. Central Drug, at 7:30; Tot's Gulf vs. Banner Creamery, 8:30.

Jan. 29: Safeway vs. Banner Creamery, 7:30; Petroleum Pharmacy vs. Southwestern Bell, 8:30.

Feb. 3: Central Drug vs. Tot's Gulf, 7:30; Banner Creamery vs. Southwestern Bell, 8:30.

Feb. 5: Central Drug vs. Safeway, at 7:30; Petroleum Pharmacy vs. Tot's Gulf, 8:30.

Feb. 10: Central Drug vs. Southwestern Bell, 7:30; Safeway vs. Tot's, 8:30.

Feb. 12: Petroleum Drug vs. Banner Creamery, 7:30; Tot's Gulf vs. Southwestern Bell, 7:30 (Start of second half).

Feb. 17: Tot's Gulf vs. Southwestern Bell, 7:30; Safeway vs. Petroleum Pharmacy, 8:30.

Feb. 19: Central Drug vs. Banner Creamery, 7:30; Southwestern Bell vs. Safeway, 8:30.

Feb. 24: Petroleum Pharmacy vs. Central Drug, 7:30; Tot's Gulf vs. Banner Creamery, 8:30.

Feb. 26: Safeway vs. Banner Creamery, 7:30; Petroleum Pharmacy vs. Southwestern Bell, 8:30.

March 3: Central Drug vs. Tot's Gulf, 7:30; Banner Creamery vs. Southwestern Bell, 8:30.

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March 12-13-14: Petroleum Drug vs. Banner Creamery, 7:30; Tot's Gulf vs. Southwestern Bell, 7:30 (Start of second half).

Midland Fighters Hope To Win Four Titles At Big Spring Tournament

Admitting they have ambitions for at least four district titles in the Big Spring Golden Gloves tournament, Jan. 20-27, Midland fighters are here at drill.

Earl Pace, coach, is sending his charges through workouts with the bags, heavy and light, sparring practice, and conditioning drills.

Johnson Joins Team.
Looking good are: Speck Grimes, Dexter Jay, Joe Collins, Thomas McMullan, Lloyd Pittman, Tim Truelove, Foy Johnson, Ray Bush, and Mike Buffington.

Leroy Johnson, middleweight and a former district champ, joined the squad and is expected to cop his weight title at Big Spring.

Survivors Start First Matches In Frisco Golf Open

By Russ Newland
SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Jan. 17 (AP)—Survivors of two qualifying rounds, 32 out of an original field of 199, tee off today in 18-hole first round matches of the eleventh annual \$5,000 San Francisco match play open golf tournament.

The sudden death competition, after the comparative ease and luxury of matching strokes merely with old man par, brought together some of the country's biggest "name" golfers and some still hidden in virtual obscurity.

In the main event of the man to man battles were paired Ben Hogan, of White Plains, N. Y., leading money winner of 1940, and Sam Snead, the clouting Virginian who had the entire nation keyed up by his links exploits a few years back.

Hogan Cards 144
Snead qualified with a 36-hole total of 142, two under par for two rounds over the Presidio course, and Hogan got in with an even par 144.

The co-medalists Jimmy Hines, of Great Neck, L. I., and Tony Penna, of Dayton, Ohio—they tied at 140, four under par and for \$175 each—drew strong opponents for the first round. Hines, suffering from infection in both hands, teed off against Vic Ghezzi of Deed, N. J.

The 144 Penna compared shots with Bill Williamson of Los Angeles, also a qualifier at 144.

Defending tournament champion Jim Demaret, of Houston, Texas, took on Henry Espinosa, of San Francisco, the former qualifying nicely with a 142 and Espinosa surviving a play-off at 146.

U. S. And Mexico Will Strengthen Friendship Bonds
WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP)—The United States and Mexico, it was learned today, will open formal negotiations immediately after President Roosevelt's inauguration next week, with the objectives a stronger bond of "good neighbor" friendship and close collaboration in inter-American defense plans.

By reaching a satisfactory settlement on "every problem between the two nations," it was said, Mexican and American officials plan to lay the foundation for a far-reaching program of military and economic cooperation of vital importance to the defense of the Western Hemisphere.

Scrappy Bulldogs Meet Austin High Tonight At 8 p.m.

Austin high of El Paso invades Midland tonight for an inter-sectional basketball tilt with the Midland Bulldogs. The varsity game starts at 8 p. m.

An opening game is carded at 7 p. m. It will pit the Midland reserves against another team probably the Austin high reserves, Coach Earle Clark said.

The El Paso quintet has a veteran 15-member squad and really is a threat in the state cage race.

Defeated Big Spring
The Bulldogs, fresh from a rousing 29-14 victory over the Big Spring Steers last night will be out to give Midland fans a sample of their improved form.

The tight Midland defense, a zone system, will be tested tonight to its utmost, Clark said.

Offensive chores will depend on Bratton, Hyatt, and Kelly, in the center and forward berths. Brown, Hall, and Sheppard will be at guards.

Pro Clubs To Act On League Ruler

CHICAGO, Jan. 17 (AP)—Owners of national pro league football clubs today plunged into another proposal to set up a pro football round of informal discussion on a ruler similar to baseball's Commissioner, Kenesaw Mountain Landis.

They prepared the way for formal action at the regular April meeting by rewriting a part of the league's constitution yesterday, inserting a clause that provides for a commissioner.

Already reported under consideration was Avery Brundage, chairman of the American Olympic committee and former president of the National A. A. U.

Britain Requests U. S. Views On Control Base

LONDON, Jan. 17 (AP)—An authoritative source said today that British were seeking Washington's views on the establishment of a British contraband control base in the western hemisphere, possibly in the West Indies.

There is nothing to stop the British from establishing such a control base in the West Indies, this source added, but he said that because of close relations between Britain and the United States the British were seeking Washington's views.

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Basketball Teams Win Two Battles On Steers' Court

BIG SPRING, Jan. 17 (Special)—Two teams of Midland Bulldogs were victorious over Big Spring Steer quintets here last night, 40-19 in a reserve curtain raiser and 29-14 in the varsity tilt.

The "A" game victory gave Midland two wins in District 3-AA against one loss.

Coach Earle Clark's charges spurred to a first half lead of 17-6 and went on to win handily.

Maurice Bratton, smooth floorman of the Bulldogs, was high point man with 10 counters.

The tilt was rough with Fallon, Steer forward, fouling out. The Steers had 14 personal fouls; the Bulldogs 9.

In the first game, Buddy Davidson, and Clarence Scharbauer led the Bulldog attack. Davidson had 10 points; Scharbauer nine.

Baptists Attend Conference Here

FIVE PLANES LAND HERE TODAY
Four AT-9s led by Lieut. Miller, landed at Municipal Airport today, en route from El Paso to Dallas.

An O-47, flown by Lieut. Lehnhard, also landed on the way from Biggs Field, El Paso, to Brooks Field, San Antonio.

Regarding gubernatorial appointments, the Senate rejected two of O'Daniel's appointees to the important highway commission chairmanship, one of them Carr Collins, O'Daniel's close friend, and failed to act on a third. The fourth was confirmed.

The governor's first choice for Life Insurance Commissioner was turned down and, after he had named a Tax Commissioner, the legislature abolished the office. He said later that he had wanted the office eliminated.

MRS. WATTS IS SURGERY PATIENT
Mrs. Jack Watts underwent minor surgery in Western Clinic Hospital, Thursday afternoon. She is reported doing well today.

Baylor and Rice. Game Heads Card

All Southwest Conference basketball teams see action this week-end with the Baylor-Rice battle at Houston tonight standing as the feature.

Baylor is undefeated. Rice, the pre-season favorite to repeat with the championship, has lost one game and if the Owls drop another will be considered just about out of the race—or, at least, in a very difficult position, what with the series against powerful Arkansas Fayetteville ahead.

The Razorbacks open a series at home tonight against the Texas Aggies with Arkansas favored to win both games without serious trouble.

Texas meets Southern Methodist at Dallas tonight and moves over to Fort Worth tomorrow night to engage Texas Christian.

Coaches Search Here For Talent

Talent searches brought three Southern Conference coaches to Midland the last two days.

Here yesterday were Howard Grubbs of Texas Christian and Dell Morgan of Rice Institute. Bill James of Baylor beat them here by one day.

Grubbs may return here this week-end, he indicated. James also sought prospects for a summer camp.

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