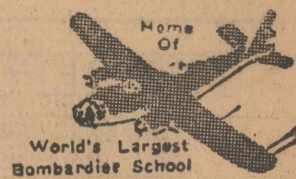




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Draft Board Resigns

No Reason Advanced For Action

Midland County's draft board has sent its resignation to Gen. J. Watt Page, state director of Selective Service, in Austin.

Members of the board are W. C. Simmons, oil operator; O. L. Harper, also an oil operator; and R. V. Lawrence, a lumber yard manager.

They gave no explanation for their action, and declined to comment on it.

The letter of resignation, it was learned, was mailed to Austin, December 17, and no reply has been received from the state Selective Service headquarters. The three men asked that their resignations be effective within 30 days.

They said no dissension exists on the board and asserted all records of the office are in excellent condition.

Simmons has been a member of the board since the Selective Service law took effect, in the fall of 1940. Harper and Lawrence have been members about a year. Simmons is chairman of the board and Lawrence is secretary.

Rail Wage Row Continues With U. S. Operation

WASHINGTON —(AP)— With the Army at the throttle, the nation's railroad system was rid of a strike threat Thursday but not of the wage controversy that provoked it.

Two brotherhoods, the trainmen and the engineers, carried out agreements with the carriers, but the demands of the 18 other organizations remain unsettled. The case of the 15 nonoperating unions, in fact, seemed more tightly knotted than ever.

Chiefs of three operating unions—conductors, firemen, and switchmen—told Lt. Gen. Brechon B. Somerville Wednesday they would not challenge the government, but they delayed sending strike cancellation orders to their chairman in the field until 9 p. m., in order to include in the message some information of the wage settlement. The order finally was sent without such information because, the union chiefs said, government spokesmen avoided a commitment.

Contracts signed by the trainmen and the engineers provided for an increase of 9 cents an hour and a week's vacation. Five cents of that amount was awarded

Americans And RAF Raid North France

LONDON —(AP)— American and RAF medium bombers escorted by Allied fighters Thursday attacked military objectives in Northern France. It was announced officially Thursday night.

Cold Keeps Roosevelt Away From His Office

WASHINGTON —(AP)— President Roosevelt stayed away from his office again Thursday because of a head cold.

He still had no fever, White House officials said, but no appointments were made for him.

TWO SHIPYARD WORKERS KILLED IN ACCIDENT

HOUSTON —(AP)— Two Brown Shipbuilding Company employees were killed and five injured Thursday in the collision of two shipyard barges in the mill west of the shipyard entrance.

WEATHER

Little temperature change.

WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press

ITALY — Eighth Army presses mile up Adriatic coast

EUROPEAN AERIAL—RAF shatters Berlin with 2,340 tons of bombs. American daylight bombers attack Southwest Germany.

RUSSIA—Soviets threatening Nikopol in lower Dnieper. Other units drive 12 miles west of recaptured Korosten.

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC — Marines advance to within one mile of Cape Gloucester airport. Allied planes hit Rabaul, Gasmata.

Southwest Borden County Gets Deep Wildcat Project

By JAMES C. WATSON

Oil Editor

Northern Oilman, Inc. has announced location for a deep wildcat for the center area of the southwest quarter of Borden County.

The new exploration will be No. 1 Clayton and Johnson, in the north-west corner of section 33, TPRR survey, T-4-N. Contract has been made with Arrow Drilling Company to do the drilling.

While no definite objective has been revealed, it is understood that the project will go deeper than 4,000 feet, and possibly will try to find Ellenburger.

No. 2 Allen Fishing

Cosden Petroleum Corporation and Coffield and Guthrie No. 2 Pauline Allen, Northeast Howard County prospector, is reported to have reached 5,546 feet in hard lime and is fishing for some item lost in the hole.

No appreciable new oil has developed since the soft section at 5,460-72 feet. Around 4,000 feet of fluid—supposed to be mostly oil—was in the well.

46-O Keystone Cored Oil

Keystone Oil Corporation No. 46-O Gulf, Winkler County development, was drilling around 4,900 feet. Cores from 4,832 feet to 4,872 feet recovered dolomite; some of it had fine porosity and oil shows, and the bottom 20 feet was bleeding oil. No description of the last core cut from 4,872 feet was available in Midland Thursday morning.

Griff No. 1 Dean, Northwest Dawson County wildcat, had drilled through the plug-back and was making new hole under 10,302 feet, having cut five feet of new section. Spraberry Tests Again

Seaboard Oil Company of Dela-

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Churchill Announces He's Well And On Job

LONDON —(AP)— Prime Minister Churchill disclosed Thursday in a cheerful message issued through No. 10 Downing Street that he has recovered from his attack of pneumonia and is "able to transact business fully."

The gift? A red necktie.

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New Advance Made In Italy By 8th Army

By RICHARD G. MASSOCK

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGIERS —(AP)— Eighth Army troops have pressed a mile up the Adriatic Coast from Ortona toward Pescara over a heavily-mined road, Allied headquarters announced Thursday, while American bombers ripped into Nazi supply lines in Italy.

Flying Fortresses, Marauders and other bombers concentrated Wednesday on blocking seaports and railroads supplying German forces across the peninsula battle line, with heavy blows especially on Rimini and Ferrara.

On the left flank of their advance at Ortona, Eighth Army units seized an important hill half a mile northwest of Villa Grande.

In the central sector, Fifth Army troops stormed 3,000-foot Mt. Casaglia five miles east of Biagio after a half-mile advance. The hill overlooks the Colle-Atina Highway. Patrols Are Active

Heavy German attacks on Ponta Fiume, at the mouth of the Gontellano River with the village still in Allied hands, a headquarters officer said. Elsewhere on the front, patrols were active.

Troops which took Ortona Tuesday found the town full of booby traps and time bombs.

(The Canadian Press said Canadian troops had driven two miles beyond Ortona on a straight macadam road and advanced patrols probably were nearing the Arielli River, seven miles beyond the Moro River and the next probable German line of defense.)

The Germans were reported still holding San Vittore on the road to Cassino, but delayed battle line dispatches from the Fifth Army front said that a terrific American artillery bombardment had leveled the village and that American patrols had penetrated the edge of the village but had been forced to withdraw.

French Saboteurs Wreck Rail Line

BARCELONA —(AP)— French saboteurs have wrecked the main German Atlantic Coast railway line near the town of Pons, north of Bordeaux, reports reaching Barcelona said Thursday.

The sabotage occurred Dec. 27 and was not discovered until the Bordeaux-Paris Express, which turns north at Pons, crashed into a freight train which already had been derailed.

Red Necktie Gift Lacks Army Value

CAMP GRANT, ILL. —(AP)— Pvt. Winfield Jones has put in his bid for having received the silliest Christmas present at Camp Grant. He now has it nailed to the wall to brighten his barracks.

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Troops Set Foot On Arawe Beach



Troops leave landing barge to march ashore at Arawe Beach on New Britain Island. (Passed censors)

Machine Guns Installed On Beach



Fifty caliber machine guns are installed on the beach at Arawe in New Britain. (Passed censors)

Ration Point Values Are Reduced On Many Grocery Store Items

WASHINGTON —(AP)— The Office of Price Administration wished housewives a happy New Year Thursday with a sharp reduction of ration point values on canned snap beans, peas, tomatoes, and frozen fruits and vegetables.

The good news was tempered somewhat by an upward adjustment of the values on jams, preserves and non-citrus marmalades. The changes are effective to Sunday for the month of January, give green and wax beans a zero point value for all sized cans, wiping out the current five-point rating, for example, on a No. 2 can.

For a No. 2 can of peas, the new value is 15 points, compared with 18 now. Tomatoes in No. 2½ cans get a 6-point cut, being listed at 15 points.

OPA Explains Reductions

Explaining the reductions, OPA said supplies of snap beans are at a fairly high level and that production outlook is good. A decline in consumer demand of over 10 percent in the last two months makes possible the lower point values on peas and tomatoes.

These three items, the agency said, make up about 25 percent of all rationed processed foods.

Ration values on most frozen

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Russians Within 48 Miles Of Old Polish Frontier

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW —(AP)— Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's First Ukrainian Army, spearheading a great Soviet three-front winter offensive, rolled Thursday across flat, frozen steppes that contain few natural defense obstacles east of the Bug River in Poland, 190 miles away.

Vatutin's troops were less than 48 miles from the rail and river town of Gorodnitsa, on the old Polish-Russian border, following their spectacular capture of the rail hub of Korosten Wednesday. Aiming toward the first plunge out of Soviet territory, they pushed forward impetuously on the heels of a bitterly resisting but exhausted enemy.

With the northern arm of Vatutin's forces rapidly expanding a 42-mile-wide breach in the Leningrad-Odessa railway from Korosten south to Chernyakhov, other units were closing in on Zhitomir from the north and east, and latest front dispatches placed vanguards beyond the town of Lykiv, five miles northeast of that equally important junction on the Western Ukrainian rail network.

Army Is Disorganized

Nowhere were there any signs that Marshal Fritz Von Manstein's thoroughly disorganized army would be able to stem the

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Accident Is Fatal To Dayton Moses

FORT WORTH —(AP)— Dayton Moses, 73-year-old "dean" of the Tarrant County district attorney's staff and former Burnet County cowhand who rose to the top rank of Texas lawyers, died at 6:45 a. m. Thursday.

The veteran attorney succumbed to shock complications and internal injuries which resulted from an accident Dec. 20, when he was knocked down by an automobile as he walked across a street near his home.

Moses' illness cut short his plans for a family Christmas reunion. Three children could not be here—Miss Janet Rollins Moses, now employed by the Foreign Economic Administration in La Paz, Bolivia; Mrs. Margaret Kemmeries, Nogales, Ariz.; and son, Lt. Col. Martin Moses, believed to be a prisoner of the Japanese in the Philippines.

Four Other Children

Besides Lt. Col. Moses, Miss Janet Rollins Moses and Mrs. Kemmeries, immediate survivors include two other sons, Harry B., Fort Worth; and son of College Station; two other daughters, Mrs. Reba Hunn, Boyd, and Mrs. Julia Hughes, Fort Worth; a sister, Mrs. Leon Oliver, Lampasas; and two brothers, Maj. Gen. Andrew Moses, United States Army (retired).

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Chief Offers To Take Speeding Rap For Pal

OKLAHOMA CITY —(AP)— When scout car officers arrested him for speeding, he insisted on seeing "my pal," Police Chief L. J. Hilbert.

"Can you help me on this?" he asked the chief.

"I can't keep you from being booked for speeding," said Hilbert, "because that wouldn't be right. But I'll pay your fine for you if you want me to."

The speeder blushed like a red traffic light—and paid.

2,240-Ton 'Wipeout' Presages Final Doom Of Germany's Capital

By W. W. HERCHER

LONDON —(AP)— More than 2,240 tons of high explosive and incendiary bombs shook and burned the shuddering city of Berlin Wednesday night and may have finished it as the working capital of Germany.

The engines of the mighty RAF night armada which dealt the eighth heavy knock at the German capital since the campaign of destruction was begun were hardly cold before large formations of heavy daylight bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters streaked at all heights toward the continent in the direction of the bristling "rocket-gun-coasts" of France, last pounded by a 1,300-plane American fleet on Christmas Eve.

The extraordinarily strong force of British Lancasters and Halifaxes went over desolated Berlin in the early evening and through a heavy cover of clouds dumped one of the largest loads of explosives and fire bombs ever poured on one target in an attack in this war.

The grim bombardment was directed at sections of the city which so far had escaped. It was estimated unofficially that ruins now were spread through at least 75 per cent of Berlin, enough to spell the end of the capital as the nerve center of Germany's politics

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U.S. Day Raiders Plow Up Targets Deep In Germany

LONDON —(AP)— American Eighth Air Force heavy bombers, driving deep into Europe by daylight following the RAF's 2,240 U. S. ten assault on Berlin Wednesday night, hammered targets in Southwest Germany Thursday.

It was the fifth major operation of the month for the Flying Fortresses and Liberators and was a part of a furious, day-long assault against the Nazis' continental installations. As usual, the American heavy bombers were escorted by a strong supporting force of American and RAF fighting planes.

The brief official announcement did not name specific targets, but in the area designated lie such key German cities as Stuttgart, Mannheim, Frankfurt and Karlsruhe.

Partisans Smash German Column

LONDON —(AP)— Yugoslav Partisans, boldly striking 25 miles into Northern Italy, have destroyed a German transport column near Gorizia, on the railway extending southward to the Adriatic port of Trieste, Marshal Josp Broz (Tito) announced Thursday.

The thrust into Italian territory which the Germans previously had claimed to have freed of all guerrilla opposition came with the announcement of new Partisan victories in Croatia, in which the provinces of Vanja and Kordun were said to have been swept clean of German invaders.

The victories, which added new territory to hinterland areas estimated at 41,000 square miles—roughly a third of all Yugoslavia—already liberated by Tito's armies, followed weeks of bitter fighting.

ARMY AIR FORCES NOW TRAINS CARPENTERS

WICHITA FALLS —(AP)— Now the Army Air Forces is training its own carpenters.

Latest addition to the technical training program at Sheppard Field is a 12-phase carpentry course designed to train Air Forces personnel in construction and maintenance of wooden equipment, such as furniture, and structures including barracks and sheds.

Planes Hit Rabaul

Allied warplanes struck again at Rabaul, New Britain.

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Cold Weather Sets Gled Wayers Agog

KNOXVILLE, TENN. —(AP)— Attorney John W. Green, who is pushing 85, dropped into a downtown law office recently and urged that Lawyer James A. Fowler, soon to be 81, shouldn't go out doors in such winter weather.

Across the street in the rain stood Attorney Hu Barton Lindsay, 88, who marvelled that his aged contemporaries could brave such elements.

Temperatures Remain Brisk In Texas

By The Associated Press

Texas enjoyed clear skies and sunshine Thursday but temperatures remained brisk—ranging from a reported 21 degrees at Amarillo to 49 degrees at Brownsville.

Temperatures over the state included: Abilene, 33; San Angelo, 36; Big Spring, 30; Midland, 32; Lubbock, 30; Clarendon, 28; Wichita Falls, 33; Fort Worth, 34; Dallas, 31; Waco, 34; Austin, 32; San Antonio, 28; Corpus Christi, 44; Palestine, 32; and Laredo, 39.

War Bulletins

MOSCOW —(AP)— The German high command appears to have lost control of its forces, at least temporarily, on the Russian front in the blakest period for the Nazis since their invasion of the Soviet Union.

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA —(AP)— Flame throwers are searing a path for American Marines through Japanese pillboxes defending the airfield on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, front line headquarters said Thursday.

CHUNGKING —(AP)— Japanese installations and shipping in French Indo-China and in the Tungting Lake area of Central China have been bombed without loss, communique from Lt. Gen. Joseph Stilwell said Thursday.

MADRID —(AP)— Authorized Spanish sources denied Friday Thursday that Spain has recognized Benito Mussolini's new Fascist government in Italy as claimed in a Berlin broadcast.

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Be not over much wicked, neither be thou foolish: why shouldst thou die before thy time?—Ecclesiastes 7:17.

First Amendment

While the nation was observing the 152nd anniversary of the Bill of Rights, a National Labor Relation Board election was being held in a New Jersey factory to decide whether a C. I. O. union, or none at all, should represent the employes in collective bargaining.

If the C. I. O. union won, it was understood that everything would be fine. But if the C. I. O. union lost, the regional director of the NLRB was prepared to entertain a complaint from the union or even to act directly against the company.

The attitude of Director Charles T. Douds is based on the fact the company advised its employes over a loud-speaker system and also through its house organ to vote against any union. In addition the company delivered Christmas bonus checks 10 days before Christmas and one day before the election.

The First Amendment, which leads off the Bill of Rights and whose birthday was being celebrated, says: "Congress shall make no law . . . abridging the freedom of speech."

It is not contended by Douds, publicly at least, that the company threatened what it would do to employes who disregarded its advice, or even, as some employes would do, once upon a time, threatened indirectly by saying that it would have to go out of business if workers refused to follow its instructions.

The claim is only that the company "indicated its desires as to how the employes should vote in the election," and distributed a Christmas bonus at the time which long has been traditional for such distribution. With the control now exercised by Washington over wages, it should be assumed that such bonuses were customary in that company heretofore; otherwise none would have been authorized. So the complaint simmers down to the fact that the company "indicated its desires" verbally and in print.

If the company should attempt to punish employes who voted for the union it would be in defiance of a Circuit Court injunction and could be punished.

It appears very unlikely that otherwise, so long as the Bill of Rights remains an integral part of the American Constitution, it will be possible to punish an employer for peacefully "indicating his desires."

It is ironic that a high government employe should have selected the anniversary of the Bill of Rights to threaten action to suppress freedom of speech.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

OWI And War News Releases

"The domestic branch of the Office of War Information should be liquidated the minute the shooting stops, but as long as the war lasts it will be necessary to keep some kind of a centralized government news bureau manned by civilians."

This is the opinion of Palmer Hoyt, for the past six months director of OWI's domestic news bureau. He is leaving Washington to return to his job as editor of the Portland Oregonian.

He goes back home the usual sadder and wiser man. He came to Washington full of beans. He saw his job at OWI as one of getting out the war news, and he didn't think the war news was getting out. He intended to stay only three months, in which he would reorganize the bureau, then get out himself. He stayed six, and things aren't all hunky dory yet, though Hoyt admits freely that things are now better than they were.

Some of the battles which OWI goes through, internally and with other government agencies, in just trying to get out the news, are really pretty disastrous.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

By Directive

Congress has been given by the Constitution, sole power to make all laws necessary and proper for the raising of an army. See Article I, Section 1; Section 8, paragraphs 18 and 12, preferably in that order.

Congress has decreed, by law, that pre-Pearl Harbor fathers shall be placed at the bottom of the list of selective service eligibles. This, says President Roosevelt, who signed that law, is nothing but a "pious wish" without binding force.

Congress also decreed, wisely or foolishly but legally, that Paul McNutt should be divorced from the administration of the draft. President Roosevelt, whose signature approved this decree also, says he is going to take advantage of another law to continue McNutt's participation in the selective service setup.

Ain't we got fun?

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

Car Transportation Problem

Whether or not passenger automobile transportation—now an essential part of the American economic system—will be seriously impaired or break down completely in 1944 will depend on five main factors:

1. The manpower supply for auto repair work.
2. The supply of auto repair parts.
3. The supply of tires, the adequacy of tire repair and particularly recapping.
4. The used car market and the possible requisitioning of cars from non-essential drivers.
5. The gasoline supply and the enforcement of gas rationing.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

A loafer complains that he has a wolf, but no door to keep him away from.

A Minnesota man, suing for divorce, charged his wife kissed him only when she wanted money. Ordinarily, that would mean constantly.

The Dawn Of The Day Of Reckoning



Russians -

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tumultuous Soviet onrush short of the Bug River.

On the southern front, inside the Dnieper River bend, Gen. Rodion Malinovsky's Third Ukrainian Army, in a new supporting drive, second in importance only to Vatutin's offensive, struck westward across the river from Zaporozhe in a nine-mile advance which completely restored the great Dnieper Dam to Russian hands.

Zaporozhe, 40 miles south of Dnepropetrovsk, was captured Oct. 14. Thursday's thrust liberated more than 20 towns, including Khorotitsa Island in the Dnieper, opposite Zaporozhe, dispatches reported. This drive was apparently heading for Nikopol, chief source of Germany's sorely needed manganese, 35 miles southwest.

Thursday's German communicate, as broadcast from Berlin, acknowledged "Korosten was evacuated after bitter fighting." Near Vitelsk, it said, "renewed breakthrough attempts of the Soviets were frustrated by embittered resistance of German troops. Local units were sealed off or trapped out in counterattacks."

Personals

Charles E. Hewitt, Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation scout at Wichita Falls, spent Christmas holidays in Midland as guest of Troy L. Stalls and other friends.

Mrs. Walter Garland, Fort Worth, is visiting her brother, Dave McKee, and family, Mrs. Garland is the mother of Col. William M. Garland, who formerly was stationed at the Midland Army Air Field.

Lt. Roy Skipper will leave Thursday night for Spokane, Wash., to assume duties with the Air Service Command there. He had previously been assigned to the command at Kelly Field, San Antonio. Lieutenant and Mrs. Skipper and daughter, Mollie, have been visiting here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Skipper.

Before joining her husband in Spokane, Mrs. Skipper will visit in Lubbock with her parents Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Davidson.

Sheriff Ed Darnel has gone to Alexandria, La., on business.

Lt. Van B. Mitchell of the Childress Army Air Field is visiting his mother, Mrs. Homer J. Epley. Mrs. Mitchell will arrive from Dallas for a visit later this week.

Corpus Christi Gets Navy Training Command

CORPUS CHRISTI—(AP)—Transfer of the Naval Air Intermediate Training Command from Pensacola, Fla., to Corpus Christi with Rear Admiral Charles P. Wilson, USN, commandant of Naval Air Training Center here, as the new chief, was announced by the Navy Thursday.

Admiral Mason, former skipper of the aircraft carrier Hornet, succeeds Rear Admiral George B. Murray, USN, who was named chief of naval air training.

ROSS STERLING ILL

HOUSTON—(AP)—Former Gov. Ross S. Sterling Thursday was reported "resting easily" at Hermann Hospital where he is suffering from pneumonia. A hospital attendant said his condition was not serious.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Dismissals from the Western Clinic Hospital included J. Wray Campbell, who had been a medical patient.

Mrs. Cecil Hall and baby also were dismissed.

Soldiers Get Adopted Mother For Christmas

Soldiers in Ward 1 at Midland Army Air Field's post hospital got an adopted mother for Christmas—a mother whose real son died in a Japanese prison camp.

The way it came about was a letter from Mrs. D. B. Cooksey of Seagraves, Texas, to the soldiers, asking them to let her "adopt" them for Christmas. The patients not only happily agreed, but in turn "adopted" Mrs. Cooksey.

Mrs. Cooksey then wrote a letter to her "new sons." It reads: "Even though I have not met you boys in Ward 1, I am greatly interested in you and I chose you as my ward for Christmas adoption. While I'm hoping most of you will be well by Christmas, I am sending a holiday wish and my sincerest greeting; and I am asking for a small corner in each of your hearts for your adopted mother. My own son died in a Japanese prison camp in Osaka, Japan, on June 11—a Bataan victim."

Mrs. Cooksey is chairman of the Gaines County Red Cross Camp and Hospital Council.

Americans -

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Japanese air facilities elsewhere on their key island in the Southwest Pacific. Forty Solomon-based fighters swept over Rabaul and tangled with 40 interceptors. Returning pilots said they had shot down 17 enemy planes at a cost of one of their own. Other Allied fliers attacked air installations at Gasmata, on the southwest coast, and at Cape Hoskins almost directly across the island.

In a steadily-advancing drive that parallels the Cape Gloucester campaign, Australians reached Blucher Point, about 30 miles north of Allied-held Finschhafen, on the coast of Northeastern New Guinea. Enemy positions in the Alexishafen area were blasted with 72 tons of bombs.

U. S. warships, including cruisers, ventured far down the eastern coast of Bougainville to bombard Kieta for an hour and a half. It was the fifth naval shelling of Japanese positions in the Northern Solomons sector this month. Medium bombers raided Kieta the previous day.

Previous reports indicated the Japanese were evacuating the southern half of Bougainville. Barge movement observed by Marine fliers possibly pointed to an attempt to transfer personnel to little Buka Island, just off the northern tip of Bougainville.

At least one Japanese propaganda disinfused to be disheartened by all the Allied activity. In 1944, said Sadao Iguchi in a Tokyo broadcast, Japan will launch "an all-out offensive to drive the last vestige of Anglo-American influence from Greater East Asia."

Livestock

FORT WORTH—(AP)—Cattle 1,500; calves 1,000; steady to strong; good to choice steers and yearlings 13.00-14.00; common to medium 8.50-12.50; beef cows 8.00-10.00; fat calves 8.00-12.50; stocker steer calves 8.00-11.50; heifer calves 11.00 down. Hogs 2,200; good and choice 200-300 lb. butcher hogs 13.55-65; good 140-190 lbs. 9.75-13.00; packing sows 11.50 down; stocker pigs 10.00 down. Sheep 3,500; steady; medium to choice lambs 12.00-14.00; common to medium ewes 5.50-6.00; stocker lambs 10.00 down.

Congratulations To

Lt. and Mrs. J. B. Kirksey on the birth of a daughter Thursday.



OSARKA WATER CO. welcomes these new arrivals. Phone 111 and a bottle of OSARKA will be delivered to you free.—Adv.

U. S. Navy Fliers Spotted Flotilla Of German Ships

LONDON—(AP)—Two American Navy fliers first spotted the German flotilla of 11 destroyers in the Bay of Biscay and shadowed it for six hours while flashing signals that brought British warships speeding in to sink three of the enemy Tuesday, it was disclosed Thursday.

The Americans who discovered the Nazi ships, apparently intending to form an escort for a blockade runner which a British plane had sunk Monday, were Lt. Stuart D. Johnston of Upper Darby, Pa., and Ensign Hugh M. Greeley of Boston, who were flying a patrol. "We immediately sent a signal to the base," said Johnston, "and received instructions to shadow. We did that for about six hours. "After we first sighted them we kept coming in closer. They fired, but didn't hit us.

Then the cruisers came up and opened fire on the destroyers and the destroyers turned tail and ran away. They were steaming westward as hard as they could go while the cruisers came up behind them.

"The battle started at about 2 p. m. We could see the flashes of the guns and shells falling near the destroyers, but we didn't see any actually hit as it was difficult to see. We stayed as long as we could before returning to our base and altogether were in the air about 12 hours."

The German blockade runner, whose grand appearance accounted for the presence of the destroyers, was attacked by a Liberator of the Coastal Command Monday, and Thursday the Czech pilot of the plane said he had scored a direct hit with his first bomb, crippling the vessel and leaving it afloat and sinking.

The action against the 11 Nazi destroyers was handled in its final stages by two British cruisers with aerial support and it was announced that three of the enemy ships had been sunk and that others had been damaged.

The Berlin radio claimed the Germans lost only one destroyer and two torpedo boats while asserting that submarines had sunk five British destroyers and damaged both cruisers. The Admiralty, however, had made no mention of any British destroyers being involved.

2,240-Ton -

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and economics. After the last previous attack on Dec. 24 it was estimated that 60 per cent of the city was devastated.

Power Concentrated In City Under the Nazi regime, more and more power and influence were concentrated within the capital and the city became not only the party center but the hub of the Reich's industry and commerce as well.

Berlin's razing, therefore, would go far beyond the destruction of the buildings within her sprawling boundaries, and affect the centralized administration of the war throughout Germany and occupied territories. However the flight of ministries from the capital began early last August, more than two months before the RAF started its tremendous knock-out campaign on Nov. 22.

Thursday's German communicate acknowledged "heavy damage to several districts of the Reich capital. Destruction was caused particularly in residential quarters."

It was the 99th British attack, including Mosquito stabs, on the Nazi capital, hit by nearly 11,000 tons of bombs in seven previous assaults since an obliteration campaign was launched.

A Berlin broadcast said "the sky was covered with a thick layer of clouds and British planes dropped explosives and incendiary bombs on thickly populated residential districts. The knock-out campaign began Nov. 10 when the RAF hurled 2,500 long tons on Berlin and Ludwigshafen. The succeeding raids on Berlin were:

- Nov. 22—1,000 bombers dropping 2,300 long tons.
- Nov. 23—An estimated 1,400 tons.
- Nov. 26—More than 1,000 tons.
- Dec. 2—More than 1,500 tons.
- Dec. 16—1,500 tons.
- Dec. 24—1,000 tons.

Sweet Potato Prices Are Frozen By OPA

The Office of Price Administration at Lubbock has advised the Midland Rationing Board that sweet potato prices, at all levels of distribution, are placed under a temporary freeze order effective December 22, on the basis of the highest price at which a seller may have sold during the five-day period, December 17 to 21, inclusive.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

Marriage licenses issued at the county clerk's office include Edwin William Schriener and Anne Marie Dwyer; William H. McNally and Mrs. Grover Nell Williamson; O. G. Townsend and Hazel Lee; Everett E. Ortmann and Lillian Smith; John Wallace Mayer and Joyce Clarence Hill.

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200 Cars Of Feed Sent To Southwest, Says Marvin Jones

AMARILLO—(AP)—War Food Administrator Marvin Jones, home for a vacation, said more than 200 cars of protein feed have been directed to move immediately into the Southwest to help lessen the livestock feed crisis.

"We shall endeavor to have as continuous a flow as the transportation facilities and the supply of feed will permit," he said.

Judge Jones added: "We have far more cattle, hogs and poultry than we have ever had in this country. This is desirable. The war food administration has brought in 178,000,000 bushels of wheat this year from Canada for the eastern dairy and poultry section. They are using some 30 boats on the Pacific coast to bring down feed from Canada.

"Through the winter we are asking for 300 cars per day to haul wheat from Canada. We have brought some feed from Mexico, Argentina and even Australia.

"Livestock people from Maine to Idaho are pleading for protein feed. The livestock producers in the Panhandle and the Southwest may rest assured that the available supply of feed will be distributed as equitably as possible. I have been on the telephone almost continuously for the last three or four days in an effort to get this done.

Ration Points -

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foods are cut to zero in a move to bustle these items out of storage, freeing urgently needed freezer space for record amounts of pork coming to market.

Other Point-Free Items The point values of frozen corn, peas and lima beans remain unchanged, but all other frozen vegetables are made point-free, compared with December ratings of 12 points a pound for spinach at the top of the range and two points for beets and carrots at the bottom.

Apples, apple sauce and rhubarb are also listed at zero, while blueberries and huckleberries are reduced from 12 to 6 points a pound. All frozen fruit juices are lowered from 2 points a pound to a zero rating.

The two-point boost on jams, preserves and marmalades is necessary, OPA said, because after two months of rationing of these items there are indications that original point values were too low.

RATION BOARD OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED SATURDAY The Midland County Ration Board offices in the courthouse will be closed all day Jan. 1 for inventory and monthly reports.

FORMS FOR INDUSTRIAL USERS ARE IN MAILS

Forms for registering by industrial users were mailed Wednesday from the War Price and Rationing Offices in the courthouse, and must be returned and filed by Jan. 3, according to information issued from that office Thursday.

Allies Ready To Turn Full Power On Japan-King

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the fleet, said Thursday plans are ready for shifting full strength of the United Nations into the war against Japan, probably sometime in 1944.

Preparation of the plans, he said, has been under way for several months and may not wait until defeat of Germany, which he agreed with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower may be expected in 1944.

"I am hopeful and expectant," King said, "that Germany will be defeated in 1944. I am expecting that unremitting pressure on Japan will be continued and increased.

"I don't know whether anyone else has announced it but it would be an obvious thing—studies have been underway for several months looking to a shift of power from the European theater to the Pacific theater not only when Germany is defeated, but as her defeat seems near at hand."

The Navy's commander added in an interview that when the shift in power is made "the main lines of attack on Japan are already determined."

Texas Legion Aide Hits Jobs-For-Soldiers Plan

AUSTIN—(AP)—The chairman of the Texas American Legion Employment Committee Thursday took sharp issue with Selective Service's recently announced plan for returning war veterans to jobs and called on Congress for an immediate clarification of what was described as a "highly confused outlook."

Dr. C. H. Brownlee of Austin, the committee chairman, said while the plan has apparently been serviceable for the relatively few veterans returning to civil life, it is highly inadequate for the future when millions of discharged soldiers will be looking for jobs.

LIBRARY WILL HAVE WINDOW DISPLAY HERE

The Midland County Library will complete a window display Thursday afternoon in the windows of the West Texas Office Supply.

The central theme of the display will be "Building The Peace" and will have as a background a world map dotted by flags of the United Nations. Outstanding books on countries in the war will be set about the window.

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Miss Claire Jones Becomes Bride Of Ensign Elmer C. Watson Of Dimmitt

Of interest to many West Texans is the announcement received here of the wedding of Miss Claire Jones of Midland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Jones of Tuscola, and

Ensign Elmer C. Watson, son of E. C. Watson and the late Mrs. Eufalia McElreath Watson of Dimmitt.

The wedding occurred in the home of the bridegroom's uncle, L. B. Watson, in Lubbock at 6:30 o'clock Christmas afternoon. Another uncle of the bridegroom, the Rev. J. W. Watson, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Crosbyton, read the vows. The couple was attended by Miss Wilma Ruth Dickson of Dimmitt and a brother of the bridegroom, Eugene Watson, also of Dimmitt.

The bride wore a spring green dress with matching hat and black accessories.

Graduates of McMurry College. Both the bride and bridegroom are graduates of McMurry College, Abilene, with the class of 1943. The bride was elected Campus Queen in 1942; served as secretary of the Student Association for two years; was president of the Wah-Wah Taysee, drum and bugle corps, and the T. I. P., a campus social club for girls. She is an employee of the Humble Oil and Refining Company in Midland.

The bridegroom also was popular in campus activities, being president for two years of the Student Association and a member of the I. H. R. men's social club. He recently was commissioned an ensign at the Naval Officer's Training School, Abbott Hall, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. He will report for sea duty Jan. 3, and Mrs. Watson will return to Midland and resume her position with the Humble Company.

Rev. Mann Receives Unusual Christmas Gift From War Front

The Rev. W. R. Mann received an unusual Christmas present, and one which he really cherishes—several stamps of Allied military postage, now used in the Italian war area.

They came from Sgt. J. Fred Coe, former Midland High School football player, who is in Italy with the American forces.

Mr. Mann, who long has been philatelist, values the stamps highly as only a few have been received in this country. The stamps are used as postage between Allied forces in occupied countries.

Invasion Supply Seen Dwarfing Italian Flow

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Charles E. Wilson, executive vice-chairman of the War Production Board, said the volume of material shipped for the invasion of North Africa and Italy was "insignificant" compared with the job ahead of equipping General Eisenhower's all-out assault on Europe.

"I am sure in my heart—as I think most of you are—that the Germans will be smashed, I believe in 1944," Wilson told a meeting of executives of WPB's office of operations.

Wilson said in the year ahead civilian goods must be increased but "by comparison with the number one job—supplying the armed forces—it is unimportant."

Wilson asserted 9,000 planes were being produced this month, including hundreds of heavy bombers, "just isn't enough for the job that is ahead."

Dr. Cox Gives Tips On Keeping Healthy

AUSTIN—(AP)—Protection of individual and community health should remain foremost in the minds of all citizens in 1944, Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer, declared.

War-time conditions demand that every precaution be taken against spread of illness, he said, adding these preventive suggestions:

Use of immunization.

Maintenance of high sanitation standards in community life.

Keep personal hygiene and home sanitation at safe levels.

Delaware, New Jersey and Georgia were the only states of the original 13 which ratified the Constitution unanimously.

Her Hero Brother



When Mary Carrick, aircraft accessories worker at the Thompson Products plant in Cleveland, came upon this war poster, tears filled her eyes as she recognized the pictured flyer as her brother, Lieut. John Carrick. Since the poster was made, just before he sailed as bombardier last June, he has been reported missing.

More Witnesses Seek Hearing On Feed Shortage

AUSTIN—(AP)—Several witnesses claiming to have evidence of an acute shortage of livestock feed in Texas have asked to be heard if the state senate's general investigating committee votes next week to resume its inquiry into the situation in that state.

Chairman Houghton Brownlee of the committee said it was his expectation that the committee would take up where it left off in last summer's exhaustive study of the protein shortage.

Report Sent Agencies

"At the conclusion of that investigation, the committee communicated its findings to the Texas delegation in Congress, to officials of the Office of Price Administration, and to War Food Administrator Marvin Jones," Brownlee said.

"That was all we were empowered to do. We could now bring the picture up to date, and again present any possible findings to those in a position to act."

He said that if the committee decided to proceed, he already had available a list of witnesses who have indicated their willingness to testify.

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Younger Set Enjoys Gay Holiday Dance At Midland Country Club

The Midland Country Club was the scene of a gay holiday dance Tuesday night when Mrs. W. Y. Penn, Mrs. R. W. Hamilton and Mrs. Robert Muldrow III entertained for their sons, Lynn Penn, Bill Hamilton and Bobby Muldrow.

The rooms of the club were strung with red and green lights and a wood fire burned in the fireplace. The long serving table was laid with a lace cloth and the centerpieces were greenery and red berries, banking a large red candle. Crystal bowls of punch, and plates of red and green cookies were at both ends of the table.

Music for dancing was furnished by Jack Cecil.

Out of town guests were Mary Jane Johnson and Willard Johnson, both of Oklahoma City, and Edgar Lee Powell of Stanton, a house guest of Bill Hamilton's.

Other guests were Elizabeth Ann Cowden, Alma Faye Cowden, Beatie Bird, Pat Flannagan, Mary Martha Sivals, Barbara Rowell, Evangeline Theis, Dorothy Jean King, Evelyn Wemple, Doris Conley, Helen Crabbs, Patsy Lou Arrington, Beth Osborne, Pat Mix, Florence Larsh, Norma Jean Hubbard, Dorothy Barron, Dorothy Turner, Mary Lee Cowden, Dorothy Faye Holt, Betty McCain, Carol Casselman, Tiny Denton, Ed Wheeler, Betsy Nolan, Barbara Cowden, Phyllis Chancellor, Anne Tucker, Shirley Lones, Pat Ruckman, Jean Ann McLaughlin, Jean Ferguson, Lillian Benedict, June Hickman, Frances Gibbons, Doris Denton, Diane Buffington, Frances Puetz, Ann Ulmer, Marjorie Barron, Dorothy Ray Wolcott, Shirley Culbertson, Emma Sue Cowden, Monta Jo Glass, Eloise Pickering, Mary Katherine Graham, Pat Garner, Jean McMillan, Jane McMillan, Virginia Stewart, Mary Ellen Middifit, Jessica Turpin, Susan Hemphill and Patsy Patterson.

Bill Shaw, Bill Nolan, Tom Kimbrough, Bobby Drake, Jack Cox, Dean Cox, Gilbert Sevier, Bobby Girdley, David Dickenson, M. C. Hale, Bert Rice, Barry Boone, William Hocy, Jimmy Shaft, Jack Howell, David Hyatt, Clifton Pickle, C. C. Tull, Frank Shepard, Tommy Rowell, Charles Ruckman, Bobby Prickett, George Griswold, Eddie Clarke, Jimmy Edwards, John Livingston, Chuck McAdams, Swankie Hunter, Jimmy Watson, Bobby Hyatt, Bill Richards, Billy Joe Stickney, Francis Stickney, Wayne Roberts, Gene Connor, John Casselman, John Larsh, Henry Shaw, Bobby Statton, Jack Warren, J. L. Sawyers, Jerry Jordan, L. C. Newsham, Duane Abell, Richard Clark, Walter Smith, Walter Lane, Bert Hemphill, Jimmy Fitzgerald, H. G. Bedford Jr., Louis Hartwell, Charles Moncrief, Bitsy Vertrees, Jimmy Funkhouser, Buddy Anush, Charlie Patteson, Bobby FitzGerald, Bob McDonald, Fred McMurphy, Dicky Jackson, Jimmy Greene, Jimmy Armstrong, George Knox and Frederick Prickett.

Republicans Believe Roosevelt Will Seek Fourth Term In 1944

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The consensus of political Washington Thursday appeared to be that President Roosevelt is a candidate for a fourth term on a platform promising to win the war and then to link America's economic and military future with that of other nations.

That was the deliberative Republican interpretation of Roosevelt's news conference action Tuesday in fondly laying at rest the New Deal for a Win-The-War program, in warning against economic and military isolation after the war and in outlining a program of proposed postwar expansion in security, employment, recreation, education, health and housing.

Some high ranking Democrats agreed privately with this view and Senator Hatch (D-N.M.) went so far as to reiterate publicly his prediction that if the war is still on, Roosevelt will be renominated and re-elected.

CARTOONIST DIES

NEW YORK—(AP)—Arthur Henry (Art) Young, 77, cartoonist and author who was active in campaigns for woman suffrage, labor organization, racial equality and abolition of child labor, died Wednesday night.

IF THROAT IS SORE

IF A COLD has given you a miserable sore throat, here's how to relieve the suffering.

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Go Southwest, Young Man, To Retain Teeth!

By FRANK E. CAREY

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Go Southwest young man — if you want to keep your rate of tooth decay the lowest.

There's fluorine in the drinking water down there, and the vegetables, fruit and milk are described as being proportionately high in mineral elements.

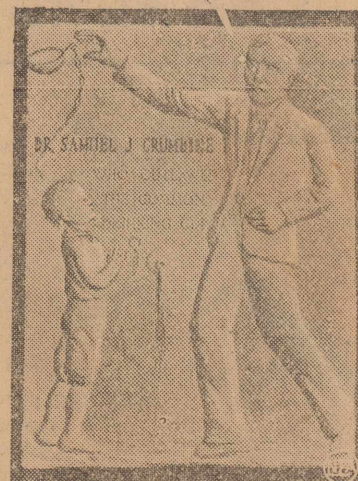
This comes from a report of studies made on the incidence of tooth decay among several thousand Army aviation cadets representing every state in the union, and now stationed at San Antonio, Texas.

The report was made in the Military Surgeon by Captain William W. Senn of the Army Dental Corps who said the men studied should give a good cross section of the incidence of dental decay in the various states.

The studies showed that:

1. The incidence of decaying, missing and filled teeth was lowest among cadets hailing from Texas and Oklahoma. They had an average of only nine defective teeth apiece. Arizona, Montana and New Mexico men were next lowest with an average of 11 apiece.
2. The incidence was highest among men coming from the state of Washington. The cadets from that locality showing an average of 21 defective apiece. Close contenders for that rating were Vermont, Massachusetts and Maryland, with an average of 20 per cent; and Wisconsin, Utah, Oregon, New York and Maine, with 19.

Unsung Hero



One of America's unsung heroes finally was "sung" when the plaque pictured above, was unveiled in the State House, Topeka, Kans., honoring octogenarian Dr. Samuel J. Crumbine, father of the crusade for abolition of the common drinking cup. Sculptured by Kansas' Olive Kooker, "The Plaster" plaque will be bronzed when unprioritized post-war days arrive.

Texans Are Asked To Produce More Milk And Eggs In 1944

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Texas farmers are being asked to produce more milk and eggs and less meat and table poultry next year.

In explaining its 1944 production goals, the Department of Agriculture reports poultry and livestock production has been out of line with the feed supplies.

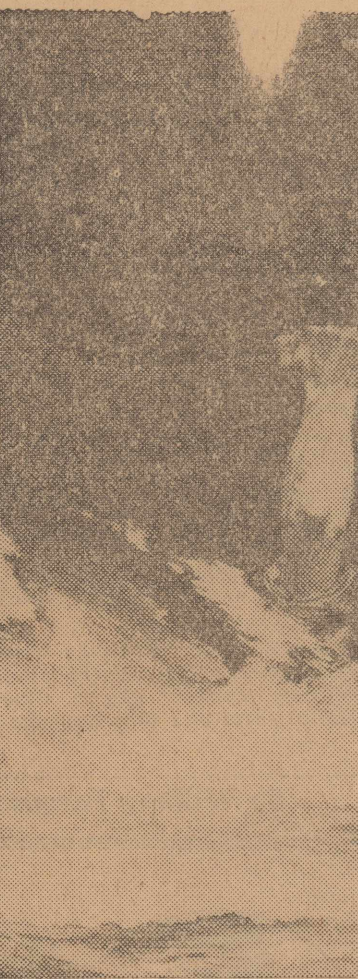
The 1944 goals for feed grains have been increased for Texas and the rest of the nation and it also was decided that the most efficient use of feed would be to put it into milk and eggs, rather than in meat and table poultry.

Texas goals also call for an increase in production of peanuts, wheat, oats, barley and hay, while holding at the same level or slight decrease in corn, sorghums and flaxseed.

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A soldier or a sailor has duty clearly defined for him.

But how much is "duty" for a civilian?

There is no clear definition. But there is one job which every man and woman of us must consider duty if he would like to see the war shortened and our fighting men back with us.

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China Bound Books



This double armload of books held by Red Cross worker in New York will go to soldiers in China-Burma-India theater, along with some 20,000 others donated by U. S. readers.

Baptist Youths Will Watch Old Year Out

The Sunday School departments of the First Baptist Church have planned a New Year's watch party for Friday.

The Young People's department will meet in the parsonage and other departments will meet in the church. There will be departmental programs during the evening, and at 10:30 refreshments will be served.

Afterwards all departments will gather in the church auditorium for a special New Year's service. There will be a musical program by the Young People's department, and the Rev. Vernon Yearby will bring a message, "1944 in The Light of Bible Prophecy."

Lutherans Will Have New Year's Service

A special New Year's service has been planned by the Lutheran Church to be held Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, in the Trinity Episcopal Church.

The service is open to everyone and the public is welcome.

T. & P. Official Dies In Dallas

DALLAS—(AP)—L. E. Sandoloski, 52, assistant general passenger agent of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, died in a hospital here Thursday. He was a native of Tyler and received his education there.

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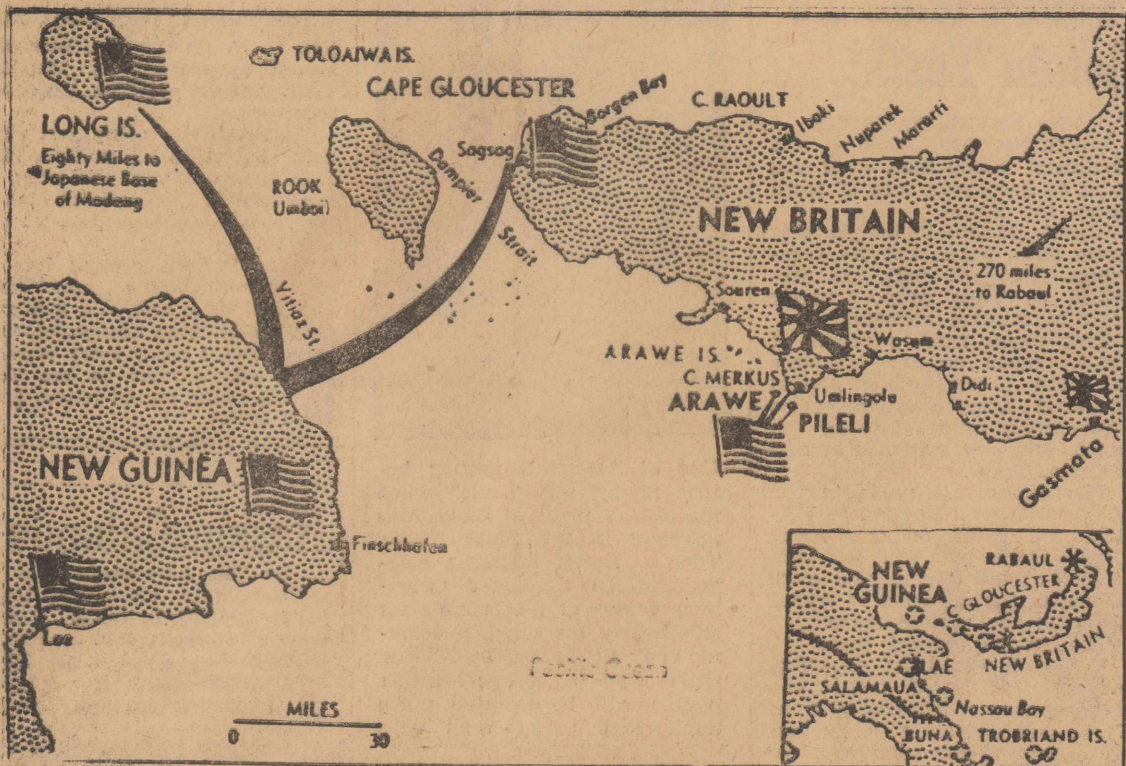
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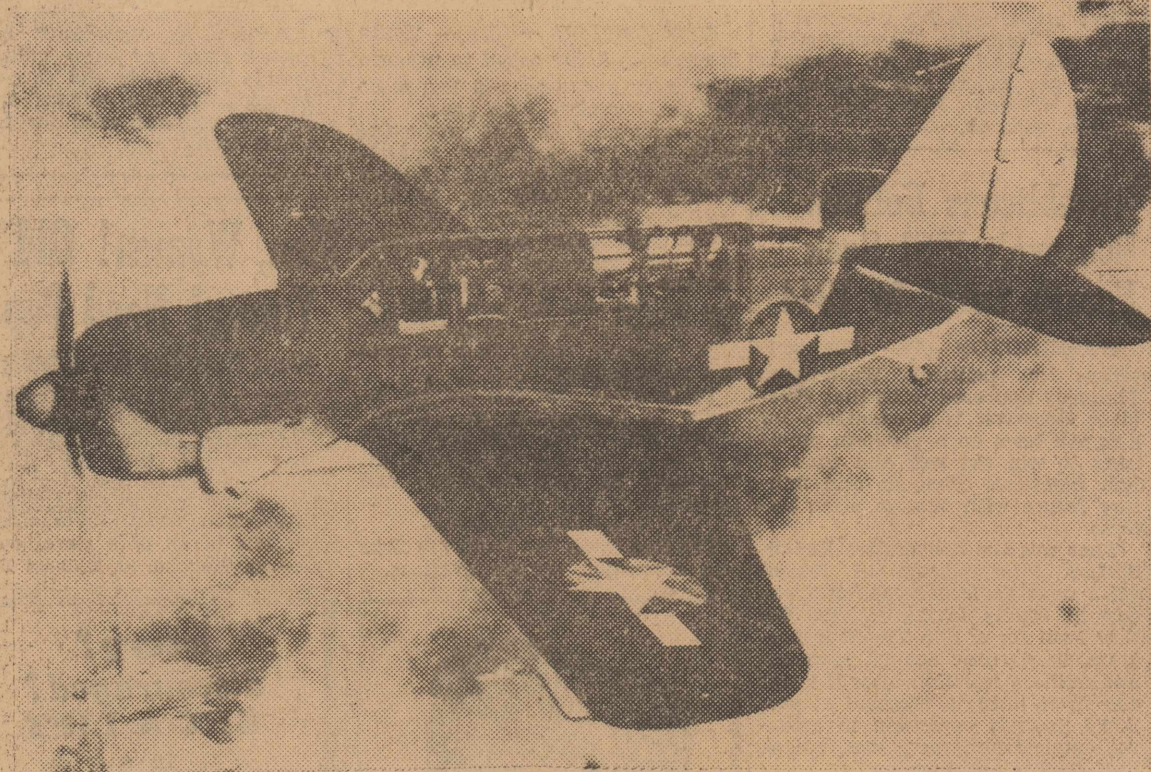
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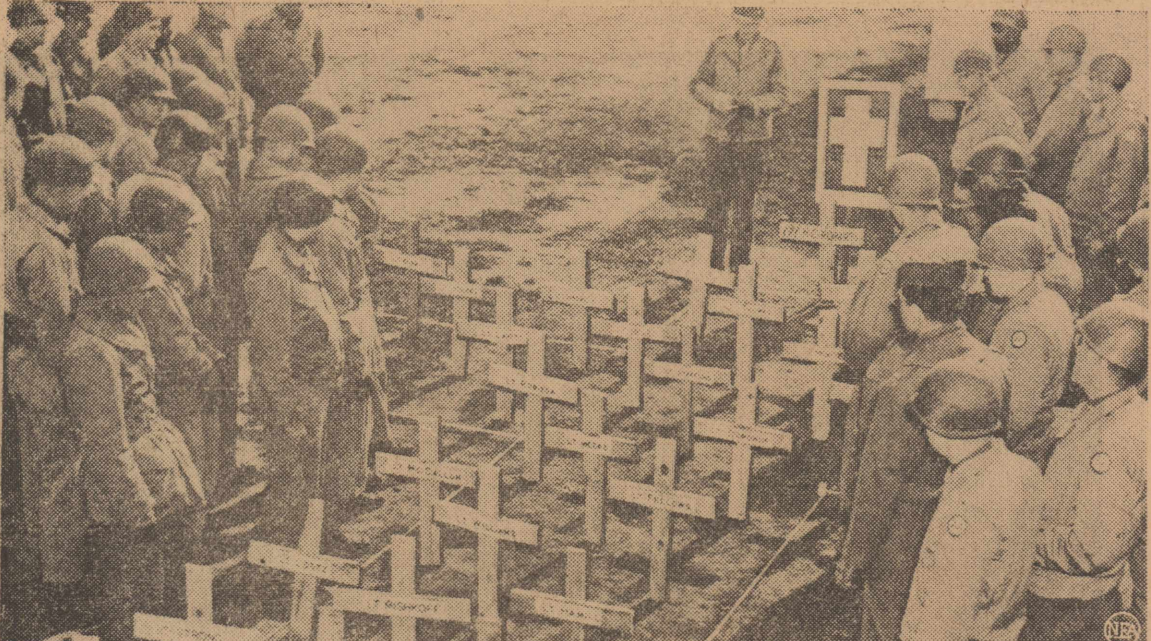
Veteran U. S. Marines seize beachheads both sides of Cape Gloucester, New Britain Island, to further threaten Japanese holds on Rabaul. (NEA Telemap)

New Navy Fighter Spells Trouble For Japs



The Navy's new Helldiver Dive-Bomber (SB2C) is shown here in flight. Designed for both carrier-based and land-based operation, Helldiver is important new addition to the Naval air service. (Passed by censors) (NEA Telephoto)

It's Their 'Funeral'



A grim, but highly impressive way of teaching soldiers what happens when they don't look out for enemy mines and booby traps is pictured above. Chaplain William Clements, center, of Philadelphia, Pa., reads "funeral" service over mock graves of the officers grouped about them. Students at the Fort Eustis, Va., Mines Technique School, they "flunked" lessons, stumbled over training mines that would have killed them had they been the real thing.

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY America's Card Authority

It was pleasing to see the success of the tournament held at Easton, Pa., by the new Lehigh Valley Bridge Association. The attendance this year broke all records. Once again Mrs. McKenney helped to furnish material for the column by winning two of the events. With Mrs. Benjamin M. Golder of Philadelphia, Mrs. McKenney successfully defended the women's pair title they won last year, and play-

Hand of cards for Mrs. McKenney: ♠ J632, ♥ 942, ♦ K8, ♣ 10543. Dealer: W. South: ♠ AK107, ♥ None, ♦ A1076, ♣ 5. West: ♠ None, ♥ None, ♦ None, ♣ AQJ2. North: ♠ 9854, ♥ AJ3, ♦ 2, ♣ K9876. East: ♠ KQ108765, ♥ QJ943, ♦ None, ♣ None. Duplicate—None vul. South: ♠ 2, ♥ 2, ♦ 2, ♣ 4. West: ♠ 4, ♥ 4, ♦ 4, ♣ 4. North: ♠ 2, ♥ 2, ♦ 2, ♣ 4. East: ♠ 2, ♥ 2, ♦ 2, ♣ 4. Opening—♥ K 30

ing with Col. Robert J. Gill, she won the mixed pair event. Today's hand, on which Mrs. McKenney (East) made four spades, brought out an interesting point in modern bidding. Many players would open the South hand with a pre-emptive bid, but for some reason this player opened the bidding with one heart. West bid two hearts, a forcing bid. In the play, the opening heart lead was won with the ace and a small spade was led. When South's queen fell, Mrs. McKenney was warned that the spades were bunched against her. She won the trick with the ace, cashed the ace of diamonds and ruffed a diamond. Entering dummy again with a club, she ruffed another diamond. North was smart enough to discard a club. By a process of cross-ruffing, Mrs. McKenney was able to make five-odd. Several pairs were held to four-odd, and then the argument started—maybe you ought to be able to make six-odd by getting an end-play on North? Maybe you can, but I think it can be held to five-odd.

Rip Van Winkle Of Rationing Wakes Up

JACKSON, MISS.—(AP)—A letter from a resident of Mississippi, re-directed from Washington, was received by the district Office of Price Administration. It confided: "You may not know about it, but you have started something they call rationing down in this end of the country. Last week I went to the store and couldn't get no sugar because I didn't have no sugar book. I think you ought to know about this before it goes too far."

HOLD EVERYTHING



"I want to free my boy friend—he's in the guard house!"

H. A. Russell To Be Consulting Geologist

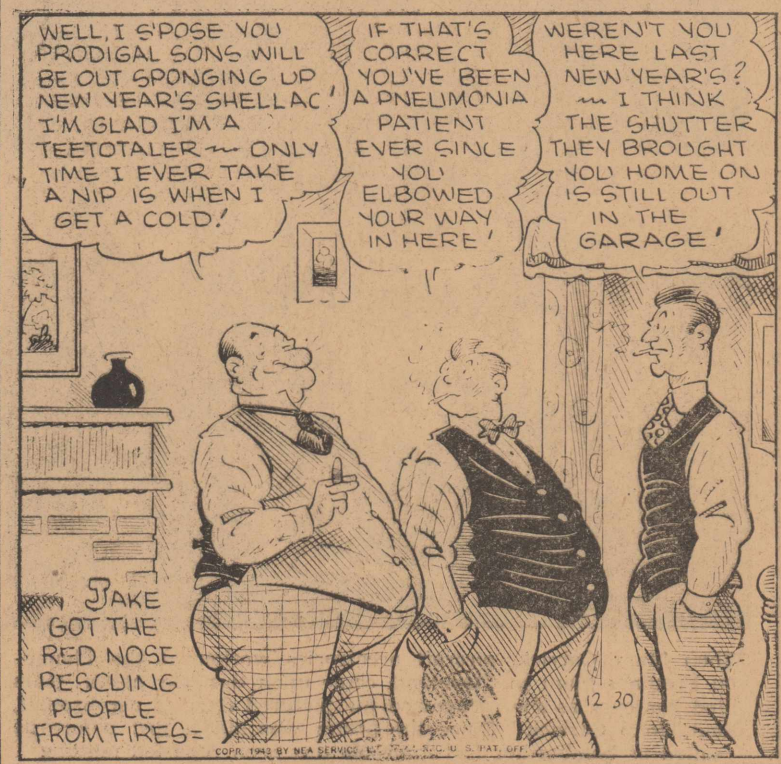
H. A. Russell, a former Midland resident, has resigned, effective Jan. 1, as geologist with the Standard Oil Company of Texas to operate independently. Announcement of his resignation came from Graham, Texas. In 1928 and 1929, he resided in Midland and was employed by the ITIO Company, now the Cities Service, and again from 1936 to 1942 he was here with the Standard Company.

Chinese Had Chicken Incubators Long Ago

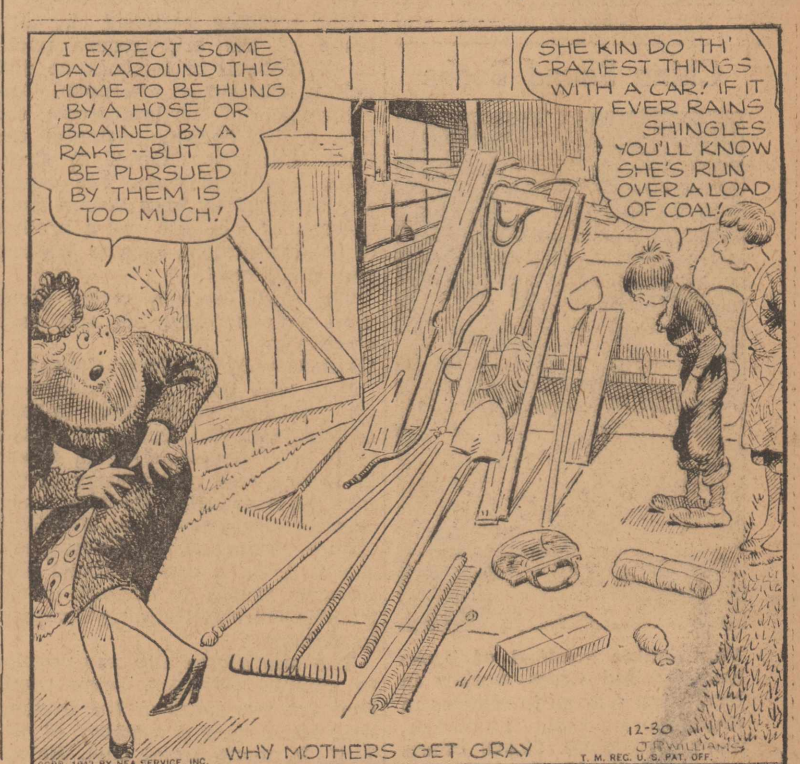
The Chinese used incubators to speed chicken production in 2000 B. C. A charcoal fire inside a container heated eggs placed within a mud receptacle. HAMILTON'S BOYHOOD In his youth, Alexander Hamilton lived in Christened, St. Croix, Virgin Islands, and became manager of a store there at the age of 14.

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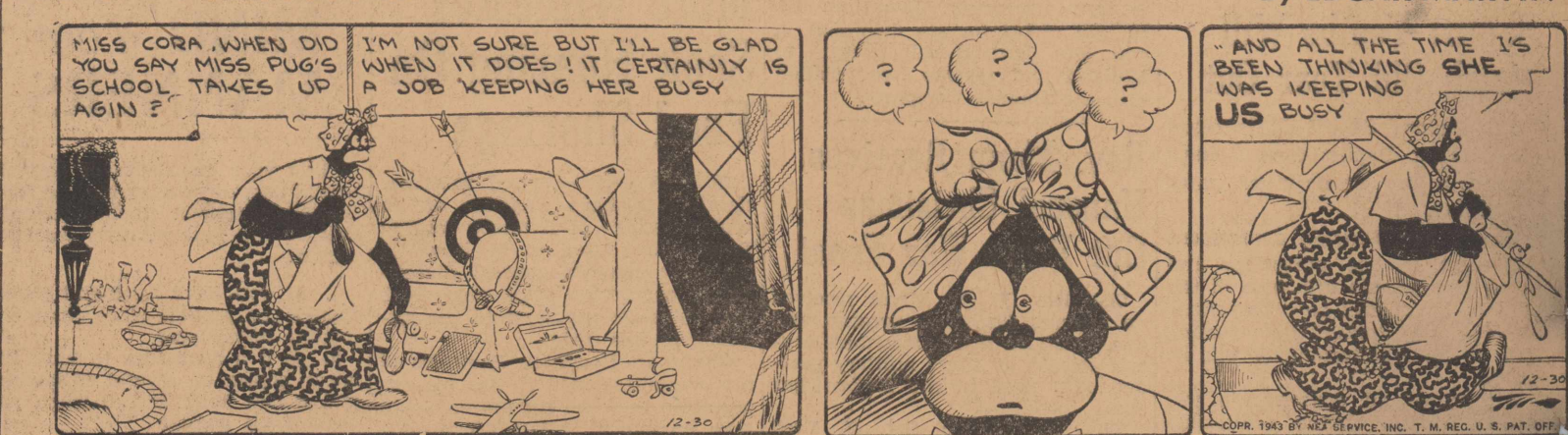
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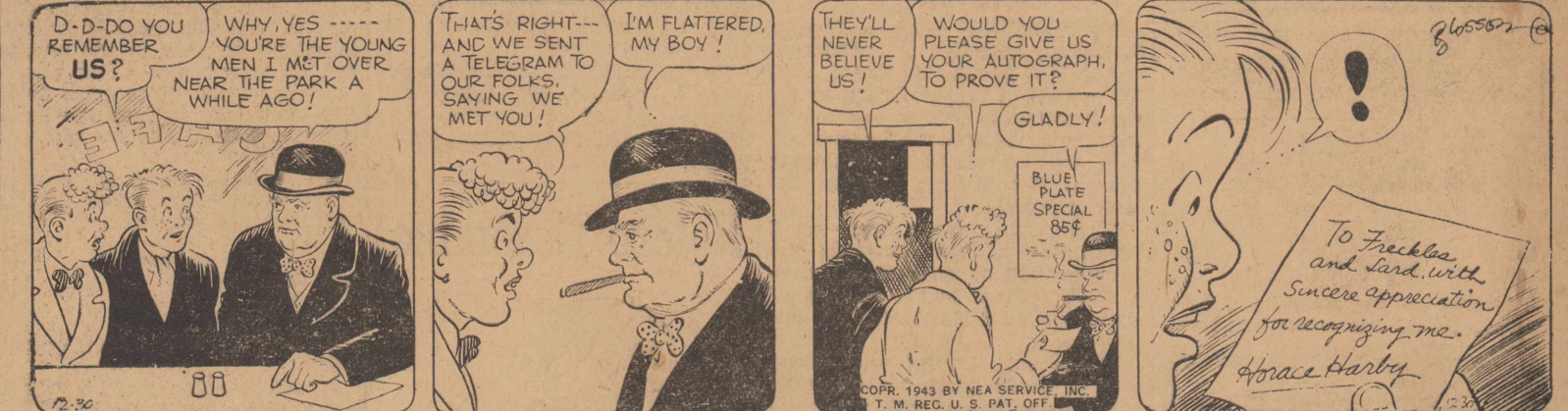


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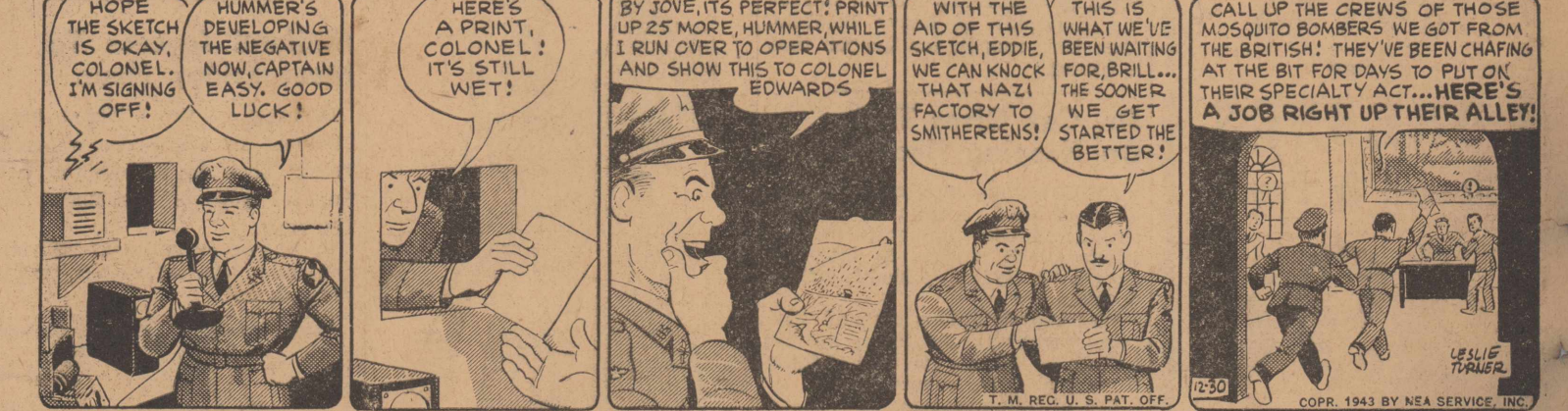


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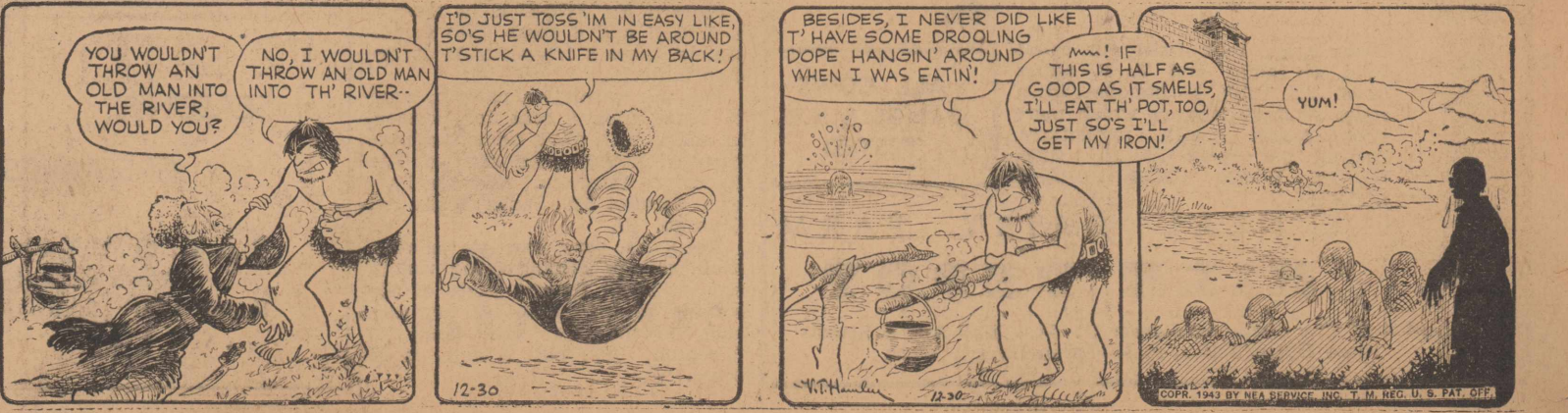
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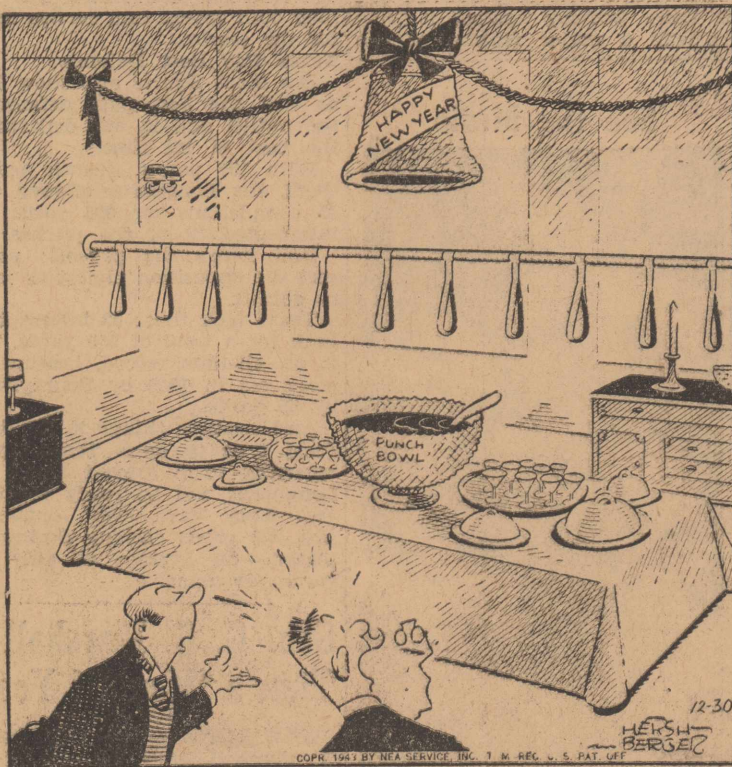
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Washington, D. C.; and Martin W. Moses, Austin. Moses' legal career was highlighted by the prosecution of Sam Ross and Milt Good, whose murder trials made West Texas history in the early 1920s, and by the even more widely publicized defense of the Rev. J. Frank Norris for the fatal shooting of a Fort Worth lumber dealer a few years earlier.

Worked As Cowboy
The young Moses attended Burnett County schools until he was 18, then went out on his own, working for three years as a cowboy in Archer County. Then he obtained appointment as a clerk in the general land office in Austin, serving under Commissioners W. L. McGouhey and A. J. Baker from 1891 to 1895. While there he attended night law classes at the University of Texas and was licensed to practice.

Returning to Burnett County, he was elected county attorney and re-elected in 1898 and 1900. Then in 1902 he was elected district attorney of the thirty-third judicial district. He was consistently re-elected and served until 1916, when he resigned to move to Fort Worth and become attorney for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association.

It's Sad News, Kids! Santa Claus Kidnaped
LOS ANGELES — (AP) — He's gone, red flannel suit, excelsior insides and all. He was part of a holiday display, and why anyone would want him now, nobody knows.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: BETTIANNE BENSON GREETING: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 14th day of February, A. D., 1944, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Midland County, at the Court House in Midland, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 23rd day of September, 1943. The file number of said suit being No. 3782. The names of the parties in said suit are: Edgar A. Benson as Plaintiff, and Bettianne Benson as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Suit for divorce. Issued this the 29th day of December, 1943. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Midland, Texas, this the 29th day of December, A. D., 1943.

NETTIE C. ROMER, Clerk, District Court, Midland County, Texas. 12:30; 1:6-13-20

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He's No. 1 Fighter Ace



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Capt. Walker M. Maburin, left, 24, of Fort Wayne, Ind., No. 1 fighter ace of the European theater, ran his total bag of enemy planes to 14 by shooting down two German Focke-Wulf 190's within two minutes in recent attack on northwest Germany. He's pictured here being congratulated on return from a previous mission during which he scored a triple kill.

MacArthur Pays SW Borden -- Wounded Men Surprise Visit

By C. YATES McDaniel
ADVANCED STATION HOSPITAL, SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA — (AP) — Patients of this American hospital were surprised Wednesday by the appearance of Gen. Douglas MacArthur on an unannounced visit to see the first casualties of the New Britain campaign.

Lt. Col. Charles R. Castlen, Glendale, Calif., hospital commandant, and Major Roy D. Arn, chief of the hospital's surgical services, hastily joined the general as he started an informal tour through the wards.

The patients, to a man, turned to have a good look at the tall, bushy-haired chief of Allied forces in the Southwest Pacific. Will Return To Manila
In one ward of the hospital, which is set in a ravine overlooking the Coral Sea, Warner W. Croxton, Washington, of the Army Air Corps, caught the general's eye, for he was one of the "old boys of the gang" with MacArthur in the Philippines.

After talking over old times, MacArthur left with the expressed hope that "we soon will be walking down the Escolta in Manila together."

The general paused beside Corp. J. D. Knight, Dallas, Texas. "How did you get yours, son?" he asked. Knight said he was wounded in both hands clinging to a rubber boat which was shot up in the Dec. 11 landing at Arawa, New Britain, where Americans established their first beachhead on the Japanese-held island.

Corp. Wilson I. Grant, Avery, Texas, told MacArthur that he was "mighty lucky to get off so lucky." Grant had a shrapnel wound in his hand.

Wallace Sends Soviets Message In Russian

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Vice President Wallace Thursday dispatched to the Russian people a document somewhat resembling an algebra problem. It turned out to be a New Year's greeting in their own Cyrillic alphabet, saying some pretty nice things about the Dubynushka.

Dubynushka, explained Wallace, who is well past the first reader in his study of the Russian language, is an affectionate diminutive for a big stick or club, representing the power of the Russian common man. It's also the title of a song, more than 100 years old, from which Wallace quoted.

New Livestock Feed Plan Is Announced

WASHINGTON — (AP) — To keep a closer check on distribution of livestock feeds, the government will take 20 per cent of the protein meal production beginning Jan. 1 and allocate it monthly on a basis of state requirements. Western senators were advised of the plan by President J. T. Hutson of the Commodity Credit Corporation and Walter Berger of the food and livestock division of the War Food Administration. The other meal is to be distributed by processors through normal channels.

Under this year's plan the CCC did not have definite control of the 20 per cent it attempted to reserve for emergency distribution. Senator Milliken (R-Colo.) explained.

Hitler's Military Power Is Gone To Junkers If Scharnhorst Loss Has Forced His Pet Admiral Out

By WILLIAM FRYE
Associated Press War Analyst
If Admiral Karl Doenitz has resigned his command of the German Navy, it probably marks just about the last gasp of Adolf Hitler's military leadership by intuition.

Russian sources, reporting his resignation—actual or imminent—as a result of the sinking of the battleship Scharnhorst by the British home fleet, also tell of a widening breach between Hitler and his top generals.

That breach is a peculiar one, healed for their own purposes by the generals, who don't like Hitler but can't spare him. There was a time when Hitler, riding high and rolling far into Russia, got rid of a number of the old army men. Some of them have been back for quite a while, and the stars of others are rising.

Junkers Run Army
There is considerable evidence that the Prussian officers of the Junker class, the core of German military tradition, are once again in full control of the army. Hitler remains the titular commander in chief, because he is still a symbol in the minds of the German masses.

and shale. No Ellenburger top has been called. Humble No. 1 Barnes, North Pecos exploration, was making hole past 4,000 feet in lime.

Geraldine Skidded
Phillips Petroleum Company No. 1 Geraldine, another Pecos exploring effort, had skidded 50 feet west and was starting new hole after reaching 1,617 feet in the original hole. The new try was made necessary on account of needing a larger tube in which to operate through the gassy formations which have been encountered.

Phillips No. 1 Price had progressed to 12,915 feet and was drilling ahead.

Phillips No. 1 University was trying to get 10 3/4-inch casing cemented on bottom at 2,491 feet.

Phillips No. 1 Callan, Schleicher County wildcat, was drilling past 4,690 feet in white lime.

Globe No. 1 Henderson, another Schleicher test, was drilling below 5,595 feet in chert after cleaning up a fishing job.

Humble No. 2-B Sawyer, Irion County effort to 10,000 feet, had made hole under 8,376 feet in lime and brown shale.

Siemonit & Wahlenmaier have filed notice of intention to plug No. 1 Y. W. Crockett, section 28, block 2, H&T-CORR survey, in North Pecos County. Total depth was 4,812 feet where sulphur water ruined Ellenburger production possibilities.

Bryce McCandless No. 1-10 Atlantic had progressed to 3,552 feet in brown dolomite.

Farmer To Deepen
Woodley Petroleum Company No. 1 Farmer, Yoakum County wildcat, swabbed about 15 barrels of oil in four hours after being shut in for several days. The hole is to be drilled deeper.

Shell Oil Company No. 1 Johnson, Central Ector wildcat, was making hole under 5,280 feet in lime.

Shell No. 1 G. M. Cox, Northwest Andrews County exploration, is shut down for machinery repairs at a total depth of 7,354 feet in lime.

Culbertson & Irwin, Inc., and Union Oil Company of California No. 1-A Heiner, Pecos County step-out, had cemented 5 1/2-inch casing on bottom at 6,100 feet with 225 sacks.

MRS. HUNDLE'S FATHER ILL
Mrs. J. L. Hundle has been called to Bryan by the serious illness of her father, V. Skubal, who is in a Bryan hospital.

El Azucar dam, arching five miles across the San Juan river valley of northern Mexico, will put 150,000 acres into irrigated production.

But the officer caste—the Junkers, not the upstarts—runs the army. They hope, of course, to hold out for a negotiated peace that will leave the officer corps virtually intact, and leave Germany the nucleus of military resurgence. But they cannot fight without public support, and the public allegiance is to Hitler, not the generals. So Hitler stays, but there is no misunderstanding about who is boss—and who is scapegoat.

Archetype of the Prussian military aristocrat is the commander of the western group of armies, the man who will meet General Eisenhower's invasion, Field Marshal Karl Rudolf Gerd Von Rundstedt. Relieved of his command—by report, at his own request—when his Caucasus invasion was mauled by Red Army counterblows, he came back to organize the coast defenses, and is in complete charge in France and the Low Countries.

Others who have returned to high command after disagreement—to put it mildly—with Hitler are Gen. Fritz Erich Von Manstein, with important command of a large portion of the Russian front, and Gen. Johannes Blaskowitz, active against the high command after living for a time in retirement in Northern France following a falling out with the Fuehrer. Both of these men were among the officer junta reported more than a year ago to have started a program to "isolate" Hitler and establish themselves favorably with the Allies in case of defeat or stalemate.

Such officers, eager to salvage what they can of German militarism out of the debacle facing them, could not have been very happy if Doenitz, as reported, sent the Scharnhorst out and lost her at a time when the Allies are obviously preparing a smashing blow.

Doenitz rose rapidly with Hitler's favor. A commodore at the start of the war, he got frequent promotion, in part due to his conception of the submarine pack, and the final elevation came less than a year ago when Hitler advanced him over the heads of two admirals to replace Grand Admiral Erich Raeder as supreme naval commander.

If he lost the Scharnhorst trying to embellish his own reputation, the old line admirals and generals undoubtedly have had enough of Doenitz.

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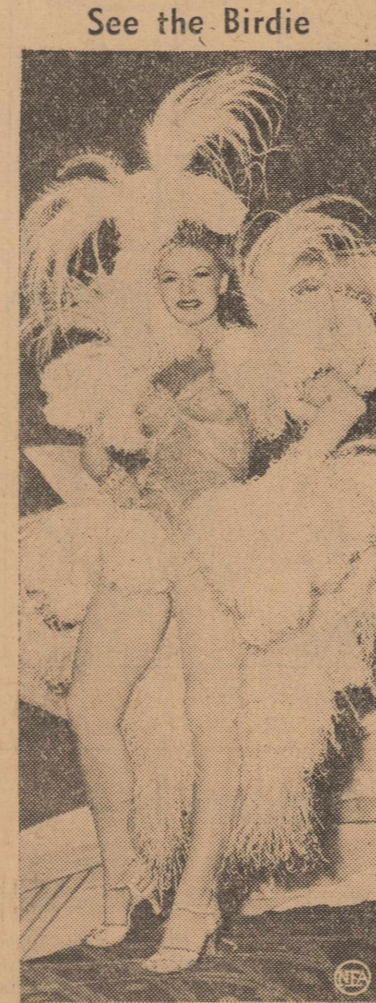


Trojans Hope For Fair Weather At Rose Bowl Clash

PASADENA, CALIF. —(AP)—The prospect of fair weather for Saturday's Rose Bowl game between Washington and Southern California has buoyed the Trojans' hopes...

Nation's No. 1 Passing Attack To Be On Exhibition In Cotton Bowl

DALLAS —(AP)— The nation's No. 1 passing attack goes on exhibition in the Cotton Bowl here Saturday...



See the Birdie. No bird of Paradise was ever as handsomely feathered as curvaceous Betty Hutton...



W. B. Clayton, of Houston, Texas, and Washington, D. C., will again lead the Texas celebrations of President Roosevelt's birthday...

Service Men's Vote May Be First Issue In Campaign Of 1944

WASHINGTON —(AP)— The November election votes of men and women in uniform bounded ahead Thursday as the first political issue for 1944...

Frey Sets .985 Record For Second With 13 Errors In 873 Chances

NEW YORK —(AP)— Lonnie Frey of the Cincinnati Reds, wiped out all fielding records for National League second basemen during 1943...

Striking

Adams of the Chicago Cubs in 1925. The trail native of St. Louis made only 13 errors in accepting 873 total chances...

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLERTON JR. NEW YORK —(AP)— From the AAU viewpoint, there couldn't be a better man to receive the Sullivan award than Gil Dodds...

Victory Bowl Game Tickets On Sale Here

Tickets for the New Year's Day Victory Bowl football game in Odessa between Camp Barkeley of Abilene and Fort Bliss of El Paso are on sale at the Midland Chamber of Commerce...

20,286 Discharged Texas Soldiers Get Jobs From U. S. E. S.

AUSTIN —(AP)— Aided by experience gained in placing veterans of World War I on jobs, the United States Employment Service had expedited the placing of 20,286 World War II veterans on Texas jobs this year...

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Underdog Desperation May Bolster In Bowl

MIAMI, FLA. —(AP)— The favored Texas Aggies should be rated no better than even against Louisiana State University in the Orange Bowl...

Goebbels Admits War Creates 'Difficulty'

By The Associated Press. "A dangerous year in which the fate of civilized mankind is once more at stake," is foreseen in 1944 by Paul Joseph Goebbels...

City Officials Say Trash Should Not Be Burned By Citizens

City officials Thursday urged Midland citizens not to burn trash in containers from which city workers collect trash and garbage...

Canal Used Four Years Before Its 'Opening'

Although the Panama canal was opened to commerce in August, 1914, not until July, 1920, was the formal opening proclaimed by the president of the United States...

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Tournament of Roses Queen L. School Girl

PASADENA, CALIF. —(AP)— A brown-haired 17-year-old school girl, Naomi Riordan, Thursday wears the crystal jewel headdress of the queen of this year's paradeless Tournament of Roses...

Sooners Win Title In Basket Tourney

OKLAHOMA CITY —(AP)— The University of Oklahoma Sooners won the championship of the eighth annual All-College Basketball Tournament Wednesday night by defeating the Norman, Okla., Naval Air Station Zoomers 31-27...

Squirrel Thief Gets Swift Punishment

KNOXVILLE, TENN. —(AP)— Caretaker R. Huse Rutledge of Tyson Park said he saw a squirrel run down a patch with a bun in its mouth, dig a hole and bury it...

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Telescope Principle Found By Accident

The telescope principle was discovered by an unknown Dutch boy. While working in the Amsterdam shop of Lippershey, the spectacle maker, the boy held two lenses before his eyes and looked down the street at a church steeple with the now well known telescopic result.

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