

Finland Seeks U.S. Loan Of 50 Million

Republican Leader Indicates Willingness To Help

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Reports that Finland is seeking a \$50,000,000 loan from the United States government brought a statement from Senator McNary of Oregon, the republican leader, today that he would favor a substantial loan "for governmental purposes x x x in view of Finland's attitude in keeping her money covenants with this government."

Wall Street Refuses

While he did not define the phrase "for governmental purposes," McNary indicated he doubted the wisdom of making a loan.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 21 (AP)

A high Argentine official said today the nations of the Americas were making preparations to issue a joint declaration of sympathy for Finland in her stand against Russian invasion.

which could be used to buy war materials for use against invading Russian armies.

Representatives of the Finnish government were said to have attended out congressional leaders on the proposal after failing to obtain Wall Street financing for such a sum.

One member of congress approached said he gained the impression the Finns felt they could not long hold out against Russia's overpowering forces unless given more than moral support.

The Reconstruction Finance corporation recently lent Finland \$10,000,000 for purchase in this country of non-war materials such as agricultural supplies.

While the Finns welcomed this, they were represented as contending that their greatest need was for battle planes, guns and other war materials.

Preliminary discussions among congressmen apparently brought no definite reaction.

Such a loan, it was pointed out, would violate a principle laid down in this government's recent financial transactions with other countries—that no money would be lent for the purchase of war materials.

It was pointed out also a direct war loan might involve this country's relations with Russia.

Even more important, one member of congress said, would be the possibility a loan to Finland might be considered as the first step toward precipitating this country into Europe's affairs.

On the other side of the ledger, this same lawmaker said, was undeniable public sympathy for Finland, which has been the only European nation to meet regularly its payments on its debt to the United States.

Most government officials agreed that if Finland were to obtain a \$50,000,000 loan to get the war supplies it needs, congress would have to approve the transaction.

Illness Is Fatal To C. A. Johnson

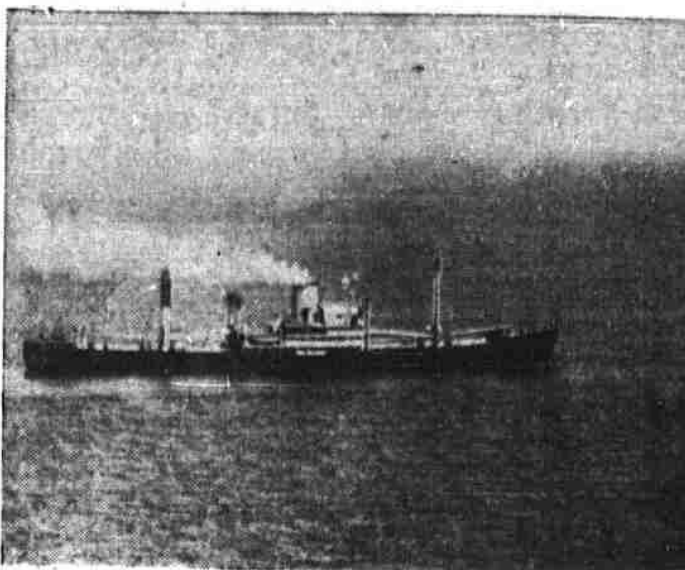
C. A. Johnson, resident of Big Spring since 1910, died at 11:40 o'clock Thursday morning at Rockport where he had been in a hospital for the past month. He was 73 years old.

He is survived by his wife and three sons, Herbert and Hubert Johnson of Big Spring and C. A. Johnson of Rockport. His wife and sons were with him at the time of his death, his sons having gone to his bedside when he became gravely ill Monday.

Burial will take place Friday in Corpus Christi. Mr. Johnson, who was a painter, came to Big Spring from San Angelo. For the past six months he had suffered with a heart ailment which caused his death.

GERMAN MERCHANT SHIP FLEES TO U.S. PORT WITH BRITISH CRUISER IN PURSUIT

A German merchant ship, the Arauca, is shown as it fled to the safety of United States territorial waters off Fort Lauderdale, Fla., as a British cruiser sought to seize it as a prize of war. Shown in the foreground at the left is the Arauca, awaiting a pilot to take it into Fort Everglades. In the background, in the circle, is the British warship, remaining outside the 3-mile limit.



Widow With 2 Children Wants Only Bread On Christmas Day; 'Help Others First' She Says

Beans and bread—these would make a merry Christmas for one Big Spring widow, who, although she has two children to care for without visible means of support, wants other unfortunate people provided for first.

This was only one of scores of cases that Maj. L. W. Canning, head of the Big Spring Salvation Army post, could recite Thursday as the city's population moved nearer the celebration of the birth of Christ, who set the supreme example of sacrifice and of doing good.

Maj. Canning appealed to individuals and organizations to put their Christmas gifts in the hands of individuals and families who most need them. He urged cooperation of various agencies in an effort to reduce the number of omissions and duplications often occurring in the last minute rush to spread real Christmas cheer. His organization is working with the Red Cross and agencies to see that all needy families are helped.

Party At West Side Park Friday Night

American Business Club members Thursday announced they were ready for their second annual Christmas party for children of the western section of the city.

Completing some two weeks of steady work, club members had reconditioned 800 playthings and had on hand some 363 gift sacks of fruits, candy and nuts for distribution to the children who will throng the club house at the West Side park Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Last year some 300 children turned out for the event and club officials expressed the hope that more would be present this season.

Children's Matinee At Ritz Saturday

The Ritz theatre's annual Christmas matinee for youngsters is scheduled for Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, and every kiddie in the city and surrounding area is invited. It's all free. The picture will be "Lord Jeff" starring two juvenile players, Mickey Rooney and Freddie Bartholomew.

Report Made On Ginnings

Cross county ginnings to Dec. 1 amounted to 2,728 bales, two-thirds of it from Martin county, a survey of ginning summaries compiled by the county AAA office showed Thursday.

While Howard county gins were handling almost all of the 7,018,397 net line pounds or 14,035 bales produced in Howard county, they also were handling 1,391,565 net line pounds produced in surrounding counties.

Of the out-of-county cotton processed by local gins, Martin county contributed 1,728 bales. Only two counties, Martin and Dawson, handled any Howard county cotton, and then only in negligible amounts.

A surprise development in the cross-county ginnings was reflected in the reports from Dawson county, normally a heavy producer.

LINDY REPLACED ON AERONAUTICS GROUP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The White House announced today the appointment of Brigadier General Walter G. Klinger as a member of the national advisory committee for aeronautics, to replace Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, who recently retired from the committee.

LIBERALS MAY BAND TOGETHER IN NEXT CAMPAIGN, ICKES SAYS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Secretary Ickes said today that liberals among the democrats and republicans might call a national convention some time before the 1940 presidential campaign to organize support for whichever party named a liberal to head it.

At his press conference Ickes said he had discussed such a possibility with Senators Norris (Ind-Neb) and LaFollette (Prog-Wis).

Revenue Plan Opposed By Morgenthau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Secretary Morgenthau, saying he was opposed to further taxes on consumers, indicated today he was opposed to the proposed "certificate plan" to raise farm parity benefits.

The treasury head added, however, that the administration had not made a final decision on the certificate plan proposed by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace. Wallace has been asked to attend a second meeting of the president's fiscal and monetary committee this afternoon to talk about the idea.

Morgenthau said he did not know whether this meeting would produce any decision, but if it did, he said, the verdict would be communicated to the president and not made public.

Wallace's certificate plan proposes transferring from the treasury to farm product processors and perhaps, in turn, consumers the burden of farm parity payments, which cost \$225,000,000 last year.

Instead of the treasury paying farmers the difference between market prices and so-called parity prices, elevators and others buying major crops from farmers would pay the full parity price directly to the farmer, the cost would be passed on to consumers in the form of higher prices for bread, cloth and other articles made from the crops.

RECORD VOLUME

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—The New York postoffice now holds the record for volume of mail handled in a single day: 17,508,033 pieces. That was yesterday's total, an increase of more than 90,000 over the figure last Dec. 20.

George Choate Urges Ouster Of NLRB Men

George Choate, former Big Spring youth and member of a well known local family, was reported Thursday to be in a serious condition at the St. Joseph hospital in Clayton, N. M.

George was critically injured the night of December 19 when the car he was riding in left the road and rolled off the side of a mountain. He lay in snow for five hours before he was discovered.

His injuries included two fractures to vertebrae, a fractured collar bone, four broken ribs, and either a fracture of his hip or a leg. George was paralyzed from the hip down and suffering from exposure.

All 12 members of the J. M. Choate family were at the bedside Thursday. George, who has been working on a ranch near Clayton, presumably was en route home to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Choate. He had advised members of the family he would arrive December 20. The crash occurred the night before.

WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Fair tonight and Friday; slightly warmer in extreme north portion tonight.

EAST TEXAS—Fair to partly cloudy tonight and Friday; warmer in south portion tonight.

WPA CLIENTS TO GET THEIR PAY EARLY

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 21 (AP)—Pay checks for Texas' 90,000 WPA workers will be made available before Christmas day, George S. Morgan, state director of the WPA division of finance, said today. Ordinarily the checks would not have been paid until after Dec. 25.

The revised schedule will bring more than \$4,000,000 to Texas in time for Christmas day. It was indicated.

Stalin Hailed As Hero By Followers On His Sixtieth Birthday

MOSCOW, Dec. 21 (AP)—Soviet Russia celebrated on a vast scale today the sixtieth birthday of her leader, Joseph Stalin, who was extolled by the press as "the pillar of hope to the workers of capitalist states."

As her Red army legions fought in bitter cold in the invasion of Finland, a new biography of Stalin was published by President Michael Kalinin of the supreme soviet, describing him as "a happy man who led one-sixth of the globe to socialism x x x he now is ready to lead them to communism."

The book was given an initial printing of 1,000,000 copies.

A flood of newspaper articles credited Stalin with many achievements of the soviet union, including the "liberation" of the Ukrainian and White Russian regions from Poland and pacts with the Baltic states, but made no mention of Finland.

Factories held parties in honor of the unmountainous Georgian, schools displayed exhibits on his life, and he was the subject of lectures at collective farms and other soviet units.

The president of the supreme soviet conferred on Comrade Stalin the order of Lenin—highest award in the land—and gave him the title of "hero of socialist labor" for his "exceptional services in organizing the Bolshevik party, creating the soviet state, building a socialist society in the U. S. S. R., and consolidating the friendship of peoples of the soviet union."

In his "official" biography, the order in which his "comrades in arms" are listed was seen by some observers as a semi-official ranking of soviet leaders. The first four named are Premier Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov, War Commissar Kliment E. Voroshiloff, Fuel and Railways Commissar Lazarus M. Kaganovich, and Supreme Soviet President Kalinin.

At least openly, no opposition remains to the rule of Russia by Stalin, son of a shoemaker.

Of his secluded private life, few details are known. He is a man of temperate habits and is described as in excellent health.

Stalin's retiring personal nature and rumors that he dislikes flattery seemingly have had the result of increasing the almost-religious adulation of the Russian leader.

He is reported as doing all he can to interpret this near-worship as symbolic of Russian unity.

TEXAN NAMED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP) Grover B. Hill (above), Amarillo, was appointed by President Roosevelt today to be assistant secretary of agriculture in place of Harry L. Brown, who recently resigned to take a position with the TVA. Hill, who is 39 years old, came to Washington in 1936. He has been in charge of the southern region range program of the agriculture department.

Trade Rush In 'Home Stretch'

Down the home stretch went Big Spring business and buyers Thursday as the calendar showed only two more shopping days until Christmas.

Although there was a slight lull during the morning, activities began swinging into full stride again at noon and merchants anticipated another big day before they close their doors at 9 p. m. The same closing hours will be observed Friday and Saturday business houses will remain open until 10 p. m.

HOSPITAL AREA HIT AS SOVIET RAIDERS BOMB FINN CAPITAL

Score Of Cities And Villages Suffer In Renewed Aerial Attack; Many Reported Killed And Wounded

HELSINKI, Dec. 21 (AP)—Soviet Russian fliers in terrifying raids through the day bombed Helsinki and more than a score of cities and villages in southern and western Finland today and machine-gunned two trains.

More than 300 bombs were dropped in the Helsinki hospital area. Only two persons were injured and none was killed in Helsinki, but many were killed or wounded elsewhere.

Two persons were announced by officials to have been killed aboard the Turko-Helsinki Express.

Earlier, Russian planes bombed a hospital dormitory, heavily damaged a school for the blind, and struck seven out of 10 other hospital buildings. Two hospital patients were among the injured, and some deaths were reported likely.

This raid on Helsinki, coming on the sixtieth birthday of Joseph Stalin, the Russian leader, started at 11:58 a. m. (3:58 a. m., CST), and followed earlier attacks on towns for 25 miles around the capital.

It was the third successive day of aerial attacks on Helsinki and vicinity.

Officials said not all the bombs dropped in the hospital area exploded, but the dormitory, a five-story structure of red brick, sustained a direct hit.

The bomb collapsed the roof and upper two floors.

Windows were broken over an area of a square mile.

The clinic building, a five-story stucco structure, was damaged heavily, as was the school for the blind, a building four stories high and a block long.

Power lines dangled over the streets which were littered with glass, bricks and fragments of wood.

Firemen, police and workmen labored steadily, clearing away the wreckage and spraying water on small fires burning here and there though no incendiary bombs were dropped.

One bomb blasted a six-foot crater in solid rock; another burst gas mains.

Most of the hospital patients had been removed, but 10 were too ill to stand transfer and one of these was injured seriously while another was struck by stones shot through a window by one bomb explosion.

Eight planes swept over the city in the attack.

The warning siren sounded, followed by a deep rumble and then a series of rumbles as the bombs loosed by the invaders exploded.

Aircraft batteries then broke loose and the planes disappeared. One observer said he saw one of the craft slipping downward with smoke streaming from the tail.

Today's attacks extended over an area for 25 miles around the capital with bombs dropped on Lappviki, Hyvinkaae, Werava and a number of other towns.

Villages to the west of Helsinki toward Hanko indicated efforts were being made to cut that base from the rest of Finland.

Careful air raid protection in Helsinki was believed to have kept casualties to a small figure, but reports indicated other centers suffered heavily.

Smoke could be seen rising from eastern sections of the city after Russian planes appeared over its See BOMBING, Page 10, Col. 5

POURING CONCRETE ON NEW RESERVOIR

Pouring of concrete on the city's new 1,000,000 gallon reservoir was started Thursday as contractors pushed efforts to have the major portion of the construction on the job finished before a holiday recess.

The concrete will be allowed to "cure" during the holidays and then the roof on the structure and one on the reservoir atop a hill near Edwards Heights will be poured around the first of the new year to virtually complete the city's PWA waterworks improvement project.

TRAINED 'SCUTTLE' SQUADS ON NAZI SHIPS TO AVERT CAPTURE

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—Survivors of the German liner Columbus told today how Nazi ships carry trained "scuttle squads" to comply with special orders from Berlin requiring them to burn and sink their own vessels rather than let them fall into enemy hands.

The Columbus, destroyed by its own crew Tuesday off the American coast after it sighted a British destroyer, was the 12th Nazi ship sent to the bottom under Adolf Hitler's maritime policy of suicide before capture.

Its master, Captain Wilhelm Daehne, who with 576 other survivors was taken to Ellis Island last night from the rescue vessel, the U. S. cruiser Tuscaloosa, seemed depressed at the loss of his ship but shrugged fatalistically when asked why he had given the command to sink it.

"You get an order and you obey," he said quietly. "You don't ask questions."

The lean, middle-aged German sea captain said the Columbus, scuttled within the American neutrality zone 240 miles southeast of Nantucket Shoals lightship, carried no weapons other than "six pairs of boxing gloves."

The survivors, including nine women stewardesses and ten boys, will be kept at Ellis Island until they have been examined by immigration officials.

They appeared relieved and happy to be ashore and laughed as they described how they scuttled the third largest vessel in the German merchant marine.

More serious was Third Officer Henry Lampe, 27, who said the boy crew members lost when the ship was sent out to sea were not seen.

"You get an order and you obey," he said quietly. "You don't ask questions."

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13 Non-Producing Days Provided In January Oil Order

AUSTIN, Dec. 21 (AP)—A January oil production order stipulating 13 non-producing days, one more than in December, was approved today by Railroad Commission Chairman Lon A. Smith.

The chairman said the schedule, awaiting approval of member Ernest O. Thompson, provided for well closings on all Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays.

Thompson, who was not in his office, previously announced he would approve any order provided it kept Texas output within the bureau of mines estimate of January market demand, 1,411,000 barrels daily.

Smith declared the 13-day closing schedule would result in a flow of approximately the daily average recommended by the bureau. Field allowances are being prepared by engineers.

Shopping Days Till Christmas

SANTA'S REINDEER SHOULD'NT HAVE ANY TROUBLE NOW

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Church Group Is Organized At Fairview

FAIRVIEW, Dec. 21—Organization of a Men's Brotherhood at the Prairie View Baptist church here Monday was one of the outstanding developments in the community during the week.

From the community there were 11 laymen and Rev. Lightfoot on hand to hear a message by R. E. Dunham, pastor of the East 4th Baptist church in Big Spring. Dorman Kinard was a visitor. Plans were set for regular meetings the fourth Monday evening of each month. Attendance is not restricted to those connected with the church.

Farmers are worrying over the weather since hog-killing time is here and little suitable weather for the job. A few took advantage of

the cold snap last week, but report some spoilage.

Mrs. J. W. Wooten, Mrs. J. G. Hammack, Mrs. Carl Hammack, Mrs. Gabra Hammack and Mrs. Ray Smith attended the Christmas party for county home demonstration clubs last Saturday in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Reid have gone to Monahan on learning of the death of her brother-in-law, C. B. Griba.

Fairview school children had a Christmas program Thursday afternoon in the home of Emma Jo Graves, teacher, at Big Spring.

James Rallsback, ill of typhoid in a Big Spring hospital, is reported improving but unlikely to be dismissed before Christmas.

A Christmas play will be given during the Sunday school hour at the church. Mrs. J. W. Milam is in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Creighton were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Henderson spent the weekend in Big Spring as guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Bigony. Mrs. T. M. Bailey may spend the holidays

with her family in Alpine. Mrs. Boes Hill and daughter plan to visit her mother in Oklahoma on Christmas.

R. V. and R. C. Thomas, members of the San Angelo Junior college basketball team, will come home Friday night with Howard Payne. Uncle Charley Smith is in Abilene visiting a sister. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ferguson and family of Sula were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wooten Sunday. Mrs. Ferguson was a former neighbor of the Wootens. Mrs. Pies Barrow came to visit the guests. Mrs. J. G. Hammack and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hammack went to Midland for the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Baulch will spend Christmas in Clyde with his mother. Erma Nee Wooten, Harlin-Simmons student, was due home Wednesday for the holidays. Likewise, Wanda Warren, a Tech student will be home then. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bailey, Winters, visited here last Sunday.

Dr. H. C. Wright, foot specialist of Lubbock, will be at the Douglas Hotel in January. Watch for exact date.

New Bus Line To Be Added

Announcement of a new bus line to serve people in the east part of the city and also the state hospital, was made Thursday by J. M. Buscher, operator of the local transportation concern.

The new service will go into effect on January 1, he said. At the same time, his concern will inaugurate a system of transfers, so that fares on any bus are good for any connecting lines.

Buscher said the new route would run from the state hospital on the north, through the business district, and east out Third street, with a loop in the vicinity of the East Ward school. Eastern limit would be at the Coleman camp. There may be some extensions on other routes, he said. Definite announcement will be made later.

The new transfers, also effective January 1, will be good on all buses, the operator said.

AN ANALYSIS OF THE WAR DEVELOPMENTS

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Word that the Anglo-French allies are expected to inaugurate a heavy trade offensive against Germany in the fruitless Balkans is big news.

It means that the allies, having cut Herr Hitler off from most of his sea-borne supplies with the blockade, now propose to inaugurate a land blockade, throwing across his southeastern front a barrier which will deprive him of still more necessities—in this instance chiefly food.

The hunger-war, which beat Germany in the world conflict, becomes more grim with each passing day. The sinking of merchant shipping piles up as Germany lashes out in an effort not only to break the British hold, but to deprive England herself of supplies.

It is the intensity of this attack and counter attack on vital necessities which has made Europe too small to hold its own war. So that battle has over-run its boundaries into the waters of the Americas, to the embarrassment of the United States and other countries of this hemisphere.

Since the Allies are depending

largely on empty store-houses and cupboards in Germany to bring their victory, their projected move in the Balkans is logical. The surprising thing is that they have waited until this late date before starting a really aggressive trade war.

Until comparatively recently the Allies let Hitler have things pretty much his own way in the Balkans. He had established a fairly tight politico-economic control because Germany was taking an average of some 50 per cent or more of the great food production of this area, and the Balkan states had no alternative markets. They begged the Allies to turn to and purchase from them, but though the Anglo-French pair intervened to some extent, the Balkans got little help.

The result was that Hitler piled up a considerable reserve in foodstuffs and war supplies. Had the Allies got busy sooner on the eastern economic front, they would have saved themselves a deal of trouble.

Herr Hitler's main difficulty in the economic field is that he has virtually no cash, but must depend on barter for his deals.

Until recently the largely unwilling Balkans have accepted this sort of trade—even allowing unwanted goods like mouth-organs to be thrust upon them—because forsooth they had to, there being no alternative markets of any consequence.

Lately, however, England and France have been offering gold for the Balkan products, in an effort to take the supplies away from Germany. Naturally, the result has been that the Reich has lost heavily. Now the Allies propose to cut the Nazis off altogether.

NO KIDNAPING, JUST LOOKING FOR SQUEAK

ARILENE, Dec. 21 (AP)—"I just saw a man kidnaped," a woman screamed over the phone to the police desk sergeant.

She said she saw two men put another in the baggage compartment of a coupe.

Capt. Harry Hutchison of the highway patrol found the car. He saw two men let a third out of the back.

"I was trying to locate some body squeaks," the "victim," a mechanic explained.

PHYSICIAN DIES

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 21 (AP)—Dr. John Henry Mullin, 50, physician distinguished for his work in gynecology, died last night.

PACKING HOUSE MARKET

PHONE 1524—FREE DELIVERY—FIRST MAIN

Fat Dressed Turkey	18c	Nice Crisp Celery	10c
Fresh or Cured Hams	18c	No. 1 White Potatoes	9c
Fresh Oysters	29c	Yellow Onions	10c
1/2 or Whole Pork Shoulders	14c	East Texas Yams	15c
Choice Fed Beef Roast	16c	Apples	1c
Fresh Country Butter	25c	Oranges	1c
Fresh Yard Eggs	25c	Mixed Nuts	19c
Whipping Cream	1/2 Pt. Bottle 12c	Popcorn	10c
Dairyland Grade-A Milk	9c	Royal Gelatin Dessert	5c
Mince Meat	9c	Cream Meal	12c

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

No More Zone Violations, Is Warning

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The American republics prepared a strong statement to Europe's belligerents today, to tell them in effect that further violations of the neutrality belt will bring a stronger reaction than wordy diplomatic protests.

The statement, which may be issued tomorrow, is to be a general declaration of the 21 nations, including the United States, which laid down the zone at the Pan-American conference in Panama last summer.

Among the events occurring within the zone and thus disturbing neutral nations which want to keep the war off their doorsteps are:

The German-British naval battle off Uruguay, the pursuit of the German freighter Arauca by a British warship into Port Everglades, the scuttling of the German liner Columbus within gunshot of a British destroyer, and the halting of the American liner Santa Rosa by the french cruiser Jean d'Arc.

In London, it was said the British navy felt free to fight anywhere on the high seas but believed at the same time that it aims of the zone could be made to work it would be to the advantage of the allies.

The American republics intend to consult after Christmas on how to determine and enforce a common policy in handling belligerent warships which come into their harbors.

FIRST RIDE IN MOTOR VEHICLE COMES AFTER DEATH

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21 (AP)—Death has broken through Frances F. Helmold's guard against modernity.

Friends said the 98-year-old wealthy reclus's trip to the cemetery tomorrow probably will be her first in a motor vehicle.

Miss Helmold, who died after a long illness, reputedly was worth \$100,000 but lived in obscurity within her well-shuttered 14-room mansion for 67 years. She shied from electricity, radio and motion pictures and until two years ago had no telephone, neighbors reported.

Automobile buses and street cars were entirely outside Miss Helmold's experience.

WINS SUCCESS IN A YEAR'S TIME

HENDERSON, Dec. 21 (AP)—P. J. McNeer, Jr., 23, who with his wife started a business college here with one student and a mortgaged typewriter a year ago, was selected as the outstanding young man of 1938 in this East Texas oil city.

The business school now has an enrollment of 33 and modern equipment. A committee from service and business clubs selected him for the honor.

LINE EXTENDED

LONDON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The press association said today it had learned that Germany's Siegfried line is being extended eastward from its southern end along the Rhine as far as Lake Constance. This extension is along the Swiss frontier.

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HENS	Fully Dressed . . . lb.	19c
CRISCO	3 lb. Can	49c
CORN	11 oz. Can Del Monte Vacuum Pack	11c
SUGAR	Imperial Cane 10 lb. Cloth Bag	53c
PORK ROAST	SHOULDER Per lb.	17c
HAM	Per lb.	19c
Pure Pork—2 lbs.	Sausage . .	25c
1 lb. Cello Pkg.	Bacon . . .	19c
No. 1 Longhorn	Cheese, lb.	21c
18 oz. Can	SPAM . . .	24c
Del Monte Tray—No. 2 Can	Peas	18c

COCONUT	1-lb. Cello	19c
OYSTERS	When Bought with Turkey or Hen Pt.	15c
Admiration Coffee	1-lb. Can	23c
Royal Gelatin	2 Pkgs.	9c
PINEAPPLE	Dole's Sliced No. 2 Can	2 for 33c
Spiced Peaches	No. 2 1/2 Can	19c
Fruit Cocktail	Heart's Delight No. 1 Can	14c
Cranberry Sauce	Ocean Spray 2 Cans	29c
KC Baking Powder	25 oz. Can	15c
KARO	Red Label 3 lb. Can	24c
Swan's Down—Snosheen—Softasilk	Cake Flour Per Pkg.	25c
Beans, Asparagus Style	No. 2 Can	18c
Cracker Jacks, 2 boxes		5c
Monarch \$1,000.00 Prize They Are Delicious	Pickles... 7 oz	15c... 18 oz 25c

Delicious APPLES 138 Size	Per Dozen	25c
Box		\$1.98
ORANGES 216 Size, Per Doz.		19c
Calif. Navels		
Box		\$2.75
TOMATOES Fancy—2 lbs.		15c
CAULIFLOWER Fancy Heads, per lb.		8c
CELERY 2 for		15c
POTATOES Cobblers—10 lbs.		17c
LETTUCE Lg. Firm Heads, ea.		4c

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Kuner Tender GARDEN PEAS 15c 2 for 25c

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Sour or Dill PICKLES 32-oz. Jar 10c

CRACKERS 2 lb. box 14c

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Texas Oranges 324 Size Doz. 9c

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Blackberries gal. can 29c

COCANUT long shred lb. 19c

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CIGARETTES Popular Brands, Package 15c

RAISINS 2-lb. Pkg. 15c 4-lb. Pkg. 29c

CORN No. 2, Field Corn, 8c — 2 for 15c No. 2, Sweet, 10c 3 for 25c

TOMATOES No. 1 Can 5c No. 2 Can 8c 2 for 15c

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Tender Pork Roast Choice Center Cuts lb. 14c

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Good Neighbor Deeds Noted At Ackerly

ACKERLY, Dec. 21 — Ackerly residents, concerned with a round of religious activities, put their preaching into action last week with sizeable donations to two community members who had suffered material losses.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Stuart gave a total of \$67 to aid in rebuilding their laundry which was destroyed in a recent fire. Rev. R. H. Cumble, who suffered the misfortune of having his car consumed by fire, was given \$61 to apply on the purchase of a machine to replace the old one. In addition, members of the congregation gave a "pound party" for the pastor and his wife on Tuesday evening. In turn Rev. and Mrs. Cumble were hosts at a holiday reception to Mr. and Mrs. R. U. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Sisset Porter, Oscar Jones, L. C. Hambrick, Joe Monroe, Alvin Hogg, Gaylon Costin, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Henson, Mr. and Mrs. Hardin, Mr. and Mrs. Chilton, Mr. and Mrs. Ruggles, Mr. and Mrs. Couch and others. After a Bible quiz led by the pastor, refreshments were served to visitors.

Preaching at the South school house Sunday at 2:30 p. m. will be in charge of Rev. J. P. Aslin, Lamesa. Rev. and Mrs. Cumble will leave after morning services Sunday to attend a family reunion at Sweetwater on Christmas. Rev. Chester Guinn, Lamesa, preached his farewell sermon at Vealmore last Sunday, concluding a pastorate of a year. He goes to a new post in Arkansas.

A special program under the di-

Goodbye and Thanks Says Youngster To Benefactor



"Goodbye, Mr. Adams, and thanks," grinned Douglas Shaffer, 6, of Burk Burnett, who called on Nathan Adams, Dallas banker and benefactor of Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children, as the youngster prepared to leave the institution after long treatment for his crippled hip. "Doug" has had two operations and worn a plaster cast for months, but soon will be able to discard his crutches. Mr. Adams this week launched his sixth annual appeal for funds to operate the hospital for treatment of afflicted youngsters. Personal letters sent by the banker to his many friends throughout Texas invite Christmas contributions to the institution, which has treated more than 37,000 crippled children.

Yule Program Slated Friday At Moore

MOORE, Dec. 21—Immediately following Sunday school Sunday the group discussed plans for the annual Christmas tree to be held on Friday night at 7:30 p. m. Santa Claus will be present and will give sacks of candy and fruits to all the kiddies. Following a brief Christmas program the gifts will be distributed among the crowd.

Mrs. D. W. Adkins left Thursday for Detroit, Mich., to spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Miss Bernice Adkins. Edd Burchett, Delbert Shultz, Norman Newton, Dorothy Lee Broughton, Jacqueline King and Colleen King of this community attended the 4-H club Christmas party at the Crawford hotel in Big Spring Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Broughton moved last week to the Albert Landers farm to make their home. Luther Witt of Knott visited Edgar Phillips Thursday.

Lee Castle of Brown was a bus-

ness visitor in this community Thursday evening.

The high school room enjoyed a tea party Thursday afternoon in their classroom. Colleen King and Claudine Goodman were hostesses for the affair. Members present were Frank Goodman, Wayne Turney, Delbert Shultz, Jacqueline King, Pauline Pettay, J. W. Payne, Norman Newton, Roberta Wheeler, Rosalyn Hayworth, Rosalia Gonzalez, Dorothy Lee Broughton, Bob Adkins, Red Fields and the teacher, Miss Sarah Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Hull of Weatherford visited his uncle, Mr. E. D. Hull and family of this community Wednesday.

J. D. McGregory of Knott spent the weekend in this community.

Mrs. Son Perry and children, Gene, Bobbie and William Bryant, Mrs. Bob Clark and son, Billy Dee, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nelson and children, Patsy June and Aubrey, Mr. and Mrs. Shorby Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Kinman and daughters, Lois and Fern, and Helen Weaver, all of Big Spring, spent Sunday in the J. W. Payne home.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kay and daughter, Patricia May, of Big Spring were Sunday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Key.

Mrs. O. C. Robins and son, Harold Lloyd, and Mrs. Smiley Robins and daughter, Patricia, of Midland,

spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Goodman.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Newton and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Broughton visited Mrs. E. M. Newton of Big Spring Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George White and daughter of Big Spring visited in the W. H. Ward home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ward and son, Robert Otis, left Sunday for a visit with Mr. Ward's relatives in East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Corwell and daughter, Kathalene, visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomas. Roy Phillips and daughter, Joy Beth, Doris Clemens of Knott visited his brother, Edgar Phillips, and family Sunday.

Miss Ella Ruth Thomas and Pershing Morton were married at Stanton Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock with the Rev. W. C. Williams, pastor of the Baptist church, reading the ceremony. Mrs. Morton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thomas, pioneer family of this community. She received her diploma from the Big Spring high school in 1937. Mr. Morton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Truman Morton of Big Spring.

Shop for Christmas at Elrod's! New rocking chairs as low as \$3.95. 110 Runnels street.—adv.

Play To Be Staged Soon At Richland

RICHLAND, Dec. 21 — Plans were made for presenting a play in the near future, when the Dramatic club met this week, with the director, Bonnie Puckett, in charge.

Ladies of this community have completed a quilt to be sent to the Buckner orphans home.

Jack T. Proctor, student at the University of Texas, will speak here next Wednesday evening, Dec. 27, on phases of the European war as it affects the United States. The public is invited to hear him.

J. E. Norris returned last week from East Texas. He brought back a holly tree and presented it to the school.

Garland Conway has been elected

captain of the junior boys basketball team.

Mrs. Pauline Morris is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ringener.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Puckett were called to Winters last week, due to the serious illness of Mr. Puckett's uncle.

Mrs. O. J. Brown continues to improve. Her sister from Oklahoma City is visiting her this week.

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rection of the Senior BTU was presented Sunday evening with C. L. Bodine, Junior Pendergrass, Mrs. Alvin Hogg, Fattie Crane, Wanda Henson, Othello Chilton, and Quannah Jean Pendergrass as cast members and Alvine Hogg, director.

The associational WMU meeting drew a good crowd at Ackerly last Thursday. Those on the program included Rev. R. R. Cumble, Mrs. R. F. Nix, Lamesa, Glennis Costin, Pennett Pendergrass, Rev. Elmer Dunham, Big Spring, Mrs. Opal Phillips, Mary Tom Belt, and Mrs. J. W. Middleton.

Members of the BTU were entertained Monday with a marshmallow toasting by Wanda Henson, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Palmer and son, Mr. and Mrs. Colon Thomson and Rev. Chester Quinn attended ordination services Sunday at Lamesa.

Ackerly schools will dismiss Friday for the holidays and resume classes on Jan. 1, 1940.

Mrs. Fillmore Everett and Mrs. Clinton were honored Tuesday by Mrs. G. T. Palmer and Mrs. George Thomas Palmer, Jr., with a shower. Guests were Mrs. Winifred Taylor, Mrs. Virgil Grayham, Mrs. Tom Taylor, Mrs. Harry Grayham, Mrs. L. W. Marlar, Mrs. Vera Hedges, Mrs. Jewel Allred, Mrs. Doris Couch, Mrs. J. W. Harris, Mrs. Whit Armstrong, Mrs. Thomas McAdams, Mrs. Clyde Clinton, Mrs. R. N. Adams, Mrs. Buck Taylor, Mrs. E. B. Richardson, Mrs. Alton Burchfield, Cordia Harris, Mrs. Grace Clinton, Mrs. L. T. Yates, Mrs. E. L. Pierce, and Mrs. N. Y. Costin.

A large crowd witnessed a Klondike school cast present "Mama's Baby Boy" here last Friday. Ackerly boys and girls cage teams participated in the Coahoma tournament the following day.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hogg entertained the Baptist BTU and the Methodist league members with a Christmas party at their home Wednesday evening.

Thirty parents and teachers were at the December P-T-A meeting. Rev. Tarbet gave a very interesting talk on the need for spiritual

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GREEN BEANS Deer Cut No. 2 Can 2 for 15c

COFFEE Chase & Sanborn 1-lb. Package 23c

Fruit Cocktail Libby's Ass't. No. 1 Tall Can 12 1/2c

CHERRIES Red Pitted No. 2 Can 11c

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Personal Items From Hartwells Community

HARTWELLS, Dec. 21 — Miss Oleta Gross, who is employed in government work in Big Spring, has returned home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Carter of Big Spring visited in the home of his aunt, Mrs. Tom Huddleston.

Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Pond had a Sunday guests her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Reeves and children, of Courtney, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Reeves of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Tip Woods and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Ed McGee and children, all of Big Spring, and Miss Doris Gross of this community.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Davis and children of Big Spring visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Copeland, last Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Pond and children left Tuesday to spend the holidays with relatives in East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fibber Hanby have moved from this community to Stanton.

Miss Dorothy Burchett, who is residing in Big Spring during the school term, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Burchett.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Burchett and children spent last Sunday with her mother in the Knott community.

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The State's Deficit

Texas' state finances have gotten no better fast in 1939. A writer in the Houston Press points out. On November 28 the general fund deficit was \$24,726,000, the largest in the state's history.

That figure isn't quite as bad as it sounds. Within the next 60 days the state will receive large sums in tax collections which should cut the overdraft down considerably. Even so, it is an appalling sum.

The general fund had a \$768,000 balance at the end of the fiscal year in August, 1939. A year later there was a \$2,948,000 deficit. Since then:

Table showing deficit amounts for years 1932 through 1939, with values ranging from \$1,602,000 to \$19,377,000.

Since August of this year, the \$19,377,000 has become \$24,726,000. There is no reason to believe that August, 1940, will witness an appreciable reduction from the 1939 figure.

It is not quite fair to imply that the governor is to blame, or that his predecessors since 1932 were responsible for the increasing red ink in the state's bookkeeping.

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George Tucker Man About Manhattan

NEW YORK—Ethan Allen, the former Giant outfielder who went from the Giants to the Cards to the Phils to the Cubs and finally to the Browns, and who gave up playing ball to write a book about baseball and also to produce a motion picture in the interest of the National league, can be seen at the Giant offices these days, revising his book and working to stir up interest in the game of baseball as played in the older circuit.

Allen, a natural athlete, always was on the "manager's" side as an active player. He knew the benefits of proper training and he always observed those rules.

The first time I ever saw him was at the Polo Grounds one day in a game between the Cards and the Giants. The game had rocked along for six or seven innings in one of those blistering scoreless duels, and Allen finally stepped up to the plate and drove a low, hard smash to deep center for an in-the-park home run.

Ordinarily Bill Terry, the Giant manager, would have been downcast at such an abrupt turn in the game, but as Allen circled the bases I will swear that a smile lit up his face. I could see him standing in front of the dugout.

The Cards were wild. They gathered at the plate to congratulate the flying Allen, who beat the throw and scored the tie-breaking run.

But just at that moment Terry ran out and said something to the umpire. That duty and harassed individual hastily perused a slip of paper and then walked over to the Card bench. "The run doesn't count," he boomed, "and Allen's out."

The Cards were stunned. The Giants were howling like maniacs in their exultation. Here is what had happened: Allen had batted out of turn, and when you bat out of turn, you are automatically out. Terry said later he was a nervous wreck, so afraid was he that somebody would notice that Allen was batting out of turn before he had taken a cut at the ball.

Allen is a friend of long standing with Red Barber, the sports announcer and writer. At a dinner the other night he related with gleam of the time he went to Barber's home for a Thanksgiving dinner. Red, it seems, had been designated by his dad to carve the turkey that day. Carving is quite a ritual in many southern homes, and Red's dad felt that his offspring was then old enough to take up those duties.

They gathered hungrily around the table, and the first thing anyone knew Red's fork slipped and the turkey sailed into the lap of one of his aunts. She had a momentary dizziness and a wry from head to foot.

Are You Listening?



District Census Office Opened In Lamesa; A. G. Bearden Supervisor

Appointment of A. G. Bearden, formerly manager of the Lamesa chamber of commerce, as district supervisor and the opening of a district office in Lamesa were announced Tuesday by the census bureau.

Frank Farmer, Snyder, former Scurry county superintendent, has been announced as assistant district supervisor. Both he and Bearden will office in the First National Bank building at Lamesa.

Taking of the census in the district, which includes Mitchell, Scurry, Howard, Garza, Andrews, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Lynn, Martin, Terry and Yoakum counties, will be in two parts. The first will be the business and industrial census which gets underway on January 2 and the other is the population enumeration which starts on April 1.

There will be only nine enumerators in the business and manufacturing census, and nature of the work will be such that only persons trained in bookkeeping or accounting will be qualified to do the work. Announcement of the selection of these enumerators is expected soon.

Some 100 enumerators will be required for the population and agricultural census, and they are yet to be chosen.

In the business census, which will require about two months, statistics will be gathered from retail and wholesale organizations, service establishments and the construction industry as well as manufacturing concerns. Figures will be obtained on the amount of business done, number of persons employed throughout the year, average weekly salaries, number of members of families of proprietors of establishments, number not employed, and other related subjects.

Although information is gathered so that general statistics on various industries may be available, all information given by individuals is to be strictly individual with not even the tax assessor or income tax investigator being allowed to see the report which goes to the census bureau for inclusion in general data.

Lamesa was designated as district headquarters because of its central location, in reference to the territory served. The district is one of six in the area under Walter S. Ruffner, Amarillo. They are at Amarillo, Memphis, Wichita Falls, Lubbock and Abilene.

County Employs Govt. Trappers

County Judge Charles Sullivan said Tuesday that he had advised J. E. Boog-Scott, San Angelo, head of the predatory animal eradication division for this district, of the court's action and requested the assignment of four trappers to this county.

The trappers, said the judge, will trap for wolves to mitigate the menace on poultry and livestock raising. Howard county has been without the services of a trapper for the past year and the item was not included in the adopted 1940 budget.

Funeral Service Held At Stanton For E. J. Colwell

Funeral services were held at Stanton at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon for Elmer J. Colwell, 39-year-old salesman and accountant, who was killed in an automobile mishap on the San Antonio-Cuero highway last Thursday. The body was forwarded to Stanton, his former home, for burial.

Rites were conducted at the Methodist church in Stanton by the pastor, Rev. M. E. Van Zandt. Burial was under direction of the Eberly Funeral home.

Mr. Colwell made his home in Nashville, Tenn. He was a veteran of the World war and a 32nd degree Mason.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Colwell of Stanton; a son, Jack Colwell of Dallas; a brother, Roy Colwell of Stanton; a sister, Mrs. E. J. Thomas of Nashville, and a half-sister, Mrs. H. B. Ramsey of Berkeley, Calif.

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Death Takes C. O. Davis, 87

Death Saturday claimed C. O. Davis, 87, head of a family that reached into five generations and includes 135 descendants. Mr. Davis, who until three years ago had spent most of his life as a farmer, succumbed at the family home at 201 N. W. 2nd street. He had been ill only a short time.

A native of Meriwether county, Georgia, he had lived in Texas for 50 years. He had lived in Big Spring only a short time before his death, but he had previously enjoyed a longer residence here.

He is survived by two children, Mrs. Neely Vaughn of Big Spring and Hugh Davis of Wichita Falls. Three other children are deceased. Mr. Davis had 33 grandchildren, 97 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Grandchildren here for the services include Doyle Vaughn and Clifton Vaughn, Big Spring; Earl Vaughn, Carl Vaughn and Mrs. Ina Ruten, Tyler; Hiram Vaughn, Pecos; Pete Vaughn, Reserve, N. M.; and Ellis Vaughn, Sweetwater. Last rites will be held in the Nalley chapel at 4:30 p. m. Sunday with Rev. H. E. Dunham, pastor of East Fourth Baptist church, assisted by Rev. Homer Sheats, Assembly of God pastor, in charge. Burial will be in the city cemetery.

17 Present For First Class Of Oil Workers

Seventeen oilfield workers, ranging in rank from roughabout to production foremen and superintendents, turned out Monday evening at Coahoma for the first class period of a course in petroleum production practices.

The course, instructed by W. T. Wynn, who did his work at V.M.I. and Texas university, is sponsored by the Coahoma school in cooperation with federal and state educational agencies.

Material for the course was prepared by the state department of vocational education and A.M. College of Oklahoma, and was validated by the A.P.I. committee on vocational training. It was published only last spring.

Wynn pointed out that others can enter the class as late as Jan. 22, 1940 and still receive full credit for the course by attending the balance of the course until June 3. Cost to individuals, exclusive of the \$1.50 for a text, is only \$212 each with just 17 in the class. If more enter, the individual cost will be less.

Included in the list of those taking the course are roughabouts, pipeline pumpers, pumpers, lease foremen, tractor drivers, field superintendent and superintendent from nine different major and independent companies.

Those enlisted are O. G. Clary, O. L. Cox, R. D. Cramer, R. F. Dorsey, Henry D. Galvin, Lee Goswick, R. D. Hatch, W. D. Hays, A. E. Johnson, Ira Kirkpatrick, W. C. Phillips, Curtis E. Riggs, Ray Stroder, A. K. Turner, G. M. Whitaker, Paul Woodson and A. G. Wynn.

ROOSTERS CLAIMED, DINNER DREAM FADES

Police Monday bade goodbye to a Christmas dinner they had cooked up in their minds.

They had two fine looking roosters in an abandoned car picked up Saturday and had it all figured out how they would fatten the birds a little more and make a Christmas meal out of them. But two Mexicans, who had abandoned the car after it had broken down, came Monday to claim it and the roosters.

DAY RECOVERING

Word received from Port Arthur during the weekend said that Rev. R. E. Day, pastor of the First Baptist church there and a former Big Spring minister, was recovering rapidly from a stroke of paralysis suffered last Monday. Members of the family said they now had grounds for hopes of almost complete recovery. Immediately after the stroke, attending physicians despaired of the life of Rev. Day.

Hassell, Mr. Moser, Roy Eddins and all members of the American Business club.

Washington Daybook

WASHINGTON—The administration's gesture of knocking down sky-rocketing sugar prices at the beginning of the war has come home to roost in a fine bramble of farm policy and good neighborliness.

Housewives will remember that early last September the price of sugar jumped from five cents a pound to seven or more. To stop the thing, the president abruptly suspended the sugar quota agreements by which the Yankee market was apportioned among Cuba, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Philippines.

The theory was that suspending quotas would permit a new supply of sugar from the island producers to come into the market, or at least threaten to come. Then the price would stop sky-rocketing. That part of it worked all right.

But one of the pinches was that the suspension of sugar quotas automatically suspended the preferential tariff on Cuban sugar. Cuba had been able to ship her quota of sugar into the United States by payment of a low duty of 90 cents a hundred pounds. Suspension of the quotas automatically put the old tariff of \$1.50 a hundred into effect. This was no surprise.

CUBA HIT HARD

What was something of a surprise, however, was that the price came back down virtually to its old levels and Cuba was shut out of the U. S. market altogether. She could not compete with other suppliers of sugar if she had to pay the higher rate of tariff. Something had to be done about Cuba.

Discontent flared there. Colonel Batista, the semi-dictator, suffered reversals at the Cuban polls and the Cuban peasantry experienced real hardship. American sugar producers are inclined to look upon Cuba as a foreign nation whose troubles are her own. However, Cuba has always received special treatment by the United States and doubtless always will. Her troubles are our troubles, when the thing is looked at from the broad view.

Now the administration does not feel that suspending the quotas was a mistake. It had several sound effects, valuable politically, morally and otherwise. Nevertheless, some angry old sugar problems were revived with fresh angles.

Domestic beet and cane sugar producers, who usually supply about one-third of our sugar, want the quotas left off. They want a bigger share of the market. However, they want the government to continue paying the special benefits which they had received for obeying the quotas. Secretary Wallace has said there will be none of that if he has his way.

CONSIDERING WAYS AND MEANS

Now the government is considering whether it can put the thing back in shape by simply lowering the tariff on Cuban sugar. It is considering other things, too, of course, such as going back to the old quota basis, just as before.

Neither one wholly pleases the domestic sugar producers. They are hammering home their old argument that it is better to let Joe Minton of Colorado produce sugar and let Jose Morales go on the relief rolls in Cuba, than to let Jose produce the sugar and put Joe on the relief roll. But again they don't consider Cuba's special position.

One thing is certain: Jose in Cuba is going to get a better break in lower tariffs, either with or without quota limits on sugar. And sugar producers in Florida, Louisiana, Michigan, California and the Rocky Mountain states will threaten to raise Cain during the coming campaign year.

Hollywood Sights And Sounds

HOLLYWOOD—People, pictures, and things: Clark Gable wants to make just two a year from now on—counting "Gone" as five, he's been overworked this year.

Osa Massen, the Danish girl who used to be a film cutter, had language trouble when she was splicing celluloid in England. "There was the picture in which the gangster said, 'Baby, the joint is yours'." Osa, befuddled, tossed the sequence out, had to scramble to find it later. "I thought," she explained plaintively, "a joint was a piece of meat."

Carol Lombard, the town's most extensive Christmas giver, did her shopping early—from a list that flabbergasted husband Gable, himself no pikier in the Santa Claus racket.

Harvey Parry, the stunter, tells a new wrinkle in his business. "When a call goes out for a double for a star, the crutch-carriers try to look as much like the idol as possible. For a tall one, they wear bill-up shoes; for a short one, they wear no heels; they slick their hair down, or friz it up, according to the actor's own hair-dress. This is supposed to line their chances for a job. Harvey won the toss to double for Peter Lorre in a new movie. Telling about it, he still had on his heel-less shoes.

Preview of "Gulliver's Travels," the cartoon feature, reminds of that crack the theatre man made after the formal opening of "Snow White".... It's a first feature film without a human actor.... It's a nice premiere," the man said. "No agents around."

Lloyd Nolan, who gets shot—again—by George Raft in "House Across the Bay," gives the wish he could "die in bed" just once.... Beat death scene I ever saw on the screen was Lew Ayres in "All Quiet on the Western Front".... It was played with his hand reaching for a butterfly over the side of a trench, and suddenly stilled.... Death scenes can be pitfalls for an actor, especially when they're prolonged.... They bring out the ham, juicy and thick.... Most novel death scene was in "Tower of London" (Vincent Price's drowning in wine by Karloff and Rathbone).... Worst one I ever saw was Ricardo Cortez's in some forgotten gangster film—in which Rick "acted" while falling under gunfire.... Rick is directing now—all is forgiven.

Gregory LaCava is doing "intimate scenes" for "The Primrose Path" behind black screens, shutting off the view—just like Garbo.... Outside the screen, listening to Ginger Rogers and Henry Travers, it's a reminder how important dialogue has become.... You can follow the scene, without seeing it, just as well.... Talkies, the boon of the blind.... Joel McCrea, Ginger's leading man, always reminds me of Sir Galahad.... Behind that screen, the "new Ginger"—with darkened hair and no make-up—doesn't look so new.... Nice, though.

The old, old story: Betty Grable, just an average cutie in Hollywood, gets a hit in New York.... When she comes back, she'll be something extra-special.... in Hollywood, because she has New York's thumbs-up.

Because of war's horrors, Italian newspapers are to include more comic strips. Doubtless certain American readers would be glad to trade a number of theirs for spaghetti or what-have-you.

A psychiatrist tells us that many disappear simply because they feel they are not wanted. Others vanish because they are—Jackson News.

Daily Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS: 1. Scatlet, 4. Assessment rating, 11. Steal, 12. Beverage, 13. Bring into a row, 14. Apple, 15. Sweet potato, 16. Member of a chapter, 17. Playing cards, 18. Three; prefix, 19. Spanish gentleman, 20. Plumed purposes, 21. Palm cocktail, 22. Behold, 23. Hypothetical structural unit, 24. Three-banded armadillo, 25. Present, 26. Negative, 27. Simple minute organism, 28. Constructed, 29. Rubbers, 30. Injustices, 31. Japanese measure, 32. Eternities, 33. Firrest, 34. A note of Guido's scale, 35. Size of coal

Crossword puzzle grid with words filled in. Includes 'Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle' and 'Anglo-Razon' section.

Grid for the crossword puzzle with numbers 1 through 51 indicating starting positions for words.

Opposes Govt. Control Over Life Insurance

NEW YORK, Dec. 21—Turning over life insurance to the federal government would create a "political paradise" and make the amount of insurance benefits to be paid an issue in political campaigns which would threaten safety of the \$13,000,000,000 of security built up by 86,000,000 Americans through private companies that pay out in benefits and dividends every dollar that safe conduct of business permits, Senator Millard E. Tydings, of Maryland, said in an address here.

Entrance of the government into insurance would bring the promise from candidates for office to "change the insurance laws so that wider benefits might be paid by the government, without regard to whether or not this was possible or practical," Senator Tydings told a luncheon meeting of approximately 1,000 members of the Life Underwriters association of the City of New York.

"We are the government to invade the field of life insurance and take over the vast business that is now conducted privately, it would take this nation a long way along the road to planned economy and state socialism, or communism," he continued. "That would be not only ruinous from the standpoint of the insurance business, but it would be equally injurious to our democratic institutions, and the ultimate welfare of the people of the nation."

Senator Tydings said that life insurance has done more to promote the unity of the family than any other agency; that it has been one of the great forces for preservation of constitutional democracy in the United States.

"The policyholders of the nation own most of our great life insurance companies. The management of the companies, the agents in the field, and the policyholders together have built up this great welfare and humanitarian agency," Senator Tydings said.

"Government, particularly democratic government, is a very useful agency of mankind," he declared. "Its primary purpose in a democracy is to protect the individual, his person and his property, and to prohibit practices which are cruel and unfair. Nevertheless, it must be admitted it is not a creator of wealth but a consumer of wealth in many respects. Although beneficent in many phases, it is often but a parasite. It does not produce a loaf of bread or a yard of cloth. It has not a cent of its own but what is first taken from the earnings of its citizens. Government was created to govern, to regulate, not to operate or control the private businesses of the nation."

"Where it has attempted to go into private business, it has generally been shown that it has not the efficiency which characterizes most private businesses. Even in the role of welfare agent in these times of stress, it has been shown that political influence, rather than idealistic purpose, has too frequently held government operations up to obprobrium. "In the field of insurance, when we realize that 68 million people in this country are carrying some 125 million life insurance policies; that 70 per cent of all life insurance is held in private companies, which have been uniformly and eminently successful; and that the insurance business has been built up in the last 100 years from nothing to one of the great business and welfare undertakings of the nation; these facts, and they are facts, should impel all to keep the life insurance business private and intact."

You can buy an eight-piece solid oak diningroom suite for as low as \$75.00 at Elrod's, 110 Runnels street.—adv.

Advertisement for Weber's Superior Root Beer at Miller's, featuring a schedule of arrivals and departures for various times of day.

SAILORS RESCUED

LONDON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Six Swedish sailors who flashed lamp signals to a British airplane from a raft after their steamer had gone down in the North sea were reported today to have been rescued by a destroyer. The Swedish steamer, the 1,800-ton Lister, presumably struck a mine yesterday.

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DALLAS, Dec. 21 (Sp1)—The youth of Texas have a big stake in the future welfare of the oil industry of the state, which already is its outstanding industrial enterprise, with a \$280,000,000 annual payroll, from which lives one-sixth of the population, declared George C. Gibbons, executive vice president of the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas association, in an address here.

Gibbons told the civic federation of Dallas that the maintenance of a public attitude that will foster development and expansion of the industry means profitable employment and greater opportunity to engage in individual business enterprises for the on-coming generation of Texans, both in oil and in other industrial activity that will develop in Texas, with public encouragement.

"The petroleum industry and its allied branches spent in Texas last year \$755,000,000 for leases and royalties, payrolls, materials, supplies and taxes," Gibbons said. "It refines 80 per cent of all the crude oil produced in the state and it produces 40 per cent of all the manufactured products of Texas, being by far the state's largest manufacturing enterprise."

"The most widespread misconception in Texas today is the belief that the oil industry is paying less than its fair share of the taxes in this state," Gibbons declared.

"There is but one way to answer this oft-repeated mis-statement, and that is to give the exact figures," he said.

Figures

"In 1933, Texas oil producers paid in state and local taxes more than \$44,000,000, according to official figures taken from the tax records of the state and its local taxing subdivisions, and it was divided as follows:

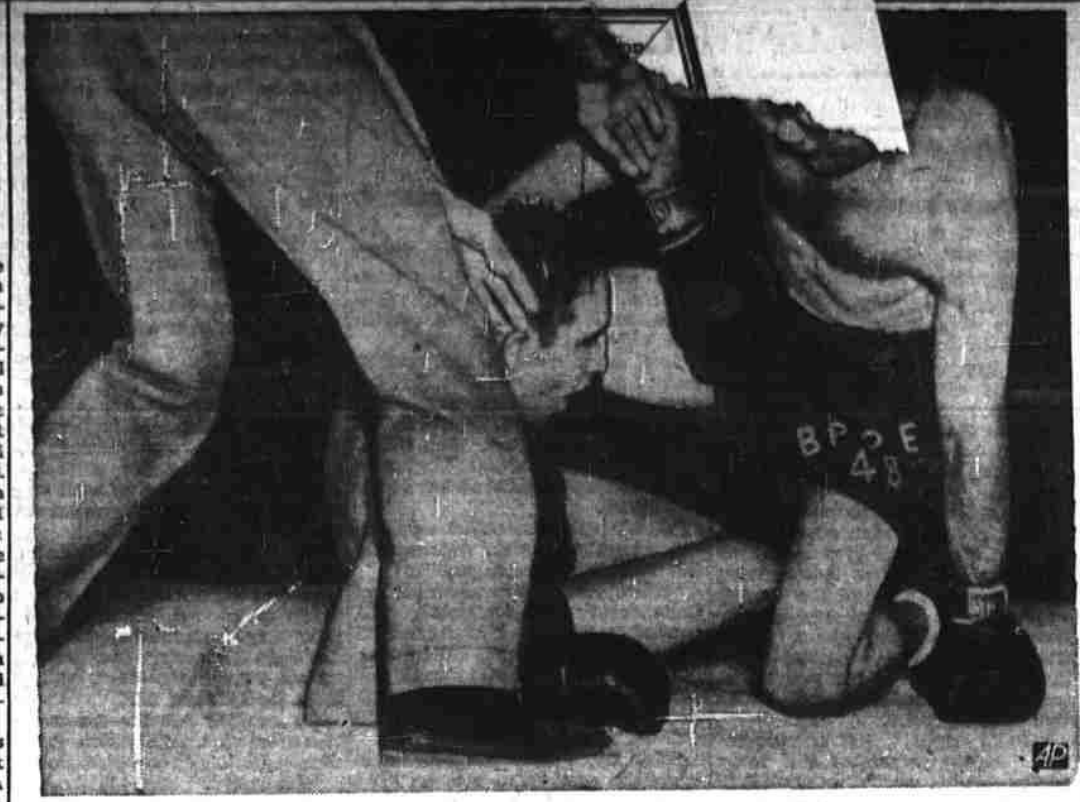
"State gross production tax, at 2 3/4 per cent, \$15,333,421; state regulatory tax, at 2-1/2 of one cent, \$892,862; state franchise, gross receipts, social security, permits, car and truck licenses and gasoline taxes paid by the industry on gasoline used by its own vehicles, \$3,432,625; state ad valorem taxes, \$4,886,380.

"To this must be added \$19,545,320 of ad valorem taxes paid to local subdivisions of Texas that are empowered to levy taxes, making the total \$44,090,808. Dividing this figure by 476 million barrels of oil produced in 1933 gives an average tax figure of 9.3 cents that was paid on every barrel of oil produced.

"Studies projected for 1939 on the basis of the 1938 tax rolls indicate at this time that the total state and local taxes this year will average at least 9.3 cents per barrel. This is the highest tax collected on oil among all of the oil producing states.

"Pointing out that the potential profits of the industry are still largely underground, in the form of oil reserves, Gibbons stated that under proration it will be many years before the average oil operator can recover his original investment in wells.

"We have seen our market demand in Texas shrink by 50 million barrels with the past two years, due largely to the fact that other oil producing states have the advantage of Texas in their proximity to consuming markets, transportation rates and taxation," Gibbons said. "Unfortunately, Texas has no monopoly on oil production.



THERE'S NO REASON IN THE RESIN—Referee Pete Hartley can't be blamed if he thinks he'd landed in a wrestling match by mistake after this scramble in a bout at New York. Spill interrupted the eighth—and final—round of a bout between Wesley Ramey (right) of Grand Rapids and Maxie Berger of Montreal, Canada. Berger took match on a decision.

Spee Captain Laid To Rest

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 21 (AP)—The secrets of Capt. Hans Langsdorff's thoughts in the hours of darkness before he died by his own hand will go with him to the grave today.

The commander, who obeyed orders of Adolf Hitler in destroying the German raider Admiral Graf Spee Sunday rather than renew a battle with British cruisers outside Montevideo, wrote a farewell letter to the German embassy just before committing suicide Tuesday night.

An Argentine naval commission investigating his death recommended that the letter be impounded and withheld from the public. It said its report would show that Langsdorff shot himself in his room at the naval arsenal here as reported by the embassy.

The slight body of the 45-year-old commander lay in state at the arsenal today in a cubicle no larger than his cabin aboard the Admiral Graf Spee, which the British chased into Montevideo after a 14-hour battle December 13.

A burial plot was selected on the "German" cemetery, separated from British graves by a fence erected during the World war. Three hundred of the Admiral Graf Spee's crew were assigned to participate in funeral services here this evening.

Otto Langmann, the German minister to Uruguay, who had conducted fruitless negotiations for

extending the warship's refuge in Montevideo, was coming here with other diplomatic officials to pay tribute to the man to whom honor meant more than life.

The German admiralty issued a statement in Berlin, saying Langsdorff "did not wish to live past the sinking of his ship," and that "after bringing his crew to safety, he viewed his work as finished and followed his ship."

It said the admiralty "understands and honors this step."

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Within a short time, much new production has come into the picture in Illinois, Arkansas, Kentucky, Mississippi and Nebraska. Some of these states have no restriction on production, and all have lower tax rates than Texas.

16-Year-Old Proves Her High Notes Are Not Faked

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 21 (AP)—When people yell "fake" at little Susanna Foster, she just ups and hits the highest notes in the register—but softly.

Some critics expressed doubt that the Minneapolis girl—she was 13, December 3—really produced the high notes they heard in her first motion picture role.

So yesterday, before a small group of newspapermen, Susanna effortlessly reached A Flat above High C in singing "Sempre Libera" from La Traviata.

Then, smiling the while, she soared to B Flat above High C in "Kiss Me Again." It was this note in this song in her movie debut, "The Great Victor Herbert," which prompted one writer to suggest her voice had been extended by microphones and another to charge that a flute had been interposed in the sound track.

Not satisfied with this exploit, the Chicago-born Susanna went through her vocal exercises for the awe-struck audience. Starting from A below Middle C, she climbed by degrees to the incredible top of D Natural above C above High C. And she did it in full tones, with no retreat into falsetto.

High Court Asked To Re-Open Ward Co. Litigation

AUSTIN, Dec. 21 (AP)—The state supreme court has been asked to reopen litigation involving location of the Ward county seat.

Ross Carr, a resident of the county, asked the court to permit him to file a petition for a writ of mandamus. If the tribunal should issue the writ, it would affect prior court decisions holding that the county seat now is Monahan. The seat formerly was Barstow.

Carr's move was based on a contention that the result of a court contest of an election Nov. 9, 1937, should have been a judgment in favor of Barstow instead of one declaring the election void. If the judgment had favored Barstow, he argues another election could not have been held for five years. As an aftermath of the "no election" ruling, there was an election May 10, 1938, in which Monahan was victorious.

Cowgirl Repentent For Taking Shot At Husband

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21 (AP)—Comely "Ginger" Harrison, fiery former Texas cowgirl, is a sorrowful and repentent wife after a night in the lockup for taking a pot-shot at her husband "Tex."

Along with apologies and cigarettes, she sent word that if he needed the money she would pay a lawyer to defend him against charges of assault and battery for breaking her nose in a fight.

"Tex" replied that "I still love her."

Mrs. Martha Harrison had her husband picked up at Canton, O., after he disappeared with the family trailer, dog, pony and a waitress from their night club and "duke ranch" here.

Then she took a shot at him in the detective bureau, expressed disgust over her faulty aim and promised to do better next time. Detective Chief Jerry Deary said she declared "I love him so much I'd rather see him dead than with another woman."

Now the 22-year-old couple, who comprise a radio hillbilly team of "Tex and Ginger," have cells in the same jail. She is charged with felonious assault and he with breaking her nose.

WOMAN DIES
NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—Mrs. Florentine Schelle Suizo, 76, active in many philanthropic movements and author of the book, "My First Seventy Years," died at her home late yesterday.

She was a leading exponent of rights and opportunities for women.

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SAFEWAY

One Is Beloved

BY LOUISE PLATT HAUCK

Chapter Three GIFT OF ROSES

"Don't!" the young man protested feebly, turning his eyes from her drop below. "You can't say anything stronger than I'm saying myself. The only excuse for me—if it is an excuse—is that I had rather upsettling piece of news just as I took over the car—and it had me forget everything else. Also I've always kept it never occurred to me any man would return it in such a condition."

He opened the door and climbed out, at once proving himself a true prophet. His knees bent slowly beneath him, and if it hadn't been for Sue's firm little hand at his elbow he would have collapsed ignominiously at her feet.

"Never scratch a fender in all the years I've driven," he muttered. "Never killed even a yellow pup. And now!"

"Sit on one of those rocks," she directed. "No, facing away from the river, idiot! Now get some of this air into your lungs. You'll soon be all right."

"I'm all right now," he insisted. "But you—" suddenly a note of horror crept into his voice. "You're hurt! My God! I've killed you after all!"

"Blit my lip," she retorted, and dabbed at it with a scrap of handkerchief. "Get hold of yourself, man! You're a bit hysterical."

The word jerked him upright as perhaps it had been intended to do. After a moment he said in a controlled tone. "Sorry! Never acted like this before in my life, give you my word."

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sharply. Something in the extravagant profusion of the gift recalled the man who had so nearly killed her the day before. He was a person to go from one extreme to another, she thought, smiling.

She examined his card with interest. "Mr. Robert Trenton, it reads; and below in very black and firm script: 'Thank God they're not for your funeral!'"

She began to laugh, softly at first and then so wholeheartedly that she laid her cheek down on her bunched knees. What a—what a black and white sort of person this was! No subtlety to him, no shades of meaning! Something rather fine about his absolute acceptance of the seriousness of the affair. Sue liked that.

Chapter Four
"CROWN PRINCE STUFF"

Sue deflected Maggie's inquisitive questions by sending her after receptacles for the blossoms.

"Every vase we have in the house—and I doubt if they will be enough—Line 'em up on the kitchen table, Mag darlin', and fill 'em with water. I'll be out to arrange these beauties by then."

She was trailing about the living-room in her bathrobe when the telephone rang.

"For you," Maggie said briefly. "I've waited just as long as I can!" exclaimed an impatient voice. "How am I sitting here gnawing my nails down to the quick until I thought you were up. How are you? It was no polite inquiry but an anxious demand for news."

"All right, thank you—but nearly smothered in roses. Are there any at all left in town?"

"Better the roses! Tell me about you. Not stiff, not the least lit brain?" How was your day?

"Perfectly all right. Praise be to lipstick, it didn't show at all last night. Then the lateness of the hour occurred to her and she said curiously. "It's noon. Why did you think you'd have to wait so long to call me? You couldn't have known I went to a party last night?"

"I did though. I'm staying at the Benton Club, and they were talking of a Miss Webb's affair. I mentioned you as a friend of hers."

"But how did you know who—'Looked up your license number, of course! Sue, dear, when may I come up and see for myself how—"

"Hey!" she said aggressively. "You're not to call me Sue, without descriptive adjectives we haven't met—socially. I'm sure that."

His disgusted voice interrupted her protest. "What the dickens does either of us care about the social end of it? I sit but murdered you yesterday. If that doesn't give me a right to call you, I don't know what does!"

She began to laugh happily. "What a precipitant young man this is!"

"I'm tempted to quote a popular book title and say 'Stay Out of My Life!' You're a violent sort of person."

"Are you dressed? Had your breakfast—lunch? I'll ring your bell on the stroke of three," he told her, said goodby and hung up before she could refuse her consent if she had been minded to.

It was, however, two and not three o'clock when Maggie admitted him.

"Thought you might give me the slip," he informed her coolly, handing the openly disapproving old woman his hat and gloves. "There was not the forgiving note in your voice I craved to hear."

"Take it, you're still simmering with wrath toward me?"

She shook her head. "I wasn't—until you barged in here this morn. How do you know I haven't a weak heart? One shock right after another like this—"

"Don't joke," he bade her sternly. "I tell you I didn't sleep a wink all night! Every time I shut my eyes I saw that confounded river crawling below—so terribly far below—and you, a little thing with a bit of scarlet hair around your neck, curled up like a kitten in your car! Without waiting for permission, he pulled forward a chair close to where she sat, and subsided heavily into it. "I've had some scares in my time, but never like that! If you'd gone over that bluff I'd have sent my car after you, give you my word!"

She frowned. Maggie was, she knew perfectly, hovering close to the kitchen door. She had been Sue's nurse years ago and still preserved an attitude of authority toward the girl. She would report this to Allen, and Allen would be annoyed, and there would be an end to the solitary visits she paid to Wyeth Hill.

Young Business Man

"That would have been most sensible!" she said bitingly. "And now may we forget the whole affair? You see for yourself I'm whole and unscathed. You've apologized adequately, not to say profusely! With roses." Her eyes roved about the flower bedecked room. "I take it for granted you're merely passing through the town—"

He shook his head, the seriousness of his manner already gone. "Never take anything for granted on this day and age, Sue darling! Far from passing through I'm about to become one of your most promising young business men."

Allen's name nothing to you? I'll wager it does to your brother, Trenton's Treadon." Do I make myself clear?"

"The new shoe factory!"

"A bullseye, no less. I'm it!"

"The whole factory?"

"Practically—now! His face sobered. "My father died several months ago. He was president of

the concern. I'm more or less stepping into his shoes—no pun intended. I was in England—and then I was busy settling Dad's affairs in the East—and that's how I happened to lend my car to this guy who wanted to do some folklore research in the Ozarks."

He leaned back as though he felt he had completed a detailed autobiography in those few jerky sentences.

"Okay, Miss Davenport?"

"They surveyed each other frankly, slim, dark-eyed girl and blue-eyed stalwart man. A forgiving grin began to twitch at the corner of Sue's lips. There was an engaging frankness about this Trenton person; a trustful belief in the goodwill of the world toward his appreciative self which was hard to resist."

"That's right!" he encouraged her. "In the words of the song: 'Smile, smile, smile!' You look much nicer when you smile. All dark people do. There's a touch of griminess in knitted black brows. Do you know it? And I have no intention of beginning what is going to be one of the most charming friendships that ever came into my life with griminess."

"You take a lot for granted, Mr. Trenton!"

"Bob," he corrected. "It's one of the easiest of all names to pronounce. Even a baby can say it. Sue now is harder. The syllabic sound presents certain difficulties which do not appear to be surmounted before the second or third year—or so my married friends tell me. Not that I've ever known any girl named Sue; but I had an Aunt Susan."

She was too young not to chuckle at his blithe audacity. Encouraged by the sound, he beamed at her.

"Now we're getting some place!"

Effortless Ease

Almost before his roses were faded, Bob Trenton had become an intimate of the little household. It was accomplished with the effortless ease characteristic of him.

"Met a peach of a guy today," Allen had announced the first night. He interrupted first amazedly. "Golly, look at the flowers! You and Kettle settled it between you?"

She dimpled at him as she unfolded her napkin. "Jim? Jim would regard such a display as in the worst possible taste. It's a new man."

A sudden thought occurred to her. "Mayus it's your man, clearly knit. It would not be long before Trenton was a part of it. And as the days went on, she was amused and a little startled at his whirlwind attentions to herself. He had behaved from the first as though he had some claim upon her. If he had not informed himself of her activities for the day before he left the previous evening, his telephone call caught her before she could leave the house in the morning."

He made no secret of his devotion; rather invited attention to it. If she appeared at some function with Jim Kettle, or Forest Webb, or any other of the men who had known her for years, Bob was always to be found hovering near the door, awaiting her entrance. He would join her as matter-of-factly as though it had been arranged for him to relieve her escort of all responsibility toward her.

"Who does he think he is, anyhow?" Forest would growl. "Just because he's Trenton of Treadons, with a Harvard accent and London-made clothes, doesn't give him the right to monopolize you all evening, Sue. Unless you're engaged!" he demanded.

She shook her head. "He's just giving me a rush. And why on earth do you let him bluff you, Forest? He asked me to come with him tonight and I told him I'd already promised you. Why don't you stand up for yourself?"

He grinned in frank defeat. "He's the white-headed boy of the Chamber of Commerce, and Dad rarely goes away; not while he's negotiating for a branch factory here, at all events."

"It's love you, love you job, is it, Forest?"

"You bet! I hope to get married on one of these fine days, honey child, and I don't see old Allen turning you over to a jobless husband. Besides, this Eastern guy will be on his way pretty soon—hope and trust! Just sit tight and don't get your head turned by all this crown prince stuff."

"You think he's amusing himself with me?" she asked in a voice sweet enough to have warned him.

Chapter Five
"I LOVE YOU"

"You think Bob is just amusing himself with me?" she asked Forest.

"What else? You're tops here all right, Sue darlin', but still and all, St. Joseph isn't exactly metropolitan here, you have to admit. It's my

guess Trenton picks the village bells wherever his business takes him; and has himself a hefty good time—while it lasts. You said he was giving you a rush!"

The black-haired, bobbed, earnestly against his shoulder, but her eyes flung a welcome to the tall young man who was skating across the floor toward her. She smiled mockingly at Forest's disgruntlement as he surrendered her to the newcomer.

"Cheer up!" she called as Trenton swept her away. "Remember the Chamber of Commerce?"

"What about the Chamber of Commerce?" Bob demanded. "No, you don't, Kettle! I just now took her away from Webb. Go on, Sue, tell me! Can't you and Forest find any more interesting things to talk about than business?"

"You," she told him.

"Me? Oh, I see! His agile mind made the connection at once. The branch factory, eh? And Webb's father a director of the Chamber of Commerce. Plain as a pikestaff. Well," he dismissed the subject comfortably. "The factory's going through all right. They can stop worrying about it." He evaded an approaching stab skillfully. "I like this town. Sue! Shall we live here—for a time at least?"

"I shall," she said, emphasizing the pronoun significantly. "You must do as you think best, of course."

He sighed with exaggerated relief. "That's settled then! I'll close the deal tomorrow."

"What deal? The factory?"

"No, the house. A darned nice house it is, too, let me tell you! Swimming pool, landscaped grounds, everything. The poor chap that built it died in an airplane smash last winter—"

"Sue, you mean the Wilmington place out beyond the Country Club? It is a nice place, Bob. But a trifle large for a bachelor?"

"Nonsense!"

"Bachelor, my Aunt Emma! Seriously, Sue, I think it's high time you were setting the date. We've known each other ages and ages—"

"Three long weeks, in fact," she said dryly.

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"For you," he told his sister. "Trenton again. Starts the day rather early, doesn't he?"

Sue's hand shook a little as she picked up the receiver.

"Yes?"

"Oh, darling don't say it so loudly! It's a grand morning; had you noticed? And I've got such a nice plan for today. Wait—let me tell you! A hundred mile drive to the north—a picnic with a fire and coffee and everything—an October picnic, Sue."

"Sorry," she said firmly. "I'm busy all day. Tonight, too," she added hastily.

"Then you do remember!" There was reproach in his voice. "You have a date with me tonight, and try to break it if you dare!"

"It doesn't take much daring. It's a fact, now—was broken last night. In fact, I think you'd have known that, Bob."

"But why?" He was honestly puzzled. "Just because I couldn't make you see things my way the first time? I didn't really expect to, to tell you the truth. But I will! In the meantime—"

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Allen was struggling into his topcoat when she re-entered.

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"He won't after today," she said serenely. "That young man is far too used to having things his own way. As I was saying, Allen about the fencing lessons—"

"Anything for them, of course, if you like; but don't keep me now, Sue. Be seeing you!"

She did arrange for the fencing lessons, first persuading Barbara to join her. The two girls lunched downtown, saw a movie, shopped until it was time to hurry home to dinner. Sue congratulated herself that on day had gone by without Bob. It was a trifle disconcerting to find him in the living-room, very much at home, smoking and lounging in Allen's big chair.

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"Is this fair? Is this right?" she demanded. "You know I can't put you out of my home!"

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"Bob, you're so conceited!" The accusation burst from her youthfully. "You talk as if any girl would give her eyes teeth to get you. You talk as if I were already in love with you! Well, I'm not! It wouldn't amuse me in the slightest to 'make difficulties,' as you call it. I like my life as it is. I don't want to get married for a long, long time; and even if I did, it wouldn't be you."

Chapter Six
WARFARE

"Whom else might you marry?" he demanded. "Jim Kettle?"

She was silent for a moment. When she spoke it was with an air of dignity which impressed even Trenton's impatience.

"That is a question you have no right to ask, Bob! I doubt if you have the right even to talk to me at all on such a subject—after a brief acquaintance. Please don't do it again!" She rose and moved toward the door, and perhaps she followed her.

He avoided her for the rest of the evening, a fact which did not escape Barbara Webb's sharp eyes.

"Quarrelled," she formed the word over Allen's shoulder as they went down the street, contentedly hopping Jim Kettle. Sue shook her head. It was more than a quarrel, she told herself. She had lost Bob Trenton for good. No more telephone calls, no more conversational audacities, no more spur-of-the-moment plans, carried out with a lavishness of time and money impossible to the other members of the household.

She was half glad and half sorry. Going about with Bob Trenton had been like driving a high-powered racing car; thrilling but very dangerous. The slightest carelessness, the merest obstacle in the road, and one would find oneself self-metaphorically with a broken neck.

"It was fun while it lasted," she sighed as she prepared for bed that night. "And my heart is aching to admit it, I suppose. Forest was right: Bob was amusing himself with me! He pushed it pretty far, though. I wonder what he'll have done if I'd taken him up tonight? Found some way to squirm out of it, of course. He must have had loads of experience at it."

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"Of course I did! Nice guy, your brother! I ran into him at the Chamber of Commerce this morning and dropped a hint—that home cooking tastes mighty good to a stranger in a strange land. We poor single men who have no nice little sisters have to depend on our friends for a bit of home now and then."

She closed the door, stood with her back to it, one hand on the knob.

"Bob, you're acting very silly about this; making it hard for both of us. Oh," she interrupted

herself swiftly, "perhaps you've changed your mind? About last night, I mean? Perhaps you're willing for us just to be good friends, you and Allen and I—"

"Allen and I, by all means. You and I, no! I've a different relationship in mind for us, sweet. It's going to be—warfare between us then!"

"Warfare? Now it's you who are silly, darling." He took a step toward her. "I told you last night, and I tell you again now: it's no use for you to hold out against me; you'll marry me in the end."

"Whether I love you or not?"

"Goeh, no! Loving me as madly, as irrationally, as wholly and entirely as I love you this minute."

She shook her head stubbornly. "I don't even like you now! I did—at first. You've spoiled it all now."

A sudden reckless look crossed his face. He was young, he was across the room in two strides; had caught her to him and was pressing his mouth against her own in hard, burning kisses. Even through the thick tweed of her coat she could feel the thump, thump of his heart.

"Don't dare to tell me I've spoiled it!" he said fiercely. "Don't dare to deny you're beginning to love me, Sue, my Sue! Why you're my share of the world, the one perfect thing in this whole upside-down existence we all live in! We were made for each other, you and I! Don't you know it, can't you see it, Sue mine? You for me, and I for you—our home, our children, our everything against the world!"

Anger

She was shaken by the force of the most violent emotion she had ever known. The passion in his voice made her tremble; the touch of his hard lips on hers turned her heart to water. But clear above all other feelings rose anger, poignant and white hot.

"You're taking advantage of me, Bob! It's unfair of you to surprise me like this—pin me against the door where I can't move!"

He stepped back, folded his arms, and said, "You're free," he said, feignedly.

Her breast rose and fell sharply. "For the time being! But I'll always be on guard against you. Must I reconnoiter before I come into my own home, ask for the guest list before I accept an invitation to a party? If I can't feel safe from you, Bob—"

He corrected. "Oh, my love, can't you see, can't you understand that I love you, want you, must have you?"

"I understand that you're a very self-willed and badly spoiled person." Her voice shook a bit on the words but she faced him proudly. "I have no doubt that heretofore you have had only to say 'must' and what you've wanted has dropped into your lap. But there's no 'must' about this. I assure you! I don't love you, I won't marry you. I wish you'd go away and let me alone!" Her own ear caught the childish note in the last words, and she flushed again, hating him anew at this fresh evidence of her unsophistication.

She flung herself across the room and fairly ran into her bedroom, slamming the door behind her.

"If he has the slightest decency he'll scribble a note to Allen, and leave at once," she thought, her hands against her hot cheeks. "If he dares, I'll make some excuse; say I have a headache. No, I won't! That's as good as admitting that he has upset me."

"She got out of her day things as fast as possible; bundled her curls into a rubber cap and slipped on a shower; dressed frantically trying to listen for sounds from the living room. She was settling her favorite velvet frock about her slim hips when she heard her brother's voice, heard the two men laughing quietly at something Allen had said.

"How could she open her door and walk out there, meet Bob's amused eyes searching her face?"

It had to be done, however, unless she wanted Allen to come in search of her. She summoned all her pride and made a dignified entrance, tiptoeing up to kiss her brother with more than her usual warmth.

Safe Driving Urged During The Holidays

Don't spoil your Christmas or that of someone else by unsafe driving. L. P. McCasland, state highway patrolman, appealed to people in this area Thursday.

Farm

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President Roosevelt appointed Dr. A. G. Black, head of the agricultural department's marketing and regulatory work, to succeed Hill.

The change of administrators probably will have repercussions in congress, for farm organizations as well as legislators have been arguing over farm lending methods.

MARKETS Wall Street

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—Stock market traders went shopping for further recovery bargains today but generally confined buying to carefully selected issues.

The list still had to contend with a fair amount of tax selling and, while reinvestment demand served to offset offerings here to some degree, it was not sufficient to work up much rising steam.

Livestock

FORT WORTH, Dec. 21 (AP)—(USDA) — Cattle salable 1,500; total 1,600; calves salable 900; total 1,000; load grass beef steers 7.00; two loads good fed steers weighing around 1100 lbs. 8.35; small lots yearling steers and heifers 8.50 and 8.75; cows mostly 4.50-6.00; bulls 4.50-6.00; killing calves 5.00-8.25; few stock steer calves 8.50 down; and stock heifer calves 8.00 down.

Cotton

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—Cotton futures closed 28-26 higher here today.

IT'S NOT INSANITY IF RADIO IRKS YOU

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 21 (AP)—A listener is entitled to show irritation at some radio programs without being adjudged insane, Probate Judge Carroll S. Shaplin declared today.

Hospital Notes

Big Spring Hospital Mrs. W. T. Stewart, 102 North Second street, underwent major surgery Wednesday morning at the hospital. She is doing nicely.

Finns Claim Two Red Battalions Destroyed

HELSINKI, Dec. 21 (AP)—The destruction of two Russian battalions and destruction or capture of large quantities of Russian tanks, machine-guns and other weapons in successes along the eastern front were reported today by the Finnish army communique.

A continuation of the Finnish advance in the direction of Salla, on the northeastern front, also was reported. It was in this sector above the Arctic Circle that the Russians previously had claimed their greatest gains.

C-C To Name 10 Directors

The chamber of commerce membership, more than 550 strong, will be called upon by the end of the week to do its first balloting to select 10 men as new directors of the organization.

Along with a complete list of the membership will go a request for each member to check 20 names he or she would prefer as directors. The 20 high names will be used in compiling a "run-off" ballot which will be mailed out with requests to select 10. The 10 high on the last ballot will be declared winners.

Those whose terms expire are R. W. Whipkey, Obie Bristol, M. M. Edwards, George White, Ted Groobi, Cliff Wiley, A. S. Darby, M. J. Stewart, Ira Thurman and V. A. Merrick.

Trade Rush

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clerks were working feverishly to get mail in boxes by 1:15 p. m. Postmaster Nat Shick lauded the cooperative spirit of postoffice clerks and route carriers. Clerks, he said voluntarily stayed on Wednesday until 10 p. m. so that every piece of mail and every parcel was either delivered or boxed.

Other signs of a nearing Christmas were seen in the automobile business. In the past three days local dealers have delivered 17 new passenger cars, doubleless Christmas presents for Big Spring and Howard county families.

Turkey and other poultry sales were picking up, and indications were that more families would have turkey this year since the price makes the bird about as cheap, if not cheaper, than other types of meat.

No Plans Yet To Rebuild Warsaw

WARSAW—(Correspondence of the Associated Press) — Warsaw, now a city in shambles, is likely to remain so unless the Poles find money to rebuild it. The Germans say they do not intend to reconstruct the metropolis.

WATCHMAN BOUND, 4 STORES ROBBED

YORKSTOWN, Dec. 21 (AP)—Four stores in the same block were burglarized here a few hours before dawn today by three unidentified men who first surprised, bound and gagged, D. M. Sirman, city night watchman and deputy sheriff, as he was making his rounds in the business district.

INFANT DIES

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at Eberley Funeral home for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Lake, 210 N. Gregg. The baby succumbed two hours after birth.

Cedar chest with lid tray, as low as \$14.95, at Elrod's. Adv.

Bombings

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environs in two earlier raids today. Red army planes attacked Hanko, on the southwest corner of the Finnish coast, yesterday and swung along the railroad in the direction of Helsinki.

The extent of damage was not known but reports from scattered towns indicated a heavy toll of civilian deaths and injuries. Provincial advices indicated also that about 200 Russian planes were seen in the widespread attacks, especially in the southeast, last night. A similar estimate was made of air raiders sighted in daylight both Tuesday and Wednesday.

Ginnings

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contributor to this county's ginning totals. To Dec. 1, Dawson county cotton ginned in this county totaled only 124 bales.

Table with columns: County, Net Pounds, Bales. Rows include Borden, Glascock, Martin, Dawson, Mitchell, Seury, Sterling, Total.

Scuttle

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ly thought the alarm was only the signal for another "scuttle drill." Lampe explained that when the alarm sounded indicating an enemy vessel had been sighted, each crew member leaped to carry out orders given in advance.

FIRM GIVES GRIDDERS GOLD FOOTBALLS

"Merry Christmas," in a language West Texans understand, was wished 35 members of the Big

Spring high school Steer football team Thursday by a local firm. Under the title of "Come and get it," Tate & Bristol displayed 35 gold footballs the firm is giving to the squad members in appreciation of their efforts for the 1939 season.

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Better arrive late than never, said McCasland, in advising drivers to touch accelerators lightly. Stay on the right side of the road except when passing on spots shown to be clear by lack of center lines and never pass on hills. It's a good idea, too, he said, to have lights, brakes, windshield wipers and steering gears tested before starting on a trip.

SHE NEVER SAW A STRIP-TEASE ACT

DALLAS, Dec. 21 (AP)—Mary Martin, stage and screen star, reported to homefolks here today "I never saw a stripper work in my whole life."

Strip teasing was part of her routine in "Leave It To Me," the Broadway musical which carried her fame and figure to Hollywood. As a publicity stunt, she revealed here, she was to see the queens of the Gstring in New York burlesques. However, the burlesque houses had been closed by police.

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