

FRENCH DUE TO STOP BATTLE BY END OF WEEK

15,000 Planes Proposed For Navy Air Unit

Official Asserts That 10,000 Ships Not Adequate

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—After hearing testimony that 10,000 planes would not be adequate for a proposed two-ocean fleet, the house naval committee recommended today a navy air force of 15,000 planes.

The testimony was given by Rear Admiral John H. Towers, chief of the naval air corps, who recalled that a lately enacted law put a 10,000-plane ceiling on the committee, was before a new \$4,000,000,000 expansion of the fleet, designed to give it the size of a two-ocean navy, was projected.

Hollow-Square Used By French In Their Attempt To Retreat

BORDEAUX, June 20 (AP)—Using the famous hollow square formation, French Maginot line troops of the army of Alsace and Lorraine are attempting to fight their way through German troops which have bottled up their last avenues of escape by a march to the Swiss frontier, a French spokesman said tonight.

SURPLUS STAMP PLAN EXTENDED TO THREE CITIES IN TEXAS

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace today announced the extension of the federal stamp plan for distributing surplus food among the needy to the cities of Childress, El Paso and Abilene, and the counties of Childress, El Paso and Taylor.

CHANGES NAME OF HIS RANCH FROM 'SWASTIKA' TO 'T BAR'

SAN ANGELO, June 20 (AP)—A. R. Eppenauer, former San Angelo and Fort Worth oil operator, today announced he had changed the name of his ranch from "Swastika Ranch" to "T Bar Ranch."

FDR Moves Toward A Coalition Cabinet Nominating Frank Knox, Henry Stimson

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—President Roosevelt took steps today to form a coalition cabinet by submitting to the senate the nominations of Colonel Frank Knox to be secretary of the navy, and Henry L. Stimson to be secretary of war.



FRANK KNOX

Knox, publisher of the Chicago Daily News, was republican vice presidential candidate in 1936. Stimson was secretary of state in the Hoover administration and secretary of war under President Taft.

run for governor of New Jersey on the democratic slate. The White House made no announcement regarding the two men

selected from republican ranks for cabinet positions, other than to make public the fact that their names were sent to the senate. The question of a coalition cabinet had been debated almost since the beginning of the present crisis in European affairs.



HENRY L. STIMSON

Today's nominations, therefore, coming only four days before the opening of the republican national convention in Philadelphia, caught Washington unaware and set congressional and political circles abuzz with talk over its bearing on presidential politics.

program for training 50,000 plane pilots. Knox is 66 years old. A native of Boston, he served with Theodore Roosevelt's "Rough Riders" in the Spanish-American war. He was overseas in the World War from May 1918 until February 1919, serving in the artillery. He holds his colonelcy in the 356th field artillery reserve.

MODIFIED OIL SHUTDOWN ORDER ISSUED

Taxes To Curb War Profits Are Voted

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—A defiant senate ignored administration pleas for a non-controversial revenue bill last night and approved defense tax legislation only after voting stringent levies on those who would profit from war.

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Commission Stands By Freight Rate Slash

AUSTIN, June 20 (AP)—The railroad commission today refused to reconsider an order reducing freight rates in Texas on a vast number of commodities by 12 1-2 per cent, effective July 1.

Two Indicted In Bombings

LUBBOCK, June 20 (AP)—Three indictments were the law's answer to the second of two bombings of the homes of Lubbock court officials.

NYA Projects Are Studied

Two NYA projects, one for machine shop work and the other for radio training, are under consideration by city officials.

Weather Forecast

WEST TEXAS—Cloudy tonight and Friday, showers and thunderstorms; little change in temperature.

Senate Votes Last Of FD's Money Bills

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—A \$1,777,489,788 emergency defense appropriation measure—last major money bill in President Roosevelt's defense program to date—was passed by the senate today on a voice vote.

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Nevertheless, under dwindling French resistance, Hitler's armies swept further down into France, the high command announced.

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ROME, June 20 (AP)—Italian troops plan to occupy the Savoy regions of France while awaiting the outcome of armistice parleys between France and Adolf Hitler, Italian sources indicated today.

SHIP TORPEDED

LONDON, June 20 (AP)—The admiralty announced today that the armed merchant cruiser Andania, 13,950 tons, had been torpedoed and sunk.

Pumping Of Water From Lake Delayed

Necessity of effecting power alterations made it doubtful Thursday that pumping and filtration of water from the Powell Creek lake would be started before Friday.

HINKLEY NOMINATED FOR COMMERCE POST

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—President Roosevelt sent to the senate today the nomination of Robert H. Hinkley, now chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, to be assistant secretary of commerce.

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DICTATORS' TERMS BEING CARRIED TO BORDEAUX GOVT.

By The Associated Press Hostilities between France and the axis armies are expected to cease Friday—or Saturday at the latest—the official Italian news agency reported today, asserting that French plenipotentiaries have started back to Bordeaux with the terms dictated by Hitler and Mussolini.

France Has 'Fewer Friends' Than In 1914 Hitler's high command meanwhile announced the fall of Lyon, France's third largest city, and the capture of more than 200,000 prisoners, including General Altmeppen, commander of the 10th French army.

Report French Govt. Will Move To Algiers The German radio, in a cryptic report, declared that "members of the French government are not at all agreed on the question of leaving France"—leaving credence to unconfirmed reports that France has learned the gist of the axis terms, found them too harsh for the nation's honor, and resolved to fight on.

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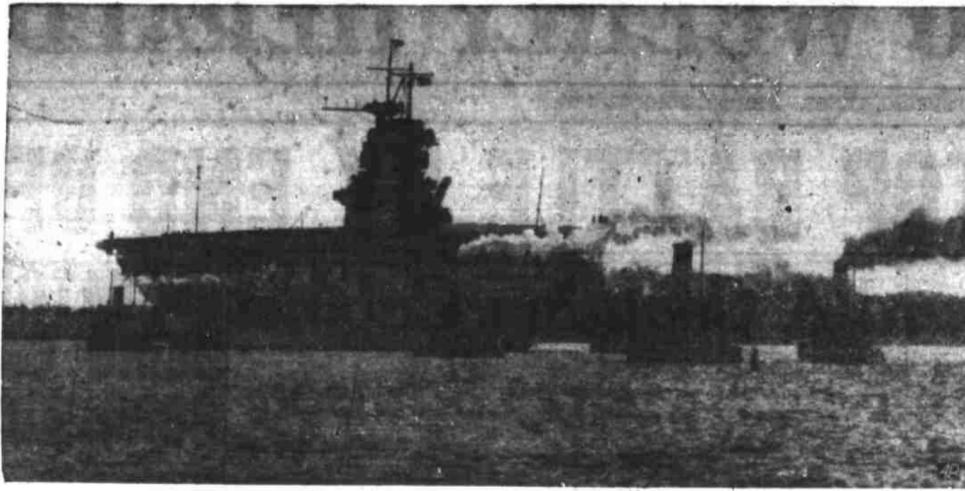
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Sacrifices For Defense Cited By Connally

DALLAS, June 20. (AP)—Senator Tom Connally of Maine... "The United States is concerned with the security of the entire western hemisphere from alien or foreign influences..."



'WASP' GETS UNDER WAY. WITH SOME HELP—Flanked by the tugs that maneuvered her into position, the new U. S. aircraft carrier, Wasp, is shown at Quincy, Mass. The 14,700-ton, 739-foot carrier is nearly 18 months behind building schedule.

Anzaes Clamoo For 'Chance At Jerry'

A NORTHERN BRITISH PORT, June 20. (AP) Thousands of fighting Anzaes, who sailed all the way from Australia and New Zealand in great liners without seeing one German plane, have thronged into the British Isles, shouting for "a chance at Jerry..."

Scouts Back From Camp

Twenty-two Boy Scouts and leaders returned Wednesday evening from the initial 10-day period in the Buffalo Trail council summer camp near Weed, N. M. George Boswell, Coahoma, camp director, came with the group due to the illness of Mrs. Boswell...

CAMPAIGN EXPENSES BOOSTED BY UPKEEP

DALLAS, June 20. (AP)—It's the upkeep that's running up campaign expenses for the two candidates for justice of the peace in Oak Cliff. Joe B. Brown, seeking re-election and his opponent, Bob Wideman, put out 750 signs on lawns of the neighborhood...

INJUNCTION HEARING DELAYED UNTIL FALL

AUSTIN, June 20. (AP)—A district court hearing on an injunction against a railroad commission order prohibiting the use of double-header engines on Texas railroad trains has been continued to the fall term of court beginning October 7.

KIWANIS LEADER MINNEAPOLIS, JUNE 20

MINNEAPOLIS, JUNE 20. (AP)—Election of Mark A. Smith of Thomaston, Ga., as 1940-41 president of Kiwanis International was announced today at the annual convention.

BACKACHE, LEG PAINS MAY BE DANGER SIGN

Of Tired Kidneys. If backache and leg pains are making you miserable, don't just complain and do nothing about them. Nerve pain may be warning you that your kidneys need attention. The kidneys are nature's chief way of taking waste out of the blood. They help most people pass about 2 pints of urine a day. If the 15 miles of kidney tubes and filters don't work well, poisonous waste matter stays in the blood. This waste matter may start nagging headaches, rheumatic pains, leg pains, loss of energy, getting up night, swelling, pain under the eyes, headache and dizziness. Frequent or scanty passages with smarting and burning sometimes shows there's something wrong with your kidneys or bladder. Don't wait! Ask your doctor for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. They give happy relief and will help the 15 miles of kidney tubes flush out poisonous waste from the blood. Get Doan's Pills.

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AN ANALYSIS OF THE WAR DEVELOPMENTS

By DEWITT MACKENZIE. Herr Hitler's seeming slowness in dealing with France's request for armistice terms has permitted the nazis to continue smashing at the exhausted French forces and overrunning still further important territory and cities. Fascist circles in Rome rather let the cat out of the bag this morning when they said that virtually complete occupation of France by the German and Italian armies was probable before the French were handed the ax in the north. That naturally puts the screws on the unhappy French government. The reason for this maneuver needn't be sought far. Indeed, the German radio today unconsciously summed up for us very nearly in a broadcast picked up in London. This stated that "members of the French government are not all agreed on the question of laying down arms..."

for a few months before the tide would turn in the allies' favor. While all this has been forward, the Berlin press has started to direct the attention of the public toward Britain, with the cry "England is next." In fact, the battle of Britain already is in its initial stages. The Germans last night conducted the most widespread air raid they ever have attempted over the island, bombing England, Scotland and Wales. Some half dozen civilians were killed and sixty injured. The significance of this raid lies in the fact that it demonstrates the ability of the Germans to reach most parts of the country from their new air bases along the English Channel and North sea. A terrific assault on Britain by air seems imminent. Last night's venture was a "feeler" to help the nazis get set for the grim business ahead. Hitler's logical procedure will be to try to bomb England into virtual submission before he attempts the hazardous adventure of invading the country with troops. CONTROLLER RESIGNS. WASHINGTON, June 20. (AP)—President Roosevelt accepted with "regret" today the resignation of Fred H. Brown, former New Hampshire senator, as comptroller general of the United States. Brown had been ill for some months. Elementary school enrollment in the United States dropped 42 per cent between 1930 and 1936, and it is still going down, apparently due to a drop in the population of children under high school age.

Juneteenth Puts A Few Negroes Behind Bars

Police spent a busy evening as negroes from Big Spring and surrounding territory waxed merry Wednesday evening with their Juneteenth celebration. Festivities at Cottonwood park were interrupted briefly while Annie Robinson, Brownwood negro, was taken to a hospital for treatment of injuries and police picked up Ora B. Matthews, local negro, on a charge that she wielded a knife. Apparently Fred Lowrin, negro, took too many liberties with the day and was jailed on a count of wife beating. Two more negroes, Louis Crump and Estell Gray, were taken into custody on vagrancy charges. Over the city most negro servant quarters were scenes of much hilarity late into the night. After festivities at Cottonwood park cooled off, some of the celebrants shifted their activities to the Dreamland hotel. Thursday wide smiles had given away to sheepish grins and heavy eyes as most negroes returned wearily to their jobs.

Worry of FALSE TEETH. Slipping or Irritating. Don't be embarrassed by loose false teeth slipping, dropping or wobbling when you eat, talk or laugh. Just sprinkle a little FASTEETH on your plates. This pleasant powder gives a remarkable sense of added comfort and security by holding plates more firmly. No gummy, gooey, pasty taste or feeling. It's alkaline (non acid). Get FASTEETH at any drug store.—adv.

THREE SETS OF TWINS TO JOIN U. S. SERVICE

HOUSTON, June 20. (AP)—The navy here 4-2—in favor of the navy. The army recruiting office announced proudly a set of twins, Paul and Bennie Dramer of Clodine, had applied for enlistment. The navy office, across the hall, rejoined that it had two sets—Howard F. and Harold L. Cook of Burton, and Marvin F. and Malvin T. Sluder of Temple.

STATION BURNS

EAGLE PASS, June 20. (AP)—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the 80-year-old railroad station of the Mexican National lines last night in Piedras Negras, across the Rio Grande from here.

UNDERWRITING COMPLETED, PLANS GO FORWARD FOR A 'STREAMLINED' 1940 RODEO

A complete list of underwriters for the 1940 rodeo in Big Spring had been released Thursday by the chamber of commerce, as preliminary organization was being effected for the starting of a fast, "streamlined" two-day show early in August. Underwriters have pledged a total of \$1,088 against possible loss. Changes and improvements planned for this year's rodeo are expected to make it an outstanding event. Major innovation is the throwing open of the contests to all-comers. Heretofore, only amateurs were eligible. The "open" events are expected to be faster and more colorful. The run of the rodeo is being cut down to four performances—two days—and many new features will be added. Chamber of commerce committees will work closely with rodeo association directors in the special events. The complete list of underwriters follows: E. Sherwood Burpy, Douglas Hotel, J. M. Radford Grocery, Big Spring Motor, Jack Frost Pharmacy, C. J. Staples, H. G. Jones, Ben McCullough, J. & W. Fisher, Carl A. Strom, Sol Krupp, James Vines, Twins Cafe, Shook Tire Co., Creighton Service. J. W. Sherwood, Gaines Highsmith, Harry Lester, J. M. Greene, Bob Wolf, L. F. McCasland, Big Spring Cotton Oil, G. E. Cunningham, Trus & Boyie, McEwen Motor Company, Club Cafe, Texas Electric, Collins Drug, Taylor Electric Co., Fred Martin, Will P. Edwards, Big Spring Hardware, M. Prager, Fashion Shop, Cunningham &

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Eczema Itching, Burning — Distress. Gets Quicker Ease and Comfort. No sufferer can afford to pass up this honest offer of satisfaction or money back. During the past 35 years thousands of bottles of Moone's Emerald Oil have been sold for just such troublesome externally caused skin conditions. Go to Collins Bros. or your drug-gist today and get a small original bottle of Emerald Oil and use as directed. You'll get relief quicker than you ever expected — aiding nature, it helps promote faster healing. Act today on our absolute guarantee of satisfaction or money back.—adv.

Hospital Notes. Big Spring Hospital. Mrs. C. W. Kusterson, 411 Aylford, and daughter, Karis Jo, have been dismissed from the hospital. Mrs. R. E. McClure of Big Spring was admitted Wednesday for medical care. G. W. Davis of Route One, Big Spring, is undergoing medical care.

Silent, Flashless Machine Gun Is War Invention Of Texas Man

DALLAS, June 20. (AP) A flashless electric machine gun may become available to the United States army. A Pittsburgh manufacturing company (Westinghouse) will study the weapon and attempt to perfect it. The gun is the invention of Virgil Rigby of Hull, Texas. Still in the experimental stage, the gun has a muzzle velocity of 400 feet a second. Experts say it must spit out its bullets at 3,000 feet a second to be effective. Rigby said the war department had promised to test the gun if a working model of higher power can be made. B. D. Atwell, engineer for the Pittsburgh firm's plant here, said the principle of the gun is sound but "it will take a much higher muzzle velocity to make a war weapon of the gun." Atwell said 44 caliber bullets fired from the inventor's model had the force of pellets from an air rifle. Magnetic coils jerk the bullets through the gun barrel. The coils may be operated from batteries or from a power line. Concealed troops with electric machine guns could silently mow down enemy troops, who would find it difficult to spot the machine gunners.

ARGENTINA GOES FOR REARMAMENT. BUENOS AIRES, June 20. (AP)—The Argentine government sent to congress today a rearmament program calling for expenditures of 600,000,000 pesos (about \$180,000,000) for expansion of the nation's defenses. Of this sum, 110,000,000 pesos (about \$33,000,000) would be spent for aviation forces.

THE RECORD... Facts That Concern You

Advertisement for beer featuring 'ABOUT BEER AND ALE' and 'AN OPEN FORUM OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS'. Includes questions like 'WHY IS BEER CALLED THE BEVERAGE OF MODERATION?' and 'DO BEER AND ALE REALLY AID THE FARMERS?'. Ends with 'BEER... a beverage of moderation' and the United Brewers Industrial Foundation logo.

Large advertisement for Montgomery Ward refrigerators. Features 'NO DOWN PAYMENT on any Ward Refrigerator!' and '14¢ A DAY (payable monthly) including carrying charge'. Shows a refrigerator with various features like 'Covered Food Drawer', 'Big Vegetable Freshener', and 'Automatic release instantly free tray'. Price 'now only 121.95'. Includes 'EXTRA-FEATURED MODEL!' with 'Lowest Price ever! 99.50'. Ends with 'Montgomery Ward GIVES YOU MORE FOR YOUR MONEY!' and '221 WEST 2ND PHONE 628'.

## Mexico Looks To US Credit To Build Arms

MEXICO CITY, June 20 (AP)—A high source declared today President Lazaro Cardenas had approved a program which would more than quadruple Mexico's armed forces with the aid of the United States.

This source asserted that within a few weeks a credit of more than \$10,000,000 from the United States would be available to the Mexican government to carry out this expansion under 50 technical experts from the United States army and navy.

Additional millions would be allocated later by the Mexican finance ministry, it was reported.

**TO CHECK MALARIA IN 7 DAYS take 666**

The United States government was said to be determined that Mexico should not be used as an avenue of invasion by any aggressor power, and it was understood the American credits would be made available on generous terms.

The American determination was said to have been communicated to President Cardenas before Tuesday's cabinet session, at which universal military training and "other defense measures" were endorsed for submission next month to an extraordinary session of congress.

This defense program was reported on high authority to include:

- Increase of the standing army to more than 300,000.
- The Mexican army now counts 112,000 men, including those on reserve lists.
- Increase of the officer corps by approximately 10,000, of whom 1,000 would be sent to American army centers for special training.
- Acquisition of six destroyers from the United States to strengthen the Mexican navy.
- Establishment of air bases at strategic points around Puerto Mexico, Acapulco, Tampico, Salina Cruz, Veracruz and Quintana Roo.
- Improvement of port facilities at Veracruz, Puerto Mexico and Salina Cruz—including deepening of channels, new wharves and repair and supply facilities.

## B. P. Bittle Dies In Eastland

Funeral services were held in Eastland Wednesday afternoon for B. P. Bittle, 68, former superintendent of Big Spring schools.

Mr. Bittle succumbed to a heart attack Tuesday evening, Dr. E. O. Ellington, who was president of the local school board when Mr. Bittle was here, was advised.

Coming to Big Spring from Henderson in 1921, he succeeded A. W. Flaniken as head of the local school system and held that post until 1928 when he resigned to take a similar place at Eastland.

As superintendent of the Big Spring schools, Mr. Bittle increased its scholastic standing, led in the erection of the Junior high (now Central Ward) building, invariably tried to shame his students out of the idea of "just getting by." Outside of school he was known for his even temper and ready wit.

Mrs. M. H. Bennett and Mrs. J. Y. Robb left Thursday for Kerrville where they will visit their daughters, Louise Ann Bennett and Janet Robb at Camp Waldemar. They will also visit Ike Robb at Camp Stewart near the girls camp.



**DECKED OUT**—In gob's garb, brass buttoned and shirt-tail ready to flap in the breeze, blonde Lee Childs of Detroit heads a speedy motor cruiser for cooling spin on one of the Great Lakes. Central Marine Chamber of Commerce named her "Lady of the Lakes," hopes easier temperatures thus generated will boost the ranks of fresh water sailors.

## U.S. Naval Bases In Latin-America To Be Discussed

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—Establishment of Latin-American bases for the United States navy, a usually well-informed source said today, may be one of the subjects raised at the projected Pan-American conference on hemisphere problems of military and economic defense.

Both aircraft and fleet bases would be involved in any such discussion, this official said.

Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles announced yesterday that the government had communicated with all 21 American republics, suggesting that an extraordinary conference be held immediately to consider all problems confronting the hemisphere as a result of the turn of events abroad.

The conference proposal was made known after Secretary Hull disclosed that notes had been sent Monday to Germany and Italy saying that the United States would not countenance any transfer of the British, French or Dutch possessions in the New World to a non-American country.

The matter of navy bases in Latin-American nations, it was emphasized, is still in the discussion stage.

## Inventors Flood Patent Office With Novel Ideas For Defense

By EDDY GILMORE  
WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—Amid the country's plans for national defense, inventors are flooding the patent office with ideas ranging from bear traps for enemy tanks to a proposal for enlisting whales in a war against submarines.

Every week brings a new batch of ideas which the patent office calls impractical and which it rejects.

The tank trap suggestion came from a man who said he had spent years trapping bears and big game, and that a huge steel trap would work just as well on a tank as on a grizzly.

The whale plans came from a man who said that whales could be captured, equipped with submarine-ouling armor, and released to raise havoc with the enemy.

Another man said he had a machine which could be installed at strategic points and when a fifth columnist came along with a concealed map, the machine would sound an alarm.

This was called a "map detector."

## RAF Battle Italians Off Egypt Coast

CAIRO, Egypt, June 20 (AP)—Britain's Royal Airforce reported today that its planes had met Italian fighters in an air battle off Engobe, Egypt, shooting down three of the Italian planes and severely damaging two others. One British fighter plane was missing.

The clash occurred yesterday, the R. A. F. said, with Italian fighters engaging British bombers and fighters.

A communique reporting the battle said that, as a result of aerial activity in the past 24 hours, the Italians had lost eight planes certainly and probably five more.

Buquq lies on the Mediterranean, about 35 miles east of the Libyan border.

## TRIPLER CALVES

KANSAS CITY, June 20 (AP)—A red cow won a reprieve from the packing house by giving birth to triplet heifer calves.

Veterinarians said triplet calves are "very rare."

## Stained Discolored FALSE TEETH

Cleaned Like Magic—No Brushing  
Never let your "teeth" show they are false. If gums are dark—unnatural looking with teeth dingy and stained, a Kleenite bath will quickly give your teeth the clean, bright attractive look of "live" teeth on natural looking gums and plate. You simply dissolve a little Kleenite in half a glass of warm water—put in your denture and leave for a few minutes. NO BRUSHING—just rinse and replace. Ask for and get Kleenite—the Dentists Plate Cleaners. All druggists. Biles & Long Pharmacy, Inc.

## United States May Get Potash From Midland Sector

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—The government may turn to that section of West Texas just north of Midland and Odessa for a good share of its future supplies of potash, a mineral vital to both war materials and agriculture.

When the World war broke out this country faced a serious problem in a severance of its European sources, for domestic fields were little known at that time. The bureau of mines conducted explorations during the 1920's and discovered vast deposits of potash-bearing ores in West Texas and New Mexico.

Because of the low production costs in Europe, supplies in this country were not vigorously developed. At present the principal domestic production is in New Mexico and California.

A bureau of mines official said that with the outbreak of war last September, importations from Germany were stopped. From that country had come a large part of the potash used here in the manufacture of fertilizers.

With the huge armament program getting under way there will come increased demand for the mineral.

They informed the department that ample warehouses were available in El Paso for the storage of not only potash, but copper, manganese and other vital minerals and metals that might be produced in that area and held for use in emergencies.

## CANDIDATE TO MAKE TALK HERE FRIDAY

Walton D. Hood, San Antonio, candidate for railroad commissioner of Texas, will be heard in an address here at 10 a. m. Friday, it was announced Thursday by friends.

Hood will speak at 10 a. m. from the east side of the courthouse square.

A native Texan, the candidate served in the World war, was in the brokerage business at San Antonio and served as chief enforcement officer of the railroad commission's motor transportation division until 1935. His platform includes such items as favoring scientific conservation of natural resources, creation of a conservation commission to regulate oil and gas production, equitable treatment of all modes of transportation, and opposition to federal control over petroleum industry.

## MASONS TO ELECT OFFICERS THURSDAY

Regular meeting of the Masons, Big Spring chapter 178, will be held Thursday night at 8 o'clock for election of officers and other business. All are urged to attend and visiting members are welcome.

## Public Records

Marriage License  
Gordon Bottomley, Big Spring, and Emma Belle Bookner, Arkansas City, Tex.

In the 70th District Court  
Doris Barron versus John Barron, suit for divorce.

## FORGOT THE LICENSE

NEW ORLEANS, June 20 (AP)—And now a bride who forgot the marriage license.

Emile J. Morano, Jr., left the license with his bride-to-be, Mildred Claassen, "for safe keeping," told her to bring it to the church.

Miss Claassen was on time—without the license.

While bride, relatives and friends waited, Morano dashed to city hall, got a duplicate. Then they were married.

Tasmania was originally known as Van Diemen's Land.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Koons have as guests, Mr. and Mrs. Alex T. Smith and daughter, Carol Sue, of Tulsa, Okla.

## ARREST MADE WITH THE WIFE'S HELP

DALLAS, June 20 (AP)—Police men R. T. Whittle and C. W. Cole refused to arrest a drunken woman on his own premises.

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# HIGH TIDE

By Frances Hanna

## CHAPTER 19 Memory Of Lenore

Hot and tired from an unsuccessful fishing expedition, Jan was in no mood to find Derek auctioning off her paintings. She glared through her elbow working to good advantage, and confronted Derek, seeing behind him all twelve of her precious canvases.

Derek was staging an exhibition in a Greenway Village.

Jan dropped her fishing pole and grabbed for as many canvases as she could carry. Into the house she marched with them, her cheeks flaming with fury.

"I guess the show's over, folks," Derek shouted and herded his passengers back to the tram car. He would, he reflected dourly, not only get the devil for being off the time schedule and maybe lose his job, but Jan, from the look in those flaming blue eyes of hers, would not only help, but throw, coils of fire on his head.

"I don't know where I got the idea," he tried to explain to her later. "I was rolling along and all at once I thought of the brilliant idea of staging an exhibition in the front yard. I figured I could bring all my passengers for customers any try to raise some money for you."

"You're a madman!" she raged at him, scolding her hair behind her ears with shaking fingers. "Can't you mind your own business? They don't care for your paintings! The least you could have done was ask me. Nobody bought any, either. I knew no one would want them. All you did was humiliate me and make me a laughing stock! Oh, I—I hate you!"

"Now listen, Jan," he pleaded. "I won't listen." She stamped her foot. "And I won't forgive you. It was mean and contemptible of you!" And she fled to her room and locked the door.

Derek ambled restlessly through the house, wondering how he could make amends to Jan. It had, he sighed, seemed a good plan at the time of execution. In fairness he tried to put himself in her place. What if she had invited a lot of strangers into the house and played his original compositions for them on the piano, then offered to sell them cheap? He would have felt like choking!

All of this present life was so new and so strange to him. This eternal anxiety over bills and earning money; this hoarding and counting and distributing of pennies. He had never in all of his life known need of money. At birth his father had established a large trust fund for him, the income from which more than satisfied all his needs; at the age of twenty-one he had inherited more than five millions from the estate of his grandmother. He had taken the possession of money for granted just as the Merriners took the lack of possession of it for granted. No poverty had ever haunted nor bedeviled him, but wealth had. He'd come to loathe great riches because they effectively shut him off from the things he wanted most.

All during adolescence he had yearned for normalcy, for a home, for quiet children, he thought, do not want to be different, to be set apart from their fellows. He wanted to say to his school friends: "Come along to my place for vacation. Mother and Dad like my friends around. They'll see to it we have a jolly time."

He had learned, and the informing was a bitter, ruthless process, that he could not purchase love, a family or recognition as a composer. But he could have bought Lenore Page. Would he have bought her, too, albeit unwittingly, if two things had not intervened.

The walls of this shabby weather-beaten old house seemed to close in about him. In growing dusk, from the chair where he slumped, he saw only the great solid outline of Jan's piano. His own piano had been much like this—the one he kept in his Manhattan apartment.

His penthouse apartment atop the latest of modern apartment houses on Sutton Place in New York City was crowded with a colorful group of names prominent in society, stage, sports and films. Lenore Page, ex-queen in a Lanvin creation of black velvet, wearing the priceless diamonds he had given her, played hostess, her sleek platinum head turned graciously to this and that celebrity, her great, dark eyes wide with interest, her small, boneless hands with sharp, blood-colored nails keeping things smooth. Lenore, beautiful as Helen of Troy, clever as Delilah!

He supposed, thinking back, that he had drunk too much champagne with dinner. Suddenly he wanted to be more than just a fabulously rich young man to these people. He wanted to play for them; wanted them to know that he, too, had talent, that he, too, could do something besides spend money.

The orchestra on the terrace stopped playing when he spoke to them. People paused, wondering, in the middle of a dance number. Lenore, seeing him cross the great room toward the piano, hurried up to him. Her eyes questioned.

"I'm going to play my new concerto for them, Lenore."

"No Mood To Listen!" She slipped her arm through his, detaching his. "Not now, Ricky," she said sharply. "You are in no mood to listen to me. You've been thinking for hours, dear, and I know the music critic is here. I know, Ricky, don't do this." She freed herself and went on toward her hands.

quiet, everyone! Mine host will play for you."

He settled at the piano, let his narrow, sensitive fingers bring his creation to life. The silence in the room held a girl, fascinated, then some girl, really intoxicated, called loudly: "Swing it, Ricky! This is no funeral!"

Someone laughed. Talk began, swelled. He and his music were forgotten.

Someone he got away from the piano, brushed past Gordon who sympathized. "It's a damned shame, Knowles!" escaped Lenore, found a chair in a dim recess of the terrace. A long while he sat alone nursing his wound. A couple passed him, not seeing him, stopped a few feet away to lean against the white brick parapet of the terrace.

Lenore's voice, annoyed, petulant, came to him. "How can he be such an egotistical fool, Ronnie? He fancies himself a Paderewski. I've had to sit hours listening to him, pretending interest, dying of boredom. When I think of what my married life will be I could scream!"

The man said, drawing her into his arms, "A form of mental cruelty, dearest, which might serve as grounds for divorce—and alimony! Don't weaken, honey. Neither of us has a penny. Anyhow, I'm being very generous. I think, running the risk of losing you. After all, the chap is terribly good-looking, even if he is a bit cracked about music. You might like being married to him. I hear yachts and diamonds and millions aren't hard to take!"

"Foolish boy," she chided, and drew his mouth down to hers, while the man in the shadows watched the blending of silhouettes against a background of star-studded sky flushed red by Neon.

Violence rose up in him, choking him. He would have liked to toss both Lenore and Ronnie Hartlett over the parapet and watch their bodies hurtle to the pavement fifty stories below.

But he waited until his guests had gone before dealing with Lenore. He took her hand and led her out on the terrace.

"Darling," she laughed, and the bright, hard sound of it hurt his ears. "I'm so dreadfully sorry about tonight's fiasco. You should never have tried playing for them, dear. It was neither the time nor place. Ricky, what ails you? Your eyes—don't look at me that way!"

Without speaking he unclasped her diamond necklace and dropped it into his coat pocket, reached for her hands. She stepped back, frightened.

"What are you doing?" Derek in heaven's name, what's wrong with you? You stare at me as if I were a snake."

"Not a snake," he corrected evenly. "A snake gives warning before it strikes." Gripping her wrists he jerked off the diamond bracelet, then tore the diamond engagement ring from her finger.

Her fragile, angelic face contorted with rage and fear. "Derek, are you mad? What have I done?"

"Killed me," he said. "You're free now to take your Ronnie, if he'll have you without my diamonds and my money! And you'll never have to listen to me play again!"

And so he had not bought Lenore Page. Instead, in early morning, he boarded a plane for that coast where he tried to fill the hollows inside of him with liquor. It hadn't worked. He had sailed and swum and danced with pretty girls while all of the time revolted violently inside of him.

Then the great idea had come to him as he lay on the sand before his rented house at Malibu Beach. "There's nothing left I want to buy," he reasoned. "Death might be better and a smiling adventure and if not so what?"

But it so happened a slip of a girl interfered.

Finishing, he listened hopefully for sound of Jan. Nice kid, so darned valiant about things, he hadn't meant to hurt her. He hoped when she did fall in love it would be with a man who could appreciate her fine qualities; not, he frowned, someone like Johnny Benton, who would make her life miserable by trying to make her over to fit his stupid pattern.

He started to play the chorus of the song again, broke off abruptly as Rose opened the front door and came in.

"Hello," she said, sitting down beside him on the bench, crossing her slim, tanned legs and letting her feet rest on the floor. She looked at her smooth, warm skin. Her hair was loose and sprayed over her shoulders darkly. Her gray-green eyes, meeting his, were amused and compelling.

"I didn't know you played?"

"If you call this playing," he mocked. "Any luck today, siren?"

"Not much." She sighed. "The good-looking men are definitely, oh, so definitely, attached, and the others are ugly, past belief, or old and fat and bald-headed. I wish I could afford to buy myself a pretty man!"

"Like me?" he bantered idly.

"You might suit," she admitted. "You're a queer sort, you know, for an odd-job man. I have a feeling all of the time that I've seen your picture somewhere and it wasn't in the Fisherman's Digest!"

"Are you for sale?"

"Have you been in the sheriff's office lately? I'm wanted for robbing the malls. Five thousand reward, dead or alive. But I trust you, dear friend. I know you won't give me away!"

"Idiot!" Her slim, well-tended hand reached out from under its load of colored wooden bracelets and touched his unruly hair.

He heard the closing of a door upstairs. "By yourself," he ordered Rose. "You can't afford me." Timing herself expertly to forestall any resistance, she caught his lean, brown face between the palms of her hands and kissed him on the lips.

Jan, halfway down the stairs, saw them, heard Rose say, "It was much better than I expected, darling. By the way, isn't the monotony of your existence gratifying on your nerves? You have a presentable outfit of clothes now; why don't you come along with me tonight to the gambling ship to-night? I'll stake you anything up to ten dollars."

"No, thanks," he refused shortly. "Lady Luck doesn't smile on me."

"Are you for sale?" she asked softly. "I might manage somehow."

Scheek color crept along his cheekbones. This was Lenore before him, scheming, planning, unscrupulous. He cranked his flat down on the ivory keys, and swore at her beneath his breath. Jan, coming in, saw the sudden pallor of Rose's skin and the dilation of her eyes. Not understanding, Jan put it down to emotion.

But Derek knew that in this moment he'd made himself an enemy who would injure him if she could.

Rose nodded briefly to Jan and ran up to her room.

Derek, relieved, managed a grin. "Puss, am I forgiven yet?" he asked Jan as she went toward the kitchen. Getting no answer he followed her and saw her wide blue eyes were brimming with tears.

"Oh, listen," he pleaded, "it can't be so bad as all that. I'm sorry, I apologize. I'll even wash and wipe the dishes or scrub the floor for penance. Please don't feel bad, Jan. I'm a blundering oaf."

"Let's just forget it," she said, swallowing hard. "Will you run up to the store for bread and milk? Wait, I'll give you a bottle and some change."

After delivering the purchase to her, observing the stubborn set of her lips and chin, he sensed instinctively he should leave her alone. He went upstairs, intending to drop in on Lance, but outside of Lance's door he heard Rose's voice.

"Hang her!" he muttered. "She ought to get rid of her. She's a kind of dynamite around this house."

With a shrug he climbed the ladder to the roof, glad of the cold salt wind that smacked his body, glad of this solitude.

At the back of the roof facing inland he could gaze into a distance of palm trees, flower gardens, gleaming red and white houses tops. To the south, a mile or so away, stood platoons of tall steel oil derricks against a background of encroaching fog. Purple looked, he mused, like an army of besieging robots guided by an enemy hand. Not far fetched, either, this fancy, for these derricks, set up on tidelands, had despoiled the long sweep of wide, sandy beach, casting oil with its stinging crude strength on waters that had been, before their advent, singularly untroubled.

Less Introspective

"The progress of civilization," he mocked. "For every thing gained something equally valuable lost!"

Money, he'd been told by his teachers and adviser could be employed wisely for great good. He supposed he should have done more than write out checks to this one and that one. But he was young and his own complicated, twisted, thwarted being had demanded all his attention. Too much, perhaps. Occupied these days with the problems of the Merriners, he had certainly be-

come less introspective, more comprehending.

So Rose wondered if he was tired of the monotony of this existence. No. Not yet. But what of Jan, who worked so hard that her small, delicate hands were calloused and rough? Didn't Jan need escape, a little fun?

"I get paid tomorrow," he figured. "I'll give her my board money and will splurge the rest of it on the amusement pier! If I can make her laugh and smile like she did the night I took her dancing, it's worth every last penny!"

During the preparation of dinner Jan tried to submerge her resentment toward Rose and Derek. If he wanted to kiss Rose it was his business. She didn't own him, even though he laughingly claimed he was hers. Hadn't she, herself, suggested to him that he try to deflect Rose's interest from Lance? Thinking, of course, that he'd never take her up on it. That might be the explanation, she considered, but in all probability it wasn't.

At least she had recovered from the auctioning incident, absolving Derek of malicious intent. And she had been glad to hear him touch the piano for the second time since his coming, even if he had played only an old popular song.

Things were going badly enough in the house right now, without her making them worse. She had to make do with what she had. While soup simmered, potatoes baked, and steak roasted slowly in the big iron skillet, she skipped up to the roof in search of Derek and found him teasing Neptune into kittenish leaps with a string and a spool.

"Did you come up to let me out of the dog house?" he implored, his eyes dancing.

"It's on probation only." The wind blowing off the water cooled her flushed face and ruffled her daffodil hair. A stubborn ray of sunset parted long hanging clouds and shone with bright vehemence on the horizon, creating a mirage of sparkling glass to wall the edge of ocean and sky.

"The water looks quiet out there," she said, pointing, "but it isn't. It's never quiet. It's always restless, moving, changing, even in dead calm. People are like that, too. You never know what's going on inside of them."

To be continued.

Chapter 21  
NEPTUNE POSES

Jan turned deep, cool eyes to Derek. "I've done as you advised, Derek—about my painting. I'm rested now and eager to try again. I don't quite know yet what it will be, but surely something different. Tomorrow morning I begin my last attempt."

"Good. You'll succeed this time." "Derek, why don't you try again? It might be different now. You are different whether you realize it or not."

"It's no use, Jan." His tone was final. "As a composer, I'm finished—if I ever began. I'd rather not talk about it."

She let her voice be deliberately scornful. "If you had any faith in yourself at all, if you had the least bit of courage."

"Oh, stop," he ordered crossly. "Next time you'll be saying my sore ego hasn't healed."

"Well, has it?"

"Get back to your cooking and leave me alone," he said rudely, scowling at her.

The next morning, as soon as the breakfast dishes were done and Lance's needs attended to, Jan took herself and Neptune up on the roof. The sky was overcast, but the air was warm for May, and overcast mornings caused little concern to people who lived year round at the beach.

Before doing anything at all Jan stretched out in her striped canvas deck chair and concentrated on the achievement of complete relaxation. Almost she fell asleep, caught herself, yawned and blinked and took a few bending exercises. Today she wore a smock of yellow linen with exaggerated collar and gay flowing scarf, new leather anklets and cork-soled sandals.

Maybe it was a hunch, maybe a conditioning reflex, but she rebelled at setting up her easel and dabbling with oils or water colors. No, today she would sketch, draw anything and everything she saw.

Putting a drawing board across the arms of the deck chair she lacked a sheet of heavy white paper on it and laid a half-dozen soft black pencils within reach. Her glance took in the possibilities offered by the rooftop. There was Derek's tent, the big red chimney, the pots holding blooming purple petunias, dark red dahlias, white tulips, multi-colored nasturtiums—and right in front of her, putting at, then catching and tossing up a crumpled piece of paper, Neptune. Sensing he had an interested audience he flattened out on his side holding the paper between his paws and regarded her with inscrutable amber eyes.

Swiftly, smiling to herself as she worked, she sketched him with sure, deft strokes of pencil. "Neppy," she said, "why didn't I use you as a model before? You behave well and you cost me nothing."

In fifteen minutes time the sketch was completed. Jan turned her head this way and that to observe all perspectives on her work. The smile she wore disappeared. "Neppy!" she gasped out. "Neppy, I've put you on paper. I mean it's really you. Alive, mischievous, resting from play. This is the only thing I've ever done

that's alive!"

Excited, yet controlling her eagerness, she took more paper and took time to pose her model. For hours she worked, completely unaware of time passing. She drew the compass and calligraphic cream; curled on the parapet with the breeze ruffling his fur; peering up between flower pots; standing upright smelling for catnip on a small table; sleeping in a basket, and teasing with wide open mouth for a piece of fish in her fingers. In all she made ten sketches, then traced her name in bold signature at the bottom of each.

Quaking inside, almost afraid to risk a second examination, she lifted each one for minute scrutiny, placed tissue over it and put it on the pile.

"They are good," she whispered in quivering exultation. "Good enough to sell!"

Wary, unaware of it, hugging to herself this secret, she packed the sketches in corrugated paper.

Jan bounded them with wrapping paper and addressed them to a national, famous women's magazine. Determined not to consult anyone, not to stop to consider anything, she carried them to the post office and mailed them.

Not until she was halfway home did reaction set in and then she wanted to dash back to the post office and retrieve her package.

She assured herself practically. "The worst that can happen is rejection. If they don't catch me back to me, that's all. Now, instead of living in an agony of suspense, just you forget all about it until you hear one way or the other."

For the duration of the afternoon she worked hard at forgetting, but she could not dampen the joy leaping in her, exhilarating her, making her eyes glow with creative satisfaction.

However, her dinner companions succeeded in dampening some of her fiery excitement. Norma, so demure and mild, poked at her food like a dispirited mouse, while Lance fairly bolted his food, determined, Jan thought, to get away from Norma and back to the possibility of seeing Rose as soon as it was humanly possible. She attempted to carry on table conversation, Derek helping, but no one could possibly carry on conversation with two people who behaved as if they were both deaf and dumb.

Norma did not go into Lance's room any more. She sat in the living room or up in her bedroom with her knitting, her school papers, and her heartbreak. No mention of movies was made. No mention of Rose unless Lance did the mentioning. Lance even permitted Derek to carry him upstairs on nights when Frank was late in order, they all knew, to see Rose alone.

"I'll help you with the dishes," Derek offered after taking Lance upstairs. "I'm bursting with a surprise, young Merriner, and I'm not good at keeping secrets!"

"Tell me quick, then. I don't want you bursting in my clean, respectable kitchen."

"Not until the dishes are done," he stipulated.

"Sober the dishes!" she scoffed. "The dishes are done. It's good enough, the dishes can wait until morning."

"You and I," he declared portentously, "are going on a spree tonight. Now, wait a minute, let me finish. I've saved six dollars to blow on the roller coaster, the fun house, the stratosphere ship, the flying circus—on everything including hot dogs and six dances for a quarter. Now get into your best spinnings, wench, and away we go!"

Her eyes sparkled. "Bring on your golden chariot, Prince Charming, and I'll be ready for the ball in a jiffy!" She skipped for the stairs, so happy that she bubbled over and sang with it.

"Borrow Something"

Rose called to her as she sped through the upper hallway. Jan turned back reluctantly, forcing herself to be civil to this woman who was causing her so much concern. Yet Rose had charm and a forthright smile which continually disarmed her, made her want to believe that Rose was not malicious nor cruel, but only selfish and thoughtless.

"Why the rapturous gleam in your eyes, Jan?" she asked, and smiled.

"Anticipating an evening of fun on the pier? What I had something new and intriguing to wear."

"Derek?"

Jan nodded. "Then, Rose, of course, 'borrow something' of mine. I've loads of sport things."

"Oh, no, I couldn't do that. I'll make out all right. Thanks, though."

"Nonsense, child! Come in and pick out something." She took hold of the younger girl's arm and urged her into the room. Searching through the deep clothes closet crammed full with clothes and wraps and shoes she brought out a blue and white checked sport suit of summer tweed and thrust it in Jan's arms.

"It's too short," she considered. "It's too tight and too tight for me. If you like it you may have it. I'll give you a hat—she opened a cream leather hat box and took out a rakish felt of blue which matched the suit. "Try them on in here and let me see you," she requested. "I'm supposed to meet Johnny at the Club for dinner at seven-thirty, but it won't hurt him to wait awhile. I'm not trespassing on your territory by using Johnny as escort, am I?"

"No. Jan wanted to refuse the dress; she didn't wish to be indebted to Rose for a pretty new feminine desire for a new set of trappings overruled her distrust of Rose. She unbuttoned her gay yellow smock and stood before the elder woman in the plain cheap underthings which had been laundered and mended past all color and fit.

"Jan, you're a perfectly proportioned body," Rose commented

with sure, impersonal judgment. "Now on earth do you flip so trim!"

Jan flushed, embarrassed by this frank scrutiny. "Running up and down stairs a hundred times a day, I guess," she said hurrying into the checked suit. Rose provided a white crepe blouse with a tailored bow at the high neckline, pulled the coat down, buttoned it and turned Jan around for inspection.

"I-I guess it won't do," Jan faltered, disappointed, for the suit may have been small for Rose, but it was large for her.

Chapter 22  
MAN OF MYSTERY

The suit Rose wanted to lend her was too large for Jan.

"A couple of safety pins will fix it," Rose decided, expertly adjusting the skirt and pinning the waistband. "There, how's that? It's all right. What about shoes? I know you couldn't wear mine."

"I've a pair of white pumps left over from last summer," Jan turned to go, her smock over her arm, the blue hat in her hand. "Will you go in to see Lance before you leave?"

Rose frowned, fumbled in her tiny, brilliant-set bag for a cigarette, but it between her lips and lit it before answering. "I thought it better to go," she answered. "I never met you, Johnny will have a fit if I'm any later."

Jan went on out, saying, "Thanks for the loan of the clothes. I'll be careful of them."

"Don't be," Rose admonished, closing the door. "If I didn't live here with you I wouldn't be able to afford the sort of clothes I need. Have fun tonight with your man of mystery!"

"Man of mystery?"

Rose smiled slowly, wisely. "Well, isn't he? Young, handsome, sophisticated, obviously educated and far too experienced for the role he is playing. I think he's hiding from something or someone. Well, murder usually out!"

Jan thought of Derek's words: "Women and their hateful, probing curiosity!" She answered nothing, however, and went on to her own room.

Before going downstairs to join Derek she stepped in to see Lance. He had turned off all the lights except a dim night lamp and the room was cloudy with cigarette smoke. The heaped sahnays attested to his incessant nervous smoking.

"You need some air in here," she said and opened two of the windows for a minute.

He demanded sharply, "Where's Rose? I haven't seen her all day."

"She went to the Club for dinner."

"I heard you talking to her a minute ago in the hall."

"I know. She was just leaving."

The tip of his cigarette burned with red fierceness. "Well, she could have stopped in a minute. Close those windows, will you? I'm cold. I'm a fool," he went on with derisive bitterness. "Why should I expect her to be interested in a helpless cripple? Why shouldn't she dine and dance and swim and ride? Do all the things I can't do? Why couldn't I have met her when I was whole? When I flew—made money—was something, somebody. I'd do better to have these petrified legs of mine cut off, at least then I could hobble about on stumps! Why can't they give me artificial legs? I could use crutches then. What in hell is the use of dragging two dead legs around? Jan, you've got to do something for me. I can't go on this way—buried alive in this room, slowly going mad, and maybe not so slowly."

Thick With Grief

All the earlier anticipation of fun fled from Jan, all the pleasure of wearing something new, of being with Derek. Her throat became thick with grief. Crossing the room she slipped an arm around her brother's thin shoulder. He shrugged away from her touch. "I don't want pity and sympathy!" he raged. "I want to walk!"

"The surgeons said—" she began helplessly.

"I know, I know, but that was two years ago!"

"We have no money," she whispered. "We can't sell the house. Oh, don't look so hurt! If I can try again I can buy you any kind of house you want."

"Why the hell was I thinking of Rose, not her, and a defeated, desolate, feeling wrong she agreed gently. "If you think it wise, I'll do it. We can talk it over tomorrow. Shall I send Norma in to keep you company this evening?"

"No," he muttered. "I can hardly bear to look at her during meals. Her eyes are red and watery all the time—why doesn't she have her glasses changed? And why does she act as if I'm sticking pins in her every time I mention Rose?"

"Oh, go along, I see you're dressed to go out, and stop bothering me!" He snapped on a lamp and wheeled himself to his work bench.

"I may as well finish my rounds," she thought, going on to Norma's room, thankful to find Norma gone. How could Lance be so blind? Didn't he know Norma loved him? That he was hurting her terribly? It wasn't like Lance to be deliberately cruel. He was utterly mad infatuation for the beautiful divorcee which had made him so unseeing, unthinking, uncaring for anyone or anything else.

"I've been waiting years!" Derek grieved her at the bottom of the stairs. He noted her costume and his eyes crinkled go out, and laughter. "You look like a little girl playing dress-up in her mama's clothes," he teased. "Is Rose trying to accomplish?"

She glared at him. "If you say one more word I shall scream and go upstairs and put on my slacks and sweatshirt!"

"Oh, puss-cat, I was only teasing. You look delightful and lovely and—what's the rest—delicious? Anyhow, come along and

don't trip with those high heels. You ain't used to them, you know."

"Don't I know?" she asserted with emphasis. "My feet are already protesting these straight-jackets. I'm as hard to get into shoes as an Oarok hillbilly. I slip around in sandals too much. I've nearly forgotten how to pick up my feet."

Where the cobbled walk, bordered by bleached sea shells, met the cement strip of the beach "boardwalk" Derek placed his hands on her shoulders and faced her toward the sea. "Close your eyes and make me a promise," he ordered.

"Yes, sir." Obediently her thick cheeks swept down.

"Repeat after me: I, Jan Merriner, hereby promise to abandon care and worry for tonight, because: 'Care to your coffin adds a nail, no doubt—And every grin so merry draws one out!'"

"Toss Your Troubles"

She lingered over the words of the quotation. "Who said that?"

"Wolcott, a British satirist of the eighteenth century. It's part of a collection of his 'Epistolary Odes' and the old boys sure knew what he was talking about! What I'm trying to convey is please toss your troubles back where they come from and let's see how many coffin nails we can draw out tonight with our grins. How about it?"

"Promise."

He said, touching her elbow as they walked, "Here comes a man with a huge and quite awful nose. I'll wager he'd give a fair trade some with me any one, but he looks the type who wouldn't give near a plastic surgeon because God gave him his nose and he must bear up under it!"

Jan giggled. "Stop it, Derek," she pleaded. "I want to worry about my worries and you're making it impossible."

"I aim to please, Ma'am. Well, hold your hat, Jan, the first time I'll be as big as your nose. The barber's hallyhoo for the roller coaster: 'It's the High Boy, folks! A long, safe, high, sensational ride! Only a dime for the thrill of a lifetime!'"

"Two, please," he smiled at the ticket girl.

The car awaiting them was full except for the back seat. "Oh, no," Jan protested, drawing back. "It's the worst seat of all."

"Oh, yes!" he insisted and lifted her in. "Better take your hat off. She did, while the attendant buckled a strap across their stomachs.

"All set!" the attendant shouted. The car started off around a neck-jarring curve, clanked its way up and up toward the sky, then hurtled down, a Lucifer's chariot plummeting to Hades. On the steepest downgrade, Jan, terrified, closed her eyes and clung to Derek, sure her heart was on its way out of her mouth.

"Take my arm," he ordered when again they stood on solid cement. She put on her hat. He reached over and gave it a tug over one eye, achieving deftly a jaunty tilt. "Let's not skip anything till the money's all gone," he said.

Jan hurried a little to keep up with his long strides, looking up at him with shining, excited eyes. The May evening was warm, clear, starry, benevolent as a philanthropist. Nearly all of the concessions and assorted rides were open for business and a good-sized crowd thronged the pier.

Jan clung proudly to Derek's arm, smiling at the good-natured smiles proffered by the concessions, her friends. She introduced him to several of them.

"Why didn't you warn me you knew everybody?" he asked. "If I'd known I had to run a gauntlet I'd have washed behind my ears!"

They tossed pennies into hoops for Derek; they threw baseballs at milk bottles and won nothing at all, bounced balls into boxes and won a ham; rode the merry-go-round, missed the gold ring; went into the fun house and let shot down a sparkling water-lust in a white gondola, and got lost for several minutes in the tunnel of love.

Their needs; rode a great swinging shoe that turned them upside down until their faces grew scarred a thorough shaking up; rode whirling cars that periled to be continued.

LABOR COMPLAINTS ARE INVESTIGATED

R. J. Morey, Lubbock, deputy commissioner for the bureau of labor statistics, state department of labor, has been assigned to investigate several complaints in Big Spring of labor law violations by employers.

Most of the complaints, it was indicated, are moving practices of working women in excess of the state week-hour limitations.

Morey will be at the Crawford hotel where he will advise with employers or employers regarding labor matters.

RUNYAN CO. GETS ODESSA CONTRACT

A local firm was among the successful bidders on the \$97,000 Odessa East side elementary school job and South side additions Saturday.

Runyan Plumbing Co. of Big Spring was low on the plumbing and heating contract with a bid of \$12,712.80. Rose Construction Co. of Abilene got the general contract of \$9,215 and J. H. Pruitt Electric Co. of Lubbock was low with \$5,025 on the electrical work. Construction is to begin June 24 and contracts call for completion in 135 working days. The building will have eight classrooms and an auditorium seating 400.

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Elementary school enrollment in the United States dropped 4.3 per cent between 1930 and 1934, and it is still going down, apparently due to a drop in the population of children under high school age.

## Ballot Costs Are Assessed

Ballot fees totaling more than \$1,000 were assessed Monday afternoon against 54 county and precinct candidates by the county democratic executive committee.

L. S. Patterson, chairman of the committee, announced the schedule which ranged from \$45 in the uncontested county clerk's race to \$1 for county surveyor.

Candidates have through Saturday to file payment with the committee in order to insure a place on the ballot for the first democratic primary on July 27. The committee will meet Monday to prepare the ballots.

Should all meet the ballot fee requirement, the total would be \$1,042, the sum which must be used to operate both the first and second primaries. The county bears the expense of the general election in November.

The 24 candidates for four county commissioners places will bear the brunt of the expense due to the large field. Next in aggregate amount is the district clerk's race with \$160 split eight ways.

The schedule announced by Patterson, together with the number of candidates follows: County judge \$35; 2 county attorney \$30; 2 district clerk \$20; 8 sheriff \$25; 3 assessor-collector \$35; 2 treasurer \$25; 1 surveyor \$1; 1 public weigher \$5; 1 county commissioner \$18; 2 justice of peace precinct No. 1, \$10; 8 constable precinct No. 1, \$5; 4.

Fees for filing for state and district office are set by law at \$1 and the county committee makes no assessment on these positions. The assessments this year were held up to provide for quicker canvass of returns, Patterson said.

## Fireproof Cotton Is Perfected

CHARLOTTE, N. C., June 16 (AP) A burning match was tossed on a pile of fluffy white cotton. It went out, and left a smudge; but the cotton had not burned.

Then men spread some of the cotton on the ground, and stuck an acetylene torch to it. Sure, the torch burnt a hole through the cotton, but it cut a clean hole and the cotton around the hole didn't catch fire.

There you have it—fireproof cotton.

"It's the greatest thing that's happened to the cotton industry, the department of agriculture believes," W. J. Heenan, an inspector of the department, said after tests here.

"The great thing about this new fireproof cotton is that it may be used for so many things. There's no end to the practical adaptations."

The federal government has made an allotment of 500,000 pounds of this new treated cotton to a Charlotte manufacturing concern. Another large allotment has been made to a company in Tyler, Tex.

The trick is performed, naturally, by chemicals. They wrap up the fibers of cotton in crystals of certain substances that make it non-inflammable.

Possible uses for the fireproof cotton include installation of buildings and decorative purposes such as fireproof Christmas trees, but Heenan pointed out, the possibilities are limitless.

## Items From Lees Community

On last Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Smith at the Shell camp Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Hill Scott were hostesses to a bridal shower for Mrs. A. J. Bates, the former Miss Joyce Bates. Refreshments were served to Mrs. Bates, Mrs. T. E. Thompson, Mrs. R. H. Foard, Mrs. W. Holcombe, Mrs. Miss Meiba Hobbs, Mrs. W. R. Hobbs, Mrs. Billy Brake, Mrs. Bill McLaren, Miss Billie Jo McDougal, Mrs. Sandy Little, Mrs. V. E. Phillips, Mrs. H. W. Bates, Miss Vivian Westerman, Mrs. Art Phillips, Mrs. M. M. Fairchild, Mrs. J. G. Montgomery, Miss Olive Holcombe, Mrs. Jay Lacombe, all of Lees, Mrs. A. W. Wood of Seminole, Miss Dorra Jane Thompson of Foran, the honoree, now of Seminole and the hostesses. Those sending gifts were Mrs. B. G. Killian, Mrs. Dave Grasset, Mrs. A. M. Whetzel Mrs. W. W. McDaniel, Douglas Whetzel, all of Lees, J. C. Bates and Emil Bates of Odessa, Mrs. A. R. Beales of Goldsmith and Mrs. O. K. Williams of Lees.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Killian and children returned home Friday after a week's visit in the Rio Grande valley.

Mrs. V. E. Phillips and children are visiting Mrs. Phillips' parents near Goldthwaite.

Rev. Walter Smith filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Mitchell and children left Saturday for Lagan, Calif., where they will make their home.

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Editorial

Clarence Streit's great book, Union Now, in which a United States of Europe is proposed, is a timely work of a sequel. That sequel should be called Union Here, and it should set forth the advantages of a Union of American Nations.

All the 21 republics and the Dominion of Canada would be in it. Each would preserve its political identity and maintain all its local political rights. But for hemispheric defense all would pool their efforts and their resources and manpower. The hemisphere would have a tariff union of its own and its economies and finances would be coordinated. West Point and Annapolis would be thrown open to limited groups from the 21 other nations, to the end that military and naval systems could be harmonized and improved. There would be a system of student exchanges for the purpose of molding hemispheric culture into a harmonious whole.

It is hardly necessary to point out that many of these objectives already have been achieved. We need mention only the reciprocal trade pacts,

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the Pan-American superbank, the steady development of the Good Neighbor idea under the leadership of President Roosevelt. It is only a step to the other necessary arrangements to make the United States of the Americas a reality and not a dream.

We will not have done this voluntarily, to be sure, but under the compulsion of necessity. Perhaps it will take a generation or more to bring it into full flower and another generation to make it work satisfactorily; but wisdom dictates the creation of the United States of the Americas in which, as the largest and richest state of the brotherhood, the United States must take the leading role.

Possibly the dream is nearer a reality than most of us realize. We have come a long way on the road to it in the last few years—a long way to it these last few months. In the face of a menacing Europe and a seething Asia, no other course is open to us.

Washington Daybook

WASHINGTON In the days of glorifying the major and minor prophets of modern warfare let me bow low to Rep. Carl Hinshaw, of Pasadena, Calif., for digging up Maj. J. D. Fullerton, of British Royal Engineers.

On file at the war department is a complete record of a speech Major Fullerton made at the International Congress of Engineers in August, 1933. First, he said you were ten years before the Wright boys took their first flying machine off the sands of Kitty Hawk. Only the richest of the ritzy had electric lights. Gasoline buggies were practically unknown and the greatest pedestrian menace was the bicycle.

Ladies' Major Fullerton speaking: "To sum up, first, it seems quite probable that in the near future, aerial warfare will have to be counted upon."

"Second, this will, practically speaking, revolutionize the art of war."

"Third, owing to the high rate of speed which airplanes will attain it will be necessary for all nations to maintain themselves ready for war at very short notice."

"Fourth, the nations most affected by the introduction of aerial warfare will be those who depend for their defense upon navies."

"Fifth, as the aerial ships will be, comparatively speaking, inexpensive, the small nations will be able to equip themselves with them."

"Sixth, owing to the possibility of war at very short notice, a larger proportion of the nation will have to be kept under arms."

"Seventh, warfare by sea and land will only be possible when a nation has command of the air."

If that's not the fuselage on the nose, I never heard of it. Like Mr. Hinshaw, it's hard to keep from wondering if that sort of conviction has been floating around in military circles for 47

years—where the army strategists of our other nations have been. And how come it was left to A. Hitler, Goering & Co. to prove the British major's point?

OFFERS SUB-CAPITAL

Carl Brown, editor of The Atchison Globe, must be first with the news out Atchison way because he was first to offer this city as a rabbit hole for the national capitol.

Observing that dispatches indicate Washington is pretty jittery, Mr. Brown wrote Congressman W. P. Lambertson:

"My only conclusion is that Washington people see visions of invasion."

"The good old town of Atchison, Kan., wishing to alleviate the sufferings of Washington people, invites and urges that a subsidiary national capitol be created in Atchison, which is in the heart of America."

"Atchison has four railroads, is on the Missouri river, which now is ready for steam boat and barge traffic, and has beautiful sites for government buildings."

"Atchison submits this invitation and urges it in all seriousness. Even when the world is at peace, there should be a subsidiary national capitol in the heart of America."

If the applause that swept the house when Mr. Brown's letter was read is a criterion, the representatives think that's a swell idea. Who's next?

WAR TALK DISCOURAGED

Several government offices have posted signs: "Visitors please refrain from discussing the war. We have work to do."

Assistant Secretary of War Louis Johnson still has that sign up in his office. "We ain't read with nobody."

By Jack Stinnett

Rain Revives Chances For County Crop Production

Fall Heaviest In Northeast Sector, City

Planting moisture fell over half of drought-stricken Howard county Tuesday afternoon and revived chances for crop production in many barren communities.

Heaviest downpours were reported in Big Spring and in the northeastern part of the county. The U. S. department of commerce bureau at the airport measured only .05 inches of moisture Tuesday and a trace at noon Wednesday while the U. S. Experiment Farm gauge showed .46 inches Tuesday evening. In some areas of southeastern and southwestern Big Spring the fall was measured at more than an inch.

The shower broke southwestward toward Elbow, but missed the T&E lake water shed and those of the Moss Creek and Powell Creek city lakes. In the city water overflowed damaged streets, and Johnson street presented the unusual sight of carrying the largest volume of water, indicating the spotlessness of the rain.

North of Big Spring and east of the Gall road beneficial showers were reported. Around Center Point the fall was more than an inch. Sprinkles fell at Vealmoor but to the east the amount was substantially higher and ranged up to two inches in spots. Virtually all of the northeastern quarter of the county was believed to have had enough or almost enough rain on which to plant.

Spotted but helpful showers were reported in the Hartwells community but generally the territory to the north and west of Big Spring was not helped greatly. Southwest the fall was alternately light and heavy.

Downpours were general over an area surrounding San Angelo. Other rains as reported to the Dallas weather bureau up to 8 a. m. included: Brady, .98 inch; Austin, 1.13 inches; Dallas, .24; Houston, 2.06; Laredo, .30, to which rains later today were added; Palestine, .39; Hallinger, 1.10; Bronson, .76; Brownwood, .30; Carrizo Springs, 1.50; Dilley, 2.72; Eastland, .70; Lampasas, .80; Temple, 1.62; Uvalde, .62.

The population of China in the year 1931 was about 60,000,000.

In Scotland, the principal local court is the sheriff's court.

NEWS NOTES FROM THE OIL FIELD COMMUNITIES

Vard Cowley has returned to his home in Levelland after a visit here with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Long and son, Billie, are spending their vacation in Hico, Cross Plains and Goldthwaite with relatives.

Norma Barber is visiting friends in Lubbock.

Mrs. R. L. Smith of McCamey is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Grant have returned home after a two week vacation. While away they visited Mrs. Grant's sister, Mrs. Wanda Palmer at Del Rio.

Mrs. Kathleen Fry of Lamena is a guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Cowley.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Boyd are parents of a girl weighing 9 pounds, 10 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gresset and family were Sunday visitors with Mrs. Gresset's mother near Sterling City.

Bonnie Ruth and Betty Jane Reed have returned home after undergoing tonsil operations in a hospital in Big Spring.

Fred and Frank Thleme were recent guests of their grandmother, Mrs. A. Babb, near Sterling City.

Rev. A. T. Willis is conducting a revival in Lenora for a week.

Mutt Scudday is visiting home folk from Denver City for a few days.

Miss Verna King was here the first to organize a vacation school at the Baptist church which will start the 30th of June.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mayfield of Clarendon are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Campbell. Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield are the parents of Mrs. Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie White of Boss City have as their guests, Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Taylor of Abilene.

Ernest Clifton has moved his cattle from the Bill Cushing ranch to the Schuster sudan farm near Hyman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Conger, Jr., returned Saturday night from California and spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Beatty, and Mrs. Conger of Sterling City.

William Taylor of Abilene was a business visitor in Forsan Monday. He was also the guest of his sister, Mrs. Leslie White, and Mr. White.

Mrs. Vera Harris and daughter, Myra Nell, spent the weekend in Odessa. Gail Tate, who has been their house guest, returned to Goldsmith Sunday.

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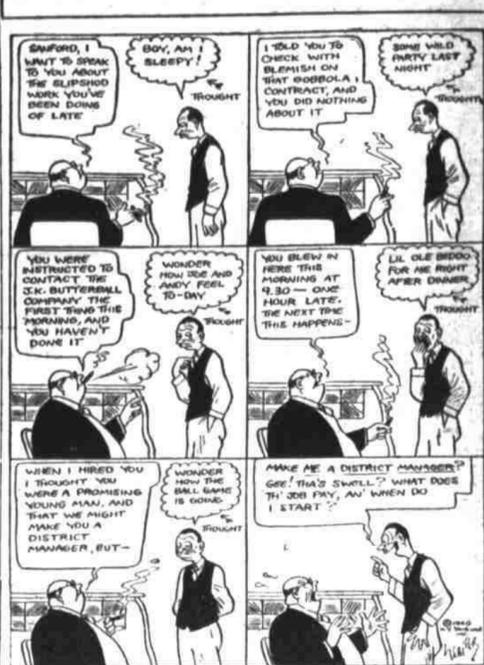
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Mills In U. S. Operate Without European Dyes

PHILADELPHIA (UP)—Textile mills are not having the difficulty in obtaining dyestuffs that they experienced in the last war, according to R. E. Rose, technical research director of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours and company's Deepwater plant.

"This country can get along without imports of dyes from Europe," he said. "Our total imports before the war began amounted to only 3 per cent of the dyestuffs used."

Are You Listening?



Agreement On Local Rodeo Is Reached

Show Will Be Held Early In August; Two-Day Event

Big Spring definitely will have a rodeo this year.

Chamber of commerce officials and directors of the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo association Tuesday afternoon reached an agreement whereby the show, which has been staged here for the past six years, will continue without interruption.

Dates were not fixed for the affair, but it will be staged early in August.

Rodeo and chamber representatives agreed to streamline the program this season and to condense the event into two days. Competi-

tion will be wide open to amateurs and professionals alike.

Under a series of underwriters agreements, Big Spring businessmen have agreed to absorb any possible deficit up to \$1,000. However, plans will be made to stage such a rapid-fire show that it is hoped that the annual event will be returned to the profitable basis it enjoyed for five years.

As in the past, it will be staged on the rodeo grounds in the eastern part of the city.

Previously, it had been doubtful that a show could be held since rodeo directors said they were unable to continue without assurances of outside financial help in event of deficits.

The Republic of Guatemala was established April 17, 1838.

EAT AT THE CLUB CAFE "We Never Close" G. C. DUNHAM, Prop.

Man About Manhattan

NEW YORK I am not certain that Edward R. Stettinius, who gave up his \$100,000 a year job with U. S. Steel to serve on FDR's defense program board, would want his story told. It is a personal story, and it concerns something that happened when he was an undergraduate at the University of Virginia.

Everyone is familiar with his record in business, and everyone is familiar with his distinguished appearance. Though only in his thirties, he has long been gray, you might almost say silver, or white haired. He had gray hair even during his student days at Virginia.

Stettinius was graduated the year before I landed amid the halls of Mr. Jefferson's place of higher learning at Charlottesville. Nevertheless, I knew many of his friends and fraternity brothers, and this story, which one told me, can be vouched for.

Almost everybody at Virginia called him Ed "Stet." Or simply "Stet." People who knew him for years thought this was his real name. Stet had the habit of Virginia of going off on hunting expeditions. He had a place with a couple of caretakers on it not too far from the university, and sometimes he would spend his weekends there.

One day a call came from his home, but Ed wasn't there. Some members of his family had decided to go to Europe, and they wanted to talk with him before they sailed. A friend of Stet got into his car and ran out to this country shooting

place, hoping to find him there. But the caretaker said he hadn't seen "Mr. Stet."

As a matter of fact, it was Monday morning before Stet returned to the university. He gave some vague answer when one of his friends inquired how the shooting had been. Present at the time was a fraternity brother who had made the trip out to Stet's farm in an effort to find him. He knew Ed hadn't been there, and he decided that if Stet had reasons for not disclosing his real whereabouts that was his business.

Quite by chance, some months later, this man was driving through one of the rural mountain districts of Virginia. He came upon a little chapel deep in a glade where the mountain folk worshipped on Sundays. It was a very nice little chapel. It wasn't six months old.

"We're very proud of it," one of the residents confided. "It was a gift. A very named Mr. Stet built it for us and paid every cent of the cost himself."

Well, that was a secret Edward R. Stettinius chose to keep. He never mentioned it even to his friends, probably because he was shy, and doing good turns probably embarrassed him.

But in light of his most recent act—resigning a position that paid him \$100,000 a year in order to aid the country at a time when the country needs capable men—it seems permissible to dig back 15 years and relate this incident that occurred during his student days. It shows that in 15 years Ed "Stet" hasn't changed a bit.

By George Tucker

Hollywood Sights And Sounds

HOLLYWOOD There's been a lot of kidding because Fritz Lang, the ex-continental movie director, is shooting such a typically American subject as "The Return of Frank James." ... The kidders forget that Lang, fresh from Europe, made a movie of American life for his first Hollywood picture—and "Fury" was one of the best vehicles Spencer Tracy ever had. ... Lang rehearsed for his present effort by making an "American wild western" in Germany years ago

—pretty sad, but based on his reading of western history. ... Since he came to Hollywood and became a citizen he has concentrated on the American West as a hobby—so the kidders may eat their words when they see the film. ...

There is concentration at present, almost to the extent of a cycle, on the West's bad men as movie heroes. "The Dark Command," featuring Quantrell, the Kansas desperado; the Jameses (Jesse and Frank); and now the Dalton boys—not even mentioning that "Destry" and "Buck Benny" have ridden again, and that the Cisco Kid rides on. ...

There's no fun in eating broken movie glass any more. ... It used to be made of candy—now they're using resin. ... When you see a bloodied-up actor on the screen, his gore is not make-up, but wardrobe. ... Ragnar Qvale, playing a concentration camp victim in "I Married a Nazi," was being larded with "blood" (collodion) while Burriss Grimwood, the makeup man, stood by. ... Grimwood says there has been a lot of argument over "jurisdiction" in blood matters, but since early movie days the wardrobe, who used to apply the make-up also, have held on to the task, justified by the argument that blood covers the player's clothes as well as his skin. ...

Louise Beavers, the screen's foremost "mummy" until Hattie McDaniel came along, is losing no time getting back into the fray. ... She's the smart maid in "No Time for Comedy," and when William Kelgley feels playful all he has to say is, "Come on, Louise give me that Hattie McDaniel look!" ...

Just as one example of what movie producers are up against on "timely" subjects, there's the re-issue of "Confessions of a Nazi Spy." ... Deemed daring at its original release in April, 1939, the picture is more timely now than any on the screen, especially in view of the "fifth column" scare, and yet it, too, seems rather tame and dated by contrast with actual revelations of oasis infiltration in Norway, Holland and Belgium. They have included newswall shots from the later foreign horrors.

By Robbin Coons

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Eight In CAA Class Make Solo Hops

There were eight fledgling fliers in the local CAA flying course Saturday—and two others were ready to try their wings.

MEXICAN COTTON PICKERS RETURN TO SOUTH TEXAS

MOREHOUSE, Mo., June 18 (AP)—A tense situation created in this district ten weeks ago when about 200 Mexican farm youths were brought here to chop cotton on two plantations, had been eliminated today with return of the Spanish speaking farm laborers to Southern Texas.

Man Is Charged In Attempted Burglary Of Coahoma Store

One of two men surprised by an officer as they were leaving a Coahoma grocery store, early Saturday, was charged with attempted burglary today.

McCasland Adds To Shooting Laurels

L. P. McCasland, crack pistol shot stationed at Big Spring by the state highway patrol, has won a regional contest and is now competing in the police division of state pistol matches at Austin, it was learned here Tuesday.

SAVINGS-LOAN UNIT TO PAY DIVIDEND

Effective June 30, dividend checks will be prepared by the first Federal Savings and Loan Association in the approximate amount of 2,425, it was announced Tuesday.

Odessa Anticipates Great Crowd At Permian Basin Assn. Meeting

ODESSA, June 18—Odessa, "entertainment center of West Texas and New Mexico," is ready to entertain more than twenty thousand visitors at West Texas' biggest "association" convention and oil show in Odessa June 21-22.

U. S. Has Draft Plan Ready For Instant Operation

WASHINGTON, June 17 (AP)—A draft plan that could be put into operation within 30 days if the United States got into war long has been prepared in legislative form, ready for instant consideration by congress if an emergency arose.

Under the program, conscription of men from all walks of life would move along with clock-work precision. At least, army and navy men contemplate no such jams and delays that followed the first draft orders in the World war days.

Right now both the army and navy are particularly desirous of obtaining skilled mechanics and engineers. An enlisted man in the air corps must have at least a high school education.

The selective service plan prepared by army and navy experts is expected to function with "the minimum of disturbance to the economic and social structure of the nation."

Those registered would fall into four groups: 1. Those immediately available for service.

2. Those whose service would be deferred because of the importance of their jobs, which might involve munitions manufacture, food, machinery.

True Patriotism Is Keynote Of City's Flag Day Program



TOP SIDER—Rear Admiral John H. Towers (above) is chief of the bureau of naval aeronautics and shoulders responsibility for expanding the Navy's air fighting arm under the United States' new billion dollar national defense program.

"The test of true patriotism is not merely the evidencing of a fine wholesome sentiment and outward demonstrations of loyalty to country, nor just the pleasant thrill of emotion when the flag is unfurled, nor yet the rising to our feet when the Star Spangled Banner is sung.

These words, uttered by District Judge Cecil Collings in the twilight of a beneficent summer day, were the keynote of Big Spring's Flag Day ceremony, staged Friday evening on the 63rd anniversary of the creation of the Stars and Stripes.

Judge Collings was the last speaker on a 40-minute program, ably planned by T. C. Thomas and R. R. McEwen and their comrades in the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

And similar sentiments were sounded by Jas. T. Brooks, who presided as master of ceremonies for the open-air program on the courthouse lawn, and who voiced the need of Americans to provide adequately for their defense.

"We pray that no American boy will ever have to fight again," said this overseas veteran of the first World war, "but if he does, we must give him as good weapons as any other nation possesses."

The program was preceded by a brief downtown parade, in which service clubs and scout units participated, along with the Legion and VFW members who formed a color guard for the Stars and Stripes which led the review.

The largest flag in the parade, incidentally, was one of such date that it bore only 45 stars. It was contributed for use by Mrs. J. O. Tamsitt, and was made before the states of Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona had entered the Union.

CCC WILL ENROLL 100,000 NEW MEN

WASHINGTON, June 17 (AP)—The Civilian Conservation Corps announced today it would begin enrolling 100,000 men July 1. They will replace men who have left to accept jobs.

Nine-Year-Old Girl Wins \$100 Check In A Slogan Contest

A nine-year-old Big Spring girl is \$100 richer because of originality in a slogan contest. She is Dilna Biggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Biggs, 605 State Street. Dilna was notified Monday that she was a winner in a "last line" contest sponsored by a milling company and the recipient of a \$100 check.



PREPARED—With the threat of Italian intervention increasing tension in southeastern Europe, Premier Refik Saydam (above) assured his people by radio that the Turkish army was "ready to repel any aggression from any side."

Sees No Hike In Pensions

There is little ground for hope that a \$6 cut imposed on old age assistance recipients last October will be restored with completion of loan repayments in September, Marjorie Whiteaker, district supervisor for the department of public welfare, said Tuesday after studying bulletins from the state office.

Should revenues, which fluctuate, gain in the autumn, the state board saw reason for hoping that some addition could be made to checks.

Materials Ordered For Mattress Work

Orders covering materials for 220 mattresses were dispatched from here Monday as agricultural leaders closed out applications for mattresses for low income farm families.

KNIFE VS. ROCKS

Producers' Interests Stressed In New WTCC Declaration Of Policy

The voice raised in support of and producers by the West Texas chamber of commerce at its annual convention in Big Spring is echoing throughout the section with release of a declaration of policies by the regional organization.

The release is in two sections: the declarations of the Big Spring convention, and a brief summary of the long range policies of the organization previously adopted.

Mrs. Little Is Found Dead

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Comfort Little, 88, who was found dead in her bed at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Campbell, 1711 Young street, early Monday morning, were held at the Ebenezer chapel at 3 p. m. Tuesday.

Hail Does Damage In Knott Sector

Big Spring was washed by cooling showers again Thursday evening, but the total precipitation gauged at .08 inch at the airport weather bureau—still was insufficient to offset drought conditions.

Tex Rankin Cancels Abilene Air Show

Defense developments have necessitated postponement of an air show that had been scheduled in Abilene for next Sunday.

PEOPLE ASKED TO STOP DUMPING CANS ALONG THE ROAD

Howard county commissioners court Monday issued an appeal, coupled with a warning, to the public to refrain from using the Lovett's Lane (road connecting E. 11th street and old highway No. 1) as a dumping ground.

NEW SUPERVISOR FOR LIQUOR BOARD HERE

Work has been started on removal of all telephone lines from Third street through the city.

CITY WILL SEND ENTERTAINERS TO ODESSA MEETING

Big Spring will be well represented by entertainment at the Permian Basin association convention opening Friday in Odessa.

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County Shows Increase In Population

An increase in population while the number of farms was falling off rapidly during the last 10-year span is the picture for Howard county as presented in new figures of the 1940 census, released Friday by A. G. Bearden, district supervisor.

His preliminary totals showed Howard county population was up a little better than 4 1/2 per cent—from 22,888 in 1930 to 23,950 in 1940. This was in the face of an eight per cent population decrease for the city of Big Spring.

Table showing population increase for Howard County from 1930 to 1940, broken down by district.

Table showing population increase for Howard County from 1930 to 1940, broken down by farm population.

4-H CLUB GIRLS' TOUR IS PLANNED

Plans are being completed this week by Lora Farnsworth, county home demonstration agent, and local demonstrators for a tour to various 4-H club demonstrations on June 26.

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The Event You've Been Waiting For

Signal for a surge of men and women from all over the country! Today we announce a reduction on beautiful A.M.F.Co. fashions you love to wear. With vacation travel in mind, the opening of the summer season everywhere, preparations for college next fall—you may now choose complete wardrobes from our collections of wearing apparel reduced for the first time! Even current summer clothes have been reduced for the first time. Shoes, hats, lingerie, suits, ties, belts and many other items are now bargain-buys. The values are so remarkable, so opportune, we urge you to come in at once . . . for summer and early fall stand bys, or that special costume you have admired.

TOMORROW AT 8:30

## Women's Dresses

Lucky You . . . If you've waited until now to buy your vacation apparel!



## MARKETS

### Wall Street

NEW YORK, June 20 (AP)—Neither war nor peace bulletins inspired buyers in today's stock market and quotations generally pointed lower.

Dealings seldom were fast enough to keep the ticker tape warm. Transfers for the five hours approximated 600,000 shares. Home business news, on the other hand, remained favorable, and the lightness of selling was viewed as cheerful. Last week's freight loadings were up more than seasonal to a new 1940 top.

### Cotton

NEW YORK, June 20 (AP)—Cotton futures closed 5 to 19 points lower.

Open	High	Low	Last	
July	10.38	10.40	10.15	10.15-16
July	10.62	10.62	10.49	10.39N
Oct.	9.48	9.67	9.42	9.42-44
Dec.	9.35	9.51	9.26	9.26-28
Jan.	9.20	9.20	9.14N	
Mar.	9.04	9.20	8.97	8.98
May	8.90	9.04	8.84	8.83N

### Livestock

FORT WORTH, June 20 (AP) (USDA)—Cattle salable 1,100; total 1,200; calves salable 700; total 800; market: All classes generally steady; two loads cake on grass steers 8.28; odd lots common steers 6.00-7.00; common and medium yearlings 5.00-8.00; two loads good heifers averaging 775 lbs. 9.50; and one lot 810 lb. steer yearlings 9.75; cows 4.50-6.50; canners and cutters 8.00-4.25; bulls 4.50-5.75; good and choice slaughter calves 8.00-9.50; common and medium 6.00-7.50; culls down to 4.50; few choice stock steer calves up to 11.00.

Hogs salable 300; total 600; steady to 5 cents higher than Wednesday's average; top 6.45; bulk good and choice butchers scaling 170 lbs. upward 5.40-5.45; medium grade lots 5.30 downward; good and choice 140-160 lbs. 4.50-5.25; thin feeder pigs at 3.50 down; packing sows 4.00-4.50.

Sheep salable and total 1,500; most of the run medium grade offerings; general steady; few spring lambs 7.00-8.00; feeder sorts 5.00-6.00; medium slaughter yearlings around 2.50; feeders 4.00-5.00; 2-year old wethers 4.00-4.50; aged wethers 3.00-3.50.

### Duke of Windsor Headed For Spain

CANNES, France, June 19 (AP)—(Delayed)—The Duke of Windsor left his Riviera residence by automobile today headed for Spain. The American-born duchess already had departed.

The duke had been in the south of France since late May, after leaving his post as liaison officer between the French and British armies.

With the duchess, he was staying at their villa at Cap d'Antibes, near Cannes.

Officials in London denied, however, that he had left the army and, on June 8, said he was visiting French troops on the nearby Italian border and would return shortly to "the headquarters of his mission." The "mission" was not explained.

### FAMILY OF DOGS NEED GLASSES

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, Calif. Ed (Flapjack) Bradburn, rancher and veteran showman, has four dogs that need glasses if any dog ever did.

The mother, Goofie, is so cross-eyed that the pupils of her eyes are clearly visible on each side of her face. She has three pups, now a year old. One is cross-eyed and the other two are wall-eyed. All four animals, says Bradburn, are "lighter than most."

### TENNIS COURTS AT PARK PUT IN SHAPE

Two tennis courts, located at the south end of the city park and ball field, have been reworked and are now ready for use once more. B. J. McDaniel, city superintendent of operations, reported Wednesday.

A pair of new courts, located east of the museum building, has been topped and fence is being erected. McDaniel estimated that the new courts would be ready for use by Tuesday.

CHICAGO, June 20 (AP)—Federal Judge James H. Wilkerson announced today he would sentence M. L. Ansenberg on June 28 for income tax evasion. Ansenberg, former head of a vast racing news business, pleaded guilty to having evaded more than \$1,000,000 in federal income taxes for 1938.



## Men's Suits

22.50 Values	18.75
25.00 and 26.50 Values	19.75
27.50 Values	21.75
29.50 Values	22.75
32.50 Values	24.75
35.00 Values	26.75

No Charge for Alterations

## Men's and Boy's Slack Suits

2.95 Values	1.95
3.50 - 3.95 Values	2.95
5.00 Values	3.95
6.95 - 7.95 Values	5.45
8.95 Values	6.95

## Men's and Boy's Sport Shirts

1.00 Values	69c
1.65 Values	1.15
2.00 Values	1.65
2.50 Values	1.85

## Men's Shirts

Easy, Few Styles Manhattan	
1.00 Values	1.65
2.50 Values	1.85

## Men's Straw Hats

2.00 Values	1.65
2.50 - 2.95 Values	1.85
3.50 - 3.95 Values	2.95
7.50 Panamas	4.95

## Men's Gladstone Bags

12.00 Values	9.85
17.00 Values	13.95
27.00 Values	19.95
32.50 Values	26.95

## Men's - Boys' Slacks

2.00 - 2.50 Values	1.65
2.95 Values	1.95
5.00 - 5.95 Values	3.95
6.50 Values	4.95
7.50 & 8.50 Values	5.95

## Men's - Boys' Swim Trunks

1.00 Values	79c
1.65 Values	1.15
2.00 Values	1.65
2.95 Values	1.95
3.95 Values	2.95

## Friendly Sport Oxfords

5.00 - 5.50 Values	\$4
7.50 Values	\$6

## Kayne Wash Suits

1.65 Values	2.00 Values	2.95 Values
1.15	1.65	2.25

## Women's Shoes

Johansen — Red Cross — Trip-A-Long . . .	
Blacks, Whites, Combinations.	
Values to 8.75	3.00
3.95 - 4.50 Sport Oxfords	3.00

—Table Shoes \$1—

# 5.

Lot—  
Men's Sport Belts  
1.00 - 1.50 Values  
**50c**

Lot—  
Men's Suits  
Values to 35.00  
**15.**

Lot—  
Silk Panties  
Values to 75c  
**35c**  
3 Pr. 1.00

Gordon Silk Hose  
70c Values  
1.25 Values  
**59c**  
**79c**

Values To  
13.95

# 8.

Values To  
17.75

# 12.

Values To  
22.95

# 15.

## Women's Coats

12.95 Values

# 8.

22.50 Values

# 15.

29.75 Values

# 19.

39.75 Values

# 23.

## Women's Hats

1.95 Values	79c
2.95 Values	1.00
5.00 Values	1.79
7.50 Values	3.00

## Women's Skirts

4.00 Values	2.95
5.95 Values	3.95
6.95 Values	4.95

## Sweaters

1.00 Values	79c
1.95 Values	1.59

## Women's Purses

.95 Values	1.39
2.95 - 3.95 Values Whites Excluded	1.89

## Women's Blouses

1.95 Values	1.59
3.95 Values	2.95
4.50 Values	3.29

## Costume Jewelry

1.00 Values	69c
1.95 Values	69c

## Women's Gloves

1.95 Values	1.29
1.00 Values (Silk)	59c

## Pick-Ups

Tea Towels— 7 and 12 for	1.00
Bath Towels— 20x40—5 for	1.00
Picnic Baskets— Fitted	1.00
Bath Sets— Commode Cover, Bath Mat	1.00
Bed Tray— Pastel Colors	1.00
Scissors and Shears	1.00

Drop-O-Door  
Clothes  
Closets  
Moth Proof  
**2.98**

## Yard Goods

89c Muslin - Pique - Swiss—Now	28c
49c Skip-A-Line Prints—Now	28c
69c Krusette - Clipper Crepe - Rayon Taffeta—Now	49c
95c White Crepe - Shark Skin - Beauty Sheer—Now	49c
1.39 Allover Lace—Printed Crepe and Sheers—Now	89c
1.59 - 1.69 Allover Lace—Printed Sheer—Now	1.29

All Remnants Choice—10c - 25c

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